

**U. S. SENATOR TOWNE**

Credits Doan's Kidney Pills with a Gratifying Cure.

Hon. Charles A. Towne, ex-U. S. Senator from Minnesota, brilliant orator, clever business man, brainy lawyer, whose national prominence made him a formidable candidate for the presidential nomination in 1904, writes us the following:



Gentlemen: I am glad to endorse Doan's Kidney Pills. The remedy was recommended to me a few months ago when I was feeling miserable; had severe pains in the back; was restless and languid; had a dull headache and neuralgic pains in the limbs and was otherwise distressed. A few boxes of the pills effectually routed my ailment and I am glad to acknowledge the benefit I derived.

(Signed) CHARLES A. TOWNE.  
Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.  
For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents per box.

**REMEDIES USED BY MILLIONS**

**Truth About the Popular "Proprietary Medicines."**

The recent campaign against the use of proprietary medicines, conducted in the columns of The Ladies' Home Journal and Collier's Weekly, has evoked an answer from the Committee on Legislation of the Proprietary Association. The committee says: "In considering the question raised by recent attacks upon proprietary medicines, every reasonable man will admit that there is a wide and legitimate field for the manufacture and sale of medicines already prepared for general use and easily obtainable at all times and everywhere. As a matter of fact these medicines are not patented at all, and the popular use of the word 'patent' in connection with them is a misnomer. Any pharmacist will tell you that practically all 'patent' medicines in use to-day are those which are manufactured either by foreign or domestic pharmaceutical houses, and which are now almost exclusively dispensed by physicians or designated by them in their prescriptions.

"The medicines which are now the subject of wholesale attack by Mr. Bok and Editor Hapgood are the old-fashioned family remedies properly described as 'proprietary medicines.' They are the favorite remedies among millions of people all over the country; and, notwithstanding the constant effort of some physicians to create prejudice against them, no one ever yet heard of any of the millions of users of such remedies asking for legislation or other action adverse to them."

He who praises men and flatters women has many friends.

**FRENZIED ADVERTISING.**

In these days of frenzied advertising, it is hard for all of us to tell the real thing, and it naturally follows that the safest way is to pin our faith to those articles and products which are backed and guaranteed by the oldest and most reliable concerns.

The Pillsbury Company of Minneapolis, with a world wide reputation for BEST quality, guarantees to you that in buying their ideal breakfast food, "Pillsbury's VITOS—the Meat of the Wheat," you actually purchase a product which is free from impurities, and at the same time a most economical food. It is truly the white heart of the wheat kernel, sterilized, nothing added, nothing taken away; no flavoring, no cooking, and a two pound package will make you twelve pounds of delicious white food. Figure the economy of this.

If you are looking for the best, and are willing to accept the statements of the largest and most respected of firms, whose products are the yardstick by which all competitors measure their lines, you will not hesitate. Ask your grocer to-day for "Pillsbury's VITOS—the Meat of the Wheat."

Put up only in two pound air-tight packages. Price 15 cents.

Some men never make a mistake because they never make a move.

**Piso's Cure for Consumption**, is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb 17, 1904.

Love and pain are seldom far apart.

Smokers and Lewis' "Single Binder" weighs 50 cigars better quality than most 100 brands. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Sanctification is salvation from self.

There's tempest in yon horned moon,  
And lightning in yon cloud;  
But hark the music, martial!  
The wind is piping loud;  
The wind is piping loud, my boys,  
The lightning flashes free—  
While the hollow oak our palace is,  
Our heritage the sea.  
—Alexander Cunningham.

**DO YOU COUGH DON'T DELAY TAKE KEMP'S BALSAM THE BEST COUGH CURE**

It Cures Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis and Asthma. A certain cure for Consumption in first stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once. You will see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Sold by dealers everywhere. Large bottles 25 cents and 50 cents.

**PRETTY FLOWER CLOCK.**

Timepiece in the Garden That Teaches Lessons in Nature.

The children's grandfather made them a wonderful clock. It was out in the garden, and by it every one could tell the time of day. Of what do you suppose he made it? Flowers, and this is the way he did it.

First, says the Washington Star, he made a great flower bed and divided it into twelve parts. The divisions were marked out by rows of box plants, and in the center was a post three feet high. This post had two hands on it, but, of course, these were only for show. A sun dial on the post told the time truly in case any of the little flowers got out of order.

As some plants open only at night the twelve divisions of the clock were divided into parts. On one side were night, on the other day bloomers.

At 4 in the morning goatsbeard and blue chickory opened. The petals of the chickory were a bright blue. They grew lighter in color until they were nearly white. The children called the flowers "Miss-go-to-bed-at-noon," as 12 o'clock found all their petals closed.

At 5 o'clock the morning glory and poppy opened their eyes.

