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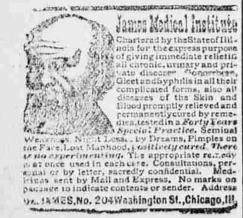
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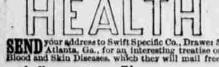
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emporary relief. After seven weeks I was reduced
in weight 35 pounds, had no strength nor appetite
and was growing weaker every day. In this condition
I began Swift's Specific, and in three days began to
improve, and in three weeks I was free from disease
and up attending to my regular business. My appetite returned and I rapidly gained my firsh. I have
waited this long to be certain that my cure was permanent. U. P. Goovean, attorney at Law,
Brunswick, Ga., June 26, 1884.

BONDEAU. Those Christman bills sh, at the sight I start and sudder with affright!

Before they came I was so gay
That I could dance the livelong day; But now my joy is dark as night.

And while my darling takes delight In gifts galore and bambles bright
I wonder haw I'm going to pay
Those Christmas bills?

They come, they come, when money's light, And went their venom, spleen and spite While I, sghast at their array, In vain implore, in angulsh pray That some kind pow'r would put to flight

Those Christman bills! [New York Journal. HONEY FOR THE LADIES.

Knitted petticoats are lined with satin mer Muffs are hung around the neck by a thick

Silver brooches in the form of Edelweiss ar charming novelties.

The well-dressed woman knows not only what to wear but when to wear it. Cold boiled parsnips if dipped into a beaten egg and then browned in butter are very appe-tising.

Stylish and pretty muffs and bonnets are sold en suite, made of cloth and plush, or of velvet, fur-trimmed.

Cleveland's recent reception brought thirty-five trunks to Albany with them.

It would seem that the golden age in millin-ery has arrived, everything in this line being either of gold or trimmed with gold. Black and white lace fans are not very large

known as ziblinette. "All a woman asks is to be loved," says a poet, who is evidently unmarried and does not know that love will not take the place of new On the valless and manufacture of life. bonnets and things.

Skirts with a very deep flounce, arranged at the edge in fan-pleated scallops, and falling over a shell-pleating of white lace, are among the novelties of recent importa-

Velvet and cloth dresses are in much favor at present, and many half-worn cloth dresses are made fresh-looking by adding a velvet front, vest, cuffs and collar. "Velveteen is generally used instead of silk velvet, and for street wear it is just as desirable.

No room is complete without a "dangle board"—that is a small plush-covered panel from which project two or three brass hooks, one of which is sacred to the buttonhook, which is seldom in its place unless it has a regular place assigned to it.

Palmistry is socially popular. It is very easy to learn. A small, soft, baby little hand without the prick of a needle or the faintest suggestion of a steam burn is a sign that the fair owner will not be worth three cents

Good sauce for poultry is made of the liver of the fowl; let it boil until tender, chop it fine, then add to it a teaspoonful of parsley rubbed fine, with a little boiling water poured

Sponge cake that has become dry may be out into thin slices and toasted. It is deli Sponge case that has become dry may be cut into thin slices and toasted. It is delicate and really nice with tea. Slices of stale sponge cake have been browned in the oven and been served to unsuspecting people as Italian rusks and have been eaten with soliah.

Receptacles for bits of white paper are constructed of Japanese parasols, half opened, and held in place by means of a wire run along the inside and a bright ribbon inside—the handle covered with bright satin or velvet fir shed with a cluster of lace-trimmed loops, in which nestles a small stuffed bird of brill-

liant plumage. Parsnips make a good entree if after parboil ng them for half an hour they are taken out of the water, and are put into a dripping pan, with two or three slices of salt pork, with pepper, salt, and sugar sprinkled over them; put them into the oven for twenty minutes,

etting them brown, and become dry. The dainty jewelry most in vogue at present s copied from the Oriental and semi-barbario dels, Moorish and Egyptian designs being held in special favor. Crescents, pendant, exheld in special favor. Crescents, pendants, ex-quisitely jeweled, antique medals depending from gem-studded bangles of Roman gold, Egyptian heads and swinging columns are all equally fasionable. Very broad dog-collars of Rhine stones fastened fine gold chains are worn with lowcut evening corsages, and string pearl are selected for bridal use.

