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Mrs. Ellen Elliott, of Rockdale, Pa., is the possessor of a freak chicken. The fowl is half chicken, half owl, and shows little signs of life, except at night, when it makes a peculiar, incessant howl. It has the owl's curved head and hooked beak; also the large, staring eyes. When the chick walks its feet overlap each other, as if walking a chalk line.

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**What's the Use?**

First Murderer (tearing his hair)—I shall go mad!

Second Murderer—What's the matter, old man?

First Murderer—Matter? Matter enough. I've no show of being acquitted unless I'm proved insane, and here the prosecution has gone and retained all the alienists whose testimony will have any weight.

Second Murderer—Well, if that's so, what's the use of going mad?—Puck.

## HOLD UP! and consider



Ready for Business.

She had called to consult a fashionable physician who was famous for his way-up prices.

"Pardon me, doctor," she began, "but do you ever take anything off for cash?"

"Certainly, madam," replied the M. D. "What would you like taken off—a hand or a foot?"

**I'd Like to Know.**

"These modern novelists are certainly a hair-brained set," said Mrs. Jefferson Judd.

"What now?" mildly inquired Mr. Judd.

"Why, I've read a dozen of 'em where it is said of the hero, 'He smoked his cigarette doggedly,' and who ever heard of a dog smoking those pesky, stinking cigarettes?"—Kansas City Star.

**A GREAT OUTSIDE REMEDY.**

Most pains are of local origin—a "crick" in the back, a twinge of rheumatism, a soreness all over arising from a cold—are all cured by outside applications. The quickest, safest and most certain method is Alcock's Plaster, known the world over as a universal remedy for pain. They never fail, they act promptly, they are clean and cheap. You can go right ahead with your work while the healing process goes on. Sixty years' use has given them a great reputation.

**Perjures Herself to Shield Man.**

In an effort to save her brother-in-law, H. A. Driggers, from jail, Mrs. Jane Hawkins, of Houston County, Ala., swore before the United States Commissioner at Troy that she owned and operated a moonshine still captured from Driggers and others. Her statement availed nothing, as the man was adjudged guilty.

The still was captured in a remote section of the State after a hard ride, and the woman insisted on taking the long journey for the trial. She did everything she could to shift the blame from the man, but failed.

**How's this?**

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., TOLEDO, O.

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## OLD BOOK PROVES VALUABLE.

Sacred Burmese Work of Centuries Ago Was Soldier's Loot. In the possession of E. J. Oxley, of Ferguson Falls, Minn., city, is a Burmese book of exceeding value, says the New York World. It is about eighteen inches in length, and the leaves are two and a half inches in width and much thicker than ordinary paper. Fastened together they make a volume about five inches thick. The leaves are sections of palm leaf, paper being unknown until centuries after this particular book was made, and the characters are delicately cut into the leaves, so that there is no such thing as fading.

The book was given Mr. Oxley by Sergeant Fred Stokes, of the English army, who took it from a Burmese temple in the English-Burman war of twenty-five years ago. Mr. Oxley, who is himself an Englishman, had occasion to visit his native land, and Sergeant Stokes made him a present of the book as he was returning to America.

The sergeant had taken a small Burmese god from the same temple, and the temple and village were then burned by the soldiers. Neither he nor Mr. Oxley regarded the book as anything more than an ordinary curiosity at the time the present was made.

The first intimation that Mr. Oxley had as to its real value was given him by a Burmese lecturer to whom he showed it a few months ago. The man on seeing it, bluntly told the owner that he never came by any such book as that honestly; that it could not be held as private property in Burma, and that it was kept sacred and never handled except by the higher orders of the priesthood. He stated that it had taken one man a lifetime to carve the curious characters, and that the book was at least 6,000 years old. He offered Mr. Oxley \$200 for it, but he had already told him too much about it and the offer was promptly declined. He then offered \$400 and this offer was also declined.

The lecturer, before leaving town, told some friends that the book would sell for several thousand dollars if it were offered to the right person. Local ministers and others have had some of the leaves photographed and are sending them to the Smithsonian institution at Washington and to Eastern scholars with a view of having them translated.

The lecturer, who wished to purchase the book, stated that it was the only one of its kind in America, and probably the only copy of that particular section of what may be termed the Burmese scriptures, in existence.

