



Mrs. F. Wright, of Oelwein, Iowa, is another one of the million women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Overshadowing indeed is the success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—compared with it, all other medicines for women are experiments.

Why has it the greatest record for absolute cures of any female medicine in the world? Why has it lived and thrived and done its glorious work among women for a quarter of a century? Simply because of its sterling worth. The reason that no other medicine has ever reached its success is because there is no other medicine so successful in curing woman's ills. Remember these important facts when a druggist tries to sell you something which he says is just as good.

A Young New York Lady Tells of a Wonderful Cure:—



"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—My trouble was with the ovaries; I am tall, and the doctor said I grew too fast for my strength. I suffered dreadfully from inflammation and doctored continually, but got no help. I suffered from terrible dragging sensations with the most awful pains low down in the side and pains in the back, and the most agonizing headaches. No one knows what I endured. Often I was sick to the stomach, and every little while I would be too sick to go to work for three or four days; I work in a large store, and I suppose standing on my feet all day made me worse.

"At the suggestion of a friend of my mother's I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it is simply wonderful. I felt better after the first two or three doses; it seemed as though a weight was taken off my shoulders; I continued its use until now I can truthfully say I am entirely cured. Young girls who are always paying doctor's bills without getting any help as I did, ought to take your medicine. It costs so much less, and it is sure to cure them.—Yours truly, ADELAIDE PRAHL, 174 St. Ann's Ave., New York City."

Women should not fail to profit by Miss Adelaide Prahl's experiences; just as surely as she was cured of the troubles enumerated in her letter, just so certainly will Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cure others who suffer from womb troubles, inflammation of the ovaries, kidney troubles, nervous excitability, and nervous prostration; remember that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing women, and don't allow any druggist to sell you anything else in its place.

If there is anything in your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. She can surely help you, for no person in America has such a wide experience in treating female ills as she has had. Address is Lynn, Mass.; her advice is free and always helpful.

\$5000 FORFEIT If we cannot forthwith produce the original letter and signature of above testimonial, which will prove its absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

Fish Eggs to Travel Far.

Covered with damp moss in muslin troughs and hermetically sealed in tin some 20,000 Irish rainbow trout eggs are on their way from Innishannon, County Cork, Ireland, to Tokio, for the Japan Exhibition.

Linotype for All Kinds of Work.

A double-magazine linotype machine now on the market enables the operator to set complicated advertising matter and any ordinary book page without rising from the keyboard.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR CLOTHES.

Use Red Cross Ball Blue and keep them white as snow. All grocers. 5c. a package.

Sentiment is growing in favor of the line system. It is the system most profitable to grain dealers. Why not for farmers, too?

Wet Weather
No hindrance to the rider who wears
SAWYER'S EXCELSIOR GRAND POMMEL SLICKERS
Man or saddle can not get wet.
EXCELSIOR BRAND OILED CLOTHING
For all kinds of work.
Warranted Waterproof.
Look for trade mark.
If not at dealers, write
H. B. Sawyer & Son, Sole Mfrs.
East Cambridge, Mass.

If winter left you "all run down," wind up with
Hires Rootbeer
That will "set you going."
Five gallons for 25 cents.
Charles E. Hires Co.,
Malvern, Pa.

Equipped with Thompson's Eye Water



The First Decoration

May 30 is Memorial Day, the day when pious hands the country over will place floral tributes upon the graves of the dead of the civil war. The following version of the origin of the custom is told by a veteran who wore the blue.

"It was just forty years the 13th of last April," said he. "Two little girls—children of a Michigan army chaplain—were the first to lay spring flowers on a soldier's grave dug in Virginia soil, and from that little act of childish impulse grew up the custom which is now nationally observed, north and south.

"I was a member of the Second Regiment, Michigan Infantry, Col. J. B. Richardson commanding, which saw most of the fighting of the army of the Potomac until the war was well nigh ended. The chaplain of the regiment

They must have had in mind the little acts of remembrance they had seen at the gravesides in the grass-grown cemetery at home.

