

No Objection.

"If they refuse to allow us to harness Niagara," said the great trust promoter, "we shall go over and harness Vesuvius."

"Great craters!" exclaimed the assistant. "What early use could we make out of Vesuvius?"

"Why, we could run a pipe line under the Atlantic, pump the hot lava to America and heat the whole country. The coal trust would be a back number."

Amid the Palms.

"Aren't you afraid of the jungle?" she cooed.

"No, by George!" exclaimed the sun-burned explorer. "I've been in a good deal more danger right in a dinky little conservatory!"—Detroit Free Press.

Sorry She Spoke.

Mrs. Sweet—Every time my husband and I have a quarrel he gives me a new diamond by way of making peace.

Miss Saur—I have often admired your beautiful collection!—Detroit Free Press.

Feminine Hope.

"Every woman has one hope as age advances upon her."

"And that is?"

"That she doesn't look it."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Not for Him.

Druggist—Here is a painkiller that I put up myself. If you use it once you will use no other.

Stranger—I'll be glad to recommend it, but none of it for me, thank you.

Druggist—Beg pardon, but I don't quite understand what—

Stranger (interrupting)—Oh, that's all right. I'm an undertaker.

Other Way Around.

"I understand that Cocoyne had an attack of heart trouble brought on by financial difficulties."

"You got it twisted. He had an attack of financial difficulties brought on by heart trouble. The wealthy Miss Van Rox jilted him, you know."—Cleveland Leader.

Won't Shut Up.

"I've been reading about an extinct volcano that still smokes. Queer, isn't it?"

"Yep. Reminds me of a woman. She gets mad and says she's never going to speak to you again, and then keeps right on talking."

Not Popular.

"That man seems to be successful enough, but nobody has any use for him. What's the matter?"

"His only implements of progress are a hammer and a muck rake."

His Identity.

"Does anyone know this poor fellow?" asked the good Samaritan, addressing the crowd which had quickly gathered at the scene of the accident. "His mind seems to have become an absolute blank, and—"

"Trust official! Trust official!" shouted the assemblage in one voice. "Out of his head, and think he's on the witness stand."—Watson's Magazine.

The Proof in the Eating.



Mother—What do you say when you get a piece of pie?  
Tommy—It depends upon the pie.

Explained.

"Now, Tommy," said the fond mother, "look at that little man over there. He doesn't go around playing with bad boys on the lots and lumber piles. Look how white and clean his hands are."

Tommy looked at the soft, mushroom-like hands of the lad on the corner and then his brow contracted in a frown.

"Aw," he sneered, "that's one of their kids that their mothers keep home and make them wash the dishes."

Needs Exercise.

Shifty—What would you do for a weak constitution?

Thrifty—Well, if I were in your place I'd go to work.—Detroit Free Press.

Helping Him On.

Mr. Thind—I—er—suppose your daughter has told you the—er—object of my—er—visit to you—er—this evening? Her Father—Yes, young man, and she told it better than you seem able to do.

Employment temporary and permanent was found last year by the Salvation Army for 15,631.

The Salvation Army has seventeen homes for former criminals, forty-five homes for children, and 119 industrial homes for women.

Do not attempt to remove dust from the face with cold water.

Picking the ears with sharp pointed instruments is a bad thing to do, as it dulls the sense of hearing and is liable to cause serious injury to the ear drums.

For a severe burn the following treatment will be found very soothing and healing: Dip a piece of thin muslin in melted lard, spread thickly with tar, and apply with muslin next to the burned surface. Then wrap another cloth over the tar and leave on for four days.

When the hands are sore and blistered wash them in fresh buttermilk and allow it to dry on the skin, as it aids in whitening it. Slices of raw cucumber cut thick, peel left on, may be bound sun burned fingers at night and do wonderful work in restoring the natural color.

An excellent mouth wash especially in fruit season, because of its good effect upon the teeth, is lime water. To make it pour one quart of boiled or distilled water over one teaspoonful of slacked lime. Pour into a bottle and shake well every fifteen minutes for the first hour; then allow the lime to settle and pour off the water, which should be bottled for use.

The Salvation Army accommodates over 21,000 people nightly in its institutions for assisting the poor.

BLOATED WITH DROPSY.

