

REACH THE SPOT.



To cure an aching back, the pains of rheumatism, the tired out feelings, You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys.

Chas. Bierbach, a urologist, living at 2425 Chestnut St., Erie, Pa., says: "For two years I had kidney trouble and there was such a severe pain through my loins and limbs that I could not stoop or straighten up without great pain, had difficulty in getting about and was unable to rest at night, arising in the morning tired and worn out. The kidney secretions were irregular and deposited a heavy sediment. Doctors treated me for rheumatism, but failed to help me. I lost all confidence in medicine and began to feel as if life were not worth living. Doan's Kidney Pills, however, relieved me so quickly and so thoroughly that I gladly made a statement to that effect for publication. This was in 1898, and during the six years which have elapsed I have never known Doan's Kidney Pills to fail. They cured my wife of a severe case of backache in the same thorough manner."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Bierbach will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

The confidence a woman has in her husband may be the result of his very boldness.

Ask Your Dealer For Allen's Foot-Ease. A powder. It cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching, Sweating Feet and ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. All Druggists and Shoe stores, 25 cents. Accept no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The man who resists a tendency will never have to regret a habit.

Dedance Starch is guaranteed big and best for money refunded. 14 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

An Asiatic Dowry.

John Alexander Dowie, the Chicago "prophet," has his counterpart in India. Indeed, the Oriental product in some ways outdoes the man who, according to all accounts, has made a good thing out of it in Chicago. The Hindu's name is Mirza Ghelani Ahmad, head of a distinct sect of Mohammedans, and he lives in the Punjab. In fine appearance, denunciation and prophecies he more than equals Dowie but so far he does not seem to have developed the sound business sense of John Alexander. He lives humbly and only attracted official attention when he began to forecast the death of certain opponents. Mirza was "induced" to abandon this feature of his performance, as he contravened a section of the penal code. He is 55 years old and has about 10,000 followers.

God, the eternal light of mercy, the blessing scattered through all the infinitudes—the hope that vibrates the music of the spheres—the love that yearns to lift the humble flowers of the world and roll the stone from sorrow's sepulcher.—Florida Times-Union.

When a woman too frequently enters upon her household duties with an air of resignation, her husband is likely to give up his job also with an air of resignation.—New York Telegraph.

EMPTY NOW.

How One Woman Quit Medicine.

"While a coffee user my stomach troubled me for years," says a lady of Columbus, O., "and I had to take medicine all the time. I had what I thought was the best stomach medicine I could get, had to keep getting it filled all the time at 40 cents a bottle. I did not know what the cause of my trouble was but just dragged along from day to day, suffering and taking medicine all the time.

"About six months ago I quit tea and coffee and began drinking Postum and I have not had my prescription filled since, which is a great surprise to me for it proves that coffee was the cause of all my trouble although I never suspected it.

"When my friends ask me how I feel since I have been taking Postum I say, 'To tell the truth I don't feel at all only that I get hungry and eat everything I want and lots of it and it never hurts me and I am happy and well and contented all the time.'

"I could not get my family to drink Postum for a while until I mixed it in a little coffee and kept on reducing the amount of coffee until I got it all Postum. Now they all like it and they never belch it up like coffee.

"We all know that Postum is a sunshine maker. I had it help one greatly for we do not have to think of aches and pains all the time and can use our minds for other things." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The one who has to bother with coffee aches and pains is badly handicapped in the race for fame and fortune. Postum is a wonderful rebuild-er. There's a reason.

Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Well-villa."

Your Corner



chiffon, lace and printed Brussels net, as well as the new soft taffeta with a messaline finish, are the materials most used for the blouses which are now being worn. A little later on the lingerie blouse will outrival all others. It will be a mass of fine lace and hand embroidery, and for its foundation the finest India lawn, organdie and batiste will be used. Very many of the blouses button up the back and are made with a deep yoke and cuffs.



Tassels hang from every point. Gold and silver appear in laces for sprig.

