

## MYSTERY OF THE NILE

HOW WATER IN THE RIVER IS REGULATED FOR HARVESTS.

And Now Another Twenty-Three Feet Is to Be Added to the Great Dam at Assouan—Buried Historic Ruins.

Every morning from a little room of a great white house on the eastern shore of the Nile, at Assouan, is clicked by telegraph to Cairo the question: "How much water?" The answer comes, so many thousand gallons less. A button is pressed, the water which flows under the iron bridge at Cairo is increased or diminished some ten days later in accordance with the telegraphic answer and the intervening valley between Assouan and Cairo has a little more or a little less water on its surface. The man at the button may bring joy or sorrow to thousands of little farms—it is all according to the message he receives.

From the great white house there extends across the river a granite wall or dam 150 feet high. Half way up this wall, and stretching its entire length, a line of shutters opens or closes by a pressure of the button. In the winter months a huge lake expands to the southward, which has every appearance of being a flood, for, in certain places, the tops of palm trees are discernible above its surface, and the summits of inundated ruins apparently mark the sites of sunken cities. As the days go by, and Cairo demands more and more water, the palm trees and the ruins seem to rise from their watery beds, until, in June and early July, the river flows freely with all its historic indolence.

Still the cry for water is insatiable, and now the 150 feet of granite wall will be lengthened by 23 feet, which will double the power of the man at the button, and after that no more palms or ruins will unfold themselves, as the hot months come, from the surface of the lake. The palm trees will not be missed, but what of the ruins? That is the attribute of the past which modern agricultural Egypt is called upon to pay.

Just south of the granite wall is the island which holds the amphibious ruins. Twenty-three feet of granite now stand between it and oblivion. It is named Philae, and it is the burial place of Osiris. A temple of 14 columns rises on its eastern bank, and on its western is the great temple of Isis, begun by Ptolemy Philadelphus and added to by the Roman emperors. Its front is in the form of a propylon, before which is an expansive court bounded by two galleries, the column sides of which skirt the shore for 250 feet. Behind the propylon are many halls and chambers of curious and fantastic design. The whelming waters of the winter months have already begun their work. Floors have sunken, columns fallen, and walls crumbled. The twenty-three additional feet of granite will complete the work of devastation. Philae and its ruins will never again feel the sun of Egypt.

It was thought that the granite wall across the Nile at Assouan, 150 feet high, would provide perpetual irrigation for the desert to the north. That was a mistake. But will the 23 additional feet to the summit of the wall, which will forever bury Philae, complete the work? Will the man at the button in the great white house ever have the power that Joseph had to direct, increase or diminish the flow of the river? Joseph had no Assouan dam and no shutters to manipulate by the pressure of a button. In what, therefore did his power to make Egypt perennially fertile consist?—N. Y. Times.

### Beware of Fatal First Step.

It is easier to suppress the first desire than to satisfy all that follow it.—Franklin.

### Respectable But Dull.

"I'm going to bring Miss Hamlin to see you," said her best girl friend to the Bohemienne. "I know you don't like her, she's so respectable; but it is good for you to meet people like that once in a while. I feel that I must."

"I wouldn't mind her being respectable to much," sighed the Bohemienne, "if she wasn't so stupid, but if you must bring her to see me, I suppose you must. I think that's the reason I turned Bohemian, I wasn't always. The respectable people are so stupid."

### Proof Positive.

The Medium—Do you believe that communications can be received from the dead?

The Caller—Sure. Only this morning I received a letter from Philadelphia.

### Ready to Oblige.

Young lady (indignantly)—Now, look here, I want your name.

Cabman—You can't have my name, miss, 'cos I've promised it to another lady, but you can have my number if you like.—Tit-Bits.

### WHERE DOCTORS FAILED.

An Interesting Case from Salem, the Capital of Oregon.

