

HAD TO GIVE UP.

Suffered Agonies from Kidney Disorders Until Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

George W. Renoff, of 1953 North 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa., a man of good reputation and standing, writes: "Five years ago I was suffering so with my back and kidneys that I often had to lay off. The kidney secretions were unnatural, my legs and stomach were swollen, and I had no appetite. When doctors failed to help me I began using Doan's Kidney Pills and improved until my back was strong and my appetite returned. During the four years since I stopped using them I have enjoyed excellent health. The cure was permanent."

(Signed) George W. Renoff. A TRIAL FREE—Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents.

Owens Costly Book.

The Duke of Devonshire possesses, as an heirloom, Claude Lorraine's "Book of Truth," which is said to be one of the rarest and most valuable volumes in Europe. It is worth six times as much as the "Mazarin" Bible, the most costly book that the British Museum can boast. The former Duke refused an offer of \$100,000 for it.

Frightful Capacity.

My little sister Marion, when four years old, was feeding some greedy hens in the back yard one day at noon. She was called to dinner, and on taking her chair at the table, exclaimed: "Oh, mamma, I'm as hungry as a chicken with a hundred tongues."

Comments on the Wildcat.

A wildcat was caught in a trap in Rosshire, Scotland, recently, and is to be carefully stuffed and preserved. The Westminster Gazette says a wildcat is "beautifully remarked," and adds that "it is more dangerous for game or man than the fox."

Duck is Natural Surgeon.

A hunter who lives at Kustrin, Germany, shot and wounded a wild duck. When he came across it, after a long search, he found that it had tried to stay the flow of blood under the wing by stuffing in a number of grass-blades.

Sermon on Cleanliness.

Once a year the archbishop of Tuam preaches a sermon on health and cleanliness. The national board of the Catholic Truth society of Ireland has issued a sanitary sermon as a pamphlet which sells at a penny.

Greatest Slaughter of Officers.

The greatest proportionate loss of officers to men in any battle was at the capture of the Redan, in the Crimea, where three officers were lost to every twenty-two men.

Apples in China.

Apples, in central China, are soft, lack flavor, and have no keeping qualities. Imported American varieties are doing comparatively well, but soon lose their best qualities.

If you can't attend the heavenly feast because you've got a new yoke of oxen, take the oxen along for the feast.—E. G. Holden in "The Sunday Magazine."

You may have observed that certain people who believe in saying only some are said to be lucky because they have good sense.

There is no stage of life in which we are safe; the young are impetuous, the middle-aged stubborn, the old weak—all dangerous.—Bishop Hall.

Every great man is always being helped by everybody, for his gift is to get good out of all things and all persons.—Ruskin.

We have all heard of wolves in sheep's clothing, but the wolf at the door generally comes disguised as a bill collector.

When a woman talks a great deal about a certain man she wants others to think that it is purely a case of accident.

The very art of life, so far as I have been able to observe, consists in fortitude and perseverance.—Walter Scott.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for the same money.

Probably the undertaker looks solemn at a funeral because he is afraid he will not get his money.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

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Warsaw a Milk Town.
The town of Warsaw may be called the milk producers' Eden, although the milk consumers' Eden it certainly is not. There is probably nowhere such a "milk town" as this. Restaurants are little frequented. On the other hand, the public frequent the various dairies in great numbers in order to chat with friends or read the newspapers; to the accompaniment of a black or white coffee or a glass of cold or warm milk.

Retort Courteous.
Sandy McNab was boastful of his ancestors and of the noble connections of his family. A tourist who was spending a week in the village where Sandy lived met that individual driving a pig. "Hallo, Sandy," said the visitor. "Is this one of your noble relations?" "Na, na, sir," was Sandy's reply. "She's no relation at all, she's just an acquaintance like yersel'."

Lives of Men and Women.
No man, even the most wretched, would change with any woman, even the most fortunate. And this is not an illusion. He is instinctively right. He gets more out of life. He knows this, and it helps him to bear much without complaint.—Referee.

