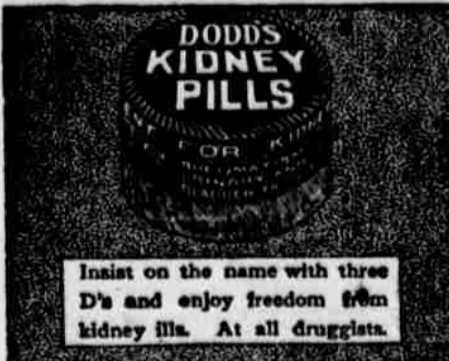


One Box Dodd's Kidney Pills

Relieves Mrs. Frey's Rheumatism

Mrs. Ira Frey, of Le Mars, Ia., suffered for six long months with the agonies of rheumatism. Then she heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills and bought a box. Here is what she writes: "For six months I had rheumatism. I had swelling of the limbs, stiffness in the joints and cramps in the muscles. I suffered greatly from backache. My limbs felt heavy, and I had a dragging sensation across my loins. I had a great deal of pain in the top of my head, was often dizzy and had flashes of light and floating specks before my eyes. I had heart flutterings and could not sleep well. My appetite was fitful and I felt heavy and sleepy after meals. I suffered from shortness of breath. After taking one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills I was much improved."



Insist on the name with three D's and enjoy freedom from kidney ills. At all druggists.

American Dollar Flag

See that, rain proof Tablets, 6 feet long, double-stitched sewed stripes; free delivery by parcel post on receipt of factory price, \$1.00. Including pole, ball and galvanised holder, \$1.50. Good for free catalogue of flags and decorations. We make more and better flags than any other concern in the world. Prices advance before the war. AMERICAN FLAG MFG. CO., EASTON, PA.

One Treatment with Cuticura

Clears Dandruff Soap 25c. Ointment 25 and 50c.



Terrible Loss.

"I cleaned out the cellar today, mum, and the man carried the heap of dirt in the dark corner out in his hands." "Good heavens, Nora, that was my last order of coal, and now he'll make a fortune selling it before we can catch up to him."

BOSCHEE'S GERMAN SYRUP

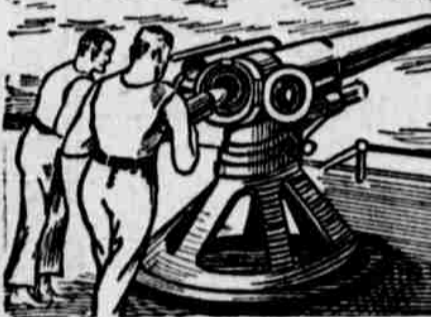
will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting Nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale in all civilized countries.—Adv.

A man who probably speaks from experience says: "When a wife reigns, look out for domestic storms."

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/4 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

By holding her tongue a woman can keep her husband guessing.



Our boys are defending this country on the high seas and on the land. Our own defense against a common enemy is to keep the system clean by ridding the body of the toxins, or poisons, which are bred in the intestines. When you feel tired, sleepy, headachy, when your breath is offensive, or pimples appear on the face and neck, it is time to recognize the danger and protect your bodily health by taking something for the liver such as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

The machinery of the body needs to be oiled, kept in good condition, just as the guns or machinery of a ship. Why should a human person neglect his own machinery more than that of his automobile or his guns? Yet most people do neglect themselves. Their tongue has a dark brown color, skin sallow, breath bad, yet they fail to see that their machinery needs attention.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets have been known for nearly half a century. They are made of May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap, made into a tiny pellet and coated with sugar. They are standard and efficacious. You can obtain them at any drug store in vials for twenty-five cents. Ask for Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets—and get no other!

CHILDREN'S COUGHS

may be checked, and more serious conditions of the throat will be often avoided by promptly giving the child a dose of PISO'S

REASONS FOR COAL SCARCITY

Railroads and Factories Consuming Large Quantities.

New York.—Greater consumption of bituminous coal by railroads and factories are some of the reasons assigned by the federal fuel administration at Washington for the existing fuel scarcity throughout the eastern half of the nation, according to a statement received by the fuel administrator here.

Government estimates of the production of bituminous coal in 1917 were 544,000,000 net tons, an increase of 41,000,000 over the previous year.

The railroads, which are the largest consumers of bituminous coal, increased their consumption in 1917 between 15,000,000 and 20,000,000 tons over that of 1916, while bituminous coal going into the coke industry increased 3,100,000. Among industrial plants the increase was such as to account for about 60 per cent of bituminous coal consumed east of Illinois and north of Maryland. This does not include New England, where the increase was between 14 and 15 per cent.

