

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused it to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert



and investigating mind, an earnest seeker after knowledge, and above all, possessed of a wonderfully sympathetic nature.

In 1843 she married Isaac Pinkham, a builder and real estate operator, and their early married life was marked by prosperity and happiness. They had four children, three sons and a daughter.

In those good old fashioned days it was common for mothers to make their own home medicines from roots and herbs, nature's own remedies—calling in a physician only in specially urgent cases. By tradition and experience many of them gained a wonderful knowledge of the curative properties of the various roots and herbs.

Mrs. Pinkham took a great interest in the study of roots and herbs, their characteristics and power over disease. She maintained that just as nature so bountifully provides in the harvest-fields and orchards vegetable foods of all kinds; so, if we but take the pains to find them, in the roots and herbs of the field there are remedies expressly designed to cure the various ills and weaknesses of the body, and it was her pleasure to search these out, and prepare simple and effective medicines for her own family and friends.

Chief of these was a rare combination of the choicest medicinal roots and herbs found best adapted for the cure of the ills and weaknesses peculiar to the female sex, and Lydia E. Pinkham's friends and neighbors learned that her compound relieved and cured it and it became quite popular among them.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price, as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too much for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful depression, so when the Centennial year dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found.

At this point Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was made known to the world.

The three sons and the daughter, with their mother, combined forces to

restore the family fortune. They argued that the medicine which was so good for their woman friends and neighbors was equally good for the women of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it recommended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until today Lydia E. Pinkham and her Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continuing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience she was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case that came to her attention. The case of every sick woman who applied to her for advice—and there were thousands—received careful study, and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference, and to-day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham. She was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her vast correspondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its original founder passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing in the work shows when the first Lydia E. Pinkham dropped her pen, and the present Mrs. Pinkham, now the mother of a large family, took it up. With women assistants, some as capable as herself, the present Mrs. Pinkham continues this great work, and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Yours for Health" freely given if you only write to ask for it.

Such is the history of Lydia E. Pinkham's vegetable Compound, made from simple roots and herbs; the one great medicine for women's ailments, and the fitting monument to the noble woman whose name it bears.

Different Views.

"When a contribution comes from your neighbor and you speak of it as a flea bite, it seems very small," remarked the Observer of Events and Things; "but if the contribution comes from the flea itself—well, you don't consider it such an insignificant thing."

I find Piso's Cure for Consumption the best medicine for croupy children.—Mrs. F. Callahan, 114 Hall street, Parkersburg, W. Va., April 16, 1901.

Reason for Yelling.

She—Why, those men at the Stock Exchange run about, yelling like a lot of crazy men.

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CONGRESS

Friday in the House was devoted to debate on the Philippine tariff bill. Champ Clark of Missouri, a Democrat, making a long speech in its favor in which he severely arraigned the sugar and tobacco interests, and Representative Fordney of Michigan speaking in opposition to the measure. The Senate was not in session.

The debate on the Philippine tariff bill continued in the House Saturday. Representative Hill of Connecticut speaking in favor of the measure. The opposition was led by Representative Mondell of Wyoming, as a champion of the beet sugar interests. Representative Lawrence of Massachusetts spoke in favor of the reduction of the tariff on hides by the Republican party. The House adjourned at 5 o'clock until Monday. The Senate was not in session.

The Senate Monday gave attention to the Panama canal, the situation in San to Domingo and the merchant marine shipping bill. The canal matter came up in connection with a message from the President transmitting the annual reports of the isthmian canal commission and the Panama Railroad Company, which were referred to the committee on interoceanic canals. The Dominican discussion arose on Mr. Tillman's resolution making inquiry of the President concerning the status of affairs in the island republic. Mr. Gallinger opened the debate on the merchant marine shipping bill. Legislation for the District of Columbia had the right of way under the rules in the House and the few bills on the calendar from the District committee were disposed of. Mr. Sullivan of Massachusetts then spoke strongly for tariff revision from the Democratic standpoint, the Philippine tariff bill being up for discussion.

The Senate Tuesday adopted two resolutions of inquiry. One authorizes an investigation by the committee on interoceanic canals into the general conduct of Panama canal affairs and the other an inquiry by the finance committee into the question of the exchange rate on money on the isthmus. The remainder of the open session was devoted to a speech by Mr. Morgan on the railroad rate question, his bill being referred to the committee on interstate commerce. At 1:30 p. m. the Senate went into executive session to take up Mr. Bacon's resolution calling on the President for information regarding the attitude of the United States government on the Moroccan question. The Philippine tariff bill was the single topic of consideration in the House. The speeches were uniformly against the measure and in general allowed to go without answer.