Found at Last.
Alston, Mich., March 13th.—(Special.)—After suffering for twenty years from Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble, and spending a fortune in doctors and medicines that brought him no relief, Mr. James Culet of this place has found a complete cure for all his aches, pains and weakness, in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Naturally Mr. Culet feels much elated over his cure and gives great credit to the remedy that gave him health.

"Yes," Mr. Culet says, "my rheumatism and Kidney Troubles are all gone and I feel like a new man. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. Before I used them I spent a small fortune on doctors and one remedy and another. I cheerfully recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to anyone suffering from Rheumatism or Kidney Trouble."

Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure sick kidneys. Healthy kidneys take all the uric acid—the cause of Rheumatism—out of the blood. That's why Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure Rheumatism.

The first robin will arrive foolishly early, but he would have to wear furs and gum boots to get here ahead of the first spring bonnet.

COMMISSIONER GARFIELD'S REPORT ON BEEF INDUSTRY.

The report of Commissioner Garfield on the beef industry has at last been published. It must be somewhat of a surprise to those who have been indulging in wholesale adverse criticism upon the methods of the Chicago packers, as it discloses facts and figures which clearly show that the great food producers have been innocent of the serious offenses with which they have been charged. They have been for a long time accused by newspapers all over the country of extortionate prices demanded, and obtained, of depression of values of cattle at the various stockyards where their business is conducted, of enormous profits wholly disproportionate to the capital employed, and, in general, of so carrying on their business that the public, under an organized system of spoliation, were being robbed for their exclusive benefit.

We find now, however, that not a single one of these charges has been sustained but, on the contrary, that rigid and searching investigation, officially made, has resulted in complete acquittal.

Instead of extortion it is shown that no industry can be found where so narrow a margin of profit prevails—the actual records and original entries, to which the commissioner had free access, showing that the highest net profit any of the packers made on their sales of beef was two and three-tenths per cent in 1902 and in one instance that the profit realized in 1904 was one and eight-tenths per cent.

The variations in the market prices for cattle are exhaustively treated and no evidence of any kind was discovered, or even hinted at, tending to show that values of cattle are in the slightest degree improperly affected or controlled by packers at any of the chief centers of the industry.

On the whole, the report completely dissipates the prevalent idea that great fortunes are being amassed by illegal and improper methods employed by western packers, showing that notwithstanding the high prices for beef prevailing in 1902 the business was less remunerative than in years characterized by normal values, both for cattle and product. He says "that the year 1902, instead of being one of exorbitant profits, as has been commonly supposed, was less profitable than usual. In fact, during the months when the prices of beef were the highest, some, at least, of the leading packers were losing money on every head of cattle slaughtered. It was not possible to advance the prices of beef in full proportion to the great advance in the prices of cattle at that time."

After all that has been written reflecting upon the great business interest engaged in the marketing and distribution of the product of one of the greatest of our national industries, it is gratifying to all fair minded people that the prejudiced attacks upon it have failed of verification; and the great western packers may be congratulated for having passed through such a searching and thorough official investigation unscathed. The results of this investigation, based as it is upon exhaustive data, officially obtained and verified by United States government experts, as the investigation was made under circumstances that guaranteed complete accuracy with a possible disposition indeed, to arrive at entirely different results.

Blessed is he who puts a line of wisdom in a line of type.

ARMY IS CUT OFF

LOOKS AS IF THE RUSSIANS MUST SURRENDER.

JAPS MAKE A FORCED MARCH

Veterans from Port Arthur Surround Eighty Thousand Muscovites—Tenth Day of Gigantic Struggle for Mukden.

NEW CHIWANG—It is reported here that Tie Pass has been invested by the Japanese and that General Kouropatkin, having no alternative, will probably be forced to surrender within a week.

The Russians have not been reinforced from the direction of Harbin since March 1.