## ORPHEUM.

The program for the coming week at the Orpheum is headed by the well-known comedy pair, John Hyams and Ledia McIntyre, in a clever sketch, entitled "Two Hundred Wives." Where he got them and what he does with such a multiplicity of blessings is a problem whose solution furnishes many hearty laughs. Hoelder and Palfrey, comedians, use the bicycle as a medium for raising the laughs. They are eminently successful in doing this, and at the same time demonstrate great skill in handling the silent steed. Julius Steger and Company, in their artistic musical dramatic playlet, "The Fifth Commandment," remain another week. The reception given them this week places it beyond comparison with any act of similar character that has ever been produced here. Kathrine Nugent in her clever imitations completely won this week's audiences, and will repeat her success next week. Chas. Serra, equilibrist, the Three Leightons, and Mile, Daria will also be seen again. The Orpheum Road Show, the big event of the year in vaudeville, is promised for the week of January 7th.

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Buster Brown, with Tige, Mary Jane, father, mother, grandma and all the other familiar friends of the Sunday supplement, and then some, comes to the Grand Opera House for the week commencing Sunday, December 30th. Last year it was found necessary to give extra matinees to accommodate the crowds that were determined to see and hear Buster, and the play is bigger and better this year than last. With forty people in the cast, including Tige, and more pretty girls than ever appeared in any musical comedy before in Los Angeles, there ought to be amusement for the grown-ups as well as the youngsters, and children should not fail to bring their parents to this greatest of all musical comedies.

## Red in the French Uniform.

Once more there is a demand in France for the invention of some more martial uniform than the baggy red pantaloons of the infantry soldier. In his autobiography Sir Henry Ross mentions the fact that the red color of these breeches was the result of an official desire artificially to foster the cultivation of the madder plant in France.

But madder has been superseded by coal tar dyes, the madder industry is in a bad way, and the pantaloons are colored with artificial dyes from Germany. Another memorial of the fulfillment of displacements wrought by coal tar dyes is the cactus that was so freely planted in the Canary Islands to support the cochineal insect. The insect is out of date, but the cactus remains, in place of more profitable crops.—New York Globe.

## That's So.

"An Italian chemist who is 75 years of age and expects to be 150 says the secret of longevity is to never take a bath."  
"I guess he is right."  
"But you bathe."  
"I know it. But look at the American hobo; he never bathes and he never dies except when a train runs over him."—Houston Post.

## What Cigar Terms Mean.

Of every hundred men who profess anxiety for the quality of their cigars owing to the Cuban rebellion, scarcely one could, if put to it, interpret the meaning of the various words which are stamped on the lid and sides of a cigar box. These are not mere fancy names, but terms actually descriptive of the cigar. On the lid is the name of the cigar, as Pedro Murias, Villa y Villa. The front of the box describes the shape and size, as Conchas, Reina, Regalias, which state the shape, and Perfecto Infantes, Princesses, which signify the size. These may be combined as Conchas Speciales, Conchas Finas, to state both shape and size.

At the back of the box, where the lid turns over, is stamped the quality of the cigar—Superfina, Fina, Flor, Superior and Bueno, being the terms in the descending scale. The color of the cigar is declared on the right-hand side or end of the box. Claro signifies the lightest colored, Colorado Claro rather darker, Colorado dark, Colorado Maduro darker, Maduro very dark, Oscuro extremely dark, Negro darkest.—London Chronicle.

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

## ANNUAL RECORDS OF FIRES.

New York Has 8,700, Chicago 4,100—Number in United States.

Fire, as a servant, is necessary to the life of man, but when it escapes from its captivity and obtains the upper hand it more than avenges itself upon its sometimes puny master. In this respect Americans are especially unfortunate. Old World cities have been building their houses of stone for many centuries.

In the United States, however, it has been the custom to put up whole blocks of wooden structures in the smaller cities and towns. Now buildings of stone and steel are taking the places of the old fire-traps and in the larger cities the danger from fire is being materially reduced. Still, when one glances over the following figures which we quote from the Fireproof Magazine, it will be seen that the annual loss from fires may well be regarded as appalling:

New York averages 8,700 fires a year; while Chicago nearly equals it, in proportion to her population, with 4,100.

The average record in this country is three theaters, three public halls, twelve churches, ten schools, two hospitals, two asylums, two colleges, six apartment houses, three department stores, two jails, twenty-six hotels, 140 flats, and nearly 1,600 homes burned up every week in the year.

"We indulged in 45,000 fires last year, some of them wiping out many buildings. We are born gamblers, are we Americans, and seem placidly to take our chances on fire, believing, in all probability, that those chances are somewhat remote.

"As a matter of fact, however, the country over, each family has just one chance in sixty of being burned out some time during the year; not a very long shot, after all."

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## Big Gun Gone Wrong.

