

BABY'S SMOOTH, FAIR SKIN

A Grateful Mother Writes this Letter— Tells all about Her Troubles when Baby Broke out with Scrofula Sores. At the age of two months, my baby began to have sores break out on his right cheek. We used all the external applications that we could think or hear of, to no avail. The sores spread all over one side of his face. We consulted a physician and tried his medicine, and in a week the sores were gone. But to my surprise in two weeks more another scrofulous looking sore appeared on baby's arm. It grew worse and worse, and when he was three months old, I began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. I also took Hood's Sarsaparilla, and before the first bottle was finished, the sores were well and have never returned. He is now four years old, but he has never had any sign of those scrofulous sores since he was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, for which I feel very grateful. My boy owes his good health and smooth, fair skin to this great medicine. MRS. S. S. WROTES, Farmington, Delaware. Get only Hood's.

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WASHINGTON NOTES.

It is perhaps fortunate for the country that the power of declaring war is vested in congress, and not in the yellow journals, which have since the blowing up and destroying of the battleship Maine and two hundred and fifty Americans, in the harbor of Havana, been busily engaged in inflaming the public mind and adding to the existing excitement by publishing sensational manufactured stories for the purpose of showing that the terrible calamity was the result of foul play on the part of Spaniards, and demanding all sorts of ridiculous things from this government, and not least of which was an immediate declaration of war against Spain. They attack and vilify the administration in every issue because it has assumed that the explosion was accidental, until it is otherwise proven. There is a grave suspicion that there was foul play connected with the blowing up of the Maine, but there is no proof. The only way that proof can be had is by an investigation. And an investigation by naval officers has been provided for. It is claimed by the administration that it has made public every telegram received or sent since the first news of the sinking of the Maine was received, and that it intends to continue this open policy, and there is not a scrap of evidence showing this claim to be untrue. That congress, which is on the ground, has faith in the manner in which the executive branch of the government is handling this delicate and trying case was shown by the manner in which Senator Mason's resolution, providing for a congressional investigation was received. Senator Allen was the only man who publicly endorsed the idea. That the president is alertly guarding our rights is shown by his refusal to allow the Spanish authorities at Havana to take part in the investigation to be conducted by our naval officers; he says he desires the findings to be such as will carry conviction to our people, and consequently would not allow foreigners to have anything to do with it. The situation is critical enough without adding sensational lies. It may result in war. If foul play is shown it certainly will. Therefore all good citizens should join in trying to keep down excitement until the truth is known. It has always been the proud boast of Americans that in the face of foreign complications partisanship was forgotten and every American stood shoulder to shoulder in support of the government, and the yellow journals which have no higher mission than increasing their circulation and making money, should not be allowed to change that condition now.

A question that may eventually grow to national proportions is whether it would be proper or advisable for congress to regulate the hours of labor in all the states. Representative Lovring of Massachusetts is the author of a joint resolution, proposing an amendment to the U. S. constitution, authorizing congress to regulate the hours of labor in the states. This resolution is before the house judiciary committee, which has been hearing arguments for and against it. The cotton mills of the south, against which the resolution is aimed, or rather against the long hours worked in them, which it is claimed has enabled them to drive the New England mills out of many profitable markets, sent a large delegation of influential men to protest against the resolution. Representatives Lovring and Walker of Massachusetts, spoke for the resolutions as did the representative of the New England mill operatives.

Canada's attention has been called by this government to the injustice of a number of regulations it has adopted governing entrance to the Klondike country by U. S. citizens, and abrogation of some of them has been politely asked for. It is expected that Canada will grant this request, but if it doesn't its own citizens will be made to suffer, as congress is fully determined to take a hand if diplomacy fails to obtain just and fair treatment to our citizens who intend going to the Klondike.

The house passed a substitute for the Nelson bankruptcy bill, which was passed by the senate at the extra session, and the bill will now go to conference.

Senators Pritchard, Lodge and E. Kins of the senate civil service committee, had a conference with President McKinley, at the latter's request, for the purpose of discussing the evidence taken by that committee during its civil service investigation, and the nature of the report that will be made to the senate. It is understood that the president will hold back the order he intends issuing for the modification of the civil service rules until after the report of the senate committee has been made, in order that he may include any recommendations in that report which he may consider desirable.

