

# ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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## WOMEN PIANO TUNERS.

New Field of Labor Which Does Not Require Much Exertion.

I have been pondering the problem of feminine money-making occupations, and among the unexplored fields I believe piano tuning to be just the thing for musical women, for it is generally conceded that a woman's ear is finer than a man's, although one musician of my acquaintance takes exception to the statement. However, I say to him that fewer women than men sing off the key and play out of tune. Piano tuning is not hard work—that is, it does not require any amount of physical exertion. It does require a correct ear, a knowledge of music and a degree of skill which can be acquired from a teacher in the tuning line like any other trade. There are many houses where a feminine tuner would be preferred to a man, and not the least reason why the compensation to both sexes should not be equal. It is one of the few fields where the competition is even. It disturbs me greatly to note the difference in salaries paid to men and women who do the same work. Often the woman has a family dependent upon her, and while the man has nobody in the world on whom to spend his money, yet her sex, not her ability, debars her from earning as much money as the man whose desk adjoins hers. I am rather lukewarm on the subject of woman's rights because I believe that in the main our sex has a great many privileges, more than is good for us sometimes. There are a few things in which I could wish an improvement, and the salary question is one of them. A faithful, industrious woman who looks out for her employer's interest ought to receive the consideration generally extended to a male employe with those same excellent qualities, and I will fight for a reform in that direction with the full strength of my voice and the entire force of my pen. That reform would help us more than the ballot-box privilege ten times over.—Kansas City Journal.

## CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

It has been demonstrated repeatedly in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup. It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher of Liberty W. Va., only repeats what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is not only the best cough remedy but a sure cure for croup. It has saved the lives of my children many a time. For sale by P. C. Corrigan."

## His Terms Were Accepted.

Gen. Joubert, when he was in New York city a few years ago as the guest of Henry George, told with modesty of his negotiations with the British at Majuba hill, and his eyes sparkled as he recited his reply to the British commander in chief. "It does not comport with these," said the British general, pointing to the decorations on his breast, "to accede to your terms." To which said Joubert, pointing to his rifleman: "And it does not comport with those to offer any others."

Manager Martain, of the Pierso drug store informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that medicine to one of any other kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of a gripe there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heal up the sore throat and lungs and give relief within a very short time. The sales are growing and all who try it are pleased with its prompt action. For sale by P. C. Corrigan.

## Millet's "Angelus."

There are few pictures which have so stirred the heart of humanity as Millet's "Angelus." The girl who supplied the model for the woman's figure was Adele Marier, who constantly reappears in the famous French artist's pictures. It is stated that she retained no resemblance of the man who posed with her. He was a mere "waif and stray," who probably little suspected that his assumed attitude of prayer was to be thus immortalized.

Herbina should be used to enrich and purify the blood; it cures all forms of blood disorders, is especially useful in fevers, skin eruptions, boils, pimples, blackheads, scrofula, salt rheum and every form of blood impurity; it is a safe and effectual cure. Price 50 cents. P. C. Corrigan.

Many of the blotches, pimples and other affections of the skin are caused by the failure of the liver and kidneys to cast off impurities, which remain in the system. Herbina will stimulate the liver and kidneys, and cleanse the system of all impurities. Price, 50 cents. P. C. Corrigan.

## Business Matters

Weedman is the man to fix your watch or clock. At Gilligan and Stout's.

E. H. Benedict has first-class Building and Loan stock for sale or can make you a loan. 46-1f

For teeth and photos, go to Dr. Corbett's parlors 23rd to 30th, of each month. 30-1f

Neil Brennan has the finest line of stoves ever seen in this section of the country. Call and see him before you purchase. 22-1f

C. H. Weedman, the jeweler at Gilligan and Stout's is a first-class workman and respectfully solicits a share of your patronage.

WANTED—Honest man or woman to travel for large house: salary \$65 monthly and expenses, with increase; position permanent; inclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manager 330 Caxton bldg., Chicago.

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Whoever has suffered from piles knows how painful and troublesome they are. Tablers Buckeye Pile Ointment is guaranteed to cure piles. Price 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents. P. C. Corrigan.

