

A BRAVE COLONEL

Recommends Pe-ru-na as a Family Medicine.

A Scientific Spring Medicine.

Colonel Arthur L. Hamilton, of the Seventh Ohio Volunteers, 250 Goodale street, Columbus, Ohio, writes: "Besides laying the merits of Pe-ru-na so



COLONEL HAMILTON, OF COLUMBUS, O.

fully demonstrated in my family. I have a number of friends who have taken it for catarrh and stomach trouble, and all unite in praising it. As a remedy for catarrh I can fully recommend it." Mrs. Hamilton, wife of the gallant Colonel, is an ardent friend of Pe-ru-na also. In a letter on the subject, she writes: "I have been taking Pe-ru-na for some time, and I am enjoying better health now than I have for years. I attribute the change in my health to Pe-ru-na, and recommend this excellent catarrh remedy to every woman, believing it to be especially beneficial to them."

The spring-time is the most favorable time of the year to treat catarrh. There is so much less liability to take fresh cold that the treatment is unimpeded. All old cases of chronic catarrh should begin immediately a course of Pe-ru-na as directed in Dr. Hartman's books on this disease. There are so many different phases and stages of catarrh that one hardly knows when he has it. A great many people think they are suffering from something else and have tried many medicines in vain, when if they could realize that it is catarrh and take Pe-ru-na for it they would improve promptly and soon recover entirely. There are no substitutes. Let no one persuade you there are other catarrh remedies just as good. "Winter Catarrh" is a book written by Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio. Sent free to any address.



MRS. COL. HAMILTON.

PONCE DE LEON'S HOUSE.

One of the Most Interesting Objects in Porto Rico.

Perhaps the most interesting object in the capital of our new possession is La Casa Bianca (the white house), which Juan Ponce de Leon built for himself, 390 years ago, and where he lived during his long term of governor of the island. It stands in a narrow, roughly-paved street, about half way between the Castillo del Moro and the present government palace, and, although in its unsightly old age it looks little like the one-time abode of so great a potentate, nobody can mistake it on account of the double line of splendid palms in front.

The water side is guarded by a very ancient and picturesque wall, with queer little openings on top for cross bowmen to shoot through, and within the wall is a charming garden full of pepper and cinnamon trees, with passion vines running riot around a mossy fountain in the center.

The view from the upper window is unsurpassed. Immediately below, on the seaward side, is the great gray wall of the line of defense, with its massive battlements, antiquated cannon and little sentry turrets; beyond, the sparkling waters of the bay, and on either hand the palm-fringed coast of the mainland. Tier above tier rise the hills. Between them lie some of the richest lands on the globe, capable of producing astonishing crops four times a year.

It is in this Casa Bianca that Leon planned his famous march for the illusory fountain of youth, which led to the discovery of Florida. Upon a second trip he was attacked by the Indians and so severely wounded that he died. His body was brought back to the island and deposited beneath the altar of the Dominican Church of San Juan, just fourteen years after the beginning of his administration in Porto Rico and the building of Casa Bianca. There it rested for more than 300 years, but in 1863 the lead casket that contained the remains of the conqueror was discovered. The intention was to build a splendid monument and to place the coffin beneath it, but the monument was never completed, and after thirty-five years above ground the remains of the discoverer of Florida and the subject of Porto Rico yet lie unburied.

The Dominican Church of San Juan de Baptista de Porto Rico is a fine old pile, though greatly the worse for the wear and tear of nearly four centuries. In a corner of the dusty little chapel attached to the church you may any day see the lead case which contains the dust of Ponce de Leon. The casket is only about three feet square, bound with leather straps, sealed in the center with the great municipal seal. On the monument against which it rests the inscription in Spanish, of course—reads as follows: "This narrow grave contains the remains of a man who was a lion by name and much more by his deeds."

The old church is full of curious decorations, rags of antique paintings and moldy relics of bygone centuries, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the ponderous key will be turned in the rusty latch and the whole thing burned to ashes before careless alien hands are allowed to disturb them.

Among the most picturesque sights here are the massive arched gateways in the old wall that surrounds the city, built for defense nearly 400 years ago. When the gates fronting the sea are closed the only way to get out of San Juan into the country or into the city from any part of the island is through an arched entrance in the lower wall, by the one narrow street which communicates with the outer world. This is the beginning of the old Camino Real (royal road)—the magnificent highway constructed by the early Spaniards, which leads to Ponce, on the other side of the island.—Philadelphia Times.

A Rainy Day.

It is not until we take the rainfall in the bulk that we can realize what a stupendous quantity of water showers down in Great Britain and Ireland in one year, and even when we have the figures before us it is difficult to realize their magnitude. To say, for instance, that 9,262,379,000,000 cubic feet of rain on an average fall annually on the United Kingdom conveys little or nothing, though it implies something moist, and when we further learn that the weight of the same amounts to 258,126,500,000 tons, except for a feeling of thankfulness that it did not fall on our toes all at once, we are only conscious that it makes a very pretty row of figures. With the laudable intention of making these latter figures look small we will merely say that the total weight of the rain that falls in one year on the British Isles is only equal to 1-119 part of the weight of one paltry square mile of the earth's surface, from the surface to the center of the earth. When we consider that there are 121,000 square miles of such surface in the United Kingdom alone one can understand what infinitesimal fraction of the total weight of the British Isles the annual rainfall would amount to. Why, 4,300,000 fourth bridges would almost equal it.—Ludgate.

