

**Cured by Being Poisoned.**  
The latest instance of crime bringing its own punishment comes, on the authority of Dr. Leonard Guthrie, from Italy. An Italian woman had a husband and the husband had the dropsy. But the dropsy did not work quickly enough. The woman put a lead into her husband's wine to poison him. But the poison which the lead's skin secretes has an active principle—phrynia—which much resembles digitalis, which is the best possible remedy for dropsy pending on heart disease. So, instead of killing her husband, she restored him to health.

**"The Melancholy Days Have Come"**  
The saddest of the year," not when autumn has arrived, as poet Bryant intimates, but when a fellow rests bilious. The "sere and yellow leaf" is in his complexion if not in the foliage at that unpropitious time. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will soon discipline his rebellious liver and regulate his bowels, besides toning his stomach and healthfully stimulating his kidneys. Malaria, rheumatism and nervousness are also relieved by the Bitters.

**Babies' Right of Way.**  
One of the pleasantest features of New York's uptown residence avenues is the large number of rosy cheeked babies who are trundled up and down the sidewalks when the sun shines brightly. After, however, one has been forced into the gutter half a dozen times in as many blocks by nurse girls who persist in pushing baby carriages two or three abreast, he is apt to wish the babies were less numerous or their nurses more mindful of the rights of pedestrians.

**Saves a Fortune.**  
Monterey, Tenn., (Special)—One of our prominent citizens here, Col. James E. Jones, secretary and treasurer of the Cumberland Mountain Coal Co., is on the high road to make his fortune, and attributes the fact to his recent cure from the tobacco habit. He was an inveterate user of tobacco for many years, consuming so much as to make serious inroads on both his purse and his health. One box of No-To-Bac completely cured him, and he gained seven pounds in less than two weeks. Within three days after starting to use No-To-Bac the desire for tobacco was entirely gone. Col. Jones says to all tobacco users that No-To-Bac will do as recommended and is worth by far more than its weight in gold.

**Tons of Petrified Fish.**  
In the northwestern part of Colorado there is a region several hundred square miles in extent which is literally a vast deposit of petrified fish of all sizes and shapes. These fish beds—shale, containing fish remains—are about 150 feet in thickness and extend up and down the Green river for a distance of 150 or 200 miles.

Last week the Salvation Army stationed at Ogdensburg, N. Y., announced that on Saturday evening they would expose the biggest liar in town. All the prevalent of note flocked to hear the expose, and the result was the greatest haul the army ever enjoyed in that section. It was a great night for the lassies.

**Syrup of Figs**



**ONE ENJOYS**

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, it may be confidently commended to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 5¢ bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who does not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who writes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

**CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.  
LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y.

**Dr. Maybe and Mustbe.**

You choose the old doctor before the young one. Why? Because you don't want to entrust your life in inexperienced hands. True, the young doctor *may* be experienced. But the old doctor *must* be. You take no chances with Dr. Maybe, when Dr. Mustbe is in reach. Same with medicines as with medicine makers—the long-tried remedy has your confidence. You prefer experience to experiment—when you are concerned. The new remedy *may* be good—but let somebody else prove it. The old remedy *must* be good—judged on its record of cures. Just one more reason for choosing **AYER'S Sarsaparilla** in preference to any other. It has been the standard household sarsaparilla for half a century, its record inspires confidence—50 years of cures. If others *may* be good, Ayer's Sarsaparilla *must* be. You take no chances when you take **AYER'S Sarsaparilla**.

**A Trade Union 633 Years Old.**  
In London there is a quaint old organization known as the Fellowship of Free Porters. It was organized some time in the thirteenth century and for nearly 500 years its members had the monopoly of the discharging of grain from boats coming up the Thames. A century ago the organization had 2,500 members, with a surplus which in 1852 grew to 281,000. The construction of docks and the abolition of metage or measurement of corn destroyed the prosperity of the Fellowship. It has been languishing for several years and refuses to die because no provision has been made for the disposal of its funds. An arrangement has been made recently whereby the funds are to be distributed and meanwhile each member is to be paid ten shillings a week.

**Morgan County, Colorado.**  
The irrigated farm is the only "sure thing" farm on the face of the earth. And the beauty of it is that it never wears out—never fails to yield double the average of non-irrigated sections. There are irrigated farms in New Mexico that have been tilled for 250 years and which are today as good as new. In Arizona, the Pima Indians have for 400 years raised the biggest big crops from their irrigated land. Along the Nile, in Egypt, are farms that are more than 4,000 years old and which produce larger and better yields than any other lands in the world.