Many a bright and happy household has been thrown into sadness and sorrow because of death of a loved one from a neglected cold. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for coughs, colds and all pulmonary ailments. Price, 25 and 50 cents. P. C. Corrigan.

## Nature the Embalmers in Falklands.

A curious circumstance concerning the body of Admiral Spots has been reported from the Falkland Islands, where he died seventeen years ago. The Falkland physician who attended him during his fatal illness was present at the exhumation of the body when the cruiser Badger was sent for it this year. The coffin had disappeared, but the corpse was a absolutely unchanged, even the features having retained the exact appearance that they presented on the day of death. This wonderful preservation was due to the action of the peat water which saturates the islands. It had embalmed the body completely.

## Man at the Fish Market.

From Life: Man at the fish market—The mackerel are running very small this season, ma'am. Young Housekeeper—I suppose it's on account of the dry weather.

The properties of Ballard's Snow Liniment possess a range of usefulness greater than any other remedy. A day seldom passes in every household, especially where there are children, that it is not needed. Price, 25 and 50 cents. P. C. Corrigan.

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## Father of All Steam Engines.

There was released from active service in England the other day the oldest working engine of the world. It had literally been 120 years in the business. It was made by James Watt and Boulton in Birmingham in 1777 for the Birmingham Canal Navigation Company. It had a thirty-two-inch cylinder and an eight-foot stroke and was by no means small, but a low pressure of steam was used. The engine has been pumping water ever since, but is now "released" and will go into a museum.

## GOLDEN GATE



## HIGH GRADE HAWAIIAN ROASTED COFFEE

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

FOR SALE BY  
O'NEILL GROCERY  
J. P. GALLAGHER, Prop.

## \$26 CONTRIBUTED.

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Scotch troops, the Dutchmen have our earnest sympathy and that it is our duty as a liberty loving people to render them such moral and material assistance as our means will permit.

It is our belief that there is something more than the anatomy of the Transvaal Republic at stake in this struggle, that is but a preliminary skirmish before the great battle which must come between Royalty and Democracy as contending hosts, that if the government of the Transvaal be overturned, the subjugation of Switzerland, France, the South American Republics and our own loved Columbia, must feel the iron heel of royal oppression and greed.

A contribution was made to a fund for aiding the Boers and was as follows:

J. J. McCafferty	\$1.00	John Nolan	50
Neil Brennan	1.00	Will H. Mullen	50
Con Keyes	50	Joseph McCafferty	1.00
Dennis Hanley	50	Frank Campbell	1.00
J. Davis	50	Dan Stewart	50
O. F. Biglin	1.00	S. B. Howard	50
John Mann	1.00	Peter Donohoe	50
A. Mulligan	1.00	R. H. Murray	1.00
James Mullen	1.00	John S. Leis	1.50
John Carr	1.00	M. Mullin	1.00
M. Slattery	50	Hugh O'Neill	1.00
John Dwyer	50	C. Selah	1.00
B. N. Gillespie	1.00	H. C. Truwood	1.00
C. F. Knapp	1.00	Jerry Kelly	1.00
R. Kilmer	1.00		
J. C. Morrow	1.00	Total	\$26.50
Mrs. M. Harrington	1.00		

This is a good start. Anyone wishing to contribute may hand the amount to the treasurer.

## NOW "WRONG-LEVER MANIA."

Applies to Automobilitists. Describes Reverse of "Presence of Mind."

"No," said a Walnut street physician, "It is not true that all automobilitists suffer from the complaint popularly known as 'wrong-lever mania,' for my practice lies largely among this class of people, and I can say positively that not more than seven out of ten are ever attacked by the disease. It is a thing that comes on them in moments of intense excitement, when a street is overcrowded, when a runaway is making directly for them, or when they are on the point of shooting over a precipice. Then, if ever, wrong-lever mania—a silly name, though the complaint is so new that we haven't yet had time to give it a good Greek or Latin title—then, I say, if ever, they are liable to be attacked. There are generally—I may say always—in an automobile three levers, one to steer with, one to go fast with and the other to stop short. And the victim, the poor sufferer in this deadly crisis, forgets which is which in the matter of levers, decides to guess, and pulls, naturally, the wrong one. That is why, in an acute attack of wrong-lever mania, Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs, at Newport last summer, drove over a stone wall, up a flight of marble steps and through the stained glass windows of the music room of a freind. It is why Alfred Vanderbilt went swiftly in an automobile phaeton down one of the cliffs backward into the sea, and it is why Henry Lehr, in a petroleum T-car, completely demolished a greenhouse of glass. No, we have not yet found a remedy for the disease."—Philadelphia Record.

