

ALL BROKEN DOWN.

No Sleep—No Appetite—Just a Continual Backache.

Joseph McCauley, of 144 Sholto street, Chicago, Sachem of Tecumseh Lodge, says: "Two years ago my health was completely broken down. My back ached and was so lame that at times I was hardly able to dress myself. I lost my appetite and was unable to sleep. There seemed to be no relief until I took Doan's Kidney Pills; but four boxes of this remedy effected a complete and permanent cure. If suffering humanity knew the value of Doan's Kidney Pills they would use nothing else, as it is the only positive cure I know."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N.Y.

If they are bright with hope there is no lurking spot for despair.

BABY'S AWFUL ECZEMA.

Face Like Raw Beef—Thought She Would Lose Her Ear—Healed Without a Blemish—Mother Thanks Cuticura.

"My little girl had eczema very bad when she was ten months old. I thought she would lose her right ear. It had turned black, and her face was like a piece of raw meat, and very sore. It would bleed when I washed her, and I had to keep cloths on it day and night. There was not a clear spot on her face when I began using Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and now it is completely healed, without scar or blemish, which is more than I had hoped for. (Signed) Mrs. Rose Ether, 291 Eckford St., Brooklyn, N. Y."

A little friendliness is worth a whole lot of financial assistance.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOSEPH P. BOKER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1904.

A man may be the head of the family, but he has to foot the bills.

In a Pinch, Use ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE. A powder. It cures painful, smarting, nervous feet and ingrowing nails. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Makes new shoes easy. A certain cure for sweating feet. Sold by all druggists, 25c. Trial package FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Completed the Cheer.

A day or two are there appeared on the register of the Coates house the names of Charles Hipp and Mrs. Hipp of Chicago. A traveling man, who was the next arrival, picked up a pen and, hesitating a moment, said to the clerk, "I guess I'll change my name today." Then under the names of the Chicago guests he wrote, "John T. Hooray."—Kansas City Times.

Game She Didn't Like.

A little girl, the daughter of a minister, was up later than usual one night, and for the first time in her life was present at family prayers. During the reading of the Bible she was very quiet, but when her father knelt down to pray she went up to him, and, touching him on the shoulder, said: "Pa, I don't like to play at this game."

Poverty and Education.

Poverty is a great bar to education, but would not be if both the child and the parent were alive to the real value of an education. If education cannot be acquired in one way it can in another. The trouble is that the judgment of the child is too immature to prove a safe guide, and the parent leaves everything to the child.

Insects Destroy Telephone Poles.

Owing to the climatic deterioration and insect destruction of the wooden poles the eighty miles of telephone line in Abyssinia have to be constantly patrolled by special police to insure continuous operation.

HONEST CONFESSION.

A Doctor's Talk on Food.

There are no fairer set of men on earth than the doctors, and when they find they have been in error they are usually apt to make honest and manly confession of the fact.

A case in point is that of an eminent practitioner, one of the good old school, who lives in Texas. His plain, unvarnished tale needs no dressing up:

"I had always had an intense prejudice, which I can now see was unwarrantable and unreasonable, against all much advertised foods. Hence, I never read a line of the many 'ads.' of Grape-Nuts, nor tested the food till last winter.

"While in Corpus Christi for my health, and visiting my youngest son, who has four of the ruddiest, healthiest little boys I ever saw. I ate my first dish of Grape-Nuts food for supper with my little grandsons. I became exceedingly fond of it and have eaten a package of it every week since, and find it a delicious, refreshing and strengthening food, leaving no ill effects whatever, causing no eructations (with which I was formerly much troubled), no sense of fullness, nausea, nor distress of stomach in any way.

"There is no other food that agrees with me so well, or sits as lightly or pleasantly upon my stomach as this does. I am stronger and more active since I began the use of Grape-Nuts than I have been for 10 years, and am no longer troubled with nausea and indigestion." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

KILLED HIS BEAR

PRESIDENT SUCCESSFUL IN HIS COLORADO HUNT.

GOT WHAT HE WAS AFTER

Courier Brings in Pelt of Bruin From the Camp to Secretary Loeb—No Details of the Hunt Thus Far Given Out.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo.