Small potatoes are very nice cooked in this way: Peel them and boil in salted water: do not let them boil until they are soft. Beat one egy, and have ready some fine cracker crumbs; roll the potato in the egg, and then in the cracker, and fry in butter until a light brown, turning frequently, that the color may be uniform; or the potatoes may be dropped into hot lard. In this case, a cloth should be laid over a plate and the potatoes should be drained for a moment in this before sending

them to the table. Beaver, lynx and chinchilla are the three fashionable furs for young ladies and children. Silver fox is of course desirable, but it is too costly for most people. All fur garments and trimmings are greatly reduced in price since Christmas, and will be lower yet next week. They la t for years and may be made overing collars or tippets. Chinchilla fur is much worn by young girls and is very dainty and pretty. Charming little muffs are made out of plush and satin, or velvet and satin mingled with lace. They match the costume, either cloak or dress.

BY BEN WOOD DAVIS. They were lunching, one day, They were lunching, one day,
In a handsome cafe,
And she happened to say,
As she noticed the way
That he and leecream were in unity,
"Can you eat ice cream with impunity?"
And he made the reply,
With a wink of the eye,
"The but Lear with a speen."

"No, but I can with a spoon." But her triumph came soon; As they left the saloon, He gave her an opportunity; And now, Bessie, dear And how, Bessie, dear,
As the weather is clear,
Can you take a walk with impunity!"
Her smile was as bright as the moon,
And deliciously shy
Came the mocking raply.

"No, but I can with a spoon."

PEPPERMINE DROPS.

"A soft answer turneth away wrath." Th doesn't apply to the use of the telephone, where a soft answer generally begetteth wrath at the other end of the line.

An Indiana husband who is seeking a di-vorce claims that his wife scalded him with hot tea on eighty-one different occasions. There are some patient men in this country. "He that runs may read," especially if he runs to Canada. If he doesn't run he may runs to Canada. If he doesn't run he may not be able to read how the bank is getting on in his absence. They have a way in the stone house of discouraging one's thirst for current news.—[Boston Transcript.

An old poker player of Idaho City remarked the oth r day as he was rising from the table after a session lasting three days and nights: 'Pil be eternally hornswaggled if I can tell whether this is yesterday, to day, to morrow, day before to-morrow or the day after yesterday."-[Salt Lake Tribune.

If a horse proves unruly, curb it; if a tom cat mounts the roof of your woodshed, launch a loaded tomato can into its immediate vicinity. But if an elderly billy goat buts you—but why should we advise in the premises? of course you will go at it as though you meant business.—[Chicago Sun.

grate in the parior of a buxon stock yards miss who had no earthly use for him. "Yes," she said, as she casta wicke i glance at the floor behind her visits: "it's about all you and the fire can do, between you, to get up a respectable shadow."—[Chicago Sun.
"How's business!" asked a fugitive turkey of a huncers for whom he met and whom he

"How's business!" asked a fugitive turkey of a hungry fox whom he met and whom he wished to conciliate.

"It's just beginning to pick up," replied the fox, as he seized the turkey by the neck and walked off with him.

"It's just beginning to pick up," replied the moes. 100 good toads are worth from sixty to seventy shillings. These are bought for gardens to rid them of virmin.

"The house is desirable in every respect except one," said the real estate agent to an intending purchaser—"It is not furnished with hot water," Oh never mind that, "replied the house keeper, "I have been married fifteen years and there is no danger of my ever being out of hot water,"

"When the same of the same about the same about the same are bought for gard—thirty horses, was hauled from the valley of the Aube at Cannes, to the villa of the Baroness Rothschild, it being the whim of that person to own that particular tree.