## The Antiquity of Beds.

Beds were unknown among the ancients, who slept on the floor or on a divan covered with skins. It was in the middle ages that beds first became common, being made of rushes, leather or straw. It is supposed that feather beds were known to the Romans, since men are reviled by one of the Latin poets for their luxury in sleeping upon "feathers." Hellogabalus, the most effeminate of the Roman emperors, possessed an air cushion and an air mattress as early as A. D. 210. In England the better classes began to use feather beds for the first time during the reign of Henry VIII., and in certain districts of Holland and Germany bedsteads are still fitted as they were then, with two feather beds; upon one the sleeper lies, the other being used for covering. The Russian peasant places his bed on the top of the oven for the sake of the warmth given out by the fire.—Philadelphia Times.

## Hair Rises on End.

An eminent medical man, whose treatises on human hair have attracted much notice, among many other striking statements as to woman's chief beauty, remarked that "bristling," when used in speaking of the human hair, is not a figure. The hair is subject to and influenced by almost every passion of the human mind, and emotional hair, of which he has treated especially, he claims is quite common. Hair looks, feels and falls differently when a person is in sorrow, joy, surprise or dejection. After a day or two of deep mental study or violent bodily exercise, a most visible difference may be detected by a practiced observer. The day is fated to come, he maintains, when this coloring in the hair will be a valuable aid in identification.

## Case Tried on Train.

A few years ago a county court action was tried on a train. The judge could not complete the case in the ordinary way, owing to the absence of an important witness, who was expected to arrive by the train by which his honor was due to leave. It was therefore decided that the judge and advocates should travel with the witness, and try the case in the railway carriage. This course was adopted, and the judge ultimately gave the verdict in the stationmaster's private room at a station farther down the line.

## A Boom in Burns Relics.

There is a decided boom in Burns relics, and the collector recently had an opportunity of purchasing at Sotheby's, London, two brass candlesticks, 10 inches in height, formerly in possession of Burns; they are described as "the state candlesticks of his little parlor at Eliesland before he came to Dumfries." Their authenticity is borne out by a framed memorandum signed by the poet's eldest son and namesake; and they realized 11 guineas.

## Mend Your Bird's Legs.

Young chickens and other birds frequently break the bones of their legs, and if properly attended to these fractures can be easily cured with very little trouble. As soon as the injury is noticed the fracture must be carefully cleaned and washed with warm water, and then wrapped with a bit of antiseptic cotton. Splints are then prepared for the fractured limb, preferably of split elderwood, the pith of which is taken out. These splints are fastened to the cotton with a drop of glue, and held tightly in place by being wound with linen thread. The bandage and dressing are left undisturbed for from three to four weeks; then the leg is soaked in tepid water until the bandage comes off easily. The fracture will have completely healed in that time. Canaries and other pet birds can be similarly treated in case of a fracture of a leg, only the elder splints are substituted by pieces of cardboard, and the bandage is left but two weeks on the little winged patients.

## AGE LIMIT OF GREAT MEN.

Out of 77 Men of Genius Less Than Half Attained 70.