One of the best illustrations of the advantages of irrigation is to be found in the irrigated district surrounding Fort Morgan, Colorado, where during the last ten years half a million dollars have been spent in the construction of a system of irrigating canals which has no superior anywhere. A stretch of country perhaps 30 miles long by 15 wide has been brought under cultivation and now presents an appearance that is almost ideal. Fields of alfalfa, wheat, oats and corn lend brilliancy to the broad plateau. Thousands of sleek cattle and countless flocks of sheep browse upon the nutritious grasses. Here and there an orchard bends beneath its luscious load. A more flourishing community does not exist. And the secret of it is—irrigation and cattle. The Morgan County farmer lives on and from his farm which never fails to yield double the average of non-irrigated sections, and he grows rich on cattle.

Men who are unacquainted with the results of farming by irrigation can form no idea of its superiority over ordinary methods of agriculture. Think what it means to be able to hasten or retard the development of growing crops—to make it rain when, where and in what volume you wish. True, all this means closer attention and greater labor, but are not the results worth it?

In Morgan County there are no cyclones; no extremes of heat and cold; no malaria; no crop failures. The people are friendly. The religious and educational facilities all that can be desired. The markets high priced. The climate the finest in the world.

Morgan County land is not "cheap"—that is, it is not cheap in the sense in which that word is ordinarily understood. The price ranges from \$15 to \$50 an acre including perpetual water right, but as a man can make a better living off 40 acres there than off 100 acres anywhere east of the Rocky Mountains, the apparent difference after all does not count for much; so acres is the favorite size. One Morgan County farmer gives it as his experience that 10 acres under irrigation in Morgan County is preferable to the best and most expensive quarter section in the "rain belt." The success he is meeting with gives weight to his opinion.

Detailed information about Morgan County is contained in an illustrated booklet issued by the Passenger Department of the Burlington Route and now ready for free distribution. A copy will be mailed to any one who will write to J. Francis, G. P. A., Omaha, Neb., for it.

Experiments made in Florence indicate that it would take a small exactly fourteen days to travel a mile.

"Brown's Bronchial Tonic" are a simple and convenient remedy for Bronchial Affections and Coughs. Carry them in your pocket.

The hayfever appears to be a common ailment in the mountain district of Germany, where the beech prevails in the forest.

It is so easy to remove Corns with Hidercorns that a woman or man will cut their feet with Hidercorns and not know it until it is too late.

They are making whisky from beets, but that sounds as if the cart was before the horse.

There is pleasure and profit and no small satisfaction in sending troublesome and painful letters by using Parker's Ginger Tonic.

The paper product of the world in 1900 was estimated to exceed 1,000,000 tons.

**SUES A VANDERBILT.**

**BARONESS DE BERZSENYI HAS MADE GRAVE CHARGES.**

It Was Intended as a Wedding Gift for the Duchess of Marlborough and Seems to Have Got Lost in the Excitement of the Wedding.

**B**ARONESS Blanche de Berzsenyi, of Austria, has brought suit against Mrs. Alva E. Vanderbilt, mother of the Duchess of Marlborough, for \$500 with interest from Oct. 26 last, for the loss of a small antique known as the "Tantalus Cup."

The action is brought through Lawyer Julius Lehmann, of New York, and the papers have been served upon Col. Jay, who represents Mrs. Vanderbilt.

The Baroness came to this country from France about nine months ago. She is a very handsome woman, about twenty-five years old. Upon her arrival from Paris she went to the Waldorf, where she occupied a suite of rooms for some months. After that she moved to private apartments on Fifth avenue. She sailed for Paris last month.

When the Baroness came she brought valuable bric-a-brac, paintings and Japanese and Chinese curios which were said to be worth in the neigh-



**BARONESS DE BERZSENYI.**  
(Who accuses Mrs. Vanderbilt.)

hood of \$10,000. Among these was the famous Tantalus cup.

According to the affidavit on file in the suit Mrs. Vanderbilt was looking about for suitable wedding presents for her daughter, Consuelo, and she asked a mutual friend to have the Baroness send her to her Japanese, Chinese and Oriental curios, including the famous cup, to the Hotel Savoy for inspection. Mrs. Vanderbilt was living at that hotel at the time. The curios and the cup, it is said, were later taken to Mrs. Vanderbilt's home on Madison avenue. The Baroness was inclined to sell the cup and the other articles. The day before the wedding of Mrs. Vanderbilt's daughter to the Duke of Marlborough the Baroness sent to Mrs. Vanderbilt asking whether she intended to purchase her curios and the Tantalus cup. In her complaint the Baroness says that all the curios were returned to her with the exception of the cup, which she valued at \$500. It is stated that the cup was lost.

