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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—If women who are always blue and depressed and nervous would take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound they would find it the medicine they need to bring them to a more cheerful frame of mind. I was terribly worried and downcast, and was thin and bloodless. My back ached all the time, no matter how hard I tried to forget it or change my position to ease it, and the pain at the base of my brain was so bad that I sometimes thought that I would grow crazy; I had the blues so much and was always so depressed I could not seem to shake them off; half of the time I did not seem to have the courage to go to work; everything seemed to go wrong with me, and I was always worrying and fearing the worst. I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. After the first few doses a load seemed lifted from my shoulders, I felt better in every way. The blues left me and my head stopped aching; before long my back was better too, and I looked younger and stronger. I took six bottles in all, and it is with thankfulness that I acknowledge that my present good health is due to the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

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Petroleum Habit in Paris. The petroleum habit is said to be assuming alarming proportions in Paris and the medical societies demand of the authorities immediate steps for its abatement. Some have ascribed this habit to the increase of the alcohol tax, but an investigation of the vice shows that it was prevalent long before alcohol tax was imposed, and that it has been growing all the time. Physicians do not agree as to all the effects produced by it, but they do agree as to its general harmfulness. It is said not to make the victim brutal, but stupid, despondent and morose. That in France, the land of cheap and good wines, men should take to drinking petroleum as a beverage is passing strange, not to say, incomprehensible.

Sour Grapes. The elder Dumas once was wearing the ribbon of a certain order, having recently been made a commandant, and an envious friend remarked upon it. "My dear fellow," he said, "that cordon is a wretched color! One would think it was your wool!" "One would think it was showing!" "Oh, no, my dear D'E—" replied Dumas with a smile, "you're mistaken. It's not a bad color; it is exactly the shade of the sour grapes in the fable."

Few Old Men Can Say This. Lakefield, Minn., Feb. 2d.—Wm. E. Gentry of this place makes the following statement: "For over forty years I suffered with misery in my back and at times I could not pass water without great pain and a burning sensation. I have had to make water as often as sixteen times during one night—just a little at a time. I tried many kinds of kidney medicines, but all without any good result, till at last I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills, and my pains are all gone."

"I took six boxes and I am cured completely. I am 77 years of age and I feel better now than I have for over fifty years and I attribute it all to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Dodd's Kidney Pills have made some remarkable cures in this part of the state, and many old men and women are praising them highly as a cure for lame back, kidney and bladder troubles.

Jealousy is not so much a heart disease as it is a case of out-of-date liver.

A WORD IN SEASON

IMPORTANCE OF GOOD ADVICE, COURTEOUSLY GIVEN.

Whole Current of Young Man's Life Probably Changed for the Best by Well Meant and Kindly Admonition Gently Offered.

It is impossible to correctly value a good word spoken under favoring conditions. An illustrative incident is related in the experience of Hon. John Mahin, the veteran editor and publisher of the Muscatine Journal, whose sturdy antagonism to the liquor traffic and the drink habit is of more than state-wide knowledge. Some fifteen years ago, traveling upon a train from Muscatine to Kansas City, Mr. Mahin entered the lavatory of the sleeper as the train approached the latter city. Hanging from the wall was the coat of a young man from West Virginia. In the pocket was a flask of liquor. The West Virginian, an intelligent, manly appearing fellow, courteously offered Mr. Mahin a drink, which, of course, was declined. When their toilets were completed and they were again seated in the coach, near each other, Mr. Mahin, attracted by the young fellow's gentlemanly bearing, ventured a kindly word of admonition against the practice of using intoxicating beverages. "That is what my mother has been telling me," said the young man.

"And where will you find in all the world any one more deeply interested in your welfare, one who loves you more devotedly, than your mother?" inquired Mr. Mahin.

"That is true," responded the West Virginian in recognition of the kindly intent of the advice of the older man, "and the young lady to whom I am paying attention has also given me the same advice."

"Then you have the most powerful of all motives for breaking away from the habit," said Mr. Mahin, "and let me urge upon you the great importance of such a course and its influence upon your future career;" and a conversation ensued, in which the young man promised to abandon the drink habit.

Three weeks later Mr. Mahin was traveling over the same road on a train from Kansas City and was accosted by the West Virginian, who recognized him. "I have kept my promise," said the young man. "I was visiting an uncle in Kansas City. There was a social gathering at his house at which wine was served. All partook but myself. Afterwards my uncle, who uses beverages, commended me for declining, so you see I had not lowered myself in his esteem by refusing to drink."

Fifteen years rolled by and the Christmas-tide of 1902 was approaching. One day there came to the residence of Mrs. John Mahin at Muscatine an express package from Chicago. It contained a beautiful mantel clock, and with it a note recalling the circumstance on the train which we have related. It was from the West Virginian, now a successful western manager of a large manufacturing industry in the east. He had steadfastly adhered to the promise he had made to her husband fifteen years ago and in grateful remembrance asked the acceptance of a memento to mark a kindly deed that affected a turning point in his life.

The incident reveals its own moral. It is found not only in the wisdom and firmness of purpose of the young West Virginian that made a man of him, but in the kind and discreet counsel given him by one whose advice was not obtrusive, but was none the less honest, earnest and effective. Too few realize how great a good may be achieved by a kindly word uttered in the right spirit and at the right time.—Burlington Hawk-Eye.

ONE OF HERMANN'S TRICKS.