A great man does not always attain a ripe old age; in fact, hardly half of the greatest men of modern and ancient times have reached that limit of age set by the Bible—70. Among statesmen Mirabeau was 42, Pitt 47, Caesar 55, Richelieu 57, Cromwell 59, Washington 67, Charlemagne 71, Frederick the Great 74, Disraeli 75, Augustus 76, Bismarck 83, Talleyrand 84. Of great conquerors, Alexander the Great died at 32, Napoleon at 51, Hannibal at 63, Themistocles at 65, Marius at 71, Marborough at 72, Tilly at 72, Blucher at 76, Barnadotte at 80, Wellington at 83, Xenophon at 86, Moltke at 91. The age at death of philosophers was, Spinoza 44, Descartes 53, Hegel 61, Aristotle 62, Socrates 68, Leibnitz 70, Linnaeus 70, Copernicus 70, Galileo 78, Kant 79, Plato 82, Newton 84, Humboldt 89. The longevity of great writers and poets is as follows: Byron 36, Schiller 45, Moliere 51, Virgil 51, Shakespeare 52, Dante 56, Dickens 57, Horace 57, Racine 59, Scott 61, Milton 65, Cervantes 68, Aeschylus 69, Rabelais 70, Petrarch 70, Euripides 74, Corneille 78, Victor Hugo 83, Goethe 83, Voltaire 84, Sophocles 90. To painters death came at the ages stated: Raphael 37, Correggio 40, Van Dyck 42, Holbein 57, Valesquez 61, Rembrandt 63, Rubens 61, Michaelangelo 89, Titian 99. Musicians died at these ages: Schubert 31, Mozart 35, Mendelssohn 38, Chopin 39, Weber 39, Schumann 41, Beethoven 56, Bach 65, Palestrina 70, Spohr 75, Handel 75, Haydn 77. And four great religious leaders died at these ages: Calvin at 54, Mahomet at 62, Luther at 66, Confucius at 71.

## LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.  
Department of the Interior,  
Land Office at O'Neill, Neb.,  
Nov. 29, 1899.—Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver at O'Neill, Neb., on January 13, 1900, viz:  
TIMOTHY J. HURLEY, H. E. No. 14714, for the NW 1/4 section 9, township 29 north, range 10 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Charles Moore, Florence Sullivan, John Horriskey, all of O'Neill, Neb., and Wintell Haines, of Page, Neb.  
S. J. WEEKES, Register.

Contest Notice.  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, O'Neill, Neb., January 6, 1900.  
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Edward H. Benedict contestant, against Nelson Toncray entry No. 6221, made July 23, 1888, for E 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 section 56, township 29, range 12, by Nelson Toncray contestee, in which it is alleged that: "The said Nelson Toncray has by some means breaking his covenants and crops, has planted no trees, trees, or cuttings at any time during the entire time, neither has he caused the same to be done, and that all void defects and defaults exist at the present time, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 2, 1900, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in O'Neill, Nebraska.

The said contestee having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 5, 1900, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

S. J. WEEKES, Register.

LEGAL NOTICE.  
The unknown heirs of Andrew Scott, deceased, defendants, will take notice that on the 18th day of December, 1899, Michael P. Harrington, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against said defendants impleaded with Mary E. Allen and Hugh A. Allen also defendants, the object and prayer of which was to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by Andrew Scott now deceased, to Scott T. Jones, upon the northeast quarter of section 25 in township 25 north, range 16 west in Holt county, Nebraska, to secure a payment of a promissory note of six hundred dollars (\$600) dated September 19th, 1898, and due and payable October 1st, 1899, and drawing interest from date until maturity, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, and that there is now due on said note and mortgage the sum of \$885.00, for which sum with interests from this date on \$600, thereof at ten per cent. per annum, the plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 12th day of February, 1900. Dated this 4th day of January, 1900.  
27-4 Michael Harrington, Plaintiff.

LEGAL NOTICE.  
Annie Jennings and James J. Jennings, defendants, will take notice that on the 3rd day of January 1900, State Bank of O'Neill plaintiff herein, filed its petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against said defendants impleaded with William Heeb, also a defendant, the object and prayer of which was to foreclose a certain mortgage executed on the 21st day of November, 1895, by the defendants Annie Jennings and James J. Jennings to plaintiff, upon the northwest quarter of section twenty-one (21) in township thirty (30) north of range twelve (12) west in Holt county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of a promissory note for the sum of four hundred and forty-five dollars (\$445.00), dated November 21, 1895, and due and payable November 21, 1898, and drawing interest after maturity at the rate of ten per cent. per annum and executed and delivered by the defendants Annie Jennings and James J. Jennings to plaintiff. There is now due plaintiff on said note and mortgage the sum of five hundred and eighty-three dollars and sixty cents (\$583.60), for which sum with interest on \$445 thereof, at ten per cent. per annum from date hereof, the plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 12th day of February, 1900. Dated this 4th day of January, 1900.  
27-4 State Bank of O'Neill, Plaintiff.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA.  
T. V. Golden, Plaintiff,  
vs  
Unknown Heirs of Sarah J. Brackey, deceased, and P. C. Cannon, S. J. Weekes and the north-west quarter of Section twenty-five, township thirty, range fourteen, Holt county, Nebraska, Defendants.

