

A MAN WITH A HISTORY.

The Terrible Experience That Baffled John W. Thomas, of Theta, Tennessee.

Afflicted with a Peculiar Disease—His Body Covered with Lumps—Could Not Eat and Thought He Was Going to Dry Up—His Recovery the Marvel of Tennessee.

[From the Nashville, Tenn., Banner.]

Mr. John W. Thomas, Jr., of Theta, Tenn., is a man with a most interesting history. At present he is interested in blooded horses for which Maury County is famous.

"Few people, I take it," said Mr. Thomas to a reporter who had asked him for the story of his life, "have passed through as remarkable a chain of events as I have and remained alive to tell the story."

"It was along in 1884, when I was working in the silver mines of New Mexico, that my troubles began; at first I suffered with indigestion, and so acute did the pains become that I went to California for my health, but the trip did me little good, and fully impressed with the idea that my last day had nearly dawned upon me, I hurried back here to my old home to die."

"From simple indigestion my malady developed into a chronic inability to take any substantial food. I was barely able to creep about, and at times I was prostrated by spells of heart palpitation. This condition continued until one year ago."

"On the 15th of April, 1883, I suddenly collapsed, and for days I was unconscious, in fact I was not fully myself until July. My condition on September 1st, was simply horrible. I weighed but seventy pounds, whereas my normal weight is 165 pounds. All over my body there were lumps from the size of a grape to the size of a walnut; my fingers were cramped so that I could not move them half straighten them. I had entirely lost control of my lower limbs and my hand trembled so that I could not drink without spilling the liquid. Nothing would remain in my stomach, and it seemed that I must dry up before many more days had passed."

"I made another round of the physicians, calling in one after the other, and by the aid of morphine and other medicines they gave me, I managed to live though barely through the fall."

Here Mr. Thomas displayed his arms, and just above the elbow of each there was a large irregular stain as large as the palm of the hand and of a purple color, the space covered by the mark was sunken nearly to the bone. "That," said Mr. Thomas, "is what the doctors did by putting morphine into me."

"On the 11th of December, 1883, just eight months after I took permanently to bed—I shall never forget the date—my cousin, Joe Foster, of Carters' Creek, called on me and gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, saying they had cured him of partial paralysis, with which I knew he had all but died. I followed his directions and began taking the medicine, as a result I stand before you to-day the most surprised man on earth. Look at my hand, it is as steady as yours; my face has a healthy look about it; I have been attending to my duties for a month. Since I began taking the pills I have gained 30 pounds, and I am still gaining. All the knots have disappeared from my body except this little kernel here in my palm. I have a good appetite and I am almost as strong as I ever was."

"Yesterday I rode thirty-seven miles on horseback. I feel tired to-day but not sick. I used to have from two to four spells of heart palpitation every night, since I began the use of the pills I have had but four spells altogether."

"I know positively that I was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I believe firmly that it is the most wonderful remedy in existence to-day, and every fact I have presented to you is known to my neighbors as well as to myself, and they will certify to the truth of my remarkable cure."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are not a patent medicine in the sense that name implies, they were first compounded as a prescription and used as such in general practice by an eminent physician. So great was their efficacy that it was deemed wise to place them within the reach of all. They are now manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., and are sold in boxes, never in loose form by the dozen or hundred, and the public are cautioned against numerous imitations sold in this shape at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$3.50, and may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company.

A PECULIAR STONE.

It is called the Devil's Looking Glass and Taxes the Eyes.

One of the most peculiar of stone formations is the "devil's looking glass," on the Nolochucky river. It is a pallisade which arises abruptly from the river to a height of about two hundred feet. It is perfectly smooth and about one hundred feet wide. When the sun is at a certain stage it throws a shadow over the water and reflects the sunbeams as a mirror would, dazzling the eyes of the beholder, sometimes almost blinding him with its brightness.

To go upon the river in a skiff and look down into the water is to see an image reflected, but always distorted. It is this which gave the name to the formation, and there are several interesting legends connected with it, some of which are devoutly believed by the mountaineers. One of these which is generally given credence is that every night at midnight, when the moon shines, the devil goes there to bathe and makes up his toilet, using the rock, with the reflection of the moonlight, as a looking glass.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

A Fine Sense of Humor.

He—Miss Swaindown uses such queer comparisons. Speaking of you, she said your pedigree was as long as the tail of your favorite goat.

She—She has a certain sense of humor also. The only cut I possess came from the Isle of Man.—*Life.*

—Great Britain owns 31,000 square miles in Borneo, and so great is the confidence felt in the permanence of the British rule that over 1,000,000 acres of land have been leased for 999 years.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The Proceedings of the Week Briefly Given.

WHEN the hour arrived for the meeting of the senate on the 14th, only four senators were in their seats and it was nearly half an hour before a quorum was obtained. After some routine business the tariff bill was taken up and considered by paragraphs until adjournment. When the house met, Mr. Ogden, elected from Louisiana, to succeed Mr. Blanchard, was sworn in and after routine business the naval appropriation bill was considered in committee of the whole until adjournment.