General Nozi's army made a forced march of twenty-five miles daily and acting in conjunction with General Oku's army surrounded 80,000 Russians in the direction of Tie Pass and cut off their supplies.

MUKDEN—Noon—The Japanese army bombarded the bridge at Fu pass on the Hun river twelve miles east of Mukden. Russian artillery replied vigorously. The cannonade lasted an hour.

At present the Japanese are making most energetic attacks south of the Hun river. It is rumored that they have transferred thither some of their forces from the north-west in anticipation of a night attack.

The Russian forces in the district of Tzuanvanche, north of the Mukden station, rested under arms throughout the night. Shortly before dawn a large Japanese force approached the Zaraitse regiment. This regiment allowed the Japanese to approach within 200 paces and then discharged a volley from their rifles and opened on them with quick-fire guns, simply mowing down the Japanese, who were repulsed.

Among the prisoners brought in on Wednesday were a number of privates in new uniforms, who were from a recently organized Japanese reserve division. There is reason to believe that another division is being landed in the northern part of Korea for the purpose of making a demonstration against Vladivostok. On Wednesday there were furious attacks northwest of Mukden against the villages of Santaise, Yangshihung and Unshuntun. These attacks were all repulsed.

4 a. m.—Midnight closed the tenth day of gigantic struggle for the possession of Mukden and the mastery of a vast empire, the tenth day of unceasing conflict under exploding shrapnel, the roar of cannon and the whistling of bullets; the tenth day without sleep and without food. The combat is fast reaching a point where it is a question not so much of turning columns, of tactics and of strategy as of whose strength, energy and cart-ridges will last the longer.

Gray-coated Russians, patient, uncomplaining, strong of soul, clung doggedly to positions against an enemy whose attacks go to the very point of insanity and desperation. For forty-eight hours the Japanese have not eaten. They are starving and exhausted, but Field Marshal Oyama himself has told them that the city will fall and the slaughter stop on Friday and their confidence in their leader increased their strength tenfold.

WHERE FIGHT WAS BLOODIEST

Troops Stumble Over Corpses Unburied for Days.

MUKDEN—The Japanese last night pushed up from the south across the abandoned plain between the Shakhe and Hun rivers and are, as this dispatch is filed, about five miles south of the latter and from the Hun, opposite Machiapu, and northward Japanese batteries are pouring in a ceaseless fire.

The Japanese succeeded in embanking siege guns and mortars at Diushantun, about six miles west of this city, whence they opened fire before dawn.

Diushantun was the scene yesterday of the bloodiest and most desperate fighting of all this terrible battle. Its possession was vital to the Japanese who stormed it again and again. The Russians dislodged them but the Japanese finally recaptured the village after much hand to hand fighting.

Eye witnesses say the dead, scattered in the streets, court yards and houses have been unburied four days. Rifles and other arms lie about wrenched and twisted. Hand grenades were thrown by the Japanese and the garrison was subjected to the concentrated fire of as many as a hundred guns. Once Diushantun in their hands, the Japanese can train guns on Mukden railroad station and it has been held at a frightful cost. The Japanese are also concentrating their efforts about seven miles north Mukden and about five miles west of the railroad with the object of breaking through and cutting off the surrounding troops below.

Nice Job For a Negro.

WASHINGTON—There is authority for the positive statement that the president has fully decided upon the appointment of Charles W. Anderson, a negro of New York, as internal revenue collector for the district of New York to succeed Charles H. Treat, who will be appointed to succeed Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States at Washington. These changes, however, will not be made until next June, when Mr. Roberts will have completed an eight year term.

HAS HAD HER SHARE.

No More Diplomatic Snaps for Nebraska Men.

