



Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thompson, of Lillydale, N.Y., Grand Worthy Wise Templar, and Member of W.C.T.U., tells how she recovered by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am one of the many of your grateful friends who have been cured through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and who can today thank you for the fine health I enjoy. When I was thirty-five years old, I suffered severe backache and frequent bearing-down pains; in fact, I had womb trouble. I was very anxious to get well, and reading of the cures your Compound had made, I decided to try it. I took only six bottles, but it built me up and cured me entirely of my troubles. My family and relatives were naturally as gratified as I was. My niece had heart trouble and nervous prostration, and was considered incurable. She took your Vegetable Compound and it cured her in a short time, and she became well and strong, and her home to her great joy and her husband's delight was blessed with a baby. I know of a number of others who have been cured of different kinds of female trouble, and am satisfied that your Compound is the best medicine for sick women.—MRS. ELIZABETH H. THOMPSON, Box 105, Lillydale, N.Y.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

CHAMPION TELLS TWO YARNS,

And as Fish Stories They Are Mighty Hard to Beat.

After supper I joined the caucus out on the gallery of the hotel, and there, friends, citizens, and fellow countrymen, I met up with the great-granddaddy, the genuine, original of all the fish yarners in the world. He was a small old man with a white beard and a serious demeanor, and he spoke in a low, even, fute-toned voice that never quavered: I cannot give all the tales he told out there, but I can give a couple of samples. Said he:

"Up at my place a short spell ago the boys and me cut down a big tree. After it fell we set down a mite to rest on the trunk, and I hear something making a noise inside. "'Boys,' sez I, 'ain't this tree holler?'"

"'No,' sez they, 'it's sound and solid.' "Then I hear the fuss inside again. I grabbed an ax, and sez I, as I went to choppin': "'There's something inside this here, and I'm a-goin' to know what it is.'"

"By Ned! There was a holler place inside, and in there was a nine-pound catfish what I'd been hearin' flappin'!"

"How'd that fish get in there?" asked a listener. "Haven't got any idea how he did 'es 'n the tree grewed around him which I reckon it had, some time or other."

For a second sample the old man furnished the following:

"There was a terrible big fish," said he, "what used to come up the Osage before the war, and we got to hearin' so much about it that a passel of us fellers set in to catch him. We got 200 feet of inch and a half rope, had the blacksmith weld us a big hook and we put on a whole dog for bait. We set our line, and soon, sure enough, the fish swallered the dog hook and all, and the hook hung. We couldn't nigh pull him out, though there was ten of us, so we hitched on two yoke of oxen, and after a hard struggle we managed to drag that fish out on the bank. He was nine foot between the eyes, and his eyes set closer together than they ought to set in a fish of that size."—Kansas City Star.

German Colonists in Palestine.

Industrial conditions in Palestine have suffered severely from the loss to labor by a steady stream of emigration of Palestine's people to other parts of the earth. An exception to this rule is presented by the parts of Palestine in which Europeans have settled. In these the land has been made to yield not only larger but fairly profitable harvests. To the German colonists a great deal of credit is due for their success in proving that a great future awaits the agriculturist and horticulturist who goes the right way to work in Palestine's fields and among its vineyards and orchards. A German colony that settled on the heights of Haifa thirty-four years ago has prospered. Not one of its ninety families is poor. All are fairly well-to-do. They have raised grapes for Affentaller and Riesling, scions from which a wine free from alcohol is made. This is sold to the natives and serves as a very refreshing drink.

Idyl of Idleness.

When woes unnumbered tear your soul to bits And on your brow the blues have jammed their crown, When desperation pulls off both its mitts And taps your solar plexus when you're down, Buck up—to sadness never thus know-tow! Sweet Nature smiles—enjoy her with a will—Employ a sunbeam to massage your brows. Ask nightingales to give the standard trill. Call jingalls "John" and gay carnations "Nat." Lie down in woods and gently swell with glee, And stalk the timid bits of scenery. All! live and laugh throughout the idle day. Watch speckled cows, for sunsets lie in wait. Converse with brooks and—how's that?—does it pay? Well, I don't know—the competition's great! —Thomas R. Ybarra.

Why They Do Not Speak.

"Good morning, Miss Sweetleigh!" cried Cholly Sparkers to the fair damsel of his acquaintance whom he had just met; "pray what brings you out so early in the day?"

"Oh, I've just been to the photographer's with my pet pug Pansy, and we have had our portraits taken together, haven't we, dear? Beauty and the beast, you know," she added, with a saucy little laugh.

"And what a little beauty he is, to be sure," replied Johnson, as he tenderly stroked poor Pansy's cranium. Then he suddenly coughed, went red and tried to explain. But she turned away, leaving him to become hot and cold in turn; and thus they parted—strangers for evermore.

