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The Australian cypress pine is stated to be proof against the teredo of the ocean and all insects of the land. It is much used for piles, etc., and for furniture it is a handsome wood with an agreeable odor.

In Dundee, Scotland, the trolley system is used to clean and sprinkle the streets. A combined sweeper and sprinkler runs daily over all the car tracks, and the work is done quickly and thoroughly.

Shipment of Coffins.
 Four thousand coffins for the bodies of soldiers in the Philippines are awaiting shipment to the United States, is a portion of the queer cargo the transport Kilpatrick started with lately.

Time Is the Test.
 There is a heap of difference between relief and cure. Any one with an aching back may find relief in numerous remedies, but do these remedies cure? The aches and pains of kidney ills, the weary, worn-out condition, nervous attacks, too frequent urination, retention of the urine and many other indications of kidney and bladder disorders can be cured. Will the cure last? There is a ringing answer in the test of time and you have it here in the following statement:
 Mr. Geo. Foot, a retired farmer, residing at No. 415 Addison street, Elgin, Ill., says:

"I just as emphatically endorse Doan's Kidney Pills to-day as I did in the fall of 1897 when I began taking this remedy, and followed up the treatment until it cured me of backache and other irregularities due to either weakened or over-excited kidneys. I am only too pleased to endorse a preparation which is just as represented."
 A free trial of Doan's Kidney Pills sent on application. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

A Conscientious Thief.
 Fourteen years ago Frank Lash, of Farmersburg, Ind., had a ring stolen from his room in his boarding house. A few days since he received a letter from a person unknown to him stating that he had stolen the ring and that his conscience had since troubled him to such an extent that he wished to replace the ring. He had sold the ring, but was willing to replace it. Shortly after there came by mail a ring similar to the one stolen from him.

A Faithful Friend.
 Lenox, Mo., Sept. 1st.—Mr. W. H. Brown, of this place, has reason to be thankful that he has at least one friend by whose good advice he has been spared much pain and trouble. He says:

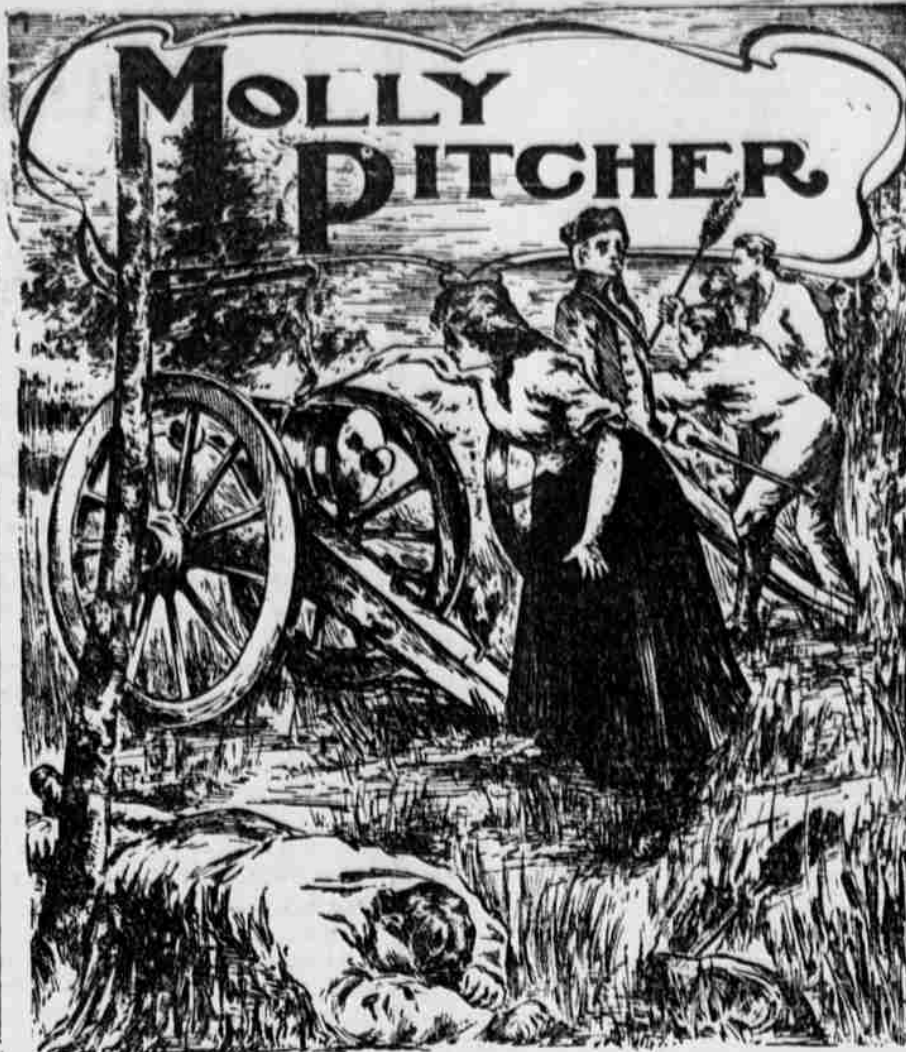
"I have had backache for over twelve months. Sometimes I could hardly get up when I was down, the pain in my back was so great.
 "I tried many things but could not get anything to help me or give me relief till a good friend of mine advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills.
 "After I had used two boxes the pain in my back had all left me and I was as well as ever I was.
 "I am very thankful to Doan's Kidney Pills for what they have done for me, and I will never forget my friend for having suggested this remedy."

