

**The Feast of the Butterflies.**  
On the track of a sunbeam shining through  
The blossoming hedge, the wind-carps flew  
As only the trains of the fairies do.

And every butterfly came down  
From Lilac vale to Bluebell town,  
In a velvet bodice and satin gown.

With green leaf plates was the board  
complete,  
With drops of dew for their bread and  
meat,  
And in blue Delft cups the honey-wine  
sweet.

And they only stayed to dance and sup,  
Nor cleared the table of platter and cup;  
For the rain washed all the dishes up.  
—Woman's Home Companion.

**The Chinese Flag.**  
Is a very queer looking affair. It represents the most grotesque of green dragons on a yellow ground. The latter is suggestive not only of the national complexion, but also that of a sufferer from biliousness. To remove this, use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which will speedily regulate your liver and prevent malaria.

**Fancied Attributes of the Rose.**  
The Syrians regard the rose as an emblem of immortality; the Chinese planted it over graves, and in the Tyrol it is said to produce sleep. Rose leaves are sometimes thrown on the fire for good luck. In France and Italy it is believed that rosy cheeks will come to the lass that buries a drop of her blood under a rose bush.

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## STRONG STATEMENTS.

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From Mrs. MELISSA PHILLIPS, Lexington, Ind., to Mrs. Pinkham:  
"Before I began taking your medicine I had suffered for two years with that tired feeling, headache, backache, no appetite, and a run-down condition of the system. I could not walk across the room. I have taken four bottles of the Vegetable Compound, one box of Liver Pills and used one package of Sanative Wash, and now feel like a new woman, and am able to do my work."

From Mrs. MOLLIE E. HERREL, Powell Station, Tenn.:  
"For three years I suffered with such a weakness of the back, I could not perform my household duties. I also had falling of the womb, terrible bearing-down pains and headache. I have taken two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and feel like a new woman. I recommend your medicine to every woman I know."

### Introductions.

Do not presume that promiscuous introductions are agreeable. You should be sure that the parties to be introduced are at least willing to be made acquainted. The person of inferior rank should be presented to those of higher rank; the younger to those of superior age; and gentlemen to the ladies in every case. No extended formula is necessary in introductions. A short, courteous presentation of one to the other is all that is needed. Nor should excessive adulation be indulged, or gushing expressions of pleasure, etc. When a famous person is introduced, a reference to his fame is not out of place.

Because of an introduction, neither party should presume that the acquaintances shall be continued; that must depend on the encouragement in that direction, which either party may be pleased to give. A lady to whom you have been introduced may, at her option, omit to recognize you afterward. This is no discourtesy; it is her proper privilege.

In introducing parties, a formula entirely proper is, "Mr. Webb, permit me to introduce to you my friend, Mr. Carns." Then turning to the friend presented add, "Mr. Carns, my friend, Mr. Webb." Gentlemen bow, and shake hands on introduction. If introduced to a lady, let her make the advance in the handshaking; and whether she extend her hand or not, the gentleman should bow.

Let all handshaking be cordial, but not excessive. A mere extension of a few fingers, or a listless offering of the hand, is as far from the proper act as a grasp that splits a glove, and crushes a lady's hand.

### The Use of Chicory.

Few people are aware of the extent to which chicory is used as an addition to coffee. This vegetable is usually spoken of as an adulterant, and many look upon it as such. It has, however, gained such a foothold in public esteem that housekeepers are buying it and mixing it with their coffee by choice. It is thought to make the coffee richer, and is employed for the purpose and without any consideration for economy. An immense amount of chicory is grown in Nebraska, and the last year's yield is said to be of excellent quality. At one factory 14,000 pounds of finished chicory are turned out every twenty-four hours. This is but one of the large plants in the State. There are contracts with Nebraska farmers for 15,000 acres of chicory, and at Fremont the drying plant is running at the rate of eighty tons a day.—New York Ledger.