President Roosevelt has killed a bear and a bob cat. He is satisfied with his hunt for the biggest game the Rockies afford. If he gets one more bear or several he will be better pleased, but to quote his own words: "I got what I was after. It was bulky sport and I hope it keeps up."

This is the story brought to Secretary Loeb by Elmer Chapman, a courier with a close mouth, who was chosen to bear messages between the president and the temporary seat of government at the Hotel Colorado in this city.

While he came through Newcastle, where are camped numerous correspondents of newspapers, he brought his story intact. There was no leakage and all the information obtainable at that place was derived from a view of a closely rolled fresh bear-skin which Chapman transferred from his saddle to the car at the railway station.

"Is that all you've got?" he was asked.

"Isn't that enough?" he replied.

This was about the substance of the conversation in which Chapman participated at Newcastle. He was chosen because he knows when not to talk. Before starting on his hunt the president said he did not want any newspaper men to follow him. To three correspondents representing press associations, who accompanied him from Washington, the president said: "You stick by Loeb and I will help you all I can. I cannot send out a messenger every day, but as soon as there is anything worth telling you shall have it."

The courier got through Newcastle without talking and the president made good to those who complied with his wishes.

But if the courier was reticent at Newcastle, he was different when his journey was at an end and Secretary Loeb had removed the injunction of secrecy. His eyes kindled with a fire that told his admiration for the president's prowess as a hunter more than did the words at his command. The expression the hardy mountaineer injected into his story was: "Say, fellows, he's a beauty and no mistake. The way he scents game would make you think he was born in the mountains and had never left them. Say, now, being president don't make any difference with a man that's got the real stuff in him. Goff said he was the real thing and did not need showing, but I did not believe it."

The thought of starting home apparently has not entered the president's head. He says he intends to enjoy himself as much as possible during his outing and his companions believe he is doing it. If he has thoughts of affairs at Washington he has not communicated them to the mountaineers.

CONTRACT FOR NEBRASKA ROAD

Great Northern to Build from Sioux City to Connect With Burlington.

SIoux CITY—The contract for the extension of the Great Northern railroad from Sioux City to Ashland, Neb., has been let to Peter Sims, a St. Paul contractor, according to advices received in Sioux City. It is said that a big force of men will be put to work grading for the extension within ten days.

The extension of the Great Northern from Sioux City to Ashland would unite the Great Northern and the Burlington, and would be of great importance to Sioux City. The Great Northern has already spent several hundred thousands dollars in purchasing terminals in Sioux City and made plans for the expenditure of \$1,500,000 more here.

A special construction train passed through Sioux City on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul on its way to Armour, S. D., to begin work on the proposed extension from Armour to Chamberlain. In some quarters it is believed that this move means that the Milwaukee will build to the coast.

Must Get Japan's Consent.

WASHINGTON—The executive committee of the Panama canal commission, Messrs. Shonts, Maxson and Wallace decided to draw up detailed specifications to govern in the employment of labor on the canal. A decision from Attorney General Moody as to the application of the eight-hour day to the work is expected in a few days, and will govern that problem in the specifications. Permission will have to be obtained from the Japanese government before the 2,000 laborers can be secured.

COME INTO COURT.

Question of Rebates to Be Investigated.

WASHINGTON—Following is a list of the railroad men who have been requested to appear before the senate committee on interstate commerce, which will begin its inquiry into railroad regulation at once.

W. K. Vanderbilt of the New York Central, George Gould of the Gould system, E. H. Harriman of the Union Pacific, J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, A. J. Cassatt of the Pennsylvania, E. D. Kenna, vice president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; Walker D. Hines, general counsel of the Louisville & Nashville; Hugh L. Bond, general counsel of the Baltimore & Ohio; Winslow Pierce, general counsel of the Gould system; President Hughtitt of the Chicago & North-western, President Ripley of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; President Tuttle of the Boston & Maine, Vice President Wilcox of the Delaware & Hudson, President Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western; President Spencer of the Southern, President Fish of the Illinois Central.

Of these only Messrs. Cassatt, Fish, Spencer and Tuttle have signified a willingness to attend, and they say they will not be able to be present at the beginning of the committee's sitting. A number of the witnesses have been summoned, however, and it is expected that the committee will be able to proceed soon after coming together. Among the non-railroad men to be heard are Senators Spooner, Knox and Morgan; Prof. W. Z. Ripley of Harvard university and Victor Morawetz of New York.