Of its value the complaint says "that the cup, owing to its historical and mythological value, its exquisite workmanship, oddity, and, moreover, owing to the fact that there are but few of the kind and quality in existence, was reasonably worth \$500." It is also set forth by reason of the intrinsic value and exquisite workmanship, fragility and delicacy of the above-mentioned bric-a-brac, great care and attention is given to the articles by people who possess them, so much so that it is a common practice to keep them in plush-lined cabinets, which are seldom opened. Safes, it is alleged, are kept by persons who possess valuable bric-a-brac, and such articles as these sent to Mrs. Vanderbilt by the Baroness are kept in such safes until some occasion occurs when it is desired to display them.



**MRS. ALVA E. VANDERBILT.**  
(Accused of Making Away with the Tantalus Cup.)

The Baroness alleges that it was Mrs. Vanderbilt's intention to purchase the cup and the other bric-a-brac as a present to her daughter, Consuelo, and that the goods were delivered to the Duke's mother-in-law in good condition, and that she agreed to take good and proper care and to return the same if she did not desire to purchase them.

Speaking of the failure of Mrs. Vanderbilt to return the Tantalus cup, the complaint says that Mrs. Vanderbilt did not take due and proper care of the cup, nor would when any one requested her at any time before or afterwards, not even the Duke or the Baroness, but on the contrary took such care and control that by and through the carelessness, negligence and improper conduct of Mrs. Vanderbilt, the cup

became and was broken, stolen or lost "before bringing this action against Mrs. Vanderbilt," said Lawyer Lehmann to the writer. "I notified Col. Jay, Mrs. Vanderbilt's counsel. He told me that in this case Mrs. Vanderbilt was only liable in law without consideration, and that the cup could not be found. Col. Jay sets up that his client has to cause in law for a suit of damages. I intend otherwise, especially on account of the great value of the Tantalus cup. The Baroness has sailed for France, but I expect her here to appear when the case comes up for trial."

**VERITABLE HUMAN VAMPIRE.**

He Strangles Cattle with His Naked Hands.

The cattle men on the ranges west of Pierre, S. D., tell a ghastly story of a madman, who for some time past has been roaming over the reservation, killing cattle with his naked hands to suck their blood, and in some cases even attacking men. No one seems to know who the man is, nor how long he has been wandering about the ranges. He was first seen some four or five weeks ago. Repeated attempts have been made to capture him, but thus far without success.

He is said to labor under the hallucination that he is a vampire. How he manages without a weapon of any kind to kill the cattle on which he lives is a mystery. When found after he has left them the animals appear to have been seized by the head, borne to the ground by main strength and torn to pieces by the teeth and nails of the lunatic.

Jack Lewis, a cowboy on one of the ranches about midway between Pierre and the Black Hills, is the hero of the most exciting adventure with the mad-man yet reported. It was nearly a fortnight ago. Lewis had been out for several days with a party on the range and about 6 o'clock in the evening he wandered away from his companions and dismounted for a few moments. As he stood by his horse he was suddenly struck from behind and hurled to the ground and nearly strangled by the man. He struggled furiously, but was unable to reach his weapon, while his assailant frothed at the mouth and made every effort to seize the cowboy by the throat with his teeth.

Such wonderful strength did he display that Lewis was nearly overpowered and would doubtless have been killed had not his friends, attracted by his cries, arrived in time to rescue him. The mad man flew when he saw this reinforcement coming, and although pursued by several men on fast horses, he contrived to elude them in the dusk and made his escape. Lewis was quite badly torn about the face and neck by the man's teeth, and received a shock from which he has not yet fully recovered.

**HER BALLOON SLEEVES.**

They Proved "Just the Thing" for Boasting the Customs Officers.

Mrs. Margaret Morrison, a prepossessing young widow, whose father is a prominent farmer living near Fort An-



gels, was arrested at Port Townsend, Wash., the other day by the customs officials and charged with smuggling opium into this country. Opium valued at \$100 was found concealed about her wearing apparel. She was accompanied by her twelve-year-old daughter, on whose person four pounds of opium were discovered. While coming across from Victoria the inspector imagined her figure was unusually plump, and upon inspection five tins of the drug were found ingeniously secreted in her balloon sleeves. At the Custom House she fainted and went into hysterics, and requested that her daughter be sent outside into the open air. Hardly had her child reached the sidewalk when she began running and crying, throwing dozens of cans of opium into vacant lots. Later Mrs. Morrison, in consideration of similar charges not being presented against her daughter, pleaded guilty, and is detained in prison. The officers claim the woman has been regularly engaged for several months in smuggling opium for a Chinese firm.

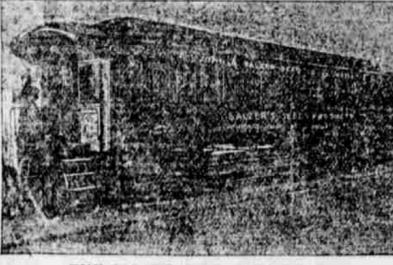
**WIDOW TOWNSEND IS 99.**

The Oldest Woman in Two Towns, and One Year 94 Lighter.

