

For the Children

To succeed these days you must have plenty of grit, courage, strength. How is it with the children? Are they thin, pale, delicate? Do not forget Ayer's Sarsaparilla. You know it makes the blood pure and rich, and builds up the general health in every way.

The children cannot possibly have good health unless the blood is in proper condition. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine for giving small children pure blood. It is a vegetable, sugar-coated, and does not injure the stomach.

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Ayer's
HAIR VIGOR,
AGUE CURE,
CHERRY PECTORAL.

We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines.

Flogging in English Prisons.

Flogging is still allowed in English prisons as a punishment for mutiny or violence, but recently published statistics make it doubtful whether even in these extreme cases corporal punishment serves the purpose for which it is intended. It is shown that since the number of prison offenses for which flogging was allowed was reduced in 1888, the number of offenses against prison discipline has decreased from 147 to 131 per 1,000 prisoners, while there has been an increase in the number of those offenses for which the "cat" is still the penalty.

No Use.

"Do you notice what a lot of women are going in for science?"
"Yes, my wife's got the fever, too."
"What's her line?"
"Mechanics. She's an inventor."
"Indeed? What has she invented?"
"Why, she's just perfected a stair step that makes me register the time I get home in the morning as soon as I put my foot on it."
"Can't you beat it some way?"
"It's no use. She's always awake any way and waiting for me on the upper landing."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MAKE NO MISTAKE

TOWERS' FISH BRAND

OILED CLOTHING will give you complete protection and long service. You can't afford to buy any other. Every garment guaranteed.

The best dealers sell it.

What's the Bill Good For.

On the car the other morning I happened to hang by the strap next to Bimmelstein's. Between begging pardons of and granting pardons to my near neighbors, I managed to read a few paragraphs in my newspaper. One of them told of a remarkable find by a Nipper expedition of the University of Pennsylvania. It was nothing less than a well preserved and thoroughly authenticated tailor's bill nearly 5,000 years old.

Since Bimmelstein himself is engaged in the clothing business, I thought he would be interested in this ancient relic, so I told him about it, but the story seemed to make no impression on him.

"Hang it, man," said I, "don't you understand? It's a tailor's bill almost 5,000 years old."
"Well," he answered, "not iss it good for? Dey can't collect it!"—Brooklyn Eagle.

No Settlement There.

"Mrs. Splash has gone into settlement work."
"I know one person who wouldn't believe it."
"Who's that?"
"Her dressmaker."—Detroit Free Press.

Not a Bargain.

"But, surely, Miss Roxley knew when she accepted the count that he was worthless."
"Yes, but he proved to be twice as worthless as she thought him."
"How was that?"
"She thought she was going to get him for a million, but he cost her two million."—Philadelphia Press.

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. F. J. Cheney & 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.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Bargain-Counter Encounter.

One of the shops in town has been selling fur goods at a reduction since Christmas, says the Washington Post. Ever so many people responded to the call of the advertisement. One of those persons was a tall, commanding looking woman, with a determined ring in her voice. She paused beside a tableful of muffs and neck pieces, and began to discuss them with the saleswoman. She looked at this muff and then at that, and at length her eyes fell on a mink muff lying at a little distance from the others. She picked it up and looked at it disapprovingly.

"You don't mean to tell me you expect anybody to pay good money for a thing like that, do you?" she demanded.

There was a faint exclamation from a woman whose back had been turned at that moment. She snatched the muff from the hands of the commanding looking woman. There was not a word spoken, but for the space of ten seconds I fully expected the two to take their corners, and I was prepared to put my money on the woman who owned the muff.

A Sensitive Canine.

Baxter—That dog of yours is not a full blooded Boston terrier, is he?
Bixby—Hush, old chap, don't let him hear you. He thinks he is.—Woman's Home Companion.

HAD TO USE A CANE.

Weakened Kidneys Made an Elwood, Ind., Man's Back Give Out.