WASHINGTON—Senators Burkett and Millard had a conference on the subject of the summary dismissal of Max Baehr of Howard county, United States consul at Cienfuegos, Cuba. After learning at the state department that Mr. Baehr's official reports had been exceptionally good, Senator Millard proposed that the matter be taken up with President Roosevelt, and about 11 o'clock Senators Burkett and Millard called at the white house and lodged a respectful protest against the act affecting Baehr, urging that a mistake had been made. The president was not inclined to concede the claim. Later Senator Millard learned of Assistant Secretary Loomis of the state department that Robert J. Thompson, the Chicago newspaper reporter appointed to succeed Baehr, did not wish to go to Cuba, his desire being to go to Europe in the consular service, and Mr. Loomis assured Senator Millard that if Thompson declined to go to Cienfuegos it is quite likely that Max Baehr would be permitted to remain there.

In response to telegraphic requests from leading republicans in Nebraska, Senator Millard urged the president to appoint George Anthes, deputy auditor of state, to an important post in the consular service. The president listened attentively to the good things said of Mr. Anthes, replying that Nebraska had more than her quota of consular appointments, and referred to the list in support of the claim, which Senator Millard was inclined to dispute.

PLAN TO SEAT ALVA ADAMS

Twenty-Two Republicans Combine With Democrats to End Contest.

DENVER—A plan for disposing of the contest over the governorship and retaining Adams in the chair was announced Wednesday night by the Adams supporters. It is to be brought about by the aid of certain republicans, thought they will not be required to vote directly to seat Adams. According to the claims of the Adams people they have secured the signatures of twenty-two republican members of the legislature to an agreement to vote down all three reports in the contest committee. With the thirty-one members who it is reported will act with the republicans above mentioned the result will be a majority of four. By defeating all three reports the effect will be to allow Adams to retain his seat. On the other hand, the Peabody republicans claim that they have forty-six pledged to stand together for Peabody and that this pledge was made at last night's caucus. A steering committee was named and instructed to use every effort to keep before the joint assembly the Alexander report in favor of seating Lieutenant Governor McDonald and ignoring the claims of both Adams and Peabody. They hope in this way to eventually win away enough of the McDonald men to give a majority for Peabody.

GOES AGAINST MR. BRYAN

Supreme Court Rules in Opposition to His Claim.

HARTFORD, Conn.—The supreme court of Connecticut handed down a decision in the Philo S. Bennett will case, in which W. J. Bryan has figured as beneficiary to the extent of \$50,000 as provided in a "sealed letter" left by Mr. Bennett, and finds no error. The decision upholds the superior court, which rendered judgment to the effect that the clause in Mr. Bennett's will containing the paragraph in regard to the \$50,000 to be left to Mr. Bryan is inoperative and that the said fund is the part of a residuary estate.

Mr. Bryan appealed from this decision and the result is as previously stated. The superior court, having held that the "sealed letter" was no part of the will, the only question to decide on was its contents as testamentary document, Clause 12 of the will leaves \$50,000 to Mrs. Bennett in trust with no purpose, while the sealed letter says that the money is left to William J. Bryan. The supreme court holds that the superior court is right in deciding that the clause is inoperative.

NO LONGER IN THE CHURCH

Former Senator Cannon Disfellowshipped by Mormons.

SALT LAKE CITY—Former United States Senator Frank J. Cannon has been disfellowshipped from the Mormon church for "unchristian-like conduct and apostasy."

Czar Addresses Young Officers.

ST. PETERSBURG—One hundred and eighteen naval cadets and thirty-two pupils of the naval engineering school who have been promoted to be officers, were presented to the emperor at Esarskoe Selo. The emperor in an address exhorted the young officers, particularly at the present time, to defend the honor of glory of Russia with all their might, not heeding and not discouraged by strokes of fate, but always laboring faithfully in the service of the fatherland, and the emperor.

Men That Succeed.

The men whom I have seen successful in life have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces, and took the changes and chances of this mortal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came.—Charles Kingsley.

Swords in Japan.

Although wearing swords has almost entirely ceased for twenty years in Japan, the old esteem and reverence for the weapon and its use still exist among the gentlemen of the country, and many of the nobility have at their houses regular establishments for fencing.