The biggest gun in the world, and which, as might be expected, was invented and built in Great Britain, has definitely been declared unsafe, and will go to the scrap heap. As only one of these mammoths was built, and that as an experiment, the loss is comparatively small, even though it is about \$100,000. This gun was constructed to shoot a 16-inch projectile a distance of twenty-one miles, even though it would be impossible ever to hit a mark at such range. The big gun was found to be unsafe after a few firings, and really was as dangerous to our own folks as it was expected to be to an enemy. Twelve-inch guns are likely to be the limit for a long time, and certainly until some gun metal not now known is discovered.—Popular Mechanics.

## Trouble Ahead.

"I see that Vienna sausages must be canned in Vienna and French sardines in France."  
"Yes, but there's going to be trouble there if they insist that Turkish cigarettes must be made in Turkey."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Each of Germany's eight colonies, except Samoa, receives a subsidy greater than the revenue it yields.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

## Slaves at the Last.

Like Patrick Henry, I've always said I'd never be a slave; I'd sooner die for Liberty And fill a patriot's grave.

My wife, she, too, has always been For Liberty a stickler; The very latest brand at that. On this point she's particular.

I well recall when we were wed; Would she obey? Not she! No such vows she would ever make In this age of Liberty.

Times change! For now, alas, I find, No longer are we free; We're both ruled by a tyrant bold— His age is "coming three!" —Bohemian Magazine.

## POWER OF THE NAVY.

Nonprofessional Mind Finds It Hard to Realize Strength.

Figures seem essential to convey to the nonprofessional mind an adequate conception of the stupendous power for aggression or for resistance concentrated in twelve battle ships, four armored cruisers, four protected cruisers, four monitors and a dozen torpedo boats and torpedo-boat destroyers, besides submarines and auxiliary craft, says Harper's Weekly. It must here suffice to say that the twelve battle ships alone which were massed off Oyster Bay represented a combined displacement of nearly 154,000 tons; the armored cruisers, almost 55,000 tons; the monitors and protected cruisers, more than 32,000 tons, and the whole fighting fleet, including the torpedo boats and submarines, but excluding auxiliaries, an aggregate displacement of upward of 244,000.

Relatively powerless and insignificant as the torpedo boats may have looked, the truth is that if one of them, the Wilkes, could get near enough to such a floating fort as the battle ship West Virginia and spit a torpedo out of her tube in the right direction, \$6,000,000 would go up in the air and 800 men would be food for fishes. We may add, in order to refute some groundless accusations, that the cost of the naval review, imposing as the pageant looked, was negligible. The cost was computed by Rear Admiral Evans at \$300 all told; for, as he pointed out, so long as a ship is in commission, it is just as cheap for her to be at anchor off Oyster Bay as to be steaming across the ocean.

The number of murders per million population is 5.13 in England, 5.45 in Germany, 11.55 in France, 15.42 in Austria, 79.11 in Italy and 44.70 in Spain.

## All Humors

Are impure matters which the skin, liver, kidneys and other organs cannot take care of without help.

Pimples, boils, eczema and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, bilious turns, fits of indigestion, dull headaches and many other troubles are due to them. They are removed by

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

In usual liquid form or in chocolate tablets known as Sarsatabs. 100 doses \$1.

## You Have Seen Them.

First Flat Dweller—Those people over there are always kicking on the meals.

Second Ditto—Then why don't they move?

First Flat Dweller—They're the kind that would rather kick than eat.—Detroit Free Press.

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## Many a True Word.

When, a few years ago, someone in an idle jest worded an advertisement for a housemaid saying that the advertiser would and could give "references" we all laughed and thought it too funny to be true. But it was prophetic. Recently in the newspaper of a suburban city an advertisement appeared for a cook and a housemaid and the one in want of the servants added in a manner unmistakably meant to be persuasive "first change in ten years." But who among us feels like laughing now? Rather it is sobering in its effect upon us, since it but tells in one more way a story that is vexing and perplexing thousands of housekeepers in the State.—Boston Transcript.

## Unkind.

The Playwright—Didn't I see you in your seat some time after the final curtain fell?

The First Nighter—Yes, the usher forgot to come around and wake me up.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Much the Same.

"What," queried the romantic maid, "is as sweet as love's young dream?"

"Oh, any other brand of taffy, I imagine," replied the matter-of-fact man.