R. A. Pugh, transfer business, 2020 North B Street, Elwood, Ind., says: "Kidney trouble kept me laid up for a long time and when I was able to be up I had to use a cane. I had terrible backaches and pain in the shoulders. The kidney secretions were dark colored. After doctoring in vain, I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. Three boxes cured me entirely, and I am glad to recommend them."
Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Somewhat Different.

Miss Elderleigh—How perfectly shocking!
Youngbach—What's perfectly shocking?
Miss Elderleigh—Why, didn't you see old Wedderleigh kiss that doll-faced Miss Penchly just now? He kissed her as affectionately as if she had been his wife.
Youngbach—Oh, much more affectionately than that. I should say he kissed her just as if she wasn't his wife.

No Mistake.

The editor was apologizing over the telephone for an annoying typographical error in his paper.

"In our account of the meeting at which you were chairman last night, colonel," he said, "we tried to say, 'following is a detailed report of the proceedings,' but it appeared in print, as perhaps you have noticed, 'following is a detailed report,' and so forth. Mistakes of that kind, you know, will—"

"It may have been an accident," interrupted the man at the other end of the wire, "but it wasn't a mistake. You sidetracked most of the report."

"Clinging" Recollections.

"I'll slap that reporter," growled old Weston Nurox over the morning paper.

"Why, popper," replied his daughter, who had her coming-out reception the night before. "I thought he wrote me up real nice."
"But he spake of ye as wearin' some soft clingin' material, an' that reminds me too much of the time I was tarred and feathered out in Montanny."—Kansas City Post.

INGERSOL'S OLD HOME

PEORIA, ILL.



NOW THE HOME OF
LEWIS' SINGLE BINDER

Dealers supplied by their jobber or direct from Frank P. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Mark Twain's "Ad."

In his early Hartford days Mark Twain took an active interest in baseball in common with most of his fellow citizens. While attending an exciting game he lost a gold-headed umbrella, which he advertised for in the local papers somewhat after this fashion:

"Lost—\$10 reward; a gold-headed umbrella was lost by the undersigned on the grandstand at the baseball ground on Saturday. It was probably stolen from him while he was engaged in cheering the Hartfords for their victory over the Providence nine—presumably stolen by a red-headed, freckled-faced boy about 12 years old. For the body of the boy and the umbrella delivered at my house on Farmington avenue \$10 will be paid. For the body of the boy or the umbrella separately \$5 for either. For the boy alive, nothing under any circumstances." This advertisement was signed with his full name and address.

Up to a few years ago it is said only seven patents on umbrellas had been issued in the United States in ten years, this despite the fact that the annual production of umbrellas in this country is close to 15,000,000, according to the American Inventor.

The ribs and the stem of an umbrella are generally made in factories having a specialty of these items, and are sent thence to the real manufacturer. Here, first, the parts whose work it is to assemble, the man inserts a bit of wire into the small holes at the end of the ribs, draws them together about the main rod and puts on the ferrule.

In cutting the cloth seventy-five thicknesses or thereabouts are arranged upon a splitting table, at which skilled operators work. In another room are a number of girls who operate hemming machines. A thousand yards of hemmed goods is a day's work for one of these girls. The machines at which they work have a speed of some three thousand revolutions a minute.

After hemming, the cloth is cut into triangular pieces, with a knife as before, but with a pattern laid upon the cloth. The next operation is the sewing of the triangular pieces together by machinery.

The covers and the frames are now ready to be brought together. In all there are twenty-one places where the cover is to be attached to the frame in the average umbrella.

The handle is next glued on and the umbrella is ready for pressing and inspection. By far the greater number of umbrellas to-day are equipped with wooden handles. A large variety of materials may be used, however, such as horn, china, bone, agate, pearl, ivory, silver and gold. Gold and silver quite naturally enter into the construction of the more expensive grades of umbrellas, some of which, in price, have been known to bring as high as \$150 to \$200. A wooden handle may likewise be expensive, depending upon the quality of the wood used. Ebony, perforated wood, fir, oak and elder are well known to the umbrella man—15,000,000 umbrellas a year.

