

Making Relief Rates.
 One of the great grain-producing States of the Union is Kansas. Under normal conditions it sends enormous quantities of grain to other States. About four years ago the weather completely reversed this situation, causing a failure of the corn crop; Kansas had to buy corn for its own consumption from Iowa, Illinois and other favored regions, in order that its cattle might be fed and put upon the market. Low emergency rates were promptly established, and the remarkable spectacle was presented of corn moving westbound in large quantities to Kansas. On another occasion, when the weather went to the other extreme, with the result that the corn crop was unusually large and the price unusually low, Nebraska farmers had to accept a price below the cost of production. To afford relief to those farmers, the Nebraska railroads and their eastern connections made a temporary reduction in rates that gave the farmers 50 per cent more for their corn.—Century.

Pale, Thin, Nervous?

Then your blood must be in a very bad condition. You certainly know what to take, then take it—Ayer's Sarsaparilla. If you doubt, then consult your doctor. We know what he will say about this grand old family medicine. Sold for over 60 years.

This is the first question your doctor would ask: "Are your bowels regular?" He knows that daily action of the bowels is absolutely essential to recovery. Keep your liver active and your bowels regular by taking laxative doses of Ayer's Pills.



Doing Her Best.
 "Be mine," he cried; "your answer 'Oh, make it letters three,' 'I'll do the best I can, sir,' 'She answered, 'N41?'"
 —Philadelphia Press.

5 PER CENT GOLD BONDS
 Why accept a lower rate of interest from savings banks when we own and offer for sale \$20,000 of the \$1,000,000 issue of the Mount Hood Electric Co., (Portland, Ore.) 20 year Gold Bonds, paying 5%, secured by a First Mortgage on \$2,000,000 worth of property. Safest investment available. Write for particulars, THE BANK OF AMERICA, San Francisco, Cal.

London women who wish to excite compassion when begging by having a young baby with them can hire the necessary article for 12 cents a day.

A Guaranteed Cure For Piles
 Bleeding, Itching, Protruding Piles. Druggists are authorized to refund money if PAIN-EXPELLER fails to cure in 6 to 10 days.

The daily wage for skilled labor in Italy is, for masons, 55 to 70 cents; masons, 50 to 60 cents; carpenters, 50 to 70 cents, and cotton workers, 30 to 50 cents.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

We are often asked, Why does Hood's Sarsaparilla effect so many cures of cases that seem to be almost beyond the reach of medicine?

The answer is this, that this great medicine is enabled by the peculiarity of its formula to produce results unapproached by any other medicine, this peculiarity consisting in the balanced combination of the very best specifics for the blood, liver, kidneys, stomach, and bowels, namely, for the blood, Sarsaparilla, Stillingia, Yellow Dock; for the liver, Mandrake, Dandelion; for the kidneys, Uva Ursi, Juniper Berries, Pipsisewa; for the stomach, Gentian, Wild Cherry Bark, Bitter Orange Peel; for the bowels, Senna, Mandrake and Dandelion.

Sold by druggists everywhere. Get a bottle today. Usual form, liquid, or new form, tablets, 100 Doses One Dollar

A Deadly Tide.
 A Philadelphia girl was recently overtaken and drowned by the incoming tide on the west coast of France. A transplanted Breton said of this fatality:

"Can you, who see your own tides crawl in at the rate of ten feet or so an hour, imagine tides racing like wild white horses up that flat sands at the rate of half a mile a minute?"

"The extraordinary flatness of our Breton coasts gives us these phenomenal tides. The sea does not rise and fall. It appears and disappears. You have a vast and flat plain of sand. At a set hour the sea rushes in, white, wild, submerging this vast plain. At a set hour an unseen hand sucks the waters back—thirty, forty, fifty miles—and nothing is visible but the plain of pale sand again.

"Woe is unto such as walk on this desolate plain when the tide begins to rise, for they must drown! Nothing can save them."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Easy Enough.

"Well," pondered the new answer-to-correspondents editor, "I wonder how to answer this. Here's a subscriber who wants to know what's a good thing to take ink stains out of white flannel."

"That's easy," replied the sporting editor, "a pair of scissors."—Philadelphia Press.