Some of the cats in Liberia are of a bright red tint, and they are very conspicuous in the moonlight.

Piso's Cure for Consumption always gives immediate relief in all throat troubles.—F. E. Bierman, Leipsic, Ohio, Aug. 31, 1901.

The wasp adopts the methods of the highwayman. These insects have often been observed to waylay and rob bees while the latter, laden with the fruits of an expedition, were returning to the hive.

Nearly all of the dwelling-houses in Japan are of one general shape and two stories high. They are put together by a curious method of mortising, at which these people are adepts.



THE descendants of "Molly Pitcher," who reside in Carlisle, Pa., recently celebrated the anniversary of the battle of Monmouth, in which Molly performed the deed that has handed her name down to posterity. Incidentally, it will surprise some people to learn that Molly's real name was not Pitcher, but Hays.

The battle of Monmouth, which took place after the British evacuation of Philadelphia and was brought on by the determination of Gen. Washington to follow and attack the enemy as they were retreating to New York, was fought on one of the hottest days of the year, a fact which may have helped the Continental troops in catching up with Gen. Clinton's forces. The intense heat, accompanied by rainy weather,



HOUSE WHERE MOLLY PITCHER DIED.

made slow marching, and at Monmouth, before they could reach the heights of Middletown, 12 miles further on, the British were forced to stop and give battle. It is said that because of the heat many soldiers on both sides fell on this battlefield without even having received a wound.

With John Hays, an American artillery sergeant, during this battle, was his young wife, Molly, and she made it her business to go among the men with a pitcher of water to slake their thirst. This gained for her the nickname of "Molly Pitcher." Mrs. Hays was of German extraction, her maiden name having been Mary Ludwig. She did not belong to the army at the time of the battle of Monmouth, but she had followed her husband in his various marches and offered her service in carrying water, voluntarily. At Monmouth she brought the water from a spring

not far away and kept up the work unceasingly until the shot came which struck her husband. When he fell an officer ordered his gun to be wheeled back out of the way, but Mrs. Hays called out that she would serve it and without waiting for an answer proceeded to do so, keeping the gun in effective operation until the battle was ended. She wore a skirt made in the fashion of that time but over this was an artilleryman's coat and on her head a cocked hat with feathers in it. The next day Gen. Green hunted Molly up and conducted her to Gen. Washington, the commander-in-chief, who, contrary to the rules of war, gave her a sergeant's commission, and recommended that her name be placed on the list of half-pay officers for life.