At 6 the yellow hawk-weed and dandelions.

At 7 o'clock the water lilies were in all their glory and if the day was fine 8 o'clock found the pipernel with its red eyes wide open. At 9 marigold and tulips spread out. At 10 Stars of Bethlehem were at their best, for at 11 they were found all shut up. At 12 o'clock the lazy passion flowers awoke and sweet peas then triumphantly unfurled their many-colored banners. At 2 daisies were the brightest and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon the flower appropriately named four-o'clock was ready to show itself.

At 5 o'clock the "beauty of the night" awoke and at 6 the evening primrose was blooming its loveliest.

At 7 the white lychis (only a night bloomer) opened and later still the night primroses put out their white bloom.

At 2 o'clock in the morning the purple convolvulus awoke and wondered if the sun had forgotten to get up.

**VITAL STATISTICS OF RUSSIA.**

Facts About the Empire of the Czar Are Interesting.

Final results of the Russian census of 1897 are still appearing at intervals. Among the latest figures published by the statistical department are as follows: The total population of the Russian empire (excluding Finland) on May 10, 1897, was 126,586,625. Of these 87,123,604 were members of the orthodox church. Old believers and other sections numbered 2,204,596; Mohammedans, 13,906,972; Roman Catholics, 11,407,994; Jews, 5,215,805; protestants (Lutherans), 3,572,653.

A division of this population on the basis of classes gives the following results: Hereditary nobles, 1,220,169; nobles for life, or by virtue of office, 630,119; priests of all Christian denominations, 588,977; honorable citizens, 342,927; merchants, 281,179; burghers, 13,386,292; peasants, 96,896,648; Cossacks, 2,928,842; foreigners, 8,297,965.

Literates numbered 99,070,436 (79 per cent); literates, 26,569,555. Students at the universities and other institutions for higher education numbered 104,321.

**Scrap of History.**

Here is a story that comes from the Wenona fire department.

Pat was a recent importation, but instead of landing a job on the force he got an assignment as a teamster. Unaccustomed to the ways of this country, he was continually getting into trouble with his wagon, owing principally to the fact that he insisted upon turning to the left instead of the right.

At last these occurrences became so numerous that the stable boss informed him he would give him just one more trial.

Pat had been away from the barns, after this warning, only a short time when word came that his outfit had been badly demolished again and the report was confirmed later by Pat himself.

"Didn't I tell you always to turn to the right?" asked the boss.

"Well, sor," said Pat, "I did turn to the right when I met the fire engine, but what good did it do? Right after them was a gang of drunken painters with a wagon load of ladders an' they run right into me, sor!"

**Sea Song.**

A wet sheet and a flowing sea,  
A wind that follows fast  
And fills the white and rustling sail  
And bends the gallant mast;  
And bends the gallant mast, my boys,  
While like the eagle free  
Away the good ship flies, and leaves  
Old England on the lee.

O for a soft and gentle wind!  
I heard a fair one cry:  
But give to me the anoring breeze  
And white waves heaving high;  
And white waves heaving high, my la,  
The good ship tight and free—  
The world of waters is our home,  
And merry men are we.

There's tempest in yon horned moon,  
And lightning in yon cloud;  
But hark the music, martial!  
The wind is piping loud;  
The wind is piping loud, my boys,  
The lightning flashes free—  
While the hollow oak our palace is,  
Our heritage the sea.  
—Alexander Cunningham.

**Miss Morgan a Type.**

Miss Anna Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, is a healthy, happy and hearty young American woman, devoted to outdoor sports, especially riding, driving, golf and tennis. Her greatest chum is Miss Florence Rhett, to whom her father pays a handsome salary for looking after his charitable interests. Miss Rhett also looks after a good deal of the practical housekeeping for Mrs. Morgan.

**GOOD BLOOD FOR BAD**

Rheumatism and Other Blood Diseases are Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

"In the lead mines I was at work on my knees with my elbows pressed against rock walls, in dampness and extremes of cold," said Mr. J. G. Meukel, of 2975 Jackson avenue, Dubuque, Iowa, in describing his experience to a reporter, "and it is not surprising that I contracted rheumatism. For three years I had attacks affecting the joints of my ankles, knees and elbows. My ankles and knees became so swollen I could scarcely walk on uneven ground and a little pressure from a stone under my feet would cause me so much pain that I would nearly sink down. I was often obliged to lie in bed for several days at a time. My friends who were similarly troubled were getting no relief from doctors and I did not feel encouraged to throw money away for nothing. By chance I read the story of Robert Yates of the Klauer Manufacturing Co., of Dubuque, who had a very bad case of rheumatism. I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, the remedy he had used. In three or four weeks after beginning to use the pills, I was much better and in three months I was well. The swelling of the joints and the tenderness disappeared, I could work steadily and for eight years I have had no return of the trouble. My whole family believe in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Both my sons use them. We consider them a household remedy that we are sure about."

What Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for Mr. Meukel they are doing for hundreds of others. Every dose sends galloping through the veins, pure, strong, rich, red blood that strikes straight at the cause of all ill health. The new blood restores regularity, and braces all the organs for their special tasks. Get the genuine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at your druggists or direct from the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Most people are overstocked with good intentions.

Ask Your Dealer for Allen's Foot-Ease. A powder. It cures Swollen, Sore, Hot, Chafed, Aching, Sweating Feet and Ingrowing Nails. At all Druggists and Shoe stores, 25 cents. Accept no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

People who advertise their troubles never clear off their stock.

**FARMS FOR RENT OR SALE ON CROP PAYMENTS.** J. MULHALL, Sioux City, Ia.

Many hands want light work.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. DeWitt's Starch.

Don't be ungrateful.

**More Converts Every Year**

Every day in every year that comes, more housewives are giving up their exorbitant priced Baking Powders and turning to K C, the honest and reliable, which has stood so well the test of years. They are finding out that

**K C BAKING POWDER**

costs one-third the price of powder anywhere near K C quality, and makes better, purer, more healthful baking. 25 ounces for 25c.

Send postal for "Book of Presents."

**JAQUES MFG. CO.**  
Chicago, Ill.

As afflicted with Thompson's Eye Water.

When answering advertisements please mention this paper.

**He Ought to Know.**

The late John W. Mackey was attending to business at the great Comstock mine one day when a party of tourists approached and asked if he knew of a guide who would take them around. Evidently none of them knew him. Mackey offered to escort them, and did so, explaining the mystery of gold and silver quartz mining. When they had emerged the visitors thanked the guide. Among them was Andrew D. White, recently ambassador to Germany, and at that time president of Cornell university. "Here, my man, take this," he said. "You explanation of the working of the mine has been singularly clear and informing."

"Well, it ought to be," replied the guide, as he slipped the half dollar in his overall pocket, "I dug 'em and I own 'em."

**She Was Used.**

"I hear you have a little sister at your house," said a Chicago grocer to a small boy. "Yes, sir," said Johnny. "Do you like that?" was queried. "I wish it was a boy," said Johnny, "so I could play marbles with him, an' baseball." "Well," said the storekeeper, "why don't you exchange your little sister for a boy?" Johnny reflected for a minute, then he said rather sorrowfully: "We can't now. It's too late. We've used her four days."

**When Your Grocer Says**

he does not have DeWitt's Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. DeWitt's Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but contains 16 oz. to the package and sells for same money as 12 oz. brands.

**Crushed.**

"Why am I like a pin?" asked Mr. Jones, triumphantly, of his wife. He expected she was going to say, "Because you are sharp," and he was simply paralyzed when she replied: "Because if you should get lost it wouldn't be worth while to spend time looking for you."

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market, and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of DeWitt's Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 oz., while all the other kinds contain but 12 oz. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses DeWitt's Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

**PUTNAM FADELESS DYES**

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors silk, wool and cotton equally well and is guaranteed to give perfect results. Ask dealer or we will send post paid at 10c a package. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. MONROE DRUG CO., Cantonville, Missouri.

**900 DROPS**

**CASTORIA**

Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

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Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

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At 6 months old  
**35 Doses—35 CENTS**

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The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

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There is an opening for you in the Southwest; so is there for an energetic, wide-awake man. The Southwest is in need of NOTHING but energetic men to develop its wonderful resources. There are vast areas of unimproved land in Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Texas, along the line of the M. K. & T. Railway only waiting for men like you to make them yield the wonderful crops of which they are capable. There are hundreds of towns where new businesses ARE ACTUALLY NEEDED. To make them successful, you have only to establish them and use ordinary business judgment in conducting them. There are openings for mills and manufacturing plants, small stores, newspapers, lumber yards and many other branches of trade. The oil and gas fields of Kansas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma are new and offer wonderful opportunities for development. We are in possession of all sorts of information, valuable alike to the investor and homeseeker. If you are interested, tell us what you want, how much you have to invest and we will gladly furnish the information. Write to-day for a copy of our book, "The Country Opportunity." It's free. Address: **GEORGE MORTON, G. P. & T. A., Box 911, ST. LOUIS, MO.**

**W. L. DOUGLAS**

**\$3.50 & \$3.00 SHOES FOR MEN**

W. L. Douglas \$4.00 Gilt Edge Line cannot be equalled at any price.

**THE WORLD'S GREATEST SHOEMAKER**

**W. L. DOUGLAS MAKES AND SELLS MORE MEN'S \$3.50 SHOES THAN ANY OTHER MANUFACTURER.**

**\$10.00 REWARD** to anyone who can disprove this statement.

W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes have by their excellent style, easy fitting, and superior wearing qualities, achieved the largest sale of any \$3.50 shoe in the world. They are just as good as those that cost you \$5.00 to \$7.00—the only difference is the price. If I could take you into my factory at Brockton, Mass., the largest in the world under one roof making men's fine shoes, and show you the care with which every pair of Douglas shoes is made, you would realize why W. L. Douglas \$3.50 shoes are the best shoes produced in the world.