Studying Ukraine Situation

Washington.—With the opening of the great campaign of 1918 on the western front apparently within sight, military men here are studying with profound interest the situation created by the signing of a peace pact between the central powers and the new Ukraine republic and the decision of the bolshevik Russian government to demobilize the army. Their conclusions are not discouraging. These events, on their face, would appear to set free enormous German forces for the impending battle in the west and also to furnish new sources of food supply for the Teutonic allies, but many factors detract from the advantages the central powers may derive.

One of the threats against the western front dwelt upon in public discussion is the fact that presumably 1,500,000 prisoners of war held in Russia would be released to strengthen the German army.

The fact is said to be, however, that the great majority of the soldiers captured by the Russians are Austrians, not available for western front operations by present indications.

Is Opposed to a Dry Country

Baltimore, Md.—Cardinal Gibbons strenuously denounces the national prohibition amendment, and declares that legislators of the states should not bow to the "fanaticism that seems to be ruling us in this respect."

He declared that some of the lawmakers seemed actuated by cowardice in voting against their convictions for the amendment. The cardinal declared that if the national prohibition bill is ratified commonwealth will lose control of the regulatory powers they now possess as well as the revenues "that rightfully belong to them."

"I feel," said the cardinal, "that if the amendment is ratified there will spring up in all parts of the country illicit stills that will manufacture a low grade of whisky that will do more harm than the good grade is doing. Beer and light wines will pass out of existence, and the man who wants a drink will have to resort to the brand of intoxicant that is made surreptitiously, and we all know what effect that will have on the men of the country."

Amsterdam.—Little trace of enthusiasm is apparent in the German press commenting on the conclusion of peace with the Ukraine. The Berlin Vossische Zeitung, for instance, says: "The young state has placed itself under the protection of our friendship to safeguard its endangered development. This fact creates a breach in the moral right which British and American calumny has surrounded us during the war."

Stockholm.—The Finnish railway authorities at Torneo have received a report that the allied missions have been expelled from Petrograd and that they have already departed. There is no confirmation of this. The American minister at Stockholm, Ira Nelson Morris, has heard nothing to that effect. Great disorders in the streets of Petrograd are reported, with much shooting and looting of supplies.

Washington.—Enforcement of the federal amendment for woman suffrage was voted by the executive committee of the national democratic convention after referendum to the committeemen representing the forty-eight states.

In the executive committee the vote was five to two.

Dedicate Nebraska Gymnasium.

Camp Funston, Kas.—The Nebraska gymnasium was dedicated to the state with appropriate exercises starting with a regimental review by Governor Neville, in the morning, a program in the afternoon consisting of speakers and music by the regimental band of the 334th ammunition train, an organization composed of Nebraskans. The day was a complete success in every respect. The weather was ideal and many Nebraskans were out to camp and enjoyed their visit with Nebraska soldiers.

Frightful Slaughter of Finns.

London.—According to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen a special correspondent of the Berlinische Tidende, who succeeded in escaping from Helsingfors, sends to his paper a wireless report, which was not allowed to pass the Red Guard censorship, in which he says that the Red Guards have made a frightful slaughter of Finnish people and have been plundering and killing in a most brutal manner. A theater and a large number of public buildings in Helsingfors have been destroyed.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 24.

JESUS TEACHES BY PARABLES—THE GROWTH OF THE KINGDOM.

LESSON TEXT—Mark 4:21-34. GOLDEN TEXT—The earth shall be full of the knowledge of Jehovah, as the waters cover the sea.—Isa. 11:9. DEVOTIONAL READING—Isa. 11:1-10. ADDITIONAL MATERIAL FOR TEACHERS—Matt. 13:24-50 (vv. 31, 32); Isa. 23:4; Ezek. 47:1-12; Rev. 21:3-8; 22:27; Chap. 22:14; Rev. 21:14. PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus telling a story about sowing. MEMORY VERSE—Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man.—Luke 2:52. INTERMEDIATE TOPIC—The importance of small beginnings.

Jesus is now revealing to his disciples the kingdom in secret which they were later to reveal in public. Nothing which he now reveals should be hid, and he is also teaching that, if we do not use that what is committed to us, we lose it.