The committee has been summoned to meet at 3 p. m. Monday, and Chairman Elkins of the committee has announced his purpose to go very thoroughly into the subject. The resolution under which the hearing will be held directs the committee "to consider the question of additional legislation to regulate interstate commerce, and to authorize the Interstate Commerce commission to fix rates of freights and fares and to acquire further information as to interstate commerce, including violations or evasions of the anti-rebate law and the devices and methods by which such evasions are accomplished and including refrigerator and other private car system, industrial railway tracks, switching charges and the like, and also to consider what legislation should be enacted in relation to the liability of railroad companies engaged in interstate traffic or operating lines in any territory of the United States for injuries received by their employes when in the discharge of duty."

JAPS TAKE COLLIERIES.

Number of Vessels Are Captured by Islanders Off of Cochin-China.

SAIGON—The Japanese recently captured a large number of colliers off the coast of Cochin-China.

Six men, supposed to be Japanese, landed some days ago at Cape St. James, near here, from an Annamese junk and after a brief stay re-embarked.

The steamer Eridan, which was purchased by a local French firm, sailed yesterday evening with a full cargo of provisions for the squadron.

A number of Russian warships are anchored in Kamranh bay, where they are re-equipping.

The health of the Russians is remarkably good. Only eight deaths from disease have occurred since their departure from Europe out of an effective force of 18,000 men.

A Russian officer suffering from beri-beri is in the hospital here. The other sick men who were brought here by the Russian hospital ship Ore include Prince Cantacuzene, but the reports that the Ore has wounded men on board are unfounded, as there had been no fighting up to the time of its arrival.

No Milling in Transit.

WASHINGTON—The interstate commerce commission refused W. J. and H. W. Koch, Harrisburg, Pa., millers, an order compelling the Pennsylvania & Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway companies to grant them the privilege of milling grain en route at the same freight rate as a through shipment of grain. Ohio and Indian shippers enjoy the privilege, but the commission decided conditions there may be different.

NEW ORLEANS, Ala.—Business interests of New Orleans were in conference with Special Commissioner Bristow, who was appointed by the president to investigate trade relations between the United States and Europe and the western coasts of Central and South America by and over the isthmus of Panama. It was explained to Mr. Bristow that the board of trade especially desired an opportunity to bid on all the contracts of the government and to have equal transportation facilities with New York.

Greet Roosevelt and Parker.

CHICAGO—Chicago clubs are expecting to entertain President Roosevelt and Alton P. Parker at the same time. Both party leaders have arranged, the president indefinitely, and the democratic leader definitely, for a visit to this city the last week in May. Three organizations, the Merchants, Hamilton and Iroquois clubs, were willing for an announcement of the date of the visit from Secretary Loeb in Colorado, Mr. Parker will address the Illinois State Bar association May 26.

NEAR TO WAR'S REALITIES.

Soldiers Well Trained for Grim Work They Have to Do.

The principal thing in these realistic maneuvers is to use ball cartridges first of all, instead of blanks, and, secondly, to fire at an enemy possessing human shape and sometimes moving fast, says Harper's Weekly.

Accordingly the visitor to Aldershot will sometimes come in a quiet hollow, upon quite a small regiment of eight-tent "guardsmen" made of sheet steel, ten or twelve feet high, bearing themselves with military dignity and stiffness, and their "manly" fronts scarred and spattered in a hundred places by nickel-coated bullets of the Lee-Metford rifle. They are stayed at the back with iron wire, and run either singly or in pairs upon curious little trolleys on rails which are set in motion by means of endless cables a long distance off.

Behind them in a trench are crouched a certain number of markers, very much alive, and accompanied by flag signalers, who signal the results to the officers in the firing lines and also, if necessary, other instructions and directions about the attack. Further along you come across a "cavalry patrol," also made of great high sheets of plate steel, the horse represented in full gallop head on, so as to make the mark more difficult, and also to reproduce actual charging conditions.

Farther away there may be seen a little armored train of three steel-clad trucks, with the various muzzles of seven and twelve pounders sticking out at the side. When this train is at rest it is difficult to tell which is armed and armored like the troop-filled trucks it hauls. Over the top of these cars are projecting a number of dummies intended to represent the heads of soldiers, and hits on these are also recorded, this time automatically.