AFTER one hour devoted to routine and other business of little importance the senate on the 14th entered upon the seventh week of the tariff debate, the sugar schedule being under consideration most of the day.... The house was engaged in District of Columbia business. A small sensation was brought about by a negro man rising in the gallery and addressing the speaker and declaring that the Lord had directed him to appear and speak in favor of the Coxey bill. The negro was ejected and consideration of appropriation bills resumed.

WHEN the senate met on the 14th Mr. Allen (who) offered a resolution calling upon the secretary of the treasury for information as to the total number of persons engaged in the protected industries, and other statistics as to wages, the number of native citizens and aliens employed, etc. The resolution went over. The tariff debate was then resumed and continued until adjournment.... In the house a bill was reported from the labor committee making labor day a national holiday. The naval appropriation bill was then taken up and considered in committee of the whole and at 2 o'clock the bill passed. The remainder of the day was occupied in considering the agricultural bill.

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A Doctor's Wondrous Cure.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 22.—(Special.) Never before has such intense interest been shown as Dr. Carson, of 303 Broadway, the viapathic physician, is creating. Men and women are cured by him with the slight effort. Little children deformed and helpless are restored by his magic touch. The doctor's treatment seems to reach all diseases. Sick people from everywhere are coming to this wonderful physician, for his cures are marvelous; our city past fifteen years in Kansas City hundreds every year. Special affection, nervous prostration, liver and kidney diseases, rheumatism, heart disease and paralysis—he treats all manner of ailments by a mysterious power no man can solve. Dr. Carson's viapathic Institute, 303 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

A WASHINGTON city spring poet killed himself on Sunday, and by so doing put temptation out of the way of others.—N. Y. Advertiser.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, 1888.

LUCAS COUNTY, 1888.
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo and State aforesaid and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY,
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this thirtieth day of December, A. D. 1888,
A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and externally on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
"Sold by Druggists, 75c."
Hall's Family Pills, 25c.

PARKER—"Swell boarding house, isn't it?" Parker—"Swell!" Hash is never mentioned except as "renaissance corned beef"! —Puck.

Like the Gentle Dew From Heaven

Comes blissful peace to a turbulent, unruly liver brought into subjection and disciplined with that grand regulator, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a boon of priceless worth, not only to the bilious, but also to the malarious, the rheumatic, the nervous, the feeble, the constipated, and those whose kidneys and bladder are inactive. The liver is always chiefly involved in malarial complaints, for which the Bitters is a specific.

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THE GENERAL MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY, May 21.

CATTLE—Best heaves	\$3.70	6	4.10
Stockers	2.00	6	3.70
Native cows	2.20	6	3.05
HOGS—Good to choice heavy	4.00	6	4.80
WHEAT—No. 2 red	49	65	49½
No. 2 hard	49½	65	49
CORN—No. 2 milled	35	65	35½
OATS—No. 2 milled	35½	65	35
RYE—No. 2	45	65	45
FLOUR—Patent, per bushel	1.40	65	1.50
Fancy	1.40	65	2.00
HAY—Choice timothy	8.50	65	9.50
Fancy prairie	6.00	65	7.00
BIRCH	60	65	62
BUTTER—Choice cream	15	65	17
CHEESE—Full cream	10	65	11
Eggs—Choice	75	65	8
POTATOES...	50	65	70

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE—Native and shipping	3.00	65	3.75
TAXES...	3.00	65	3.65
HOGS—Heavy	4.00	65	4.85
SHEEP—Fair to choice	3.00	65	4.00
FLOUR—Choice	2.00	65	2.50
WHEAT—No. 2 red	50½	65	50½
CORN—No. 2 milled	37	65	37
GATS—No. 2 milled	37½	65	37½
RYE—No. 2	49	65	50
BUTTER—Creamery	15	65	17
LARD—Western steam	7.00	65	7.00
POKES...	12.50	65	12.50

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Common to prime	3.00	65	4.00
HOGS—Packing and shipping	4.00	65	4.50
SHEEP—Fair to choice	2.50	65	3.50
FLOUR—Winter wheat	2.50	65	3.50
WHEAT—No. 2 red	13	65	13
CORN—No. 2	20	65	20
OATS—No. 2	22½	65	23
RYE—No. 2	48	65	49
BUTTER—Creamery	14	65	16
LARD...	7.15	65	7.20
POKES...	11.50	65	11.75

NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Native steers	4.00	65	5.40
HOGS—Good to choice	5.00	65	5.40
FLOUR—Good to choice	2.50	65	2.75
WHEAT—No. 2 red	13	65	13
CORN—No. 2	21	65	21
OATS—No. 2	23	65	23
RYE—No. 2	48	65	49
BUTTER—Creamery	14	65	16
LARD...	7.15	65	7.20
POKES...	11.50	65	11.75

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