The umbrella has been developing rapidly during the last few years. We pick up even a cheap one nowadays, press a button and the top spreads itself like an eagle ready for its flight. We are going away and an ordinary umbrella is too long to put in our grip. We find among our assortment of umbrellas and parasols one that is meant for just such an emergency, and which, in a most accommodating manner, folds up to suit the size of our traveling bag. Other new ones lock with a key. Some spread their shade over eight or nine feet of territory and manufacturers aver that these are only a few of the improvements which we may expect.

TRUTH COMES OUT.

Him—They say that kissing a man without a moustache is like eating an egg without salt. Do you believe it?
Her—Really, I don't know. You see, I never—
Him—Be careful, now. Don't tell a fib.
Her—I never ate an egg without salt.

Catarrh

Is a constitutional disease originating in impure blood and requiring constitutional treatment acting through and purifying the blood of its radical and permanent cure. The greatest constitutional remedy is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

In usual liquid form or in chocolate tablets known as **Sarsatabs**, 100 doses \$1.00. Nasal and other local forms of catarrh relieved by Catarrhals, which allay inflammation and deodorize discharge. 50c.

Not Liked.
"How do you like your new next door neighbor?"
"Don't like him at all. He's a contemptible fellow. Instead of owning a lawn mower that I could borrow he has his grass cut by contract."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

India's area is a little more than one-half that of the United States.

W. L. DOUGLAS

\$3.50 & \$3.00 Shoes
BEST IN THE WORLD

W. L. Douglas's \$4 Gift Edge Shoe cannot be equalled at any price.



SHOES FOR EVERYBODY AT ALL PRICES.
Men's Shoes, \$5 to \$15.00. Boys' Shoes, \$2 to \$10.00. Women's Shoes, \$4.00 to \$10.00. Misses' & Children's Shoes, \$2.00 to \$10.00. Try W. L. Douglas's Women's, Misses' and Children's shoes for style, fit and wear—they excel other makes.

If I could take you into my large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you how carefully W. L. Douglas shoes are made, you would then understand why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater value than any other make.

Wherever you live, you can obtain W. L. Douglas shoes. His name and price is stamped on the bottom, which protects you against high prices and inferior shoes. Take no substitute. Ask your dealer for W. L. Douglas shoes and insist upon having them.

Fast Color Eyelets used; they will not wear brass.

Write for illustrated Catalog of Fall Styles.

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There is only One Genuine-Syrup of Figs,

The Genuine is Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

The full name of the company, California Fig Syrup Co., is printed on the front of every package of the genuine.

The Genuine-Syrup of Figs—is for Sale, in Original Packages Only, by Reliable Druggists Everywhere

Knowing the above will enable one to avoid the fraudulent imitations made by piratical concerns and sometimes offered by unreliable dealers. The imitations are known to act injuriously and should therefore be declined.

Buy the genuine always if you wish to get its beneficial effects. It cleanses the system gently yet effectually, dispels colds and headaches when bilious or constipated, prevents fevers and acts best on the kidneys, liver, stomach and bowels, when a laxative remedy is needed by men, women or children. Many millions know of its beneficial effects from actual use and their own personal knowledge. It is the laxative remedy of the well-informed.

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PRICE FIFTY CENTS PER BOTTLE



A curious butterfly exists in India. The male has the left wing yellow and the right one red; the female has these colors reversed.

A Good Record.

Out of all the external remedies on the market we doubt if there is one that has the record of that world-renowned porous plaster—Alcock's. It has now been in use for sixty years, and still continues to be as popular as ever in doing its great work of relieving our pains and aches. It is the remedy we all need when suffering from any form of ache or pain resulting from taking cold or over-strain. Alcock's Plasters are sold by Druggists in every part of the civilized world.