NOTICE.  
Unknown Heirs of Sarah J. Brackey, deceased, and T. C. Cannon, non-resident defendants, will take notice that on the second day of January, 1900, the plaintiff above named, filed his petition in the District Court of Holt county, Nebraska, against you and each of you and the other defendants named above, the object of which is to foreclose a tax lien against real estate in Holt county, Nebraska, described in said petition, and prayer of which partially is to exclude you and each of you from any interest therein.

In plaintiff's first cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55 with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of sale of the north-east quarter of the north-west quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decreed to be a first lien on the premises above described and that a decree be entered therefor by the court and that said land may be sold and out of the proceeds thereof he may be paid the amount due him, with interest thereon and costs of suit.

In plaintiff's second cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55, with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum, from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of the sale of the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decreed to be a first lien on the premises above described and that a decree be entered therefor by the court and that said land may be sold and out of the proceeds thereof he may be paid the amount due him, with interest thereon and costs of suit.

In plaintiff's third cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55, with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum, from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of the sale of the south-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decreed to be a first lien on the premises above described and that a decree be entered therefor by the court and that said land may be sold and out of the proceeds thereof he may be paid the amount due him, with interest thereon and costs of suit.

In plaintiff's fourth cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55, with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum, from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of the sale of the south-east quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decreed to be a first lien on the premises above described and that a decree be entered therefor by the court, and that said land may be sold and out of the proceeds thereof he may be paid the amount due him, with interest thereon and costs of suit.

You and each of you are required to answer said petition on or before the twenty-sixth day of February, 1900. Dated at O'Neill, Nebraska, January 9th, 1900.  
28-4 T. V. Golden, Plaintiff.

## Real Estate Bargains

- N E 20-29-9. 600 acres incultivation Good grove and orchard. \$800.
- W 1/2 sec 26 and SW 1/4 9-26-14. Will cut 100 tons of hay. \$700.
- N 1/2 NE NW 20 and SW 1/4 17-32-11. Good grain farm. Eagle Creek runs through the land. Price \$550.
- SW 17-27-10. Good hay and grain farm. Price \$700.
- NE 26-27-10. Price \$400.
- SE 24-28-12. Fine hay farm, 5 miles from O'Neill. Price \$1000.
- N 1/2 20-28-12. 320 acres. Price \$1400.
- SW 31-30-11. 160 acres in cultivation. Price \$1000.
- 1/2 of N 1/2 3-29-11. \$450 buys this farm. W 1/2 SW 17 and N 1/2 NW 20-25-9. \$500.
- \$650 buys the NW 15-29-14 with buildings and 70 acres in cultivation.
- W 1/2 8-29-15. 120 acres in cultivation. \$1500 for this 320 acres close to market.
- NW 21-26-12. 1/2 mile from Chambers. 30 acres in cultivation and 10 acres of trees. \$600. This is a snap.
- W 1/2 of section one and NW 12-30-15. Good location for sheep ranch. \$1500 will buy this if taken at once.
- Best stock ranch in the county, known as the Brown ranch, south of Ewing. 480 acres. Good hay land with running water. At \$2800 for 30 days only.

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In plaintiff's second cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55, with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum, from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of the sale of the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decreed to be a first lien on the premises above described and that a decree be entered therefor by the court and that said land may be sold and out of the proceeds thereof he may be paid the amount due him, with interest thereon and costs of suit.

In plaintiff's third cause of action, as stated in the petition, plaintiff claims there is due him the sum of \$8.55, with interest thereon at 10 per cent. per annum, from the first day of December, 1899, by reason of the sale of the south-west quarter of the north-west quarter of section 25, township 30, range 14, for the taxes of 1898, said sale being made on the first day of February, 1899, by the county treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska, for the taxes of 1898, and plaintiff prays that his tax sale certificate may be decre