At Cardiff a wire rope has factured and the same are bought for gard—the same are bought for

out of hot water,"

"When were the pyramids of Egypt discovered?" asked the teacher. "In the middle ages," replied the scholar at the root of the class, "What do you mean by the middle ages!" further questioned the pedsgogue, "Why, the pyramidal ages, of course." The boy is at the head now. That is to say, he is earning board and washing in a barber shop.

earning board and washing in a barber abop.

"What are you doing, Mary?" asked a Sommerville husband, addressing his wife. "I am sewing on a crazy quit" she replied.
"Are there any buttons on it" "No." "I thought not," he said; "it wouldn't be like you to be sewing on anything that needed buttons;" and drawing a deep sigh, he proceeded to fasten his suspenders with a half-burned match.—[Somerville Journal.

"Please give me something to eat. I've not

welvet, fur-trimmed.

Metal buttons in great profusion are again used upon the jacket, panels and drapery of the promenade costume.

The Buffalo ladies who attended Governor Cleveland's recent reception brought thirty-five trunks to Albany with them.

It would seem that the golden age in millinged match.—[Somerville Journal.]

"Please give me something to eat I've not had a warn mouthful in a week." "Here my good man is a plate of nice hot soup for you;" reolied the cook. "Hot soup!"he howled. "Haven't you got something else? This makes the fifth plate of hot soup I've had in the last hour. It is not healthy to put so much warm soup on an empty stomach."

A dow in South Beston the above the cook.

A dog in South Boston the other night pulled a table cloth off a table with his teeth, thereby throwing down a lamp which exploded covering the dog with oil and retting him on Black and write lace this are not very large covering the dog with oil and returned into one and are mounted on tortoise shell, finest fire. The dog ran under a bed, setting the bedding on fire, and an alarm was rung on. Moral No. 1: Don't keep a dog. Moral No. 2: Don't keep a dog. Moral No. 3: Don't falling, but very perishable, feathery garniture known as ziblinette.

On the valleys and mountains of life, And the road has grown dusty and dreary, And we grean in the struggle and strife, We halt on the difficult pathway, Glancs back over valley and plain, And sigh with a serrowful longing To travel the journey again.

For we know in the past there are pleasures And seasons of joy and delight,
While before all is doubting and darkness And dread of the gloom and the night; All bright sunny spots we remember— And how little we thought of them then! But now we are looking and longing To rest in these places again.

But vain of the vainest is sighing, Our course must be forward and on, We cannot turn back on the journey, We cannot enjoy what is gone, That oases may brighten the plain,
That our road be beside the sweet waters,
Though we may not begin it again-

For existence forever goes upwar 1-From the hills to the mountains we rise, On, on, o'er invisible summits, To a land in the limitless skies. Strive on, then, with courage unshaken True labor is never in vain-Nor glance with regret at the pathway No mortal can travel again.

MUSICAL AND DRAMTIC.

Blind Tom has broken out in concert spots in the south.

Mile Nevada will return to Europe at the close of the season.

Ristori Is proud of a necklace that was worn at the court of good Queen Bear. Pauline Markham will soon go west. She has arranged to play several weeks in San

Mile. Rhea will appear at the Walnut, Philadelphia, on January 19 in her new play, "Arcadia,"

On the 19th Mr. Wallack will send "Vic tor Durand" on the road with a specially engaged company. Daniel Bandmann is playing the Shaker

out the country. Brianza, Kiralfy's premiere danseuse, signed for three years longer. She intends making America for home.

Gus Williams still moves on with "Captain Mishler," and his company. He will make descent on Brocklyn this week. Mme. Patti, during her farewell appearance in Philadelphia with her Majesty's Opera company, will appear in four of her greatest

Fred Warde says that in his experience—which has been varied—he never saw theatricals so dull throughout the country as they ar at present.

Maude Granger refused to appear at Brook lyn in "Lynwood" last week because her sala-ry was not paid. A substitute was found and Miss Granger went to see "Adonis" instead of playing Lucille.