1. Hearing (vv. 21-25). It is an obligation resting upon each of us who has the light of truth that he should so set it before men that it can be seen that men may be enlightened, cheered and served by it (Matt. 5:14-16; Phil. 1:15-16). The secret things of our lives will be brought to light some day. Ears are given with which we are to hear, and possession of hearing involves the responsibility as to what we hear. "The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth" (Rom. 1:16), but believing comes through "hearing" (Rom. 10:17). In this there is a missionary suggestion for our teachers, but there is also a caution as to what and how we hear. "Take heed what we hear." Many today are being swept into all kinds of damning heresies because they do not follow this warning (2 Tim. 3:1-18). Not only are we to be good listeners, but we must be doers as well (Jas. 1:22). This parable of the lamp follows closely upon the parable of the sower in our last lesson. "God, who first created light, and Christ, in whom was life, and the life was the light of men," both together are ones whom we are equally obliged to see, and hear and obey. To impress the duty of this seeing, hearing and using of light upon his disciples, Jesus reminds them of some familiar things. A candle is not placed under a bushel nor under a bed, but on a candle stick, where it may be seen of all. If our virtues go not forth from us, it will be as though we had hidden them from the world. "To him that heareth right shall more be given," (v. 24) but for him that hath not and seeth not, from him shall be taken. He that hath not is he who neglects his opportunities, and "from him shall be taken even that which he hath." In this we see a spiritual multiplication, and also a spiritual subtraction, deterioration.

2. Growing. (1) Secrecy vv. 26-29). This is a parable of faith and hope, found only in Mark. Again the good seed is referred to, but in this case unseen growth receives the emphasis, for the seed will spring and grow up, though we know not how. It is comforting to think that, if we sow the true seed, it grows while we sleep (v. 27). The best selected seed (the holy word) is essential for results. All of our seed must have this silent bring for growth. It is the earth that brings forth the fruit of herself through the energies and powers with which God endows it. These powers are wonderful. We do not understand them, but there is order and symmetry in growth. First the blade, then the ear, and after that the full corn in the ear. Then is the harvest, the purpose of the seed having been accomplished. Mark alone gives us this parable, and it is given in close relation to the parable of the sower and of the wheat and tares. Jesus is the great harvester (v. 29), and knows the right time to reap the grain, the moment when it is "ripe" (v. 29 R. V.). Then he putteth in the sickle.

(2) There is also a marvelous outward growth of the kingdom (vv. 30-32). There is the closest relation between the parable of the mustard seed and the two parables that precede. In Matthew the parable of the mustard seed is used in relation to the kingdom of heaven, which is the sphere of the Christian profession. Here it is used of the kingdom of God, which is spiritual. Why is it used of both? The explanation, according to Doctor Scofield, lies in the fact that the kingdom of God in this age and the kingdom of heaven have this in common, that from an insignificant beginning they had a rapid growth. If the abnormal growth of this common garden shrub illustrates divine increase, why is it not more glorious? There is not here anything like the greatness of the Assyrian and Babylonian empires. (Ezek. 31:3-9; Dan. 4:20-22). Is the significance of the birds good or evil? Great Babylon, the figure of a professing Christian body in guilty connection with the kings of the earth, becomes "a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" (Rev. 18:2). The "mixed" condition of the kingdom of heaven has brought together diverse elements of good and bad.

TURNUED DREAMS TO ACCOUNT

Novellists and Musicians Have Scored Triumphs by Their Remembrances of Dreadful Nightmares.

Nightmares, as well as ordinary dreams, have more than once been turned to profitable use. The famous Mrs. Radcliffe, the great sensational novelist of the early nineteenth century, obtained her "inspiration" for such blood-curdling romances as the "Mysteries of Udolpho" and "The Romance of the Forest" from phantom horrors seen in sleep taken after supping on pork pies.

A remarkable story is told about the production of Tartini's "Devil's Sonata." The musician had made several vain attempts to write a sonata to his own satisfaction, but without result. At last, in a fit of dejection, he retired to rest, and no sooner had he dropped asleep than he fell into a troubled dream in which the devil appeared to him and took up his violin. At first he was in an agony of apprehension lest the fiend should destroy his greatest treasure, but instead the Author of Evil played the most fascinating and weird music Tartini had ever heard. He then implored the devil to write it down, but Beelzebub flatly refused, and went off in such a rage that the musician awoke in a great fright.

But the lilt of the wonderful music was still running in his brain and he leaped out of bed, rushed to his desk and put down all he could recall, which, he always averred, was the worst portion of the wonderful whole. The sonata has ever since borne the name of its true satanic author.