Sergeant Hays, Molly's husband, was not killed in this battle, but only severely wounded and his wife nursed him back to life again. This was not the very first battle in which Molly had taken an active part. She was with her husband at Fort Clinton when it was attacked by the British and the Americans were forced to retreat.

The soldiers were rushing out of the fort and Sergt. Hays turned away from his gun, threw down his match and ran for his life, his wife all ready to follow. But seeing the live match on the ground and knowing that the gun was loaded, she stopped long enough to pick it up and touch off the gun before dashing away after her husband. That was the last gun which the Americans fired in Fort Clinton.

But the battle of Monmouth was Molly's last. A few days later, on that very field of conflict, was born her only son, John L. Hays. After the war was over Molly and her husband went back to her old home in Carlisle and lived there with their son at the United States barracks, built by the Hessians, who were taken prisoners at the battle of Trenton. Here Molly cooked for the soldiers and after the death of her husband she kept a little store in the southeastern part of the town, close by the house in which Maj. Andre had been confined after his capture near Lake Champlain. At the corner of East North and North Bedford streets stand the house where Molly passed her declining years and where she died.

In the old cemetery at Carlisle, Pa., the citizens of Cumberland County erected, July 4, 1876, a monument to Molly Pitcher, heroine of Monmouth.

RECLAIMING OUR DESERTS.

They Are Gradually Yielding to the Encroachments of Civilization.

The desert still maintains its fastnesses in the West. There are some spots better entitled to the name than others, but each year these fastnesses are shrinking before the advance of human enterprise, as the water might flow over the land, leaving the high and difficult places to the last. So these islands are scattered through several States and Territories, mostly in Arizona, New Mexico, California, Nevada, Utah and Oregon, in the great valley lying between the main ridge of the Rocky Mountains, on the east, and the Cascades, Sierra Nevada and the coast range, on the west.

Chief among them are the Mojave Desert, in southeastern California, a territory as large as Switzerland; the Colorado and Gila deserts of southwestern Arizona and southern California; the marvelous painted desert of northeastern Arizona; and the Great Salt Lake desert of Utah. Opening northward from the Mojave desert lies Death valley, perhaps the most desolate and forbidding spot in America, though comparatively small in extent. Yet there are few places, even in these desert strongholds, that are wholly without life of one sort or another, and a large proportion of them could be reclaimed if water were available. Even as it is, not one can bar human activity; railroads have been built directly across three of the worst of them; mines are being opened and oil wells driven; land is being reclaimed by irrigation; and even in the fastnesses of Death valley there are many mining camps and an extensive borax industry.

In all the West, look as you will, says the Century, you will find no desert more pitifully forlorn, more desert

ed, more irreclaimable, and more worthless than the man-made desert of northern Wisconsin and Michigan where fire has followed the heedless lumberman and spread a black and littered waste thousands of square miles in extent, where once grew a splendid green forest of pine. One beautiful with the perfected grandeur into which nature molds even the most unpromising material; the other a hideous, grotesque, pitiful, a reminder of the reckless wastefulness of man.

The Task Impossible.

The committee waited upon the successful man.
 "Your fame has preceded you," they said as he entered the room. He smiled serenely. "I am rather well known," he admitted, modestly.
 "You have given names to sleeping cars, new cigars, health foods and games—names that have pleased the public and your patrons."
 The successful man bowed.
 "Well," said the spokesman, "we have a new baby at our house, and we have come to you to select a name that will please her parents, sisters and brothers, grandparents, cousins, uncles, aunts and friends of the family and herself, later on."
 The successful man frowned sternly.
 "Sir," he said, "I do not undertake the impossible."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Bargain Glamour.