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And He Still Was Happy.

"Had lots of trouble this year?"
 "Oh, yes—but we was born to it."
 "Sheriff levied on your crop?"
 "Oh, yes—but that was 'cordin' to law."

"An' lightning' burnt your house down?"

"Yes; but ever since then I've been shoutin' hallelujah that it didn't hit me."
 —Atlanta Constitution.

Great Britain and Ireland export every year about \$25,000,000 worth of linen goods, of which one-half is shipped to the United States.



Dark Outlook.
 Tom—I told Miss Gotrox last night that she was the light of my life.
 Jack—Well, what then?
 Tom—Then the light went out.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney and Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists 75c.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 25c trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 331 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Source of Information.

Green—Thicknut is without a doubt the most ignorant man I ever met.
 Brown—Poor fellow! I suppose his ignorance is due to the fact that he shaves himself.

Green—What has that got to do with it?
 Brown—Why, if he were shaved by a barber every morning he would soon know it all!

GEN. WILLIAM BOOTH.

Commander of the Salvation Army and a Great Philanthropist.
 Public sneers and ridicule, then contemptuous tolerance, then timorous patronage, and at last enthusiastic commendation from the greatest religious leaders and political rulers of the world have marked the recognition of the work of Gen. William Booth, the greatest practical philanthropist of this age.

He who attempts to lift the fallen has more than the weight of the fallen themselves to contend with—the far more cruel resistance of established custom and prejudice. But it is a fixed law of God that every effort for the uplifting of humanity shall, in spite of all opposition, have good result somewhere, sometime, whether we understand or not.

The two and a half million converts and the 8,000 branches of the Salvation Army in forty-seven countries are a tremendous accomplishment for a single lifetime.

But it is not all. At the age of 76, and after sixty years of labor at the head of the Salvation Army and the Christian Mission, out of which it grew, General Booth has crowned world-wide philanthropy with the greatest of all practical philanthropies, in the movement to establish the poor of the cities on the vacant lands of the earth, where they may find food, purpose, health, hope, and become independent and good citizens.

The doctrine of the "landless man to the manless land" was not an inspiration. It was the result of long study and investigation of conditions. Mr. Booth was a Methodist minister



GENERAL BOOTH.

In his early years, and it did not take him long to discover that there is a great class of people that the regular churches cannot reach. He took religion into the streets and slums.

But he observed, too, that religion alone cannot cure poverty and misfortune and ignorance, which form great social cesspools in all large cities and cause most of the woes of humanity. The treatment of these diseases in a practical way is the crowning purpose of his life, and his method wherever tried proved successful.

What ultimate, complete success may mean for the happiness of the world is more than the imagination of man can grasp. Here is the Christianity that does things. Here is the greatest practical Christian of our times.

The central fire of his character is simplicity. His soul is one white, steadfast flame of devotion to one sole end, and this flame burns up the irrelevant chaff and dust and debris which choke the spirits of men who are interested in themselves.—Des Moines Daily News.

ANOTHER GOVERNOR WITH A PROMINENT "LID."

The newly inaugurated Governor of Ohio, John M. Pattison, has attracted national attention by announcing that there will be a tight "lid" in Ohio during his term. He says that all laws against the saloons and vice must be



GOV. JOHN M. PATTISON.

enforced by officials all over the State. The order means that gambling must be abolished wherever it exists and that saloons must close every midnight and all day on Sundays. This hits the city of Cincinnati particularly hard, because there saloons have had a free rein.

Her Spelling.

Towne—You've got a new typewriter girl, I see.
 Browne—Yes.
 Towne—Is she bright?
 Browne—Well, I don't know whether it's intentional, but she seems to be a female Josh Billings.—Philadelphia Press.

Why are baldheaded men so sensitive about the hair they do not possess?

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought



A sunny temper glids the edges of life's blackest cloud.—Guthrie.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Some Big Oysters.
 The usual size of the shell of an oyster is three to five inches, but away back in Tertiary times there were oysters in California that had shells thirteen inches long and seven or eight inches wide. The animal and shell doubtless weighed fifteen or twenty pounds, since the shells were five inches thick. These oysters have long been extinct, but their fossil shells are abundant. If the oyster farmer could produce individuals of such enormous size now, and the flavor were good in proportion to its size, we would be most fortunate. In that case a single oyster would be enough for one stew at the church festival.—St. Nicholas.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
 Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. K. W. GROVE'S signature on each box. 25c.