The Heart Was Badly Affected When the Patient Began Using Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell, of 415 West Fourth St., Olympia, Wash., says: "For over three years I suffered with a dropsical condition without being aware that it was due to kidney trouble. The early stages were principally backache and bearing down pain, but I went along without worrying much until dropsy set in. My feet and ankles swelled up, my hands puffed, and became so tense I could hardly close them. I had great difficulty in breathing, and my heart would flutter with the least exertion. I could not walk far without stopping again and again to rest. Since using four boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills the bloating has gone down and the feelings of distress have disappeared."



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

Avoid undue exposure to the sun during the heated part of the day in the summer months, but if obliged to be subjected avoid wearing any dark clothing and have your hat lined with orange colored cloth.

When obliged to go against a cold piercing wind, tie a silk handkerchief over the face.

Since we never hear much of the "dude" these days it is reasonable to assume that he has gone the way of the impractical maiden.

It takes a man to preach constancy and a woman to preach consistency, but neither practice either to any considerable extent.

When the favorite daughter marries a preacher you may know that Papa had nothing whatever to do with it.

Some people are buying their tickets to glory on the installment plan, at the rate of a nickel a week.

Speaking of styles, etc. wonder how long it will be before divorcees go out of style?

Those who aver that a woman cannot shoot or throw straight have evidently never got in the way of an angry one's tongue or pen.

The professional dressmaker is about the only woman in the world who is good at figures.

Girls often lose opportunities to make hits with their complexions by leaving them in their chamois skins.

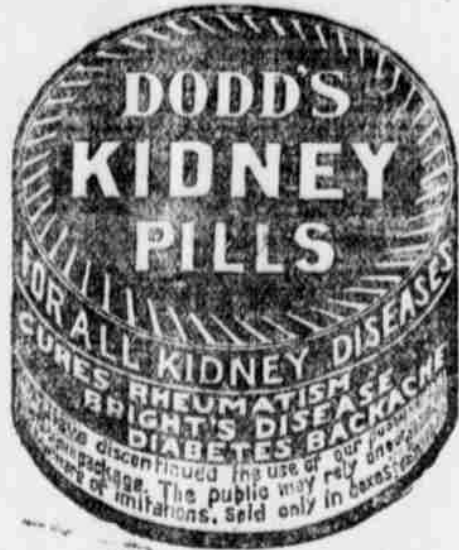
It is a notable fact that among flowers the same species never show in perfection more than two or three primary colors—red, yellow and blue.

For instance, roses are red and yellow, but never blue; verbenas are red and blue, but never yellow; pansies are yellow but never red.

Horses are shod with sheep's skin in Iceland, while in the Soudan a kind of sock made of camel's skin is used for the purpose.

The Japanese bride gives all her wedding presents to her parents as a slight recompense for the trouble they have had in bringing her up.

James Gilray, the celebrated English caricaturist, was born in Chelsea, in 1757. At an early age he joined a company of strolling players, but soon left them and applied himself to art studies in London, finally adopting caricature as his field. He started with republican sentiments, and mercilessly ridiculed George III, and his ministers; but he subsequently accepted an offer which was made to him to cease his attacks on the king, the court, and Pitt, and thenceforth directed his satire against Fox and the opposition, and especially against Bonaparte. Gilray engraved all his on plates; and for about thirty years stood at the head of his profession as political caricaturist. Collections of his designs have been frequently published and a descriptive account of them appeared in 1851. Gilray led an irregular life, became insane, and died in 1815.



When a Tartar invites a guest to eat and drink he takes him by the ear and leads him to the table.

A tricky Scotchman went to a race course in England and staked a sovereign. The horse he backed proved a winner and he went to the book-maker to claim his winnings. The sporting man begrudgingly handed him five sovereigns. The Scot looked at each one very carefully before placing them in his pocket. "Well," said the book-maker, with a snarl, "are you afraid they're bad?" "Oh, no," said the Scotchman; "but I was just looking to make sure the bad one I gie'd ye wisna among them."

Canberries are said to be good for malaria.

To produce perfectly rounded chin place extended fingers across the chin, press downward and incline the head backward at the same time.

A slice of lemon dipped in sugar and sucked slowly after castor oil has been taken will remove any which clings to the roof or sides of the mouth.