Braiding of all kinds is used extravagantly.

Stockings positively must match the gown, says fashion.

The newest raincoats are very smartly made of men's suitings.

Strawberries appear on a few frocks and they are generally hand-made.

Russian embroidery is here for a long stay, possibly the entire summer.

The trimming on the full skirt is nearly always put on in running-about lines.

Hand-painted lace is going to be worn by those who can afford perishable things.

A new trimming is a braid which is made of punched velvet with satin ribbon run through the openings.

Earrings Worn Again.

The wearing of earrings is a custom that should be adopted with caution and the form of the earrings left very much to the individual taste of the wearer. They have never quite gone out of fashion, and they certainly have not quite come in. A tall woman can wear longer styles than a short one, and perhaps the increased height of the English women will give an impetus to the wearing of longer earrings.

Americans have a great predilection for them. Parisians are fitful in their appreciation. At present it is pearls and diamonds that are most worn, and some women are wearing odd ones, a white pearl in one ear and a pink one in the other, or a white and a black one. Pear-shaped pearls are well suited to earrings. Studs of colored stones, quite minute, are a favorite style of fashionable earrings.

Wood alcohol rubbed on a polished table stained or marred by a hot dish will restore the finish if followed by a polishing with linseed oil. The odor of wood alcohol is not pleasing, but it is cheaper than medicinal alcohol.

As starch is very apt to rot clothes they should be washed, rough dried without starch and pressed out smoothly when they are laid away for the winter.

To remove panes of glass lay soft soap over the putty which holds them and after a few hours the putty, however hard, will become soft and easy to scrape away.

The Spring Fashions. In the spring fashions it is interesting to see the two varying types of skirts which will be worn. There is the trotteur skirt, one inch from the



Decorating Skirts. Skirts are no longer decorated with patches of trimming in the way of applications of lace or of passementerie, or with streamers of any sort. The correct style is to place all the decoration around the hem. Two stitched folds of taffeta silk the exact shade of the gown sewed on half an inch apart make a pretty finish on even the thinnest fabrics. For heavier cloths an unstitched band of velvet seven or eight inches wide headed by tucks of the cloth is a new French idea for the bottom of skirts.

Styles that Demand Taste. Some beautiful effects have been arrived at with shot taffetas, decorated with floral patterns in silk and chenille. Such trappings, however, are apt to look old fashioned unless they are very cleverly manipulated. Still they play a part in the fashions of today and to-morrow and therefore have to be considered.

Chocolate Wafers. One cup brown sugar, one cup granulated sugar, one cup butter, one egg, one cup grated chocolate, one teaspoonful vanilla; sifted flour to make stiff. Roll thin. One may use two-thirds cup good cocoa and a pinch of soda instead of chocolate, but don't use soda or baking powder with the chocolate.



Violet crepe de chine, with lace dyed to match. Bow and girldle of deeper violet velvet. Hat of violet spangles, with purple tips.

ground and shorter, which is the acknowledged fashionable skirt for general every-day knock-about wear. And then there is the soft, full, trailing skirt for dress occasions, with its introduction of puffs and shirrs and gathers. With the short skirt it is imperative that the foot has an up-to-date appearance, and every girl who wears the walking skirt knows this and is acting accordingly. That's why she's so interesting her more than ever before. The new Oxford tie is



made without a tongue this spring. It is of kid or patent leather, with a sensible, prettily shaped Cuban heel, and ribbons are used instead of shoe laces. Some of these ties have but four big eyelets—two on either side of the shoe—and the ribbon used is wide and ties in a big bow.—Woman's Home Companion.

Gown of Mixed Colors. Gown of rough mixed stuff—red green and blue. The skirt is trimmed on either side of the plain tablier with



stitched tabs of white cloth. The bodice is draped and crossed at the bottom, forming all the girldle there is. The guimpe is of gulfure, and over this is a deep cape like shoulder collar, opening widely in front and finished around the neck with a band of the white cloth, forming straps in front. The sleeves, very full at the bottom, are drawn into wristbands of the white cloth.