How's This We offer One Hundred Dollars for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. E. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned have known E. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by his firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KISSAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. To imitators free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

STATE CREEK Albert VanDyke of California was visiting his folks last week.

Clark Stevens has rented the Mike Fisher ranch for this year.

Oscar Scrivner of Inavale was visiting relatives on our creek this week.

Milt Guthrie and family of Walnut creek and formerly of this section, started overland for Oklahoma last week.

Chas. Barrett has sold his corn sheller to Creed Perry and Ed Reubens. They are doing the shelling for this whole country.

Gathering corn is the order of the day during this nice weather. From one to three wagons can be seen in nearly every field.

Mrs. Weaver, who has been taking medical treatment at Lincoln, Nebraska, for some time, is visiting at her father's. She will soon return to her home at McCook, Nebraska.

Geo. Newhouse, Miss Ward and Miss Winfrey of Red Cloud, were at our Sunday school entertainment last Sunday evening. The two ladies took a very active part in the choir and at the organ.

The Pleasant Dale Sunday School entertainment last Sunday was a success. The superintendent, Uncle Wm. Van Dyke, and assistant Mrs. Aubushon, Mr. Dave Carpenter, the choir and organist and all that had a part in the recitations did real well and deserve great credit for the excellent rendition of their parts. The hoodlums who were requested so gentlemanly by the chairman, Mr. Carpenter, to keep quiet finally had to listen to the order of one of the school board and constable, Mr. Anderson.

Mt. Hope will have a basket supper next Tuesday night. Any neighbors and persons of other school districts who would like to take part are invited and will be welcomed. The purpose is to raise money for the pastor who comes semi-monthly from Esbon to preach for them, and who had the misfortune to lose, about \$400 which was burned up at the hotel where he boarded and at the same time losing all his other personal effects, except the suit he wore. Now young men, old ones and boys, don't let a basket worth \$1 go for 15c or 25c.

Took a Severe Cold After the Big Fire.

After the big fire in Cripple Creek, I took a severe cold and tried many remedies without help; the cold only becoming more settled. After using three bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, both the cold and cough left me, and in this high altitude it takes a meritorious cough remedy to do any good.—G. W. HENDERSON, Editor Daily Advertiser, Cripple Creek, Colorado. Sold by H. E. Grice.

STATE LINE

Fair weather for moving and cash husking.

Miss Lucy Toland spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

The Quaker quarterly meeting at the Branch was largely attended.

The junior entertainment of the academy will take place Friday, February 25th.

News has reached this place from Missouri of the death of Mrs. Ed Henderson, formerly of this place.

Wm. Haworth is moving back to his home at Rosemont.

Eas. W. A. Vandyke of the salvation army was a pleasant visitor in these parts Wednesday and Thursday. He was on his way from San Francisco to report for duty at Lincoln.

Dr. Fenner's Dyspepsia Cure

As the name implies, is simply for dyspepsia or indigestion. This preparation is the prescription of one of America's most eminent physicians, whose writings on medical questions are accepted as authority. If not satisfactory after using one bottle your money will be refunded by C. L. Cotting.

Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

If you suffer from kidney, bladder or urinary troubles, or from too frequent or scanty urine, Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Bladder Cure is what you want. Bed-wetting by children is generally cured by one bottle of this powerful remedy. Testimonials are disregarded by many people doubting the honesty or sincerity of them, we therefore avoid giving any here, but will furnish them on application to dealer whose name is given below. If not satisfied after using one bottle your money will be refunded by C. L. Cotting.

A RUBBER ST. JACOBS OIL FOR Soreness and Stiffness. IT CURES IN TWO OR THREE VIGOROUS RUBS.

CHURCH NOTES.

METHODIST

Preaching Sunday morning at 10:30. Sunday School at 11:30 a.m. Junior League at 4 p.m. Senior League at 6:30 p.m. Evening service at 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Ladies Aid Society Friday afternoon. The Methodists of Red Cloud will devote the month of March to evangelistic work.

Plans are being perfected, and announcements will be made later of the special service in the Methodist church next month.

Under the leadership of L. P. Albright the music will be made a special feature at the evangelistic meetings.

The pastor, who will conduct the meetings, has had wide experience in evangelistic work, and receives every year many calls from his brethren, but owing to the many and pressing duties of the pastorate cannot respond to these calls.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

The special meetings are enjoyed by large audiences nightly. There have been three additions to our working forces and the gospel has found favor with many others. The meetings will continue to a fitting close. The subjects to be used February 26th to 28th are as follows.