For a sore throat try a cloth wrung out from cold water and put about the neck at night.

The chief adornment of the women of New Guinea, or Papua, is a necktie made of black ants. The native girls find the ants in the garden, bite off and swallow the lower end, throw away the head and string the thorax.

It's a wise woman who knows that every new fashion is not becoming to her.

DOCTOR'S SHIFT.

Now Gets Along Without It.

A physician says: "Until last fall I used to eat meat for my breakfast and suffered with indigestion until the meat had passed from the stomach."

"Last fall I began the use of Grape-Nuts for breakfast and very soon found I could do without meat, for my body got all the nourishment necessary from the Grape-Nuts, and since then I have not had any indigestion and am feeling better and have increased in weight."

"Since finding the benefit I derived from Grape-Nuts I have prescribed the food for all of my patients suffering from indigestion or over-feeding and also for those recovering from disease where I want a food easy to take and certain to digest, and which will not overtax the stomach."

"I always find the results I look for when I prescribe Grape-Nuts. For ethical reasons please omit my name." Name given by mail by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The reason for the wonderful amount of nutriment and the easy digestion of Grape-Nuts is not hard to find.

In the first place, the starchy part of the wheat and barley goes through various processes of cooking, to perfectly change the starch into Dextrose or Post Sugar, in which state it is ready to be easily absorbed by the blood. The parts in the wheat and barley which Nature can make use of for rebuilding brain and nerve centers are retained in this remarkable food, and thus the human body is supplied with the powerful strength producers so easily noticed after one has eaten Grape-Nuts each day for a week or ten days. "There's a reason."

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

TEACHING A LESSON.

"Why is it," asked a captain in the navy, "that people will refer to the enlisted force of men as 'jockies'?" That is a landsman's term. Nobody in the navy ever used it. "It is," he continued, "for the benefit of a reporter to the New York Sun, 'a term of patronizing and insufferable condescension. Men don't like to be called names, and men in the navy are just like those on shore."

The captain spoke of the older men, the associates of his boyhood, and declared they were the finest class of men in the world.

"There was one," he said, "of whom I must speak, Donovan, William Donovan, chief gunner's mate. He was the simplest, finest man I ever saw; but William was deadly afraid of people on shore."

"I have no idea what he thought; they would do to him, but never did he go ashore if he could help it. He spent his leave on the ship, and I never saw a more miserable person than William was when he was forced to break through his habit."

"One time we were at Mare Island, and there was a celebration of some sort to be given. I determined that Donovan should go. To make sure, I took him along with me. The ear was pretty full, but I ordered William to step on."

"There was only just room for two persons, and as William took his seat I noticed a young man, well dressed and apparently a gentleman, move away from him and wrap his coat about him for fear it might come in contact with my William Donovan, the finest man that ever lived. I roared out so the whole ear could hear:

"Sit close, Donovan, sit close!" and I threw my arms about him as he obeyed my orders. 'If there's anything I love,' I said, 'it's to have a man-of-war's man sit close to me. I want to be near him.'

"The whole ear by that time was looking at poor William, who was simply squirming in agony; but he sat close, and I went on, determined to give that fellow a lesson that he would remember."

"I wish that every man, every citizen of the United States, felt as I do, that it is an honor to have a blue-jacket at his side, to grasp his hand, and to realize that it is due to him that his home and his family and he himself is protected," I said.

"I don't believe anybody in that ear ever edged away from a blue-jacket again," he concluded.

ON TRAIL OF SORCERY.

One Brother Accuses Another of Working Spells on Him.

A strange sight was seen in Justice Joyce's court yesterday, says the London Mirror. It was that of a staid, lawyer-like, elderly gentleman gravely declaring that he had been under the influence of "sorcery" and controlled by a telepathic mesmeric influence which "caused him intense pain at night."

As Joseph William Thomas, who is bringing an action with regard to transactions which took place when he was in an asylum, made these accusations against his brother, Sir Alfred Thomas, M. P., he emphasized his points with a pince-nez, which he carried in his hand.

"Are you still under the influence?" asked Mr. Isaacs, K. C.

"It has not ceased absolutely and probably never will," replied Mr. Thomas, raising his pince-nez.