Perfectly Suitable.
 Clymer (to valet)—Now, John, when the guests are here to-night I shall call you Jean.
 Valet—Very well, sir; and what shall I call you?
 "Oh, you blockhead—"
 "Very well, sir; anything you say."
 —Famille-Journal.

Temperature of the Bath.
 Opinions differ as to the relative merits of a cold or a hot bath. The individual constitution must be consulted. Medical authority maintain that children and elderly persons ought never to bathe in water below 70 degrees F. Where cleanliness is the main object the water should be from 72 degrees to 98 degrees. Where the bath is to serve as a powerful stimulant, as in cases of illness, it should be from 98 degrees to 115 degrees.—Washington Star.

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In Other Words.
 Her—I wonder why Solomon never referred to any of his wives.
 Him—He did. He said "Vanity of vanities; all is vanity."

BLOOD POISON THE BLACK FLAG

The black flag is an emblem of horror and dread. When it is hoisted by an army, the order has gone forth that "no quarter" will be given, everything must be destroyed. Helpless women and children, as well as opposing soldiers, meet the same fate, and a trail of desolation, suffering and death is left behind. Contagious Blood Poison is the black flag of the great army of disease. This vile disorder is known as the blackest and most hideous of all human afflictions, overthrowing its victims and crushing out the life. It is no respecter of persons; no matter how pure the blood may be or how innocently the disease is contracted, when this awful virus enters the circulation the hideous, hateful and humiliating symptoms begin to appear, and the sufferer feels that his very presence is polluting and contaminating. Usually the first sign of the disease is a little sore or ulcer, but as the blood becomes more deeply poisoned the severer symptoms are manifested, the mouth and throat ulcerate, the glands in the groins swell, a red rash breaks out on the body, the hair and eyebrows come out, and often the body is covered with copper-colored spots, pustular eruptions and sores. In its worst stages the disease affects the nerves, attacks the bones and sometimes causes tumors to form on the brain, producing insanity and death. Not only those who contract the poison suffer, but unless the virus is driven from the blood the awful taint is handed down to offspring, and they are its innocent victims. Blood Poison is indeed a "black flag." Mercury and Potash, so often used, never can cure the trouble. These minerals merely drive the symptoms away for awhile and shut the disease up in the system, and when they are left off it returns worse than before. This treatment not only fails to cure blood poison but eats out the delicate lining of the stomach and bowels, produces chronic dyspepsia, loosens the teeth and frequently causes mercurial rheumatism to add to the patient's suffering. S. S. S., the great vegetable medicine, is the conqueror of this vile disease. It goes down to the very root of the trouble and cures by cleansing the blood of every particle of the poison. S. S. S. does not hide or cover up anything but clears the entire circulation of the virus and puts the system in good healthy condition. It cures safely as well as certainly, because there is not a particle of mineral in it. We offer a reward of \$1,000.00 for proof that S. S. S. is not purely vegetable. When the blood is purified and strengthened with this great remedy the symptoms all pass away and no sign of the disease is ever seen again; nor is there left the least trace to be handed down to posterity. Special book with instructions for self-treatment and any medical advice desired will be sent without charge to all who write.

Several years ago I had blood poison and my flesh was in an awful condition. Great sores would break out and nothing I put on them would do any good. My hair and eyebrows fell out and I was "a fright." My mouth was so sore I had to live on milk and water. I took Mercury for a long time and instead of getting better I continued to grow worse and my arms and hands became solid sores. My legs were drawn so I could not walk and I felt that my time was short here if I did not get some relief. I began to use your S. S. S. and it helped me from the start. After taking it awhile the sores all healed, my rheumatism was cured and to-day I am a strong, well man. It got all the mercury out of my system and it cured me sound and well. **ADAM SCHENABEL, Evansville, Ind. No. 211 Mary St.**

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