- "Belshazzar's Feast." "The Great Convocation." "The Design of the Church." "The Child and the Church." Bro. Smith is a "wheel-horse" in our music and the success is very gratifying.

Our county convention of churches and disciples meets here March 3d to 5th, 1898.

March 6th is our Foreign Mission day.

L. A. HUSSONG, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Sunday School at 11:45. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Always Proves Effectual.

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For Sale.

One hundred and sixty acres of improved land four miles northwest of Red Cloud, consisting of the west half of the northeast quarter, and the east half of the northwest quarter of section fifteen in township two north, range eleven west. The land is leased at present, but subject to sale. For terms apply to MRS. JAMES KIRKWOOD, Fairfax, Mo.

Taxpayer's Attention.

The personal taxes levied for the year 1897 are now delinquent and subject to costs if not paid in a short time. I have no desire to make cost for anyone but I am determined to clean the books of all personal taxes. If you would save costs heed this notice and attend to your taxes at once. C. D. ROBINSON, County Treasurer.

Beware Of the Knife.

Mr. Lincoln Nelson, of Marshall, Mo., writes: "For six years I have been a sufferer from a scrofulous affection of the glands of my neck, and all efforts of physicians in Washington, D. C., Springfield, Ill., and St. Louis failed to reduce the enlargement. After six months' constant treatment here, my physician urged me to submit to a removal of the gland. At this critical moment a friend recommended S.S.S., and laying aside a deep-rooted prejudice against all patent medicines, I began its use. Before I had used one bottle the enlargement began to disappear, and now it is entirely gone, though I am not through with my second bottle yet. Had I only used your S.S.S. long ago, I would have escaped years of misery and saved over \$150."

This experience is like that of all who suffer with deep-seated blood troubles. The doctors can do no good, and even their resorts to the knife prove either fruitless or fatal. S.S.S. is the only real blood remedy; it gets at the root of the disease and forces it out permanently.

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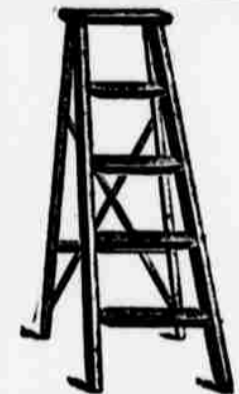
Write to LEONARD EVERETT, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Jr. Price's Cream Baking Powder & Pure Grape Cream or Tartar Powder.

MINER = BROS.

THE second invoice of our spring stock is on the road. We are well pleased with the very decided increase in last year's business over the previous year. We feel that such could not have been the case unless we had given you extra values for your money. We are now better prepared than ever to serve you, having the largest stock in the valley. Anticipating the advance of goods by the passage of the tariff bill, we made heavy purchases in many departments, in carpets we can save you 10 to 20 per cent. In Dry Goods from 20 to 25 per cent. We were heavy purchasers of Cotton Goods before the great cotton mill strike, and can give you extra values in all staple cotton goods.

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One can of GLOVE BAKING POWDER and a 5 foot STEP LADDER 75 cents. Only a few left.

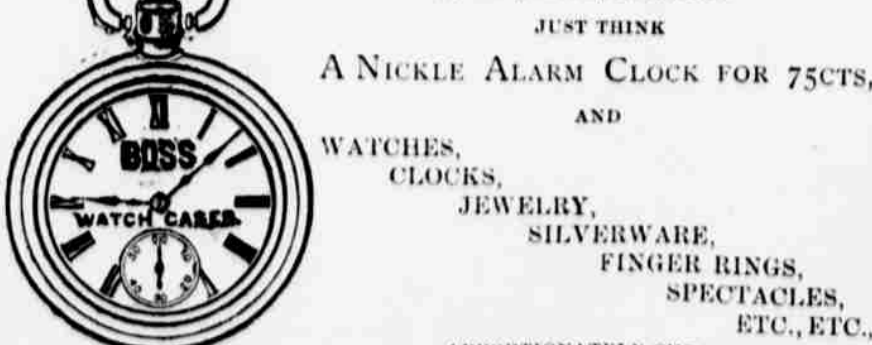
Renovated Geese Feathers, fancy, 75c. Michigan barrel salt, \$1.35.

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