The name "Haverly" has been taken from the facade of the theatre in Chicago, which has borne it so long, and the house will in the future be known as "McConnell's Theatre." Henry Irving begins there January 5th.

The famous Covent Garden theatre, where the rank and fashion of London have assembled for entertainment by the finest artists, is being converted into a circus, in which an equestrienne pantomime is to be performed. When the Telegraphers' Brotherhood went on their strike last season Miss Lizzie Annan-

dale generously offered her services to assist in a benefit for that order. Last week, during the engagement of Emma Abbott at St. Paul, Minn., and while the opera of 'Semiramide' was in progress, the telegraphers of that city presented Miss Annandale with a beautiful pyramid of hot house flowers in 'prateful recognition of her kindness to them while in distress, making a grateful tribute to a very charming woman.

The Milan opera company has disbanded The Milan opera company has disbanded. Its career in America has been a succession of misfortunes. Giannini, the principal tenor, has been engaged by Mapleson, and the rest are scattered. The deficit since October 12, when the company's New York engagement began, is said to be over \$60,000. Plunger Walton, Horace McVicker and Barton Key are the losers. The moral is that when Americans want Italian opera they want the best

and don't care wat they pay for it. and don't care wat they pay for it.

The opera season lasts from Scotember 24, 1884, to February 24, 1885, at St. Petersburg, and in addition to the standard repertoire the management produce for the first time this season the following new works: "Nero," by Rubenstein: "Il Re di Lahore," by Massenet; "Richard III.," by Saloyre; "Philemon et Boucis," by Gounod; "Manon," by Lacant; "Aldona," by Ponchielli; "Lakme." by Delibes, and "La Moglie Rapito," by M. Dirgo, How does this compare with New York and its two opera houses."

The salaries paid in comic opers vary widely according to the amount of unemployed talent in the market. Catherine Lewis com-mands \$200 a week. So does Selina Dolaro, At the time that Lillian Russell was the fash-At the time that Lillian Russell was the fashion in Dudedom, William Henderson made a
contract with her whereby he agreed to pay
her \$300 a week. What she is worth now is a
conundrum. Lily Post asks \$.00 a week.
Louise Searle. Adelaide Randall, Fanny
Wentworth, Madeleine Lucette, Marie Hunter and Francesca Guthrie are all rated at
about \$100 a week. Among the men, Frederick Leslie received \$300 a week during his
engagement at the Casino last year. This is
ragarded as the top notch. Mansfield had
\$250 at the Bijou hast season. Digby Bell and
his wife get \$350 a week.

BIAGULARITIES

The butcher bird is said to impale its victims on thorns and devour them at leis-The microscope shows the hair to be like a

coarse, round rasp, but with the teeth ex-tremely irregular and ragged. There was discovered in White's Valley, Va. a few days ago, a pullar tree that measured twenty-nine feet in girth.

An ancient and remarkable clock has been An accent and remarkable clock has been recently set up in the reading-room of the municipal library of Rouen. A single winding keeps it running for fourteen months and some odd days. It was constructed in 1782, underwent alterations in 1816, and was bought by Rouen for one thousand france in 1838,

At Plant City, Florida, there is a bunch of grapes which is a marvel in its way. The bunch is only fifteen inches long, but contains fifteen large clusters and weighs twenty-two pounds. They grew so close together that some of the grapes are pressed out of shape, and the bunch has the appearance of a large round ball.

and has recently been repaired and just set

round ball.

Dr. J. E. Walker, of Greensborough, Ga., writes to a New York friend the story of a rather remarkable peach tree which ornaments his garden. Since 1834—a round half century—he has seen full crops of luscious fruit on its brenches yearly. And there is a tradition that it had been bearing a score or so of years before Dr. Walker made its accumulations.

His Pride Got a Fall. A young man dressed in elaborate style,
Put on the skates with a confident smile;
But in spite of his "gall,"
His pride got a hard fall,
And now his head is too big for his tile.