A Reminder of His Wild Oats.

Richard Croker once visited an ancient English castle, the owner being absent at the time. The valet in charge was generous with his information, and as a climax to the series of interesting rooms opened a door and disclosed a large number of bottles, placed in perfect symmetry, and reaching to the lofty ceiling. "A pyramid of empty bottles?" exclaimed the New Yorker. "What does it mean?" "My master comes in here occasionally," said the guide softly, "to realize what a gigantic ass he has made of himself."—Portland Oregonian.

Duchess's Claim to Fame.

The dowager duchess of Abercrombie has 140 living descendants, including seventy-one great-grandchildren.

Men as Actresses.

Japan boasts of several brilliant actors, but, strangely enough, she affords no encouragement to actresses. Women's parts are played by men, and played excellently well, too. Japanese boys who are destined for a stage career are brought up entirely by members of the feminine sex. By the time that they are midway in their teens they have acquired all the usual female characteristics.

Longevity in Europe.

Of all European countries France is the most favorable to longevity; of every 1,000 persons forty-four reach the age of seventy. In Norway the number is forty, in Sweden thirty-three, Italy thirty-one, Switzerland thirty, England twenty-seven, Germany twenty-six, Spain twenty-four, Austria twenty-three, Hungary eighteen.

Can't Interfere.

"Your daughter plays a great deal of classical music in a rather original way," remarked the man with gold glasses. "Yes," answered Mr. Cumrox, regretfully. "She bought the piano and the music out of her own spending money, and I suppose she feels that she has a right to do what she pleases with them."

Deer Swifter Than Electric Car.

A deer was found on the car track at Sturbridge the other day which when startled ran swiftly along the ties ahead of the car. The motorman opened the controller to the last notch, but the animal led the car for a full quarter of a mile and then leaped lightly over the fence and disappeared.

Word "Weigh" Too Much for Him.

A London jurymen fainting the other day while the judge was charging the jury. The judge was saying: "You must give the statements of the witnesses for the defense full weight." At the words, "full weight," the jurymen fainted. Later, it was found that he was a coal dealer.

Kentucky Man's Duty.

Jamboree, Ky., August 29 (Special).—After suffering for years with pain in the back Mr. J. M. Coleman, a well known citizen of this place, has found a complete cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Knowing how general this disease is all over the country, Mr. Coleman feels it is his duty to make his experience public for the benefit of other sufferers.

"I want to recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to everybody who has pain in the back," Mr. Coleman says. "I suffered for years with my back. I used Dodd's Kidney Pills and I have not felt a pain since. My little girl too complained of her back and she used about half a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills and she is sound and well." Backache is Kidney Ache. Dodd's Kidney Pills are a sure cure for all kidney aches, including Rheumatism.

Not a Lucrative Business.

Dr. Smiles did not leave so much money behind him as did Sir H. M. Stanley; but in his case more than in Stanley's the amount is likely to represent literary earnings. At any rate, \$370,000 is not considered a bad recompense for "self-help," when applied in a calling which, apart from the more signal successes of a few novelists and playwrights, rarely leads on to such fortunes as are made in soaps or pills.

Disgrace to Lose Mustaches.

Two Mohammedan criminals at Olmutz were in consternation on hearing that, like all other prisoners, they would have to have their mustaches shaved off. They pleaded that that would be an indelible disgrace, and that their wives would leave them. They were finally allowed to keep them.

After It With a Net.

"What on earth are you a-doin' with that 'ar crab net?" asked the farm woman behind the gingham apron. "Ise just a-lookin' for people what casts their bread on the water," said itinerant Ike; "ain't you goin' to do a little castin' this mornin', mum?"

Keep Valuable Secret in Family.

When the originator of the genuine eau de cologne died, age 80, he gave his secret to his nephew and heir. Since 1709 only ten persons have seen the recipe, which is kept in a box trebly locked.

LEARNING THINGS

We Are All in the Apprentice Class.

When a simple change of diet brings back health and happiness the story is briefly told. A lady of Springfield, Ill., says: "After being afflicted for years with nervousness and heart trouble, I received a shock four years ago that left me in such a condition that my life was despaired of. I could get no relief from doctors nor from the numberless heart and nerve medicines I tried because I didn't know that the coffee was daily putting me back more than the Drs. could put me ahead. "Finally at the request of a friend I left off coffee and began the use of Postum and against my convictions I gradually improved in health until for the past 6 or 8 months I have been entirely free from nervousness and those terrible sinking, weakening spells of heart trouble. "My troubles all came from the use of coffee which I had drunk from childhood and yet they disappeared when I quit coffee and took up the use of Postum." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Many people marvel at the effects of leaving off coffee and drinking Postum but there is nothing marvelous about it—only common sense. Coffee is a destroyer—Postum is a builder. That's the reason. Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

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