



**Young women may avoid much sickness and pain, says Miss Alma Pratt, if they will only have faith in the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

Judging from the letters she is receiving from so many young girls, Mrs. Pinkham believes that our girls are often pushed altogether too near the limit of their endurance nowadays in our public schools and seminaries.

Nothing is allowed to interfere with studies, the girl must be pushed to the front and graduated with honor; often physical collapse follows, and it takes years to recover the lost vitality,—often it is never recovered. Miss Pratt says,—

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to tell all young women how much Lydia E. Pinkham's wonderful Vegetable Compound has done for me. I was completely run down, unable to attend school, and did not care for any kind of society, but now I feel like a new person, and have gained seven pounds of flesh in three months.

"I recommend it to all young women who suffer from female weakness."—Miss ALMA PRATT, Holly, Mich.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

**McClure's for April.**  
McClure's for April is fairly stunning in its effect. The first of a series of articles on "The Enemies of the Republic," by Lincoln Steffens, which will consider the misgovernment of states, takes up Missouri and gives the reader a shock he will not soon forget. It is almost paralyzing in its relentless array of fact and logic concerning corruption as a custom, a system, a revolution in government. It is the bribe-giver, not the bribe-taker, who is really responsible for the bad government, Mr. Steffens points out.

**Inset on Getting It.**  
Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

Old Sofas, Backs of Chairs, etc., can be dyed with PUTNAM FADDESS DYES.

A man seldom lets himself loose until he gets tight.

**Why It is the Best**  
is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

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**Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE**  
Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

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W. L. Douglas shoes are worn by more men than any other make. The reason is, they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and have greater intrinsic value than any other shoes.

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Iron or wire, many styles, for residential, church, school, business, farm, estate. Send for catalogue. Champion Iron and Wire Works, OMAHA, NEB.

**Thompson's Eye Water**  
As afflicted with sore eyes, use Thompson's Eye Water

**Labouchere's Numerous Libel Suits.**  
Henry Labouchere, the stormy petrel of British journalism, has just fought his forty-fourth action for libel and he lost, being condemned to pay \$5,000 damages for saying that a certain physician was not duly qualified and that he was a quack. This is the heaviest verdict ever brought against the editor of Truth, but as he is a very rich man, it is possible he thinks the run worth the money. Of the forty-four suits he won nineteen, lost eight, in two the juries failed to agree, five were settled out of court, and ten were withdrawn by plaintiffs who did not care to face trial.

**The April Atlantic.**  
Following are among contents of the Atlantic Monthly for April: Christian Science, The Frenchwoman's Son, An American Primer, Life's Tavern, The Sicilian Highlanders, The Common Lot, The Ethics of Business, Invocation, Lugging Boat on Sowadnehunk, Part of a Man's Life, Some Recent Aspects of Darwinism, Notes on the Scarlet Letter, The New American Type, The Age Limit, An Odd Sort of Popular Book, When I Practiced Medicine, Books New and Old: Byways of Literature.

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**The Only Parlor Left.**  
Here is a story from the veldt. When Joseph Chamberlain traveled to De La Rey's country he found that the only hall available was very small for the audience he wished to address, and accepted De La Rey's offer of "his parlor." When he reached the ruins of De La Rey's house, however, he found a platform built out on to the open veldt. "But where is the parlor?" asked the statesman. "That is the only parlor you have left me," replied the soldier.

With a decent supply of good will any man can be honest on a desert island.

**STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.**  
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Oh, yes, there's any amount of honesty on earth. Honesty that hasn't been used.

It is the interest of every member of the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. to help it along. The Company belongs to the members. The officers are their servants. Each member is only liable for his share of losses and expenses, according to the amount of insurance he carries.

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**B. R. STOFFER, Sec'y.,**  
South Omaha, Nebr.

It is with tears that wives water the sometimes sickly plants of their lords' generosity.

**In the April Century.**  
There will be four color-pictures in the April Century: "The Easter Hymn," frontispiece, by Violet Oakley; "The Easter Bonnet," by Anna Whelan Betts; and drawings, by Maxwell Parrish, of the famous Villa d'Este at Tivoli and the pool of the Villa d'Este. These last two will illustrate, with other drawings in black and white by Mr. Parrish, Edith Wharton's paper on "Villas Near Rome." The woodcut in Timothy Cole's Old Spanish Masters series will be Morales' exquisite "Madonna of the Little Bird." Another notable feature of the issue will be a double-page drawing, by Jules Guerin, of "Easter in Greeley Square, New York City," showing the flower market in its Easter array.

A similarity of tastes in jokes is a great assistant to marital felicity.

The United Mutual Hall Ins. Ass'n is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid \$159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid \$53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid \$200,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, 118 South 10th Street, Lincoln, Neb.

It is sometimes better to stay where you are than to jump at conclusions.