Jokes by Freight. Lieut. Randolph of the United States navy was the center of attraction one evening at an entertainment given by the British officers at Gibraltar. His witty sayings and anecdotes kept the guests in roars of laughter. One of the British officers met Randolph the following morning and said: "Lieut. Randolph, I have been thinking over some of your jokes this morning, and, by Jove! they are clever; deucedly clever."

And Randolph replied: "Thanks; I'm glad you've got them at last; by freight." And the Englishman walked away, tapping his forehead and repeating thoughtfully, "By freight!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Beadwork Bad for the Eyes. Many physicians are "down" on beadwork and they recommend mothers to discourage their little daughters in trying their eyesight over beadwork. Do not hasten the day when your daughter must go to the oculist to have her eyes examined for prescription glasses. The long curriculum of lessons in modern schools, the claims of textbooks, music lessons and drawing lessons make quite enough demand on the eyesight of a growing girl without the unnecessary claims of "fancy work."

A Respite. What shall we do with our men? Wipe 'em out, kill 'em off, abolish 'em, says a stern Kansas propehecse. Humane hearts will hope that milder measures will be sufficient. In fact, there is a gleam of hope. At a meeting of the Housekeepers' Alliance the good news was published that "men are supplanting girls along the lines of domestic service." So the "servant problem" is solved; and men folks have a respite and may even be useful.—New York Sun.

Her Ideal. "I never have married," quoth Phillis "For few are the men whose possession is a prize." "I never have married," quoth Phillis "Since ardor is fleeting and worth is so rare." "Yet response and consent I am sure I should feel toward my unrealized hero, my mental ideal." "And who is your ideal?" Then Phillis arose; she said, "Is the man who'll propose."—Georgiana Palmer, in Harper's Bazar.

HOW THE JAPANESE KNEW.

Had Spies to Watch Building of Russian Battleship at Philadelphia. A story is being told which sheds an interesting light on the marvelous foresight and precaution that characterized the preparations of the Japanese for the present war. Some years ago a Japanese agent came to Philadelphia with a letter of introduction to a prominent Philadelphian who had traveled in Japan. This Philadelphian tells the story.

The letter was written by a Japanese official who knew the Philadelphian, and it stated that if he would help the bearer in what he desired the favor would be greatly appreciated. The favor was for the Philadelphian to simply introduce the agent to a first-class firm of detectives. This was done and the agent described as a responsible person. He had plenty of money, and a bargain was made with the firm, the latter to receive a large sum of money.

The detectives were required to dress in the clothes of laborers and secure work in Cramp's shipyard and then to gather full information about the Russian battleship *Variag*, then in early course of construction. This they did, and the Japanese government was supplied with every detail of the construction and armament of the *Variag*. The officials at Cramp do not yet know exactly how the Japs obtained it.—Philadelphia Press.

HOW THEY LOVE EACH OTHER.

Daniel J. Sully's Hat Reminds Him of a Woman's Barbed Shaft.

Daniel J. Sully, on the day of his admission to the Chicago Board of Trade, lunched at the Chicago club. He wore a new derby hat, for he had been pretty severely manled by the brokers and his old hat had been altogether ruined.

"You are not wearing the same hat you had on this morning, sir," a reporter said to Mr. Sully with a smile. "No," the broker admitted, and he went on:

"Now, I'll tell you an appropriate and timely story—a story about a hat and about Easter.

"Two women shook hands warily after church on an Easter Sunday morning, and while they conversed they examined each other's apparel with their bright eyes.

"How becoming your Easter hat is," said the first woman.

"Oh, do you think so?" said the other.

"Yes, indeed. It looks almost as well as it did last year."

Some Religious Slang.