The Scales of Justice.

When a lady once consulted Dr. Johnson on the degree of turpitude to be attached to her son's robbing on orchard—"Madam," said Johnson, "it all depends upon the weight of the boy. I remember my school-fellow Davy Garrick, who was always a little fellow, robbing a dozen orchards with impunity, but the very first time I climbed up an apple tree, for I was always a heavy boy, the bough broke with me, and it was called a judgment. I suppose that is why justice is represented with a pair of scales."

Whenever the paper contains any girl wanted advertisements, the women are very careful not to let copies fall into the hands of the girl in the kitchen.

MANY a dutiful daughter pays in pain for her mother's ignorance or perhaps neglect.

The mother suffered and she thinks her daughter must suffer also. This is true only to a limited extent. No excessive pain is healthy. Every mother should inform herself for her own sake and especially for the sake of her daughter. Write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for her advice about all matters concerning the ills of the feminine organs.

INDULGENT MOTHERS

Many a young girl's beauty is wasted by unnecessary pain at time of menstruation, and many indulgent mothers with mistaken kindness permit their daughters to grow careless about physical health.

MISS CARRIE M. LAMB, Big Beaver, Mich., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—A year ago I suffered from profuse and irregular menstruation and leucorrhoea. My appetite was variable, stomach, sour and bowels were not regular, and was subject to pains like colic during menstruation. I wrote you and began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and used two packages of Sanative Wash. You can't imagine my relief. My courses are natural and general health improved."

MRS. NANNIE ADKINS, La Due, Mo., writes:

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THE CAMEL'S REVENGE.

A Strange Story of a Stupid Beast's Anger.

The camel is stupid save when angry, and then seems to become suddenly possessed with an intelligence almost preternatural in carrying out its vengeful designs. Palgrave relates the following story of a camel's revenge, which serves to illustrate this point:

A lad of 14 had conducted a large camel, laden with wood from one village to another, at a half-hour's distance. As the animal loitered, or turned out of the way, its conductor struck it repeatedly, and harder than it seemed to have thought he had a right to do. But not finding the occasion favorable for taking immediate quits, it bode its time.

That time was not long in coming. A few days later the same lad had to reconduct the beast, but unladen, to his own village. When they were about half way on the road, and at some distance from any habitation, the camel suddenly stopped, looked deliberately round in every direction to assure itself that no one was within sight, and, finding the road far and near clear of passers-by, made a step forward, seized the unlucky boy's head in its monstrous mouth, and lifting him up in the air, flung him down again on the earth with the upper part of his skull completely torn off and his brains scattered on the ground.

Having thus satisfied its revenge, the brute quietly resumed its pace toward the village as though nothing were the matter, till some men, who had observed the whole, though unfortunately at too great a distance to be able to afford timely help, came up and killed it.—St. Paul's.

There Is No Telling.

Be sure not to let rheumatism stay in the system longer than you can get a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil to cure it. There is no telling what part it may strike or how much misery it may give.

A Horse with "Specs."

Boston feels quite humiliated because Surrey, a suburb of Boston, owns a horse that wears spectacles. He wears them for a purpose, too, for his eyesight is so dim that he can't see a yard in front of his nose unless he has on his "specs." Toby goes about his daily duties calmly. He has suffered from myopia for two years. Veterinary surgeons recommended some kind of glasses.

For the Cat.

"Doctor," said he, "I'm a victim of insomnia. I can't sleep if there's the least noise—such as a cat on the back fence, for instance."

"This powder will be effective," replied the physician, after compounding a prescription.

"When do I take it, doctor?" "You don't take it. Give it to the cat in a little milk."

The "one shovel system," or feeding boiler fires only one shovelful of coal at a time, it is said, will save the Rock Island road \$85,000 a year, according to the results of a two months' test.

Mr. Editor—Kindly inform your readers that from now on to April 10 we will send, prepaid by mail, to all who apply for same, one bottle of our wonderful "5 DROPS," free of charge. We do this in order that every one of them may have the great opportunity to try the greatest remedy the world has ever produced. It never has failed, and never can fail, to cure any of the following diseases: Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Catarrh, Backache, Asthma, Heart Weakness, Toothache, Earache, Croup, La Grippe, Malaria, Creeping Numbness, Bronchitis and kindred diseases. Within the last three years it has cured more than a million and a quarter of people, many of whom had been pronounced incurable by competent physicians. Some of them had traveled the world over in search of relief and spent a large amount of money, but failed to get it, but were cured by this remedy in a very short time and at a small cost. In fact, many of the cures which it has made border on the miraculous. "5 DROPS" is not a patent medicine, but was perfected only after vast research in scientific fields and at a very great expense. It is a boon to the sick and afflicted, a balm to suffering humanity. "5 DROPS" is the name, and "5 DROPS" is the dose.

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Last year in twenty-four cities of the United States, 8,844 divorces were asked for and 6,608 were granted.

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Piso's Cure for Consumption is the only cough medicine used in my house.—D. C. Albright, Millburg, Pa., Dec. 11, '95.

A woman is always perfectly sure that she is in the right until it comes to backing her opinion with money.—Chicago News.

Actors, Vocalists, Public Speakers recommend Hall's Hoarse and Sore Throat Cure. It cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Croup, Croup, and all other throat ailments.

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