### Birds Made to Order.

The Japanese are ruthless in their tampering with nature. If they decide that they want a bird or an animal of a certain shape or color they set about manufacturing the article, so to speak, by the exercise of exceedingly clever ingenuity and waiting patience. Here, for example, is how the white sparrows are produced. They select a pair of grayish birds and keep them in a white cage in a white room, where they are attended by a person dressed in white. The metal effect on a series of generations of birds results in completely white birds.—Rural World.

### The Ill-fated Victoria May Be Raised.

A suggestion has been put forward to raise the ill-fated Victoria, which sank in the Mediterranean with nearly all hands, by means of, with other things, heavy electro-magnets. The successful raising of the vessel would cost nearly \$500,000.

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I never used so quick a cure as Piso's Cure for Consumption.—J. B. Palmer Box 1171, Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25, 1895.  
Jules Schulhoff, the pianist, whose "Galop di Bravoura" a generation ago was heard in every parlor, died recently in Berlin at the age of 73 years.



### Systematic Housework.

No one can accomplish much unless there is real system about their work. Not only will this give more time to accomplish each task, but having less to do each day the work will be done in a better manner. Always have certain days for laundry work; hang all the ironed clothes around the fire till perfectly dry; when folded, always put them that need repairing in one place, and mend them before they are put away for good. Always have certain places on closet shelves, or in drawers, for all clothes, and keep them in good order. Have one day in the week set apart for a good cleaning of the house, sweep and dust well, and with a little care the home may be kept in order all the time. If the sewing is all done at home, as it is in our case, do not make the mistake of sewing some nearly every day, but try to do your summer sewing in the winter or early spring, and winter sewing in the fall. By following this plan you will not always be rushed with your sewing. Always plan the work ahead and you will not always be kept at it; besides, you will find more real pleasure in the work.

### Rhubarb Pie.

Wash the rhubarb and cut off the root and leaf end, but do not peel it, unless very tough, for the pink skin gives a fine color and flavor. If it is a very sour variety, pour boiling water over it and let it stand five minutes, then drain it. Put the rhubarb, cut into inch pieces, into a deep dish, earthen or granite, and sprinkle over it one level cup of sugar to each heaped pint of rhubarb. If you like the syrup thick, mix one level tablespoonful of cornstarch with the sugar. Add also one tablespoonful salt. Cover with a rich pastry crust and bake about half an hour.

### To Milk a Kicking Cow.

By adopting my plan you can cure a cow or heifer of the habit of kicking without touching her. Make a light pair of bars of 3x1/2 inch stuff, then frame 5 or 6 of the same pieces together to form a gate of any desired length, place it between yourself and the cow, having the uprights hinged to joists above or working in a slide so it can be pushed forward or drawn back as needed. Uprights should be about eight inches apart. In a short time the cow will become very gentle.—Albert A. Oberlin.

### Holes in Umbrellas.

One of the fruitful causes of holes in the folds of an umbrella is improper care when it is wet. To roll up a wet umbrella is to invite the dyes to rot it, and one of the banes of the umbrella manufacturer is loaded dye on silk. When over-dyed silks are wet, and the umbrellas rolled and set away, we find the owners complaining that their umbrellas are cracking in the folds. Pine holes appear, and they are apt to return the umbrella to the merchant and claim damages.

### The Farm Home.

The farm is a home—not a place to be lived at to-day and moved from to-morrow, but a home to be improved and beautified—a home where orchards are to be planted, where vines are to be grown, where substantial things are to be constructed, where children are to be born, and fathers are to die. Into the fields come and reap new generations; out of the fields and into the graveyard pass old generations.—Southern Progress.

### Chocolate Caramel Sauce.

Into a clean saucepan put two cups of granulated sugar and one cup of hot water. When the sugar is dissolved boil without stirring until a little dropped in cold water will quickly crisp and snap. Have ready two tablespoonfuls of cocoa dissolved in three tablespoonfuls of boiling water. Add this to the syrup, and boil until, on testing, it is as brittle as before. Take quickly from the fire and serve at once.