Francis Wilson, the comedian, has recently added to his large and valuable library a collection of English tracts and sermons of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. These pamphlets are interesting on account of the strange phraseology—a kind of religious slang—which they reveal. Their titles exemplify this slang well, and the following are a few of them:

"The Spiritual Mustard Pot, to Make the Soul Sneeze With Devotion."

"The Snufflers of Divine Love."

"Crumbs of Comfort for Hungry Hoses."

"Biscuits Baked in the Oven of Charity, Carefully Conserved for Chickens of the Church, Sparrows of the Spirit, and Sweet Swallows of Salvation."

Physicians Use Carrier Pigeons. Country Physicians in many instances have adopted the use of pigeons as messengers. A physician raises a loft of carriers, and when he visits a patient four or five miles away he carries with him a basket containing one of his birds. If dangerous symptoms arise in the night or the following day the pigeon is released with a message. Some physicians with long country routes carry half a dozen or more of these pigeons on their rounds and leave one at each place. A daily report of the different cases can thus be obtained by pigeon service. This service has also been extended on large Western farms. Some farmers receive daily reports of the markets from the city in this way when there are no telephone or telegraph wires to send the messages. All that is required is a trip to the city once a fortnight to carry back the birds and some one in the city to write the reports and release the pigeons.

How a woman does like to talk about the doings and the sayings of the man of whom she is fond.

In the Spring. Lowndes, Mo., April 4th.—Mrs. H. C. Harty of this place, says: "For years I was in very bad health. Every spring I would get so low that I was unable to do my own work. I seemed to be worse in the spring than any other time of the year. I was very weak and miserable and had much pain in my back and head. I saw Dodd's Kidney Pills advertised last spring and began treatment of them and they have certainly done me more good than anything I have ever used.

"I was all right last spring and felt better than I have for over ten years. I am fifty years of age and am stronger to-day than I have been for many years and I give Dodd's Kidney Pills credit for the wonderful improvement."

The statement of Mrs. Harty is only one of a great many where Dodd's Kidney Pills have proven themselves to be the very best spring medicine. They are unsurpassed as a tonic and are the only medicine used in thousands of families.

I noticed a woman chewing gum once during the progress of a mile race. The race was run in 1:43. She covered the distance in 1:40 flat.

The United Mutual Hall Ins. Ass'n is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid \$159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid \$53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid \$200,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, 116 South 19th Street, Lincoln, Neb.

How's This? We offer the Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 35 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. W. A. RAY, W. C. KISNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Anyway, old maids don't have to go down stairs at 3 o'clock in the morning to let in a man who tried to open the front door with a trunk key.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE. Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 30 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 15 Michigan Street, Chicago.

"Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may!" When the days are done the bookies on the line have accumulated most of the chips.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. Price to dealers \$30.00 per M. They cost some more than other brands, but no more than a good 5c cigar should cost. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

You have to handle some people with kid gloves, other with boxing gloves, others with bare fists and the rest with an old-fashioned ax handle.

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

The only effective criticism of a poor religion is the creation of a better one.

The bill-poster acquires a great many stuck-up notions in his business.

When a man is satisfied he made a mistake by marrying, he isn't satisfied.

Goods are among the least of the rewards for goodness.

The World's Greatest Railway. Under the title of "The Great Siberian Railway," James W. Davidson, F. R. G. S., United States Consul at Antung, Manchuria, will give much valuable information in the April Century which the world has ever seen." Travelers on the great Siberian railway will find the many days on the train wonderfully comfortable. For its passengers the train de luxe plans to provide brass bedsteads, private toilet rooms, baths, gymnasium, electric fans and lights, steam heat, and a handsomely furnished drawing room. Mr. Davidson estimates that one may enjoy all this luxury from Paris to Dalny or Peking for not over \$280, including sleeper, food and all incidental expenses.

Before arithmetic was invented people multiplied on the face of the earth.

Royal blue peau de sole rovers and cuffs of emerald green panne velvet and white lace. Blue panne velvet hat, with green parrot.