"On their way home the little ones planned to go next day, gather armfuls of flowers and put them on all the graves. When they were about to set out on the morrow, Josephine told Mrs. May of their project, and the sweet thoughtfulness of this child fancy appealed to the older woman as it only could have appealed to a mother who knew a hospital camp at first hand and had folded the hands of more than one young fellow in his last sleep. With her companion, Mrs. Evans, a young Red Cross nurse, Mrs. May joined the children in gathering flowers, and together they placed the blossoms on thirteen graves—all that they found. Union and Confederate alike,

hand, has advanced the claim of a celebration held at Watertown, N. Y., May 27, 1866. Certain it is that Gen. Logan often referred to his first decoration day order as the 'proudest act of his life,' and the year it was issued the first great observance was held at Arlington cemetery with Gen. Arthur as the orator of the day. It is equally certain that further to the south, a few years before, those two little Michigan girls had begun the decoration of graves in a small way that as certainly developed into the national memorial. Yet so far as I know no recognition has been paid to its girlish originators.

"Chaplain May, his wife Marcia, and their two daughters lie buried in Mountain Home, Kalamazoo, Mich. With the exception of one year, the chaplain's family remained with him throughout the war. Mrs. May was called 'an angel of mercy from God' for her work at Alexandria. I recall circumstances when she literally stole dying men and smuggled them into the city hospitals that she might minister to their wants. She had of course the connivance of the surgeons—it was either that or leave them to die of neglect and lack of nursing, for in those first months of the war everything was 'red tape.'

"Later on she had a chance to serve

Mr. B. J. Scannell, 509 Ware block, Omaha, Neb., has just received another consignment of that "Eczema" cure which so quickly cured the well-known Hon. W. A. Paxton of Omaha, and who was so badly afflicted at one time that he was compelled to make a trip to Carlsbad and several other celebrated places in Europe, but received no help whatever until he secured the above mentioned ointment. Mr. Scannell is offering it at \$2.50 per box and anyone who knows Mr. Paxton is at liberty to write him for information.

GREATLY REDUCED RATES

WABASH RAILROAD.
Corinth, Miss., and return. Sold May 25th and 27th. \$21.20
Selmer, Tenn., and return. Sold May 25th and 27th. \$21.20
Paducah, Ky., and return. Sold May 26th and 27th. \$16.65
Bellefontaine, O., and return. Sold May 25th to June 1st. \$20.10
Indianapolis, Ind., and return. Sold June 7th, 8th and 9th. \$19.40
St. Louis, Mo., and return. Sold June 16th and 17th. \$13.50
Boston, Mass., and return. Sold June 20th to July 4th. \$32.75
Saratoga, N. Y., and return. Sold July 4th and 5th. \$32.20
Detroit, Mich., and return. Sold July 14th and 15th. \$21.50
Baltimore, Md., and return. Sold July 17th and 18th. \$32.00
For maps giving full description, Lake trips, side trips and all information call at Wabash City Office, 1601 Farnam St., or address,
HARRY E. MOORES,
G. A. P. D.,
Omaha, Neb.

Few people get high enough up the ladder of fame to make them dizzy.

Hall's Catarrh Cure

Is taken internally. Price, 75c.

Loves does not want a bombastic declamatory—"I love you" fulfills all the promises of hope.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

Anyway, a "has-been" is far better than a "never-was."

This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy Worms. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Lelloy, N. Y.

Only a newly married man ever dodges when his wife throws things at him.

Great men are ordinary men with their shoes carefully polished. Shamrock III. Insured for \$100,000.

Sir Thomas Lipton evidently values the Shamrock III. more highly than either of her predecessors of the same name. The previous Shamrocks were insured for \$60,000 each, but the latest challenger has been underwritten at \$100,000. Of course these amounts are far below the value of the yachts.

No Respector of Persons.