LINCOLN'S WEAPON.

How He Employed Ridicule for His Client's Benefit.

Wit and ridicule were Lincoln's weapons of offense and defense, and he probably laughed more jury cases out of court than any other man who ever practiced at the bar.

"I once heard Mr. Lincoln defend a man in Bloomington against a charge of passing counterfeit money." Vice President Stevenson told the writer. "There was a pretty clear case against the accused, but when the chief witness for the people took the stand he stated that his name was J. Parker Green, and Lincoln reverted to this the moment he rose to cross-examine. 'Why J. Parker Green? What did that J. stand for? John? Well, why didn't the witness call himself John P. Green? That was his name, wasn't it? Well, what was the reason he didn't wish to be known by his right name? Did J. Parker Green have anything to conceal, and if not, why did J. Parker Green part his name in that way? And so on. Of course, the whole examination was farcical.' Mr. Stevenson continued, 'but there was something irresistibly funny in the varying tones and inflections of Mr. Lincoln's voice as he rang the changes upon the man's name; and at the recess the very boys in the street took up the slogan and shouted 'J. Parker Green!' all over the town. Moreover, there was something in Lincoln's way of intoning his questions which made me suspicious of the witness, and to this day I have never been able to rid my mind of the absurd impression that there was something not quite right about J. Parker Green. It was all nonsense, of course, but the jury must have been affected as I was, for Green was discredited and the defendant went free."

Training of Another Worm.

Mrs. Vink-Senn—The idea of a man chewing gum! What would you think of me if I kept my jaws wagging continually with a chunk of gum between them?
Her husband—That would be a great deal better, my dear, than the use you generally make of them.

Anything But a Joke.

"These alleged jokes about the summer girl who gets engaged just for fun," remarked the sad-eyed passenger as he let a comic walk real to the door of the car, "make me feel weary."
"What's the answer?" queried the hardware drummer.
"I met that kind of a girl last summer," explained the sad-eyed party, "and thinking the joke compilers knew their business, I got engaged to her."
"Well?" said the h. d., as the other paused to light his pipe.
"But instead of acting according to the dope sheet," continued he of the sad optics, "she jumped the hurdle and married me about the time the leaves began to turn."

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

Pope's Income Is Big.

It is impossible to fix the exact income of the Pope, because the sources by which his settled income is largely augmented are subject to great fluctuation. Such is the annual subsidy called "Peter's pence," and the year from all parts of the world. It is thought probably by authorities who have the best means of judging that, taking one year with another, the average annual income of the Pope cannot fall short of \$3,000,000.

Urgent Need of Information.

The learned traveler had delivered his great lecture on the manners and customs of old Japan.

"And now," he said, in conclusion, "I shall be pleased to answer questions pertaining to any peculiarities of this interesting people upon which I may not have touched in my discourse."
"Professor," eagerly asked a young married woman in the audience, "what do the Japanese do to plum juice, to make it sell?"

Difficult.

In a spirit of bravado the defeated pugilist went to a photographer's to have his picture taken.

"You can retouch the mouth so as to make it look natural, can't you?" said his trainer.
"I don't know about that," answered the photographer, dubiously. "Suppose you ask him to open his mouth a little, so I can tell just where it is located."

HOWARD E. BURTON, ASSAYER and CHEMIST.

Leadsville, Colorado.
Specimen prices: Gold, Silver, Lead, \$1; Gold, Silver, 75c; Zinc or Copper, 50c. Cyanide Tests, Mailing Envelopes and full price list sent on application. Control and Umpire Work solicited. Reference: Carbonate National Bank.

Good Idea.

"I have many beautiful thoughts," said the long-haired boarder, who imagines he is a born poet, "that I propose to give to the public in the near future."
"That's a good idea, young man," growled the fussy bachelor. "It's a cinch you could never induce the public to buy them."

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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 cures 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.

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