Mrs. Harriet Byron Townsend, the oldest woman in the town of Haverhill and operator of a candy store, celebrated the 99th anniversary of her birth recently. Mrs. Townsend has been married twice, and until the death of her second husband, six years ago, she attended to her home duties unaided. She is singularly physically and mentally, but her sight is impaired. Mrs. Townsend was born in Lenox, Mass., on Nov. 20, 1796. Her father was John Townsend, her earliest suitor was Abner H. Hanks, whom Harriet married when she was 24 years old. Five years later Hanks died, leaving his wife with two children, Walter H. Townsend and John Townsend, the latter of whom is now Mr. Townsend's son-in-law. Mr. Townsend died in the city of N. H. during his early years. At the anniversary celebration on Tuesday five guests were present in the presence of Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Henry Townsend, Mrs. Elizabeth Hanks, Mrs. William Haverhill, and her two children.

**A NOVEL TRAVELING EXHIBIT.**

The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., always on the alert for something good, have struck a novel idea to introduce, exhibit and advertise their famous northern grown seeds. This is done by means of an advertising car, an illustration thereof appears herewith. This car is in charge of three experts who are thoroughly familiar and versed with seed growing. The car inside and out is a marvel of beauty and elegance and is fit out regardless of cost and is



**THE SALZER SEED EXHIBIT CAR.**

being run and exhibited in Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, and other states. Upon entering it, one is transported at once into a very fairyland where flowers and vines and forage and fruits and vegetables luxuriate and abound in great abundance. Of course the great specialties which have made the John A. Salzer Seed Co. leaders among seedmen, such as fine vegetables and vegetable seeds, are exhibited to perfection, and then there is an endless array of farm seeds, corns, wheats, oats, rye, barley, and vetch, lupine, lathyrus, sealine, amber cane, kaffir corn, Jerusalem corn and hundreds of other varieties of seeds and crops on exhibition. Particular notice is due to their marvelous collection of heavy cropping potatoes, their \$1,000 oat, just imported from Russia, and Silver King barley, cropping in 500 different places in America in 1895, over 100 bushels per acre.

The car is visited daily by hundreds, yea we may say thousands of people, and nothing so catches the eye and rivets the attention of the farmer than the great bed of different varieties of grasses, clovers and fodder plants that are exhibited in one end of the car as one great dairyman of Elgin, Ill., said upon seeing this magnificent display of grasses, "I have seen the World's Fair and Barnum's Circus, but this exhibit beats them all!"

It is only possible in a newspaper article to give but a faint idea of the beauty and attractiveness of this car. It must be seen to be appreciated but it only strengthens the idea amongst farmers and others that a firm that can exhibit such excellent products, grown from their own seeds, on their own farms, is the firm to tie to when you want choice northern grown seeds. Seeds that never disappoint! They issue a large catalogue of farm and vegetable seeds which is mailed to any address upon receipt of 5 cents, for postage. W. N.

**Officially Dead.**  
A man was being wheeled away with the dead, at the time of an epidemic. The victim suddenly raised his head and demanded of the man who was taking him along the street where he was taking him to. "To the dead house," was the reply. "But I am not dead," said the poor man. "Oh, you be quiet," said the man who was pushing him along; "I guess the doctor knows more about this than you do, and he says you are dead."

**\$100 Reward, \$100.**  
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.  
Sold by druggists; 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills, 25c.

**ASK YOUR DEALER FOR W. L. DOUGLAS \$3. SHOE BEST IN THE WORLD. \$3.**

If you pay \$4 to \$6 for shoes, examine the W. L. Douglas Shoe, and see what a good shoe you can buy for **\$3.** OVER 100 STYLES AND WIDTHS, CONGRESS, BUTON, and LACE, made to all kinds of the best selected leather by skilled workmen. We make and sell more \$3 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world. Name stamped on the bottom. None genuine unless name and price is stamped on the bottom.

Ask your dealer for our \$5, \$4, \$3.50, \$3.25, \$2.75 shoes; \$2.50, \$2 and \$1.75 for boys. TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE. If your dealer cannot supply you, send to factory, enclosing price and 3c cent to pay carriage. State kind, style of toe (cap or plain), size and width. Our Custom Dept. will fill your order. Send for new illustrated Catalogue to Box B.

**W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.**

It matters little how long standing the pain has been; chronic cases yield readily to **ST. JACOBS OIL** and RHEUMATISM of many years' standing has been cured by it.

**10 CENTS**



**BATTLE AX PLUG**

The largest piece of Good tobacco ever sold for 10 cents.