-[Norrestown Herald. An Untimely Display. A haughty young lady skater so fair,
With artistically banged auburn hair,
Sat right down on her nose
And displayed her pink hose,
And experts said they cost ten cents a pair.

-[Norristown Herald. CONNUBIALITIES,

A New York Newsboy of 18 is apprehended for breach of promise.

An unmarried wordin is a girl until see forty. After that she is an olb maid. Every English servant girl who is 20 years

old and not humped-backed has her young A wise man says noll young lady should be married until she can make her own dresse

also smaller ones. Fifty years is a long wait for the golde but it is an eighteen-carat argument in favor of early marriages. A couple were married in Ruthland, Vt

the other day who had been sparking for seventeen year. It takes some women a long time to run a man down. Alder Potte, a Mormon, is on a honey-moon tour with his bride number nine, she is 20, English, pretty and stupid though tolerably educated. She made the Mormon's acquaint ance in Liverpool.

Mr. Gustavus Kerker, leader of the New York Bijou Opera House company, and Rose Leighton, of the McCaull Opera company, were married last Sunday at the Little Church Around the Corner.

The young ladies of a Pennsylvania town have formed a "Popping the Question Society." It is said the marriageable young men of the town are organizing an expedition to go

in search of the north pole. a beautiful heiress on Fourth avenue. "And why not, pray?" asked another beautiful heiress. "Because," answered the first beautiful heiress. "Because what?" queried the second heiress. beautiful heiress. "Because he has cold feet,

said the first beautiful heiress In a lecture at Brighton an English profess included in a list for young ladies of "Whom not to marry" all smokers and men who indulged in alcoholic liquors. The audience manifested disapproval loudly and frequently, and the Londen Truth's comments on the present scarcity of husbands imply that the ladies led in the expression of disagreement with the professor's ideas.

with the professor's ideas. Walter Jones, a young man of Charleston, Md., went to Northeast, three miles distant on Wednesday afternoon, December 24th, and purchased a suit of clothes and an overcoat all of which he put on, and started to walk home after dark. When within about a mile of Charlestown he was assaulted by two rough-looking men and knocked senseless. His new coats and his vest and \$40 in money were taken. Jones finally made his way home, which he reached in an almost frozen could. which he reached in an almost frozen couds tion. He was not seriously injured. He was to have been married on Christmas, but his narriage license was stolen with the coats and the ceremony was temporarily postponed.

She Didn't Get 14. 'Now, dear, where's my sacque of sealskin Carolled she on Christmas morn, As she rose with look expectant,

Which soon changed to one forlorn, For the cruel man thus answered: "What! Your sealskin sacque! Oh, yes! Wait a little while, my angel, Wait till New Year's Day, dear Bess."

Came the New Year's Day right soonly;
"Where's my sealskin sacque, sweet mate!
"Sealskin sacque! Oh. yes! Bess, till the
Fourth of July you must wat."

Came a scene that kills description, And the poet's heart doth rack.— (Exclamation points in legions!)
'Cause she didn't get that sacque. RELIGIOUS.

Brooklyn, New York, has forty-aix Catholi

Seattle, W. T.

Harp playing is one of the attractions of the choir in a fashionable New York church.

Rev. James Freeman Clark devices that the playing is one of the choir in a fashionable New York church. port that he is to retire from the ministry. The Church of Christ, of Campbellite Baptists, in Great Britain and Ireland have a

nembership of 8,500. A pew in Grace Church, N. Y., which rents for 834 per annum, sold for \$2,950 at a public sale a few days ago.

Every county in Washington territory where women vote, gave a majority in favor of taxing church property. By the first census of Japanese Christians, made by the government, they are numbered at 80,000, including Roman Catholics and Greek converts.

There are five colored Lutheran theological students in Howard University, Washington, D. C., four from the Carolinas and one from St. Thomas, West Indies.

among the Fiens. The Friends' societies are agitating the sul jet of hymn singing during their re-ligious services, that innovation having been

A GOD SEND!

I have had rheumatism for forty years, and have been relieved with a few bottles of S. S. S. I consider for a girl a God-send to the afflicted.