SOME ONE HAD THE RING.

Anxious Parents Would Like to Know Just Who It Was.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves of Center street, South Orange, N. J., gave a birthday party for their seven-year-old son, Leo Graves. There was a magnificent birthday cake, with seven candles on top, and inside of it a pretty ring. Some people think it was an opal ring. The cake was cut and the youngsters attacked it with enthusiasm. When it was all disposed of—the wait was not long—the hostess asked:

"Well, now, which of you children has the ring?"

There was no answer. There were hasty inquiries, but none of the children could remember swallowing anything hard.

"Well, I certainly put the ring in the cake," exclaimed the compounder of the confection.

This increased the consternation. The children went home. Their mothers were worried. Physicians were bidden to be on instant call, and options were secured on X-ray apparatus. None of the children has developed appendicitis yet.—New York Sun.

Sheep Follow Leader to Death.

"The most striking example of following a leader into the jaws of death I ever saw took place in Kent county last week," said a Kent county farmer. "Ex-Sheriff Edward J. Plummer," he continued, "had a flock of seventeen sheep, which, for some unaccountable reason, determined to go from one pasture to another. To make the journey it was necessary to cross the creek on the ice. Sure enough, the old buck of the flock walked cautiously out on the weakened ice. When he was about midstream it gave way and he plunged in.

"The other sheep, instead of returning to the shore, which they could have done, deliberately and, as the lawyers would put it, 'with malice aforethought,' walked into the hole in the ice made by their leader and were drowned. Nothing but sheep would have ever been fool enough to be guilty of such a performance. There was possibly some excuse for the foolhardy old buck, but I can think of no extenuating circumstances in the case of the others."—Baltimore Herald.

Why He Wanted Office.

Another applicant for consular preferment told the State department people, upon whom he called to make preliminary inquiries, that he wanted the consulship—held down by a very competent man who is not going to be disturbed—at a German city near which a famous Spa is located.

He was asked why he had fixed his mind upon just that place.

"Well," he replied, quite offhand, like a man sure of his ground, "I'm all run down with the rheumatiz, and I'm informed that them Dutch baths fix a rheumatic feller up in no time. I want to git near 'em so's I can git balled out."

A Song of Easter.

We may not count the choirs that sing Their jubilation on this day— Triad and street and chapel-way, Vocal with gladness ring.

There is no record of the flowers In grace and glory multiplied; All luminous and vestal-eyed They shrive the Easter hours.

And multitudinous the prayers That from vast congregations rise, Like ceaseless incense 'neath the skies Whereto the Easter fares.

And pausing 'mid the hallowed light, And universal voice of praise, Who adds no knowledge to his days, No wisdom to his sight?

Some Easter ray shall pierce the walls, Where clustered half had fixed her choice; And on her lonely paths the voice Of Easter clearly falls.

—Frank Walcott Hunt, in the Boston Transcript.

WHAT IS A BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION.

To those not familiar with the plan and operation of a Building & Loan Association it may be proper to say that it is in fact a mutual society for savings, in which every member, popularly styled a "depositor," is a stockholder and entitled to share in the profits of the Company, the aggregate savings being loaned to other members of the Association.

It affords every person an opportunity to at any time safely invest sums of \$1.00 or more and assures him that whatever interest may be derived from loaning the aggregate sums will be divided pro-rata and his share paid or credited quarterly.

All money is loaned on first mortgage security or on stock of the Association to other members, and is repaid in monthly installments. Hence, safety is as nearly absolute as possible, and, with common honesty and with the exercise of ordinary judgment, the institution cannot fail.

It is not intended to be as flexible as a bank, since the State law renders all securities non-negotiable. Therefore, notice of withdrawal of money is required, but this is more than offset by the higher rate of interest or dividends paid to its members. Permanency in savings and investments are its characteristics.

In addition to offering absolute safety for investments, it also offers an excellent opportunity to own a home of your own. Why forever pay rent? You will assume practically no more obligation in undertaking to purchase a home of your own. It will only require the regular setting aside of such an amount as you can from each payday until you have the necessary margin of cash to put up as security. Then for a time you pay about the same as the former rent, and after that you have only taxes and insurance to pay. For circulars explaining our plan, address Occidental Building & Loan Association, 1523 Douglas St., Omaha, Neb.