Edgar—Well, Ethel, what did you find at that wonderful fire sale?
 Ethel—Oh, Edgar, I got some lovely silk stockings at 17 cents a pair! There is not a thing the matter with them except the feet are burned off.

A wash out on a railway line is one thing and it is quite another on a clothes line.



Mock Oysters of Green Corn.

A pint of grated corn, a cup of flour, one egg, two ounces of butter, three tablespoonfuls of milk, and salt and pepper to taste. Mix well and drop from a spoon in oblong cakes—to look as much like oysters as possible—into hot butter fry brown on both sides. Serve on a platter and garnish with parsley. These may also be made of canned corn by pressing it through a colander with a potato masher to separate the hulls from it.

Fried Sweetbreads.

Parboil and when cold dip them in beaten egg and cracker crumbs, sprinkle salt over them and fry in hot fat. Take one tablespoonful of this fat, and then stir into it one tablespoonful of flour, then set the pan back a little and add gradually one cupful of milk, stir until smooth. Season with salt and pepper, a little very finely chopped celery and cook about two minutes. Pour over the sweetbreads.

Creamed Fish.

Pick cold cooked fish to pieces and remove all the bones. Make a cream sauce with two tablespoonfuls of butter and flour, two cups of milk and a dash of cayenne and one-half a teaspoonful of salt. Butter a pudding dish, put in a layer of fish, a layer of sauce, and continue until the dish is full. Spread crumbs and bits of butter on top, and bake twenty minutes in a hot oven.

Boiled Iceing.

One cup of granulated sugar, five tablespoonfuls of boiling water, the white of one egg beaten to a stiff froth. Put the sugar and water over the fire and boil until it threads from the spoon; then turn it into the beaten egg, beat briskly for a few minutes, flavor with vanilla, lemon or almond, according to the cake. While the cake is still warm, sprinkle with flour and spread the iceing on with a broad knife.

Crab Croquettes.

Take the meat of boiled hard-shell crabs, about one pound, and gently press out the juice; add one tablespoonful of the crumbs one-half a teaspoonful of salt, one-half a saltspoonful of pepper, the yolks of two eggs and a very little water. Form into croquettes, roll in crumbs, then in eggs, and then in crumbs again, and fry in hot fat.

Tomato Beef.

Sprinkle small pieces of beef cut from the remains of a roast, with salt, pepper and flour. Put a layer of meat in a baking dish, over it put a layer of canned tomatoes or sliced fresh tomatoes. Scatter bits of butter over it. Cover with a layer of beef, then tomato. Make the top layer of buttered crumbs. Bake slowly for one hour.

Custard Corn Cake.

Two eggs, half cup sugar, one cup sour milk, one cup sweet milk, one and one-half cups Indian meal, half cup flour, one teaspoon soda, salt. Pour the mixture into a pan containing two tablespoons melted butter, and pour into the middle without stirring one cup sweet milk. Bake in a hot oven half an hour. Very nice.

Blueberry Cake.

Half a cup of butter beaten to a cream with half a cup of sugar, one cup of Porto Rico molasses, one cup of thin sour cream or milk, three eggs, the whites and yolks beaten separately, two cups of berries, 2½ cups of flour, one teaspoonful of soda sifted with the flour. Bake as soft gingerbread and serve hot.

Bread and Butter Pudding.

Place six thin slices of buttered bread in a dish. Beat three eggs in three gills milk, adding sugar and nutmeg to taste, and pour over the bread. A few well-washed currants or raisins may be added if desired. Bake one hour in a slow oven. Serve plain or with sauce if desired.

Fruit Ice.

To one cup sugar add one cup cold water, and boil until thick and stringy. Remove and put in a cold place until cool, then place on ice till ice-cold. Have ready the fruit to be used—peaches or berries crushed with a little sugar. Whip into the syrup and freeze.

Farinose Custard.

Into one pint boiling milk, stir slowly one tablespoonful farinose, add one and one-half tablespoons sugar and a pinch of salt. After removing from fire stir in two lightly beaten eggs; turn into wet molds. Serve with any sauce desired.