Turquoise a Lucky Stone.

The Orientals have a proverb, "That a turquoise given by a loving hand carries with it happiness and good fortune"; and another, "That the turquoise pales when the well-being of the giver is in danger." Who, then, would not be the possessor of a lucky turquoise?

Sure Thing.

What makes the merchant's business hum—what makes his clerks despair? Is it due to drummers bland, or to messages by wire? Can it be due to fine displays or to silly worn-out fads? No; the business boom is mostly due to his large, attractive ads.

Mexico and the United States together furnish about 72 per cent of the silver output of the world. British India, Straits Settlements and China take nearly two-thirds of the total in a good year.

In the days of our grandmothers, the panacea for all complexion ills was the application of decoction made from soaking wild tansy in buttermilk, an extremely innocent and effective cosmetic.

We live in a world which is full of misery and ignorance, and the plain duty of each of us is to make the little corner he can influence somewhat less ignorant than it was before he entered it.—Huxley.

The world generally gives its admiration, not to the man who does what nobody else ever attempts to do, but to the man who does best what multitudes do well.—Lord Macaulay.

There is one thing will warm up the man who preaches in an ice box, and that is to see people looking for a more genial climate.—Henry F. Cope in Chicago Tribune.

The virtue of a religion does not depend on its vagaries.

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE THOUGHTFUL.

A Tribute to Weather Conditions in Western Canada.

During the early portion of February, of this year, the middle and Western States suffered severely with the intense cold and winter's storms. Trains were delayed, cattle suffered, and there was much general hardship. While this was the case, throughout Western Canada, now attracting so much attention, the weather was perfect.

One correspondent writes, "We are enjoying most beautiful weather, the gentlemen are going to church without top coats, while the ladies require no heavier outer clothing than that afforded by light jackets. In contrast with this it is interesting to read in a St. Paul paper of 13th February the following, in double head lines, and large bold-faced type:

"WARM WAVE NEAR ARCTIC ZONE."

"CALGARY MUCH WARMER THAN ST. PAUL."

"Balm Breezes are Blowing in Northwestern Canada While People are Freezing to Death in Texas and Other Southern States."

WARM IN CANADA; FREEZING IN TEXAS.

St. Paul	24
Omaha	16
St. Joseph	16
Fort Worth, Tex.	Zero
Burlington	7
Moorehead	10
Duluth	6
Have, Mont.	18
Williston, N. D.	18
Miles City, Mont.	2
Medicine Hat, Can.	Zero
Calgary, Can.	24
Edmonton, Can.	20
Leadville, Colo.	32

During the month of January of this year the number of settlers who went to Canada was greater than any previous January. The movement northward is increasing wonderfully.

The vacant lands of Western Canada are rapidly filling with an excellent class of people. The Government Agents located at different points in the States, whose duty it is to direct settlers, are busier than ever. They have arranged for special excursions during the months of March and April, and will be pleased to give intending settlers any desired information.

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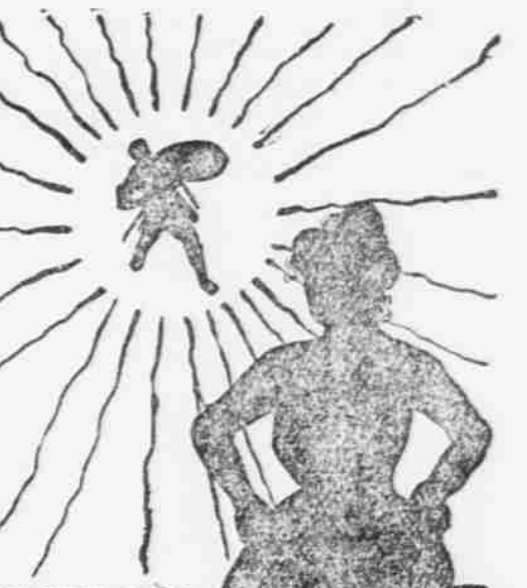
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