### Cheese Rolls.

Into the bread dough, when very light, work a tablespoonful of butter. Make into round cakes with a biscuit cutter. Spread over the tops freely grated cheese; double and bake when very light again. These are particularly nice when small and crisp, and served with salad.

### Hints.

- Keep the yard clear of bones and dirt.
- Flour—Keep cool, dry and securely covered.
- Quicksilver and the white of an egg destroy bedbugs.
- Herbs—Keep in paper bags, tied securely with string.
- Cement made of ashes, salt and water for cracks in stoves.
- Nutmegs—Prick with a pin, and if good oil will appear.
- Brooms—Hang in the cellar-way to keep soft and pliant.
- Keep an account of all supplies, with cost and date of purchase.
- Apples—Keep in a dry place, as cool as possible, without freezing.
- Cranberries—Keep under water, in cellar; change water monthly.
- Dish of hot water—Set in oven, prevents cakes, etc., from scorching.
- Ink-stains—Wet with spirits of turpentine; after three hours rub well.
- Tea—Equal parts of Japan and green are as good as "English breakfast."
- Glassware—Clean with water and ammonia; one tablespoonful to a quart of water.

## A REMARKABLE CASE.

The following case was printed originally in the Monitor, published at Menford, Ontario. Doubts were raised as to its truthfulness, consequently a close watch was kept for two years and the original statement has now been completely verified. Mr. Petch had been a hopeless paralytic for five years. His case has had wide attention. He was confined to his bed, was bloated almost beyond recognition, and could not take solid food. Doctors called the disease spinal sclerosis, and all said he could not live. The Canadian Mutual Life Association, after a thorough examination, paid him his total disability claim of \$1,650, regarding him incurable. For three years he lingered in this condition.



After taking some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People there was a slight change, a tendency to sweat freely. Next came a little feeling in his limbs. This extended, followed by a prickling sensation, until at last the blood began to course freely and vigorously through his body. Soon he was restored to his old-time health. A reporter for the Monitor recently called on Mr. Petch again and was told:  
"You may say there is no doubt as to my cure being permanent. I am in better health than when I gave you the first interview and certainly attribute my cure to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. To these pills I owe my release from the living death, and I shall always bless the day I was induced to take them."  
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### LAW OF THE UMBRELLA.

An Important Opinion that Has Been Ascribed to Lord Coleridge.

The law as to umbrellas was settled once for all by Lord Coleridge in a leading English case. His Lordship held: "Umbrellas, properly considered, are a part of the atmospheric or meteorological condition, and, as such, there can be no individual property right in them. In Sampson vs. Thompson defendant was charged with standing on plaintiff's front steps during a storm and thereby soaking up a large quantity of rain to which plaintiff was entitled. But the court held that the rain was any man's rain, no matter where it fell. It follows, therefore, that the umbrella is any man's umbrella. In all ages rain and umbrellas have gone together, and there is no reason why they should be separated in law. An umbrella may, under certain circumstances—the chief of which is possession—take on the attributes of personal property, just as if a man set a tub and catch a quantity of rain water, that rain water will be considered as his personal belonging while it is in his tub. But if the sun evaporate the water and it is rained down again, or if the tub is upset and the water spilled, then the attribute of personal ownership instantly disappears. So if a man hold his umbrella in his hand it may be considered a personal belonging, but the moment it leaves his hand it returns to the great, general, indivisible, common stock of umbrellas, whither the law will not attempt to pursue it."  
So far as we know there has never been a successful appeal from this decision.—Chicago News.

It costs more to rent injuries than to bear them.