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.**  
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

The spilled milk of human kindness is worth crying over.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. No other brand of cigars is so popular with the smoker. He has learned to rely upon its uniform high quality. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

There is just as much worry over money as over the lack of it.

# NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

## BANKS MAKE GOOD SHOWING.

**Have Million and Three-Quarters More Deposits Than November.**  
Reports of 508 banks of Nebraska compiled by the State Banking board, show an increase in deposits of over \$1,700,000 over the report of last November; the number of depositors has increased over 3,000, and the per cent of reserve has increased from 29 1/2 to 32 per cent. The loans and discounts in the present statements are \$34,952,194.03, while for the November call they were \$34,530,329.29. The total deposits shown by this statement are \$38,777,309.98, while the November statement shows the total deposits to be \$37,073,882.24. The number of banks over the last statement has increased seven; the number of depositors at this time is 119,675, and the November statements show the number to be 116,484. The report is a statement of the condition of the banks at the close of business March 17. It follows in detail:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts secured by real estate (see schedule)	\$ 4,258,159.26
Other loans and discounts (see schedule)	39,694,034.77
Total	\$44,952,194.03
Overdrafts (see schedule)	363,334.17
Bonds, stocks, securities, judgments, claims, etc. (see schedule)	614,778.78
Due from national, state and private banks and bankers (see schedule)	9,769,320.62
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	1,488,700.41
Other real estate	306,576.33
Current expenses and taxes paid	432,810.64
Premiums on U. S. and other bonds and securities	3,885.55
Cash items, not to be included in estimating reserve	89,856.97
Cash	2,533,736.92
Total	\$50,555,293.52
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 8,123,100.00
Surplus fund	1,523,523.60
Undivided profits	1,624,256.61
Dividends unpaid	7,473.66
Total deposits	38,777,309.98
Notes and bills discounted	145,992.69
Bills payable	353,349.12
Total	\$50,555,293.52

## BODY FOUND IN RUINS OF BARN.

**Some Suspicion Victim May Have Been Murdered.**  
GORDON.—Ira C. Diamond, a ranchman living eighteen miles southeast of Gordon, was found buried to a crisp in the ashes of his burned barn. Coroner Lewis of Valentine was notified and an inquest was held, the verdict being that he came to his death by accidental burning in his own barn. The deceased was a man about 60 years of age, quiet and peaceable, and has resided in this vicinity about three years. He was a widower with two grown sons and lived alone upon the ranch.

There is some suspicion of foul play, as it was known that Diamond had fears that his life was in danger, and it is said that a short time ago he was in Gordon consulting an attorney concerning threats that had been made against him.

**Both Hands Shot Off.**  
AINSWORTH.—Sherman Eddy, the fifteen-year-old son of Chris Eddy, living three miles south of here, lost both hands by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. He was resting both hands on the barrel, when it was discharged.

**Find Forger in Canada.**  
YORK.—A message reached Sheriff Brott that Frank Sheldon, wanted in this county for forgery, is under arrest at Petersburg, Ontario. Deputy Sheriff Afterbaugh started for that place for the prisoner.

**Methodist Semi-Centennial.**  
The Methodist State Historical society is making arrangements for the celebration of the semi-centennial of Methodism in Nebraska, to be held in St. Paul's church here June 8 and 9. The program includes Dr. C. B. Mitchell of Cleveland, who will talk on "The Achievements of the Methodist Circuit Rider," and it is expected that Bishop McCabe will be here to speak on the "Debt of the Church to Her Veteran Preachers." A portion of the time will be devoted to a discussion of the experience of the old-time preachers.

**Fortune for Beatrice Woman.**  
BEATRICE.—Mrs. Mary Sisson of this city, widow of the late Dr. William Sisson, received word from New York City that she had fallen heir to \$2,000,000 in Scotland.

**Finds an Old Coin.**  
COLUMBUS.—While counting his cash a few evenings ago George J. Hagel found a silver dollar of the vintage of 1799. It is well-preserved.

**Keeping Within Appropriation.**  
The cash report of the Hastings insane asylum was filed with the secretary of state. The report shows that out of the appropriation for the biennium a considerable over half of it still remains unexpended. The superintendent has spent for salary, board and clothing to date, \$153,596.59, and he has on hand \$188,188.41. During March he spent \$10,796.02. The appropriation for this month was \$14,153.96. For repairs since the beginning of the biennium there has been spent \$9,920, leaving \$78.89.

## THE STATE IN BRIEF.

Lincoln jobbers have effected an organization.

The new Y. M. C. A. building in Chadron has been dedicated.

The village of Virginia, in Gage county, is seeking incorporation.

Geneva is taking steps toward a public park, which is to be one of the most beautiful in the state.

Sherman Eddy, the 15-year-old son of Chris Eddy, living three miles south of Ainsworth, lost both hands by the accidental discharge of a shotgun.