Magician Puzzled a Select Company of Bohemians.

Not many months before his death the magician was a guest at the famous but now defunct Whitechapel club, the rendezvous of Chicago Bohemians. On the night in question a venerable Japanese priest was present. In the course of a few tricks Hermann picked up a deck of cards and asked some one to select a card. The seven of clubs was the card drawn from the pack and it was shown to the spectators, but not to the magician. The card was replaced in the deck, which was shuffled and then handed to one of the spectators. "Look through the deck, please," said Hermann.

The holder of the cards did as requested. "Is the card that was drawn in the pack?" asked the wizard. "No, sir," answered the spectator. "What was the card?" "The seven of clubs." "Well, gentlemen, if one of you will kindly unlace the prelate's shoe, you will find the card that has vanished from the pack."

After a smiling protest the Japanese priest unlaced his shoe, and there, to the amazement of all, was found the seven spot of clubs.

Where Silence Was Golden.

"Did you know that I passed your door last evening?" said the young man tenderly.

"Of course," replied the beautiful girl, with reproach in her glistening eyes. "Do you think I would not know your step?"

"Certainly," said the happy young man, as he directed the conversation away from the subject and avoided remarking that he passed the door in a cab.

A Lover of His Art.

Love of habit was pushed to an extreme degree by a wealthy grazier near Le Mans, of the name of Chaplain. In order to avoid the uproar from his habits that in his opinion death might cause he had a little chapel built over the family burying place, and so arranged that he could use it every day as a sitting room. He used to spend in it the early hours of the afternoon reading his paper, going over his account books, and writing letters. His coffin contained a comfortable mattress, and he used it as a bed. When the cure came to administer the last sacraments, M. Chaplain said, on being asked whether he felt comfortable: "Absolutely so, M. le Curé. In dying, you see, I shall not break with my habits, and in the grave I shall be in a home that I am used to." He begged that his old pipe and tobacco pouch, his penholder that he had used thirty-five years, and some other familiar objects should be buried with him.

Justice Harlan's Caddy.

Craddying on the links of the Columbia and Chevy Chase Golf clubs is a favorite mode for getting spending money among Washington boys of high and low degree alike. A few days ago Justice Harlan of the supreme court who is a golfer, hired a bright-eyed youngster about 12 years of age to caddy for him. The boy was polite and attentive, and was an exceptionally good caddy. Justice Harlan engaged him to caddy for him the following day. When the justice reached the links the boy was not to be found, and he took another boy. As Justice Harlan approached the fourteenth hole the handsome victoria of a rich senatorial family drove up. The boy who had been the justice's caddy the previous day jumped out. He ran up to Justice Harlan, cap in hand, and said: "I am awfully sorry I couldn't get here at 2 o'clock; but, you see, mamma had a luncheon for Senator Depeew, and I just couldn't get the carriage to come out in any manner."

Had Mice in Her Hat.

A New York street car incident a days ago should furnish a dreadful warning to women who wear last year's hats. A tolerably young and charming woman boarded a suburban car on the other side of the river, and after having seated herself discovered that her hat was alive. The next instant saw the millinery on the floor with skirts lifted rather indecorously high. Four mice scampered around the floor of the car in great consternation at having been dispossessed of their tenement. After the mice were killed the woman explained that the hat was an old one which she had not worn for a year.

Was Spooner's Tender Point.

Senator Simon of Oregon is the only man in the senate who is shorter than Senator Spooner. The Wisconsin senator is inclined to be touchy about his stature. A short time ago he was sitting reading a book in his committee room, when Dr. Heenan, consul at Odessa, was brought in by a friend for an introduction. Heenan is a giant, six feet four inches tall and broad across the shoulders. When Senator Spooner arose to be presented Heenan looked down on him and said: "And this is Senator Spooner?" "Great Scott!" flared Spooner, "you don't think every United States senator must be seventeen feet tall, do you?"

In the search for sensation few of us will be able to emulate Gates by losing \$7,000,000 in one day—at least, before next pay day.

Many House Changes.

Since the house of the Fifty-seventh congress came into existence in March, 1901, twelve members have died, three have resigned and two have been unseated as a result of contests, making a total of seventeen changes in less than two years. This, according to those interested with the compilation of data of this character, is the greatest number of changes occurring during one session of congress in its history of that legislative body.

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It is perhaps because art is long that so many artists are short.

Gertrude—Isn't that fur bon very uncomfortable around your neck?

Evaluate — Terribly uncomfortable; but it is very expensive fur, don't you know.—Boston Transcript.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine-cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but a. inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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HIGH RAILROAD POSITION FOR JOHN SEBASTIAN.

John Sebastian, one of the best known railroad men in the United States and who for a number of years has been connected with the Rock Island system's various roads, has just received an appointment which greatly enlarges his powers and places him practically at the head of one of the great railway systems of the country.

He has been made passenger traffic manager of the entire Rock Island system, comprising, in addition to those formerly under his management, the following roads: Choctaw, Gulf & Oklahoma Railroad and the St. Louis, Kansas City & Colorado Railroad.

John Sebastian entered the railroad service thirty-four years ago as a ticket clerk on the Santa Fe.—Chicago Examiner.

First Stork—I just left a baby at that millionaire's house.

Second Stork—Funny things, these human beings! I just delivered three to one woman in a tenement, and her husband's out of work and they haven't a cent.—Brooklyn Life.

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