The Italian railway officials are no respecters of persons is shown by an incident which occurred the other day, when the Duchess of Manchester arrived at Salsomaggiore. Her grace had so much baggage that the railway officials became tired of watching the endless stream of trunks pouring from the baggage car. Two porters from the hotel whither the duchess was going had got into the car to help in unloading the trunks, but before they could get out the impatient officials started the train and they were carried off to Parma, with a considerable portion of the duchess's baggage.

Struck Against an Egg Menu.

The servants at Harbor Hills, the country residence on Long Island of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay, have gone on strike against a menu consisting of eggs three times a day. According to the complaining domestics it was omelettes, egg sandwiches, boiled eggs, roasted eggs, stuffed eggs or some other variety of the same dish in Lent and out of Lent, until finally the chef was petitioned to change the menu. The man who presented the memorial was discharged on the spot, and then all the other servants but two went on strike.

BE INDEPENDENT.

It's Easy to Shake Off the Coffee Habit.

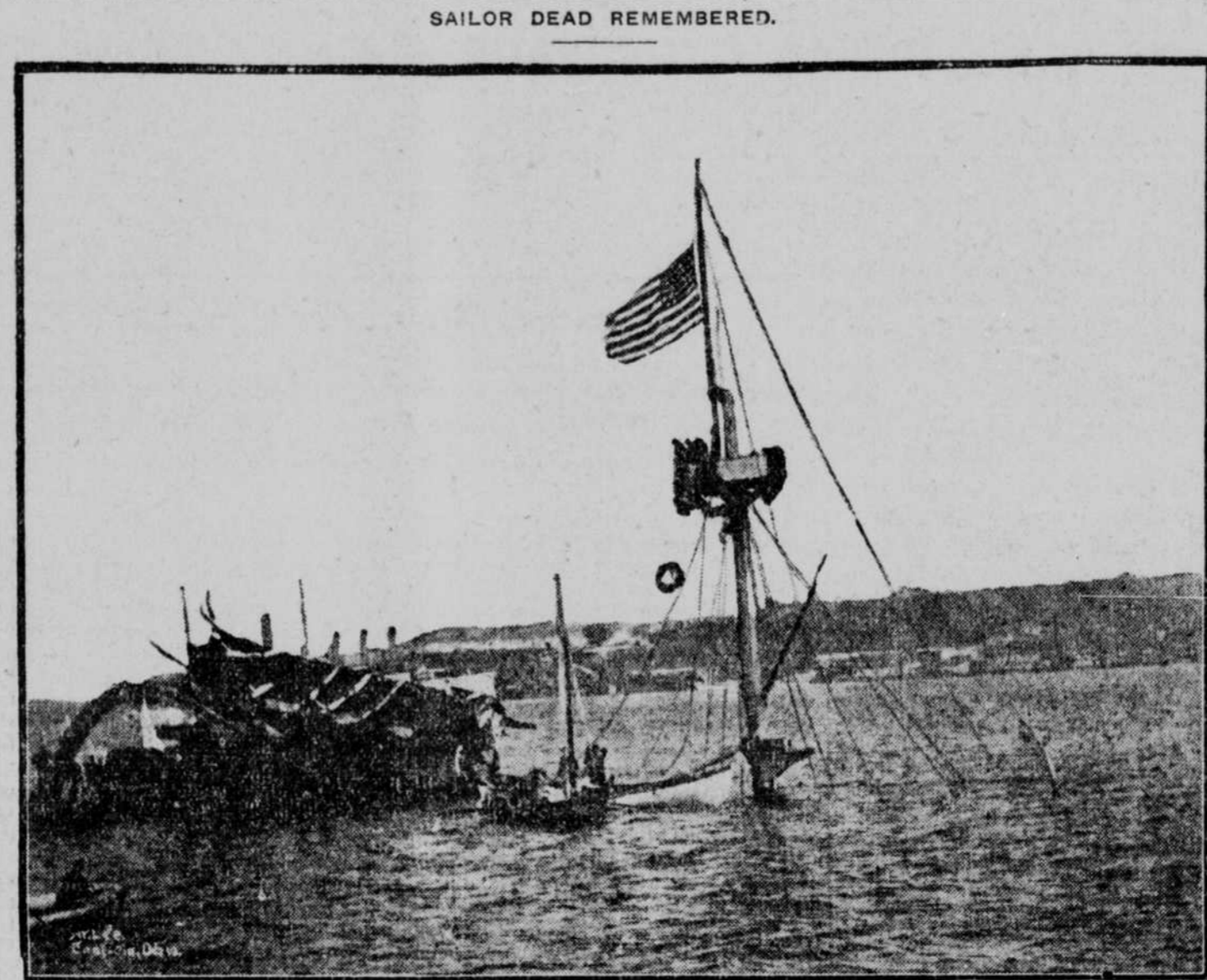
There are many people who make the humiliating acknowledgment that they are dependent upon coffee to "brace them up" every little while. These have never learned the truth about Postum Cereal Coffee which makes leaving off coffee a simple matter and brings health and strength in place of coffee ills. A lady of Davenport, Iowa, who used Postum Food Coffee for five years is competent to talk upon the subject. She says:

"I am a school teacher and during extra work when I thought I needed to be braced up I used to indulge in rich, strong coffee of which I was very fond and upon which I thought I was dependent.

"I began to have serious heart palpitation and at times had sharp pains around the heart and more or less stomach trouble. I read about Postum and got some to try. I dropped coffee, took up the Postum and it worked so I wonders for me that many of my friends took it up.

"In a short time I was well again, even able to attend evening socials. And I did not miss my coffee at all. Now I can truthfully say that I have been repaid fully for the change I made. I have no indications of heart disease and not once in the past four years have I had a sick headache or bilious spell.

"My father, 73 years old, is a Postum enthusiast, and feels that his good health in a large measure is due to the 6 cups of good Postum which he enjoys each day." Name furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. There is a reason.



The Sunken Maine Being Decorated by the American Ladies' Memorial Committee.

was Franklin May, a Methodist minister, who resigned his charge at the first call to arms and marched to the front. There were three Mays in the regiment, brothers—two chaplains and the chaplain, for war blood seemed to run in their veins. Three Mays did I say? Four, for there was the captain's wife, and no pluckier patriot served the Union cause than the woman who followed him to camp, first at Arlington and Alexandria and then at a point near Mount Vernon, which was known as Camp Michigan. She brought with her their two daughters, Josephine, aged thirteen, and Ella, perhaps five years younger.

"One spring day at Camp Michigan—it happened to be April 13, the first anniversary of the fall of Sumter—the little girls were wild-flower gathering. Their hands were filled when they came across a grave—a rough, unmarked mound that had closed in over some northern boy for whom taps had sounded that first twelve-month.

"Oh, let's put our flowers on this grave," cried Josephine. "He is a soldier boy."

"In a trice the two were down on their knees heaping nosegays over that bare hillock and clasping their hands in delight at their happy contrivance.

among the thousands that later were to rest at Arlington and along the shores of the Potomac.

"The next year they did the same thing, and the next, each time in May, and now for the soldiers who fell at Fredericksburg and other battles in the Old Dominion. What they did was noticed and soon others began to do the same. There was opportunity for all, for as the months went by graves were multiplying faster than ever before in history, and before the close of the war the custom had spread quite widely.

"In 1868 Gen. John A. Logan issued that famous order of his as commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. which set apart May 30 as Memorial Day—a date chosen late in the spring in order to give the flowers a chance to outflank every snowbank in the north, however late the spring. Since then many of the states have made the day a legal holiday.

COLON CEMETERY, HAVANA, CUBA.



American Ladies' Memorial Committee Decorating the Graves of the Crew of the Maine.