The Senate Wednesday disposed of considerable business, about eighty bills being passed, leaving only six or seven on the calendar. Most of the measures grant private pensions or authorize the construction of bridges. One favorably acted on appropriated \$200,000 for the marking of the graves of Confederate soldiers who died in northern prisons during the Civil War. Then attention was given to the question of Panama canal salaries, for pure food measure and the merchant marine bill, but without taking action on them. The Senators fought shy of the Moroccan controversy, and when the resolution dealing with the subject was reached on the calendar an executive session was taken to avoid discussion. Consideration of the Philippine tariff bill was continued in the House. Mr. Dabell (Pa.) speaking for it and Mr. Keifer (Ohio) leading the opposition. The incident of the ejection from the White House offices of Mrs. Minor Morris was brought up by Mr. Sheppard (Texas).

THE CALL OF THE CANADIAN WEST.

The Greatest Wheat Crop of the Continent.

The year that has just closed has done a great deal towards showing the possibilities of Western Canada from an agricultural standpoint. The wheat crop has run very near to the 100,000,000-bushel limit that was looked upon as too sanguine an estimate only a short time ago, and the area that has been broken to fall wheat for the coming harvest will go a long way towards enabling the farmers of the West to overlap on the 100,000,000-bushel estimate next year. And while the spring and winter wheat have been doing so well during the past few years the other cereals have been keeping up with the procession. Rye and barley have made immense strides, and peas and flax have been moving steadily along. Dairying also has been successfully carried on in the new provinces, and in every stage the farmer has been "striking it rich." To such an extent has the success of the West taken hold of outsiders that the rush of Americans to Saskatchewan and Alberta, which was looked upon as marvelous last year, bids fair to be largely exceeded in 1906, and as there are still millions of acres of free homesteads available, which the building of the new railways will render accessible to the markets, new wheat lands will be opened up ere long. Amongst the first to avail himself of the opportunity presented will be the American settler. In a large number of American cities Dominion government agents are located, who are able and willing to give the latest and best information in regard to the new districts which the railways will open up, and there will be no abatement of the rush to the Canadian prairies during the coming season. Some time since a poet in the columns of the "Toronto Star" had the following stirring lines, which throb of the Western spirit:

National Capital Notes.

The President has nominated A. O. Marsh as pension agent at Indianapolis. Among the nominations sent to the Senate the other day was that of Logan Tucker of Illinois, to be a lieutenant in the marine corps. He is a son of Lieut. Col. W. F. Tucker of the pay corps, U. S. A., and a grandson of Gen. John A. Logan.

Representative Fowler (New Jersey), chairman of the House committee on banking and currency, has introduced a bill providing for the current deposit of public moneys with national banking associations at 2 per cent a year in amounts not exceeding 50 per cent of the paid up and unimpaired capital of the banks. The bill also provides that any national bank may issue an amount of national bank notes not exceeding 50 per cent of its unimpaired capital without depositing United States bonds.

Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture has asked Congress for an appropriation of \$135,000 for additional inspectors and microscopists to facilitate increased exports of pork to meet the growing demand abroad.

The State Department has received news from San Domingo that ex-President Morales has offered to resign if he will be allowed to leave the country in safety. This proposition, it is understood, will be accepted. The Dominican congress has temporarily suspended the constitutional guarantees throughout the republic.

Pharisees Wanted.
A rural colonial parson, finding great difficulty in paying his way owing to the lack of punctuality with which his flock paid their tithes, recently hit upon an excellent plan for giving back-sliders a gentle hint. Taking as the text of his sermon the story of the publican and the Pharisee, he read out, "Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank Thee that I am not as other men are . . . I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.'" Here the parson paused significantly, and looking hard at his flock, remarked, "I could do with a few Pharisees in this congregation."

AN EVERY-DAY STRUGGLE.

Too Many Women Carry the Heavy Load of Kidney Sickness.

Mrs. E. W. Wright of 172 Main street, Haverhill, Mass., says: "In 1898 I was suffering so with sharp pains in the small of the back and had such frequent dizzy spells that I could scarcely get about the house. The urinary passages were also quite irregular. Monthly periods were so distressing I dreaded their approach. This was my condition for four years. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me right away when I began with them and three boxes cured me permanently."

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