If I could show you the difference between the shoes made in my factory and those of other makes, you would understand why Douglas \$3.50 shoes cost more to make, why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater intrinsic value than any other \$3.50 shoe on the market to-day.

**W. L. Douglas Strong Made Shoes for Men, \$2.50, \$2.00, Boys' School & Dress Shoes, \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50**

**CAUTION.**—Insist upon having W. L. Douglas shoes. Take no substitute. None genuine without his name and price stamped on bottom.

**WANTED.** A shoe dealer in every town where W. L. Douglas shoes are not sold. Full line of samples sent free for inspection upon request. *Fast Color Eyelets used; they will not wear brass.* Write for Illustrated Catalog of Fall Styles. **W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.**

W. N. U. Omaha, No. 38—1905.

**Suffered 23 Years From Constipation and Stomach Trouble**

Wilbert Thompson never knew a well day—he had been constipated all his life—many doctors treated him, but all failed to even help him—his health failed rapidly and on January 21, 1903, Mrs. Thompson asked us to suggest a treatment for her husband. We thought the case too serious and recommended that a specialist be consulted—but he also failed to help the patient—NOW HE IS WELL.

**Mull's Grape Tonic Cured Him**

Mrs. Thompson first wrote us as follows: "My husband, aged 33, suffers from sharp pains in his stomach and sometimes thinks it is his heart. Let me know by return mail what causes the pain, if you can. Mr. Thompson has been treated by several doctors, but they have given him up."

We promptly advised that a first-class specialist be consulted. We quote: "We want to sell Mull's Grape Tonic, because we know it will cure constipation, but 50c a bottle is no object to us when a human life is at stake. And if your husband's case is as serious as you state, we suggest you consult a reliable specialist, not the advertiser. Let me know promptly." At the same time knowing that Mull's Grape Tonic could do no harm, we advised its use until a physician could be consulted. January 25th, Mrs. Thompson wrote that a physician had been consulted. He diagnosed the case as being chronic constipation and dyspepsia. His treatment was followed faithfully, but there was no perceptible improvement in Mr. Thompson's health. Then he began taking Mull's Grape Tonic and on September 3, 1903, we received the following letter from Mrs. Thompson:

"You will remember that I wrote to you last January in regard to my husband's health. It is four months since he quit taking Mull's Grape Tonic for constipation, which he suffered from since birth. He took just 24 bottles of it and is perfectly cured. He is much stronger and has gained considerably in flesh. I cannot thank you enough for Mull's Grape Tonic. 'It is worth its weight in gold.' Just \$12 cured him and he has spent hundreds of dollars with doctors who did him no good. It did all you claimed it would."

Very respectfully yours, **MRS. W. H. THOMPSON, 801 Main St., Peoria, Ill.**

Mr. Thompson stopped taking Mull's Grape Tonic in June, 1903. He has been completely cured and has taken no other medicine since that date. Over two years and no return of the disease, should prove a permanent cure.

**IT WILL CURE YOU—BEGIN TO-DAY**

**CONSTIPATION**

Stomach Troubles, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Blood Poison, Skin Diseases, Sores, Sudden Bowel Trouble, Diarrhea, Cholera, Etc.

No one whose bowels are healthy and active contracts these complaints. Invariably they are the result of Constipation, which means decayed, poisoned and dying bowels or intestines. Check diarrhea and you are liable to fatal blood-poison—aphysic makes you worse. There is only one right course and that is to treat the cause. Revive and strengthen the bowels and intestines. We will prove to you that Mull's Grape Tonic cures Constipation and all these terrible Stomach and Bowel troubles because it cleanses the Blood and makes the intestines practically new. It feeds the starved condition and brings them back to life—nothing else will.

WRITE FOR THIS FREE BOTTLE TO-DAY

Good for ailing children and nursing mothers.

The \$1.00 bottle contains nearly three times as much as the 50 cent size.

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**121 FREE COUPON 923**

Send this coupon to Mull's Grape Tonic Co., 148 3rd Ave., Rock Island, Ill., and receive an order on your druggist for a free bottle of Mull's Grape Tonic, Blood Tonic and Constipation Cure.

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Write yours and your druggist's name and address plainly on a separate piece of paper and mail at once with this coupon.