## Does Your Head Ache?

Are your nerves weak? Can't you sleep well? Pain in your back? Lack energy? Appetite poor? Digestion bad? Boils or pimples? These are sure signs of poisoning.  
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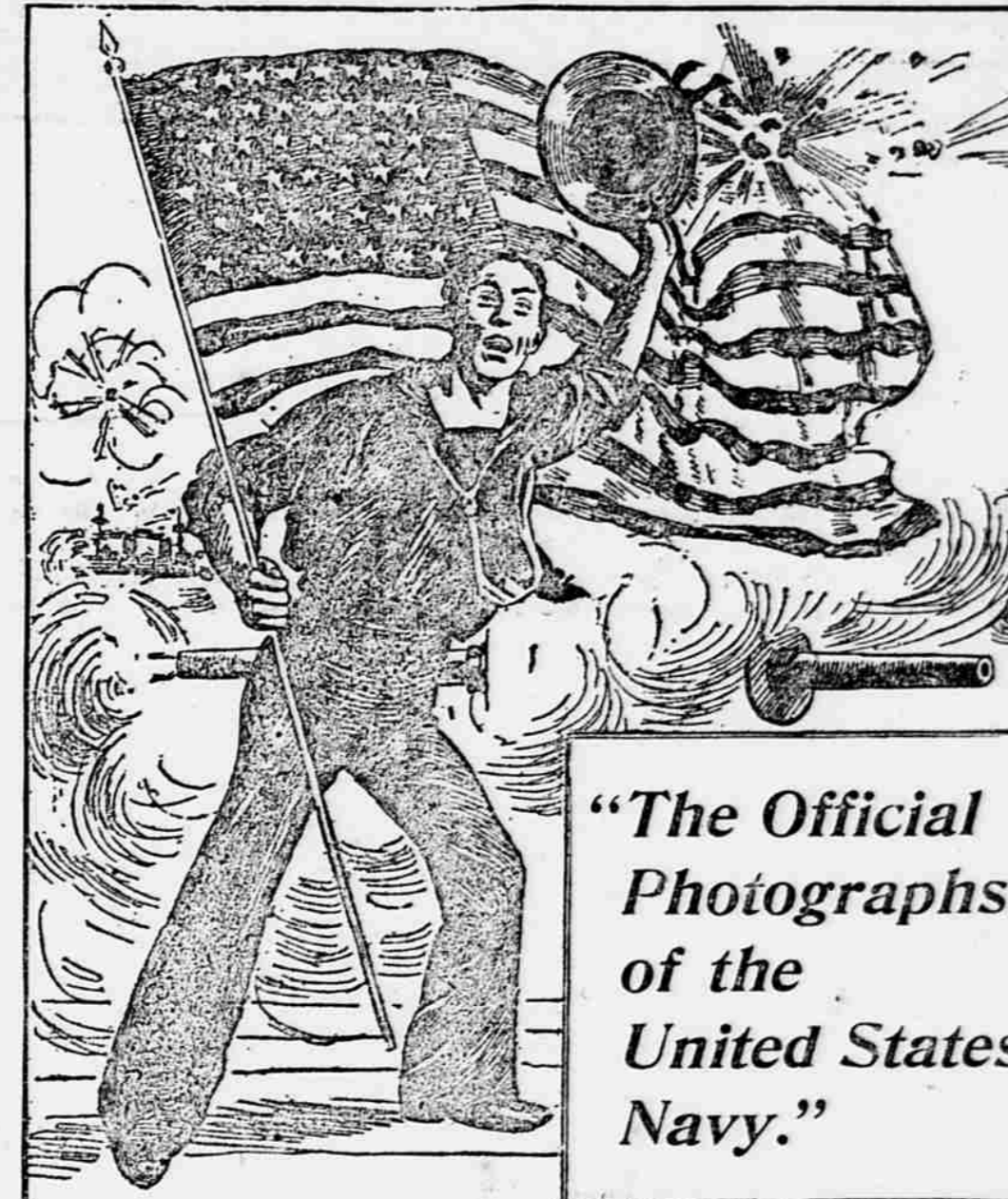


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