F. A. Sutton, R. F. D. No. 4, Salem, Oregon, says: "Acute attacks of kidney disease and rheumatism laid me up off and on for ten years. Awful pains started from the kidneys and coursed down through my limbs. I sought the best medical treatment but in vain, and when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I was walking with two canes and suffering continual pains, headaches and sleepless nights. I improved quickly and after taking three boxes felt better than I had for 15 years. The effects have been lasting."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### WHY SHE WAS THANKFUL.

Little One Had Reason to Approve Father's Choice.

Of the sisters of a well-known New York family one is married. She has one little girl greatly petted by all the aunts and subject to much advice from all of them. Of this last the little lady sometimes wears, which weariness on a certain occasion made itself shown in the following reply from her small ladyship:

Said one aunt: "If you were my child I should have you do thus and thus." Said another aunt: "Were you my child I would do so and so." The remaining aunt made a similar remark.

The little lady thought it high time to express her own feelings. "But I have," she said, "always been so thankful that papa married the sister he did!"

Starch, like everything else, is being constantly improved, the patent Starches put on the market 25 years ago are very different and inferior to those of the present day. In the latest discovery—Defiance Starch—all injurious chemicals are omitted, while the addition of another ingredient, invented by us, gives to the Starch a strength and smoothness never approached by other brands.

### Strains at a Gnat.

The dean of Westminster has refused to admit a memorial tablet which was dedicated to Herbert Spencer into the abbey on the ground that he was not orthodox in his Christian belief.

With a smooth iron and Defiance Starch, you can launder your shirt-waist just as well at home as the steam laundry can; it will have the proper stiffness and finish, there will be less wear and tear of the goods, and it will be a positive pleasure to use a Starch that does not stick to the iron.

### So Common.

"Was no one injured in the railway collision, count?"

"No, but nevertheless it was a most painful situation. First, second, third and fourth-class passengers all mingled together! Simply unheard of!" —Translated from Transatlantic Tales from Fliegende Blatter.

### THE BEST HE COULD GET.

Amateur Gardener Could Not Understand Why Seeds Did Not Sprout.

The woes of the amateur gardener are very amusing to others, but decidedly real to the man who has spoiled a suit of clothes, blistered his hands and lost his temper in his efforts to make things grow.

A young man, recently married, early in the spring secured a suburban place, mainly with the idea of "fresh, home-grown vegetables." Every evening he would hurry through his supper and rush out to his garden, where he displayed more energy than skill. But, alas! When many little green things began to break the ground in his neighbors' gardens, his own remained as bare as the Sahara.

"It certainly has got me beat," he confided to a friend at his office one day. "I can't understand why not a blessed thing has come up. I planted peas and corn and tomatoes."

"Perhaps the seed were defective," the friend suggested. "I hardly think it was that," the gardener replied, "for I got the very best—paid 15 cents a can for them."

### ALMOST A SOLID SORE.

Skin Disease from Birth—Fortune Spent on Her Without Benefit—Cured Her with Cuticura.

"I have a cousin in Rockingham Co. who once had a skin disease from her birth until she was six years of age. Her father had spent a fortune on her to get her cured and none of the treatments did her any good. Old Dr. suggested that he try the Cuticura Remedies which he did. When he commenced to use it the child was almost a solid scab. He had used it about two months and the child was well. I could hardly believe she was the same child. Her skin was as soft as a baby's without a scar on it. I have not seen her in seventeen years, but I have heard from her and the last time I heard she was well. Mrs. W. P. Ingie, Burlington, N. C., June 16, 1905."

### The Psychological Moment.

The fact that Priam was closeted with the adjuster did not prevent Cassandra from dropping in to say that she had told him just how it would be.

"She was all I saved," murmured the burnt-out monarch, jerking his thumb at the retiring prophetess.

"Say no more," rejoined the other. "We'll call the loss total, and if I could make it any more than that, old man, I'd do it, under the circumstances."