# CONTAGIOUS BLOOD POISON

## NO LIMIT TO ITS POWERS FOR EVIL

Contagious Blood Poison has brought more suffering, misery and humiliation into the world than all other diseases combined; there is hardly any limit to its powers for evil. It is the blackest and vilest of all disorders, wrecking the lives of those unfortunate enough to contract it and often being transmitted to innocent offspring, a blighting legacy of suffering and shame. So highly contagious is the trouble that innocent persons may contract it by using the same table ware, toilet articles or clothing of one in whose blood the treacherous virus has taken root. Not only is it a powerful poison but a very deceptive one. Only those who have learned by bitter experience know by the little sore or ulcer, which usually makes its appearance first, of the suffering which is to follow. It comes in the form of ulcerated mouth and throat, unsightly copper colored spots, swollen glands in the groin, falling hair, offensive sores and ulcers on the body, and in severe cases the finger nails drop off, the bones become diseased, the nervous system is shattered and the sufferer becomes an object of pity to his fellow man. Especially is the treacherous nature of Contagious Blood Poison, shown when the infected person endeavors to combat the poison with mercury and potash. These minerals will drive away all outward symptoms of the troubles for a while, and the victim is deceived into the belief that he is cured. When, however, the treatment is left off he finds that the poison has only been driven deeper into the blood and the disease reappears, and usually in worse form because these strong minerals have not only failed to remove the virus from the blood but have weakened the entire system because of their destructive action. S. S. S. is the only real and certain cure for Contagious Blood Poison. It is made of a combination of healing blood-purifying roots, herbs and barks, the best in Nature's great laboratory of forest and field. We offer a reward of \$1,000 for proof that S. S. S. contains a particle of mineral in any form. S. S. S. goes down to the very bottom of the trouble and by cleansing the blood of every particle of the virus and adding rich, healthful qualities to this vital fluid, forever cures this powerful disorder. So thoroughly does S. S. S. cleanse the circulation that no signs of the disease are ever seen again, and offspring is protected.

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## Has to Do It.

"You must believe in special providence," gasped the man in the back seat of the new \$10,000 automobile, as the machine fairly flew along the boulevard. "I do," chuckled the chauffeur. "Don't you see how everything turns out for the best?"—Chicago Tribune.

## The Moment Female.

"I'll be ready in a minute, dear."

"All right; I'll go down to my office and run over some papers I forgot today while I'm waiting. It will take me only an hour."—Baltimore American.

## Stealing a March.

"Hang it all!" exclaimed Mr. Subbs, arriving home from the office. "we'll have to call on the Dubleys to-night."

"Why, George, you said you wanted to stay home with me in comfort to-night," exclaimed his wife.

"Yes, but Dudley told Balklotz he and his wife meant to call on us to-night. We can leave their house earlier than we could make them leave ours."—Philadelphia Press.

The question of alien immigration is now far more serious to London than it ever was in California.

# Many who formerly smoked 10¢ Cigars now smoke LEWIS' SINGLE BINDER STRAIGHT 5¢ CIGAR

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

## In the Interests of Truth.

"I want to know," said the attorney for the plaintiff, who was cross-examining the witness, "just what the defendant said when my client told him he was a bigamist, and that the facts had been found out?"

"He didn't say anything," answered the witness.

"Well, what did he do?"

"He acted kind o' hasty."

"I want to know exactly how he acted."

"Want me to show you?"

"Yes."

The witness suddenly reached over, grabbed the attorney by the hair, threw him down on the floor, and proceeded to hammer him.

"This is the way he acted," he said, "till the other fellows interfered. Some of you chaps pull me off, will you?"

It was tough on the lawyer, but it won the case for him.

## One is Enough.

Suburbs—I have only one objection to domestics as a class.

Flatleigh—And what is that?

Suburbs—They are mostly "quitters."

## Take No Stock in It.

"Let's see," observed the visitor from abroad, "your most celebrated watering place is Newport, isn't it?"

"No, Wall Street, I guess," was the reply.—Boston Transcript.

## Water for Norseman's Horse.

"You never see a broken-winded horse in Norway," said a horse doctor.

"This is because the horses are allowed to drink while they eat, the same as mankind.

"Our horses, let them be as thirsty as get out, must still eat their dry fodder, their dry hay and oats and corn, with nothing to wash them down. But in Norway every horse has a bucket of water beside his manger, and, as he eats, he drinks also.

"It is interesting to see how the Norwegian horses relish their water with their meals. Now they sip a little from the bucket, now they eat a mouthful, then another sip, then another mouthful, just like rational human beings."

## Slide Lights on History.

Caesar had just crossed the Rubicon for the second time. "I may say," he jotted down, "that I have given it the double cross."

"This is the origin of the expression. Nerves was holding the pens at Thermopylae. 'Ha!' he muttered, 'just like a general passenger agent!'"

Then he witstood another attack.

Of 1,508 cases of typhoid fever in sixteen hospitals last year one in eight died.

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