J. R. Waller, Thomps Ga., Aug. 16, 84.

but why should we advise in the premises?

of course you will go at it as though you meant business.—[Chicago Sun.

'Pears to me you've got a prefty slim fire, few days before its death it sang sweetly.

A rainbow about twenty-five minutes after of January, as the guest of Rev. Dr. Bartlett.

A rainbow about twenty-five minutes after of the New York avenue church, and will hold meetings at that church. ntroduced at some of their meetings

In the synod of Texas there have been fit In the synod of lexas there have been never been revivals among the churches in the past year, and in six other churches large additions are reported without any special effort. Eight ministers have been added to the synod, and five church buildings are in process of crection. Several new and promising churches have been organized.

Presbyterians are not much given to relic but two articles have just been received in Philadelphia, by Rev. Dr. Breed, from Scot Philadelphia, by Rav. Dr. Breed, from Scot-land, which must be viewed with interest. These articles are a sword which, it is al-leged, was used in Prague, Bohemia, to exe-cute Protestant heretics, and a silver com-munion cup, lately exhumed, and having been buried for more than two hundred years. After being exhibited in this country for a

few weeks these relics will be returned to Scotland. two miles and 108 yards. It weighs twentyone and a half tons. Nearly 100,000 fathoms
of wits have been used in making it. This
huge rope is to be use i in working the trains
in the tunnel at Glasgow.

Scotland.

The statistical summary of the Reformed
church in the United States for 1884 is as follows: Seven hundred and eighty ministers,
1,461 congregations, 192 940 confirmed members, 104,93 unconfirmed members, 13,527 infact the facility of the Reformed
construction. In the family of Mr. Pettijohn, living near Prescott, Walla Walla county, Washington Territory, are ten children, whose average height is six and one half feet, and the average weight is 244 pounds. This includes two children not grown. There are seven sons and three daughters. One boy 17 years old is seven feet high and weighs 265 pounds.

An ancient and remarkable alock has been

Two Schoolfellows Over the hill and valley,
Drawn by the steam-horse's power. The Railroad King is speeding Fifty miles an hour!

He counts his wealth by millions. By thousands counts his men; O'er ten thousand miles of gleaming rails

The diamonds of the coal mines, Where toll the miners grim, And the gold of the waving cornfields Pay tribute unto him.

But pale and worn is the monarch, Unheeding is the eye Before which the smiling country Goes flitting and whirling by.

And he sees but does not notice The farmer rein old Gray At the crossing, to let the special pass, Speeding upon its way.

Stalwart and strong is Farmer John,
And bronzed with sun and weather,
"Ha, wife," he laughs, "you'd never think
He and I were boys together! 'He, that shadow, silent and sly, No bigger than my arm, He owns a hundred millions; I

Have only you and the farm Her "Wurst" Want, My love and I walked from the play— Serene and starry was the night; I felt she could not say me "nay" Mid scenes so calm' so fair, so bright.

I plied my suit with eloquence-Assured her of my fervent love; She spoke not in her innocence,

She leaned and sobbed upon my arm, As if by some great fear oppressed I told her she need fear no harm, As I her suffused cheek caressed

My darling one, my duck, my dove!

At last she summoned strength to speak-I thought her little heart would burst: She said imploringly and meek,
"I want two links of Weinerwurst! -[Louisville Conrier-Journal.

IMPIETIES.

A Chicago clergyman holds that all great men are cranks. His congregation has been accring him for riding a bicycle. The man who prayed for those who sit un-der the "drippings of the sanctuary" was a near relative of another who besought the Lord to "prop up de brudder and sister with the properations of de gospel."

Rev. J. O. Peck has created a buzz among the drones in the New Haven society hive by his sermon denouncing clubs, from the text, 'The young man who pitches his tent toward

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"Yes, he left two weeks ago.

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Not that I know of."
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"No; his health seemed to be good,"
"Congregation didn't like his preaching,

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