This incident shows the value of a word spoken at the right time.—Puck.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

M. C. Russi, of Andermath, who has just celebrated his one hundred and first birthday, is the oldest Alpinist in the world. Last summer he scaled the Gutsch mountain without assistance.

How foolish is the toil of trifling cares.—Martial.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures whooping cough. Each bottle.

It takes almost as many tailors to make a man as it takes collectors to induce him to pay for the job.

### Does Your Head Ache?

If so, get a box of Krause's Headache Capsules of your Druggist. 25c. Norman Lichty Mfg. Co., Des Moines, Ia.

Years may come and years may go, but the time will never arrive when a man will sit up and patch his wife's clothes after she is asleep in bed.

### It Cures While You Walk.

Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for hot, sweating, callous, and swollen, aching feet. Sold by all Druggists. Price 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

### Pa Was a Kicker.

Geraldine—What do you think of pa?

Gerald—He has good terminal facilities.

To prevent that tired feeling on ironing day—Use Defiance Starch—saves time—saves labor—saves annoyance, will not stick to the iron. The big 16 oz. package for 10c, at your grocer's.

### Strong Part.

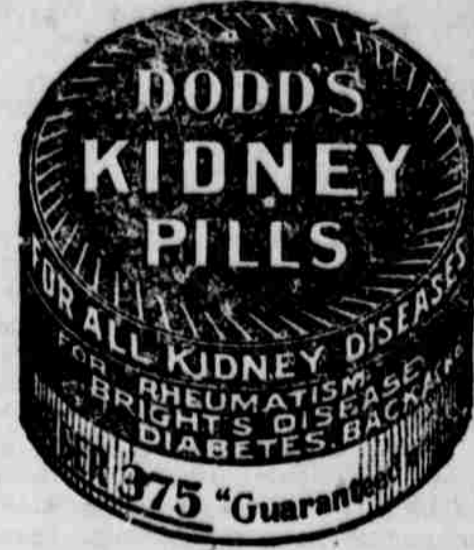
Footie Lighte—Has your sister a strong part in the new piece?

Miss Sue Brette—Why, yes; she has to carry around one of those heavy spears!

The greatest cause of worry on ironing day can be removed by using Defiance Starch, which will not stick to the iron. Sold everywhere, 16 oz. for 10c.

Many a woman averages things up by figuring that her \$28 bonnet and her husband's \$2 lid average \$15 each.

Jumpers. "I want to look at some of your jumpers," said the workman, entering the department store. "Frog department, sixth floor, center aisle," replied the floorwalker, tapping his teeth with his pencil.—Yonkers Statesman.



## SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature

REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

Thompson's Eye Water W. N. U., LINCOLN, NO. 28, 1907.

## TIRED AND SICK YET MUST WORK

"Man may work from sun to sun but woman's work is never done."

In order to keep the home neat and pretty, the children well dressed and tidy, women overdo and often suffer in silence, drifting along from bad to worse, knowing well that they ought to have help to overcome the pains and aches which daily make life a burden.

It is to these women that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, comes as a blessing. When the spirits are depressed, the head and back aches, there are dragging-down pains, nervousness, sleeplessness, and reluctance to go anywhere, these are only symptoms which unless heeded, are soon followed by the worst forms of Female Complaints.

## Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

keeps the feminine organism in a strong and healthy condition. It cures Inflammation, Ulceration, displacements, and organic troubles. In preparing for child-birth and to carry women safely through the Change of Life it is most efficient.

Mrs. Augustus Lyon, of East Earl, Pa., writes:—Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—"For a long time I suffered from female troubles and had all kinds of aches and pains in the lower part of back and sides, I could not sleep and had no appetite. Since taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and following the advice which you gave me I feel like a new woman and I cannot praise your medicine too highly."

### Mrs. Pinkham's Invitation to Women

Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Out of her vast volume of experience she probably has the very knowledge that will help your case. Her advice is free and always helpful.



MRS. AUG. LYON

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