He added that distance made no difference to the "influence," which was conveyed at night. "The 'influence' might be exercised by his brother's agents."

In adjourning the case the judge expressed an opinion that the matter in dispute ought to be settled out of court.

Why She Sulked.

Lovey (on waking in the morning)—Dovey, I dreamed that I wasn't married to you. Do you ever dream, Dovey, that you'd better married to me?

Dovey (sleepily)—No-o-o! It's been years and years since I had a really pleasant dream.

And Dovey wondered why Lovey didn't speak to him again that day.—Judge.

Africa's Stock of Ivory.

A large proportion of the ivory supply comes from Africa, but this is obtained mainly from the vast stores which have been laid up for generations past by native chiefs. The natives also know where the so-called elephant cemeteries are—for elephants always go to certain places to die—and there they find great numbers of tusks.

Voracity.

Angler—Do the fish bite around here?  
Native—Bite? Say, stranger, we have to muzzle 'em so they won't chew up the innocent bystander.—New York Sun.

Every cloud has a silver lining, but the trouble is that the majority of us are on the other side of the cloud.

OPERATION AVOIDED

EXPERIENCE OF MISS MERKLEY

She Was Told That an Operation Was Inevitable. How She Escaped It.

When a physician tells a woman suffering with serious feminine trouble that an operation is necessary, the very thought of the knife and the operating table strikes terror to her heart, and our hospitals are full of women coming for just such operations.



There are cases where an operation is the only resource, but when one considers the great number of cases of menacing female troubles cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after physicians have advised operations, no woman should submit to one without first trying the Vegetable Compound and writing Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is free.

Miss Margaret Merkley, of 275 Third Street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham: "Loss of strength, extreme nervousness shooting pains through the pelvic organs bearing down pains and cramps compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor, after making an examination, said I had a female trouble and ulceration and advised an operation. To this I strongly objected and decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. The ulceration quickly healed, all the bad symptoms disappeared and I am once more strong, vigorous and well."

Female troubles are steadily on the increase among women. If the monthly periods are very painful, or too frequent and excessive—if you have pain or swelling low down in the left side, bearing-down pains, don't neglect yourself; try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

To taper the fingers clasp the tip of each finger between the thumb and forefinger of the free hand and stroke the fingers backward from the tips as when putting on kid gloves.



Every young girl who makes a formal debut into society has to listen to a long string of advice by a lot of wall-flowers.

POTTED MEAT NOT PRESERVED.

Manufacturers' Association and Sanitary Inspector So Report.

The following extracts from reports of the National Manufacturers' Association and Inspector Hedrick, Sanitary Inspector of the City of Chicago, refute the sensational charges made against the canned meat packers:

Our investigation of the Canned and Potted Meat part of the packing industry showed that the methods used make the use of preservatives unnecessary, and indicated that no preservatives or artificial coloring is now used by the Canned Meat packer.

The meat is first partially cooked in large kettles, then the fat and bone is trimmed off and the meat packed into tins. The air is then withdrawn with vacuum pumps and the cans sealed in vacuum. Next they are put into large cookers, where the cooking process is finished. In the packing of some products it is necessary that the cans be resealed and the steam allowed to escape, the vent hole being immediately resealed while the goods are hot, so as to retain the vacuum.

The entire process is quite similar to that used by the family cook when putting up fruits and vegetables, except that meats are sealed in tin cans instead of being put in glass jars. We found that the solder in making the cans and in sealing them is all placed on the outside of the can and does not come in contact with the contents.

We were informed that much of the cause for complaint in canned meats was because of the mistaken idea that the goods would keep in perfect condition after they had been opened. This would be the fact if they were preserved with chemicals, but as they are only kept in condition because of being sealed in vacuum tins they spoil just as readily as fresh meats do after they have been opened and exposed to the air, but will keep indefinitely if the can is not punctured. It is also a well-known scientific fact that decaying meat generates a gas which will explode any package which is hermetically sealed.

Sanitary Inspector Hedrick submitted to Commissioner Whalen his analysis of conditions in the Libby, McNeill & Libby plant. He found "with reference to general conditions, that the floors, halls, stairs, tables, etc., are kept clean," and "that the entire department—viewed from our standpoint—was in a satisfactory condition. All workrooms are light, and have good ventilation."