Tennessee Giant.

Near Parsons, Tenn., there lives a most remarkable young man, a veritable giant for age. His name is Arnold, and he is not yet eighteen years of age. He stands seven feet even in his stocking feet and wears a No. 13 shoe.—Nashville Banner.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 ounces in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 ounces for the same money.

Do you want 16 ounces instead of 12 ounces for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

If they are filled with sweet temper there is no place for anger.

\$5.00 paid monthly, will buy a \$300 share of 14.25 acres of 288,000 acre plantation. \$5 guaranteed. Every condition safe-guarded. Agents wanted. Best pay and territory. E. Moore, 210 Old Fellows' Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

It is not to be supposed that because a woman understands trifles that she is necessarily trifling.

The life of an old man is like a lighted candle in a draught.

Defiance Starch

should be in every household; none so good, besides 4 ounces more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

Temper your feelings to the condition of the one who has offended.

Be not slaves to your children, they will have their happiness later.

Say Plainly to Your Grocer. That you want LION COFFEE always, and he, being a square man, will not try to sell you anything else. You may not care for our opinion, but What About the United Judgment of Millions of housekeepers who have used LION COFFEE for over a quarter of a century? Is there any stronger proof of merit, than the Confidence of the People and ever increasing popularity? LION COFFEE is carefully selected at the plantation, shipped direct to our various factories, where it is skillfully roasted and carefully packed in sealed packages—unlike loose coffee, which is exposed to germs, dust, insects, etc. LION COFFEE reaches you as pure and clean as when it left the factory. Sold only in 1 lb. packages. Lion-head on every package. Save these Lion-heads for valuable premiums. SOLD BY GROCERS EVERYWHERE. WOOLSON SPICE CO., Toledo, Ohio.

A GAS RANGE in the COUNTRY. You can have a Gas Range and be as cool and comfortable in your kitchen as your city sister in her. The Quick Meal makes its own gas—you can use it anywhere without connections—and it's safe, simple, economical, durable—it is cleanliness itself and gives less trouble than a kerosene lamp. We've looked after that. A child or an untrained hired girl can use it safely. Fuel only costs 4c or 6c a day—no kindling, ashes, soot or dirt when you use a QUICK MEAL (Evaporator) GASOLINE RANGE—and it's made to last, too—thick, heavy sheet steel and brass—nothing complicated—nothing which can wear out. Has two and a half, nickel plated shelves and a spacious warming closet right-hand door, which will keep the food warm till the "men folks" come, without drying it up. Your kitchen work is done in half the time when you have a Quick Meal, for you never have to wait for your fire—it's always jumping hot. You ought to have a Quick Meal this minute. If your dealer hasn't got them on hand, look us up here. Would You Like a Present? We will send you something useful if you'll simply tell us your name and say whether or not you prefer Quick Meal. Sign your name plainly, so you present will be sure to reach you safely. Ringo Stove Co. Div., Makers, 415 N. 6th St., St. Louis, Mo.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 3/4-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

Peel for peace until there is nothing left but to fight.

All Up-to-Date Housekeepers use Defiance Cold Water Starch, because it is better, and 4 ounces more of it for same money.

Vain excuses only aggravate the gravity of an offense.

Why It Is the Best is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

Farmers and hens are about as busy as they ever get.

"I had inflammatory Rheumatism, but I am well now, thanks to Dr. J. W. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It's my best friend." Garrett Lansing, Troy, N. Y.

The Japs are not the only ones who have taken a tie pass.

St. Jacobs Oil. A Marvel of Relief. Safe and sure for Lumbago and Sciatica. It is the specific virtue of penetration in this remedy that carries it right to the pain spot and effects a prompt cure. THE FISH BRAND SLICKER A VALUED FRIEND. "A good many years ago I bought a FISH BRAND Slicker, and it has proven a valued friend for many a stormy day, but now it is getting old and I must have another. Please send me a price-list." (The name of this worthy doctor, obliged to be cut in all sorts of weather, will be given on application.) HIGHEST AWARD WORLD'S FAIR, 1904. A. J. TOWER CO. Boston, U. S. A. TOWER CANADIAN COMPANY, Limited Toronto, Canada. Wet Weather Clothing, Suits, and Hats for all kinds of wet work or sport.