De Quincey is usually called the English Opium-Eater, and he obtained the greater part of his fame from the awful, though often enchanting, dreams that visited him while he lay in the power of the drug. His "Confessions of an Opium Eater" contains some of the masterpieces of prose describing in wonderful language his terrible nightmares.

Pull Hard for Sammie.

B. F. Leavell, a Tipton broker, has a grandson he says is the greatest boy in the world. The chap is about six years old and is Benny Bates, son of Charles Bates, a Tipton business man.

The grandfather was accosted by the boy, who seemed very interested in an incident, and he desired the grandfather's information. He asked Mr. Leavell: "Who was the Kaiser?" The grandparent, in his plainest way, told the youngster, and asked why he was so interested. Benny spoke up and said: "Well, when school was out today a little boy in our primer class threw up his cap and said 'Hurrah for the Kaiser!'" The granddad interrupted and said: "Why, Benny, that was when you should have licked the boy." Benny, in his youthful manner, said: "Oh, granddaddy, I didn't have to. George Elbert did that." George Elbert is a son of George Shortle, another Tipton business man, and the youngsters are both in the primary class and both "pull hard for the Sammie."—Indianapolis News.

Archaeology at Rome.

If one stops to think of it one wonders whether, even at a time when the world seems intent only on war, the astronomer in his watch tower of the skies ever allows his thoughts even temporarily to be drawn away from the wonders of the universe that it is his privilege nightly to behold. However it may be with the astronomer, recently reports of excavations in Rome show that the archaeologist has not been diverted from his loved pursuit and that to him "the grandeur that was Rome" still fills his imaginations and dreams.

As shown in a recent letter in the London Times by Eugene Strong, assistant director, faculty of archaeology, history and letters, in the British school at Rome, archaeological research has been going steadily on in Rome even during the great war, although the work done has been in following up excavations already begun rather than making fresh excavations.

Candy Flowers Newest Love Gift.

The loveliest swain may find an excellent means of expressing his affections in a pretty little gift which combines the sentiment of a bouquet with the practical utility of confectionery. The happy combination is the thought of a Chicago woman, who has assigned her patent rights to a firm of that city, which has already turned out some very attractive "bouquets" of sweetmeats. The sweetmeats are molded in the forms of various flowers which lend themselves to the purpose, and these are wrapped in suitable colored papers, and when arranged in a group they resemble a beautiful floral composition. After admiring them for a while the candies may be stripped of their paper covering and eaten.

Ocean Furnishes New Food.

Intelligent commercial development of a little-known fish for other markets is shown in a new Japanese product, kipper samma. This fish is described by the Pacific Fisherman as a mackerel-pike, and is peculiar to the waters of Japan. A Japanese packing company conceived the idea of putting it up in cans, in kippered or smoked form, and the quality is pronounced so good by experts that it is believed a market can be created in this country.

Swiss on Short Rations.

Under new food regulations, the Swiss people are allowed only a pound of sugar per month per person. The butter ration is one-fifth of a pound per month.

PERUNA—The Greatest Human Vitalizer



Mr. Wm. A. Hartman, 217 1/2 South Second St., Muskogee, Okla., writes: "During the winters of 1897 and 1898, I was so badly afflicted with catarrh of the head and thought I must surely die from it. After trying many doctors and all other recommended remedies made known to me, I was induced to use Peruna. I was cured entirely by using twelve bottles of Peruna and one bottle of Manalin. Since that time, I have never been without Peruna. I use it for colds and as a general tonic during Spring and Fall months and find it the greatest human vitalizer."

Catarrh of Head Thought I Must Die. Now ENTIRELY WELL

Those who object to liquid medicines can secure Peruna tablets.

As Age Advances the Liver Requires occasional slight stimulation.



CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS correct CONSTIPATION

Colorless or Pale Faces usually indicate the absence of Iron in the blood, a condition which will be greatly helped by Carter's Iron Pills

CAMOUFLAGE IN SICK ROOM

Amusing Little Trivialities That Will Tend to Take Invalid's Mind Off His Sufferings.

Anything which will take the invalid's mind off his or her sufferings is indeed a welcome gift. Bear this in mind, if you are planning to send over to the sick neighbor a bottle of grape juice or your home-made wild cherry cordial. By just a little work and some patches you can camouflage that bottle into a comical doll. Tie a petticoat or dress around the neck of the bottle and a shorter cape over that. Tie a piece of kid or cloth over the top of the bottle and mark out features on it with ink. Then top the bottle with a little pastebord toque and you will have a doll calculated to bring a smile to the bluest invalid of your acquaintance.