Farmers of York county are wondering if the recent cold weather and storm damaged early sown oats. There is a difference of opinion, some contending that early oats are damaged.

While Fred Martin, hired man on the William Gees farm, was coming to Papillion from work the neckyoke came down throwing Martin out of the wagon. His collar bone was broken.

Daniel Geiselman was probably fatally injured by falling from the freight elevator in his hardware store. An arm was broken, shoulder crushed and skull fractured. While he is conscious his recovery is doubtful.

A revival meeting is being conducted at the M. E. church in Seward. Evangelist J. L. Glascock has charge of the services and they are rendered rather novel by the introduction of instrumental and vocal music by the Beck family who travel with the evangelist.

Word was received at Leigh that Mr. Schultz, a prosperous Bohemian farmer, living fourteen miles southeast, had committed suicide by taking arsenic. No cause was given for the deed. Mr. Schultz has lived on the same farm for years and was considered as a conservative and substantial man.

John Puls, aged 31, was found drowned in a small creek that traverses his father's farm, two miles east of Bennington. He was subject to epilepsy, and is thought to have fallen into the water while in a fit. The water where he was found is not over two feet deep and eight feet wide.

Attorney General Prout has taken a new tack in the Boyd county land case, and as a result the supreme court has granted him permission to begin ejectment proceedings in the supreme court against Alexander Blair and others, who, it is alleged, are unlawfully occupying school lands.

Governor Mickey has issued an extradition warrant for the return of Frank Sheldon from Petersburg, Ont., to York, Neb. This is the first international requisition made by a Nebraska governor in twenty years. Sheldon is wanted for passing a forged check for \$621 on William Otto of Bradshaw.

Plans for the new administration building were approved at the meeting of the board of university regents and it was decided that the building should be placed near the southeast corner of the university campus. It was also settled that improvements amounting to about \$20,000 shall be put in upon the old chemistry building.

At the regular meeting of the board of regents of the state university the following changes were made in the titles of the professors this morning: G. E. Condra from adjunct professor to assistant professor of geology; H. S. Evans from instructor to adjunct professor of electrical engineering; Professor F. H. Frye from assistant professor to associate professor of English language; M. M. Fogg from assistant professor to associate professor of English writing and speaking.

H. D. Nordyke, who since 1870 has been a resident of Dakota City, was taken to Lincoln to be placed in the state asylum for treatment.

Colonel John Halladay, a veteran showman, and for many years owner of Halladay's Colored Minstrel company, is lying ill at the home of his son in Beatrice, suffering from a partial stroke of paralysis. He was brought home from Iroquois, S. D., where he was stricken several days ago.

The reappraisal of school lands, as made under the direction of Land Commissioner Follmer at the request of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, has been completed in forty-nine counties and the report filed with the board. The total number of acres in these counties is 323,208.95. The old value of these was \$623,735.34 new value \$1,776,600.45, making an increase in valuation of \$1,156,865.11. This will increase the rentals to the amount of \$69,395.12. The rentals in Knox county were increased more than in any other, the amount being \$6,659.28.

The State Board of Equalization listened to arguments against the taxation of securities deposited with the insurance department by fraternal insurance companies. Head Consul Talbot of the Modern Woodmen and others spoke. The board took the matter under advisement.

Superintendent B. E. McProud of the city schools will not remain in North Bend for another year. He has accepted an offer from the university at Puget Sound, Wash., to fill the chair of Latin. He will teach that branch exclusively and will have charge of a six years' course in it.

# 'PE-RU-NA TONES UP THE SYSTEM IF TAKEN IN THE SPRING.'

SAYS THIS BEAUTIFUL YOUNG GIRL.



**MISS MARJORY HAMPTON, OF NEW YORK.**

Miss Marjory Hampton, 2616 Third Avenue, New York City, writes: "Peruna is a fine medicine to take any season of the year. Taken in the spring it tones up the system and acts as a tonic, strengthening me more than a vacation. In the fall and winter I have found that it cures colds and catarrh and also find that it is invaluable to keep the bowels regular, acting as a gentle stimulant on the system. In fact, I consider it a whole medicine chest.—Miss Marjory Hampton.

## PURE BLOOD.

**Blood Impurities of Springtime—Cause, Prevention and Cure.**

Dr. Hartman's medical lectures are eagerly scanned by many thousand readers.

One of the most timely and interesting lectures he ever delivered was his recent lecture on the blood impurities of spring.

The doctor said in substance that every spring the blood is loaded with the effete accumulations of winter, deranging the digestion, producing sluggishness of the liver, overtaxing the kidneys, interfering with the action of the bowels and the proper circulation of the blood.

This condition of things produces what is popularly known as spring fever, spring malaria, nervous exhaustion, that tired feeling, blood thickening and many other names.

Sometimes the victim is bilious, dyspeptic and constipated; sometimes he is weak, nervous and depressed; and

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