Pea Salad.

Drain the liquid off a can of peas, add a cupful of celery cut into dice, two hard-boiled eggs cut into slices, and pour sufficient mayonnaise over the mixture to moisten well.—What to Eat.

Potato gems are nice if you will

add one tablespoon butter, teaspoon salt, yolks three eggs well beaten, and cupful milk to cup warm mashed potato; pour over one and a half cupful flour; beat and mix in whites of the eggs, and two and a half teaspoons baking powder; bake in quick oven in greased gem pans twenty minutes.

Science has no record of the discovery of mercury; history knows nothing of its discovery.

A Swallow's Flight.
 It has often been stated that 60 miles an hour was the utmost rate at which a swallow could fly. Recent experiments between Compelgne and Antwerp prove that a swallow in a hurry can cover 128½ miles in an hour.

A Benefit to Farmers.
 The benefits that will undoubtedly result to farmers from the recent incorporation of the International Harvester Company which took over the business of the five leading harvester manufacturers have probably not been considered by a large portion of the farming community.

The economical necessity of a consolidation of the interests of manufacturers and those of their farmer customers must be apparent to any one who understands the present situation. The increased and increasing cost of material, manufacturing and selling—the latter in consequence of extreme and bitter competition between manufacturers and their several selling agents—has made the business unprofitable.

The two alternatives left for the manufacturers were either the increasing of the prices of machines or the reduction of the cost of manufacture and sales. The latter could only be accomplished by concentrating the business in one company.

As can readily be seen, the forming of the new company was not a stock jobbing operation but a centering of mutual interests. There is no watered stock; the capitalization is conservative and represented by actual and tangible assets. There is no stock offered to the public, it having all been subscribed and paid for by the manufacturers and their associates.

The management of the International Harvester Company is in the hands of well-known, experienced men.

The officers are: President, Cyrus H. McCormick; Chairman Executive Committee, Charles Deering; Chairman Finance Committee, George W. Perkins; Vice Presidents, Harold F. McCormick, James Deering, Wm. H. Jones and John J. Glessner; Secretary and Treasurer, Richard F. Howe. The members of the Board of Directors are as follows: Cyrus Bentley, William Deering, Charles Deering, James Deering, Eldridge M. Fowler, E. H. Gary, John J. Glessner, Richard F. Howe, Abram M. Hyatt, William H. Jones, Cyrus H. McCormick, Harold F. McCormick, George W. Perkins, Norman B. Ream, Leslie N. Ward, Paul D. Cravath.

The International Harvester Company owns five of the largest harvester plants in existence. The Champion, Deering, McCormick, Milwaukee and Plano—plants that have been producing nearly or quite 90 per cent of the harvesting machines of the world. It also owns timber and coal lands, blast furnaces and a steel plant; it has a new factory in the process of construction in Canada.

It is believed that the cost of producing grain, grass and corn harvesting machines will be so reduced that the present low prices can be continued, and that consequently the results cannot be otherwise than beneficial to the farmer. To maintain the present prices of these machines means to continue and increase the development of the agriculture of the world, for no one cause has contributed or can contribute more to this development than the cheapness of machines for harvesting grains.

A Rich Find.

The richest gold and silver strike ever made in the famous Parral district in Mexico has been made in the San Juanca property of the Hidalgo Mining Company. At a depth of 200 feet an independent and a red vein was discovered carrying 6000 ton in gold and silver.

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The hide of a cow produces about thirty-five pounds of leather; that of a horse, about eighteen pounds.

The Nile mud, which renders Egypt a habitable country, is said to bear a striking resemblance to that which every season is brought down by the Missouri.

Lewis and Clarke county in Montana, shows a gain of over \$200,000 over last year's assessment. The total valuation of the county, exclusive of the railroads, is \$15,897,687 of which \$10,889,025 is real and \$5,007,662 personal.

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