Other things can be hidden in the same way, even bottles of medicine for children will be better received than if allowed to stand uncovered on the bedside table. Imagine how a little toil will wait for medicine time to come around if the bottle is a little Red Cross nurse and her head comes off in a fascinating manner when the cork is removed.

Really You Couldn't Blame Him. "Mr. Uplate," said the lady, "it is now after ten o'clock. I really cannot keep the breakfast waiting for you so long every morning." "Madam," replied the lazy lodger, with dignity, "if you think I am going to endanger my health by rising before the day is far enough advanced for me to tell whether I shall have to put on my winter flannels or my gauze underwear, you are entirely mistaken."

Not a Source of Danger. Because of the fact that there had been considerable sickness in the neighborhood, Jack was to play with no one but sister while out. Buddy came strolling up to where Jack was playing. "You better go home and play," suggested sister to small Buddy. "Oh, me ain't got nuthin'," replied Buddy.

A Prohibited Feast. Frank—"You look nice enough to eat. Maude—Well, don't forget that this is a meatless day.

Files Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAGO OINTMENT fails to cure itching, blind, bleeding or protruding piles. First application gives relief. 50c.

American apples bring \$8.50 a barrel in Liverpool.

She Couldn't Deny It. Mrs. Flatbush—I heard Bensonhurst say his wife didn't know what she was talking about. You can't say that about me. Mr. Flatbush—Oh yes, I can. "When did you ever hear me talk when I didn't know what I was talking about?" "When you were asleep, dear."

Alfalfa, \$6; Red Clover, \$8; Sweet Clover, \$17; Pedigreed Barley, \$2. J. Mulhall, Sioux City, Ia.—Adv.

For marking tools or other metal objects an electric etching machine has been invented.

Hull, England, in 1916, imported 9,130 tons of hemp.

HEALTH RESTORED Serious Kidney Trouble Was Removed by Doan's and Results Have Been Permanent.

"Kidney trouble put me in a bad way," says Thomas A. Knight, 624 N. Ninth St., East St. Louis, Ill. "It came on with pain across my back and the attacks kept getting worse until I had a spell that laid me up. Morphine was the only relief and I couldn't move without help. The kidney secretions were scanty, painful and filled with sediment."

"I was unable to leave the house, couldn't rest and became utterly exhausted. The only way I could take ease was by bolstering myself up with pillows. For three months I was in that awful condition and the doctor said I had gravel. Doan's Kidney Pills brought me back to good health and I have gained wonderfully in strength and weight."

Sworn to before me, A. M. EGGMANN, Notary Public. ALMOST THREE YEARS LATER, May 24, 1917, Mr. Knight said: "The cure Doan's brought me has been permanent."

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Read the Practical Home Veterinarian. Best for free booklet on Abortion in Cows. If no dealer in your town, write Dr. David Roberts' Vet. Co., 100 Grand Avenue, Waukegan, Ill.

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Work in Joint Effort the Soil of the United States and Canada CO-OPERATIVE FARMING IN MAN POWER NECESSARY TO WIN THE BATTLE FOR LIBERTY

The Food Controllers of the United States and Canada are asking for greater food production. Scarcely 100,000,000 bushels of wheat are available to be sent to the allies overseas before the crop harvest. Upon the efforts of the United States and Canada rests the burden of supply.

Every Available Tillable Acre Must Contribute; Every Available Farmer and Farm Hand Must Assist

Western Canada has an enormous acreage to be seeded, but man power is short, and an appeal to the United States allies is for more men for seeding operation.

Canada's Wheat Production Last Year was 225,000,000 Bushels; the Demand From Canada Alone for 1918 is 400,000,000 Bushels

To secure this she must have assistance. She has the land but needs the men. The Government of the United States wants every man who can effectively help, to do farm work this year. It wants the land in the United States developed first of course; but it also wants to help Canada. Whenever we find a man we can spare to Canada's fields after ours are supplied, we want to direct him there.

Apply to our Employment Service, and we will tell you where you can best serve the combined interests.

Western Canada's help will be required not later than April 5th. Wages to competent help, \$50.00 a month and up, board and lodging.

Those who respond to this appeal will get a warm welcome, good wages, good board and find comfortable homes. They will get a rate of one cent a mile from Canadian boundary points to destination and return.

For particulars as to routes and places where employment may be had apply to: U. S. EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR