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"I can truly say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For years I suffered with the worst forms of female complaints, continually doctoring and spending lots of money for medicine without help. I wrote you for advice, followed it as directed, and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has restored me to perfect health. Had it not been for you I should have been in my grave to-day. I wish every suffering woman would try it."

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New Culture of Wheat.

At Pullman, in the State of Washington, there is in connection with the State Agricultural College an experimental farm where are now growing more than 100,000 different kinds of wheat that are to be separately cut, threshed, cleaned and bagged this season. Many of these are hybrid varieties of wheat, crossed fourteen years ago by Professor Stillman, now in the service of the United States government.

The traits shown to the several kinds vary from one to five acres in extent. In the intervening years these several varieties have been carefully sowed, the best seed selected and sown again and properly established. This season is the first in which any large amount of seed has been secured, which will be threshed and distributed to farmers who desire to test the new kinds. It will be sold at a good price to cover the large expense involved in the big culture.

The new varieties are not yet named, but will be before distribution. Some combine early maturity with hardness or good milling qualities and each has some definite quality or qualities that are regarded desirable. The object, of course, is the development of varieties that will prove of most advantage to the farmers of that State. The improvement of the wheat crop is a matter of the highest importance to agriculturists and also to bread eaters.—Boston Herald.

Consolation.

Mrs. Thomas—It's too bad that Prince William isn't coming to Chicago.

Mrs. Higgins—Why do you mention it? It's only the second son of a crown prince, anyway.—Chicago Tribune.

COFFEE DRINKING.

A Doctor Says It Weakens the Heart.

"In my opinion," says a well-known German physician, "no one can truthfully say coffee agrees with him, as it has long since been proven that caffeine, contained in coffee, is an injurious, poisonous substance which weakens and degenerates the heart muscles."

"For this reason the regular use of coffee, soon or late, causes a condition of undernourishment, which leads to various kinds of organic disease."

"Conviction of this fact, I have often sought for some healthful beverage to use instead of coffee. At last I found the thing desired in Postum. Having had occasion to forbid people using coffee, whose hearts were affected, I have recommended Postum as a beverage since it is free from all injurious or exciting substances. I know this from results in my own family, and among patients."

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Editorials
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TRAGEDIES OF THE MINES.

A BULLETIN of the Geological Survey makes by its cold statement of facts a powerful indictment against the murderous methods of coal mining permitted in the United States.

The great increase in the production of coal in this country is not responsible wholly for the shocking number of lives lost in the mines. There has been a great increase in coal production in Europe also, and there the deaths have diminished, owing to the enforcement of laws for the protection of the men working underground.

There is certainly criminal neglect of some sort in our methods when the death rate of miners by accident has increased here from 247 per thousand in 1885 to 340 per thousand in 1900, the death rate from the same causes steadily declining in European countries during the same period.

Our coal mines kill nearly four times as many men per thousand as do those of Belgium, more than four times as many as the mines of France and nearly three times as many as those of Great Britain.

In no country of the world are the conditions for the safe extraction of coal so favorable as in the United States, and yet this murderous record stands against us as a result of neglecting the safeguards that ought to be enforced. We are not so strict as we should be in making compulsory the use of safety lamps. We do not limit as we should the charges of explosives that may be fired. We are not so careful as the Europeans in abolishing at times when the mines are unoccupied except for the presence of the expert shot-firers.

Taking this bulletin of the Geological Survey as a guide, the laws of every coal-mining State should forbid many of the practices tolerated in our own mines, and command the observance of the rules and precautions quoted from the laws of European countries. Our list of criminal tragedies is already too long.—St. Louis Republic.

THE VALUE OF PREACHING.

INDIVIDUAL cases, at least, the breaking down of the preacher by the cares of the administration, seems clearly traceable. It may have happened in the old days that a clergyman was livable all the week, and incomprehensible on Sunday; but today the trouble is apt to be that he is only too visible all the week, "rambling" the church, and exhausting his nervous energy in serving tables to such an extent that he is in speech-concupiscence on Sunday. You cannot plow with a race horse and expect him to keep his speed. A man absorbed in business for six days cannot emerge as an uplifting speaker on the seventh. An orator must be plus who hopes to be a true master of assemblies—not one whose thoughts and spring have been drawn down to minus by exacting labors as a collector of funds and a manager of clubs.

The great preachers have been seers who were given leisure through the week in which to dream their dreams and shape their prophecies. But the institutional church leaves the clergy no time even to think.

The church cannot afford to still the voice of her prophets. Christianity has been pre-eminently the preached religion. Its Founder sent forth the Apostles to preach. All through the history of the Christian church the living utterance of spiritual men has been the great corrector and quickener. Inspired preaching has in it the greatest power known to man—that of a kindled personality. It is the most potent fascination which anything exterior in the church can wield—more vivid than music, more direct than even grand architecture and fit adornment of the temple. With the right man in the pulpit, allowed time for brooding thoughts and careful choice of form, nowhere else can speech be so clothed upon with power.—New York Evening Post.

AMERICANS WORK FAST AND DIE EARLY.

PHYSICIANS have long been preaching the doctrine that American business men live too fast. With the telegraph, the ocean cable, the telephone and other modern facilities the man of affairs can do in one hour work that formerly would have occupied six. It might be thought his working day would be correspondingly shortened. Nothing of the sort has occurred. The speed with which trade can be effected has simply accelerated his pace, and he not only works faster, but more hours than ever, with corresponding increase of business and responsibilities. To keep up this energy he eats too much—sometimes drinks too much—for a man who spends most of his working hours at his desk and takes no open air exercise. Physical deterioration is inevitable, and when a period of more than usual stress and anxiety arrives he is liable to succumb.

What American business men must learn is to slow down, take wholesome recreation, and, above all, quit worrying, even over real troubles when they come, whereas most of them now worry over troubles that never come.—New York Herald.

INDISCRIMINATE CHARITY.

THERE are thousands who need every incentive to honest labor that can be found, and they are readily demoralized by the spectacle of men enabled to live in comfort without any labor at all. Maladministration of the poor law is largely responsible for this state of things, but it is powerfully reinforced by the self-indulgence of the more well-to-do classes, who gratify their passing emotions and impulses by indiscriminate charity. The idle rich conspire with the idle poor to swell the tide of social demoralization and to encourage the unfit.—London Times.

THE TREE'S ROOTS.

Something About What is Called Plant Intelligence.

As the animal is nearer to us than the vegetable, so is animal intelligence nearer akin to our own than plant intelligence. We hear of plant physiology, but not yet of plant psychology. When a plant growing in a darkened room leans toward the light, the leaning, we are taught, is a purely mechanical process. The effect of the light upon the cells of the plant brings it about in a purely mechanical way, but when an animal is drawn to the light, the process is a much more complex one and implies a nervous system. It is thought by some that the roots of a water-loving plant divine the water from afar and run toward it. The truth is the plant or tree senses its roots in all directions, but those on the side of water find the ground moister in that direction and their growth is accelerated, while the others are checked by the dryness of the soil. An ash tree stands on a rocky slope where the soil is thin and poor, twenty or twenty-five feet from any garden. After a while it sent so many roots down into the garden and so robbed the garden vegetables of the fertilizers that we cut the roots off and dug a trench to keep the tree from sending more. Now, the gardener thought the tree divined the rich pasturage down below there and reached for it accordingly. The truth is, I suppose, that the roots on that side found a little more good better soil and so pushed on till they reached the garden, where they were at once so well fed that they multiplied and extended themselves rapidly. The tree waxed strong and every season sent more and stronger roots into the garden.—John Burroughs, in Outlook Magazine.

Wanted Company.

"Madam," said the doctor who had been called at 2 a. m., after examining the patient, "read at once for the clergyman and also for a lawyer if you want to make your will."

"Good gracious!" exclaimed the horrified patient. "Is it as bad as that?" "Oh, there is no danger at all," replied the M. D. "But I don't want to be the only one who has had his slumbers disturbed for nothing."—Chicago News.

Ominous Pose.

"I hear you've got a new minister, Tommy." "Yeh, an' I don't like him at all; he must 'a' been a school teacher once." "Why do you talk that?" "Cause whenever he talks to me he always holds his hand behind him."—The Catholic Standard and Times.

The novel-writers have a nice way of saying that a girl's face was framed in wayward curls when it is meant that her hair was frowsy.

COMFORT FOR FISHERMEN.



FISHING THROUGH THE ICE UNDER SHELTER.

In the winter the fishermen on the great lakes of Canada build little cellars in the ice. In these huts they take up their quarters, and fish through a hole chopped in the ice in the center of the cabin floor. The fishermen sit close to their little stoves. These men can make quite a good living at a time when they would be frozen out if they did not go into these fishing camps. They can make from four to five dollars a day.

Effectually Squelched.

The clerk in a dry goods store was waxing sarcastic at the boarding house table because the school teacher and she was tired. "I don't see how you have the nerve to say that," he said. "You have a snap. Your hours are short, and, although you say you have to look over papers in the evening, I reckon you don't have to spend much time on them. Then look at the vacations you have—a week or two at Christmas, another in the spring, two or three days at Thanksgiving time and then the entire summer. Look at me, I have to work eight hours every day, with only a half hour at noon, and once in a while I have to put in an evening at the store when they take inventory of stock. And my vacation! I get the legal holidays, two weeks in

the summer, and during the hot months a half day off, and even know what a good half day does! Gee! School teachers certainly have a cinch!"

During this harangue the school teacher listened carefully to the noise he made while he talked. When he finished she said sweetly: "Well, why don't you become a school teacher? There's no law to prevent you that I know of."

And the rest of the table grinned audibly, while the clerk grabbed a foothold and went out.—New York Press.

A young man who pays a good deal of attention to society, no difference how good a young man he may be, cannot distinguish himself in any other way.

DAVIS NOT TO MARRY.

Family Opposes Union of Aged Millionaire and Miss Ashford.

Miss Maud Ashford will not become the wife of former Senator Henry Gasaway Davis, the multi-millionaire West Virginian and father-in-law of Senator Stephen B. Elkins of that State. The engagement between Miss Ashford and Mr. Davis has been broken, it is stated. There will be no breach of promise suit, no money settlement by



MISS MAUD ASHFORD.

Mr. Davis on Miss Ashford and no further consideration of an alliance between them. These statements, according to a Washington dispatch, were made by Miss Ashford. Rumors had been circulated that this would be the outcome, because of the strong opposition to the proposed marriage by Mrs. Elkins, daughter of Mr. Davis, and members of her family.

YOUNG KING OF PORTUGAL.

Manuel II, at Age of Eighteen Takes His Murdered Father's Place.

Very unexpectedly a boy of 18 is raised to the responsibilities of King of Portugal. Young Prince Manuel naturally felt that the burdens and dignity of that high place were far removed from him. His royal father was in the prime of life and his elder brother stood between him and succession. But the bullets of the assassins removed the King and the crown prince in a twinkling and upon an untrained boy develops the tremendous duties and cares of Kingship.

Manuel II, who was proclaimed King the morning after his father's death, has served his country in the navy. He is a blonde, tall, well educated and considered good looking. He is said to possess the qualities which go toward making a determined ruler.



MANUEL II.

Fortunately for him, in the present disturbed condition of affairs England is bound by treaty not only to prevent an invasion of his country but to maintain the present dynasty on the throne. Any effort, therefore, to place a pretender in his place would lead to armed intervention on the part of Great Britain.

Repudiates "Christian Psychology."

Bishop Fallows, who is leading the movement of Christian psychology in Chicago, has made it very clear that this movement is not to be mistaken as a phase of Christian Science. Now Mr. Archibald McLellan, speaking for Mrs. Eddy through the Christian Science Sentinel, utterly repudiates any recognition of Christian psychology, saying: "Her teachings show that she cannot endorse as Christianity the two distinctly contradictory statements and points of view contained in the term 'Christian psychology'—otherwise Christian materialism." Speaking of the teaching of Jesus, he says: "He never complicated spirit with matter, never taught the finite opposite of God, spirit, infinity, all. As revealed in Christian Science, God is unconscious of matter, for if he is spirit and all, he cannot know anything that would be the very unlikeness of himself in quantity, quality and divinity."

SHORT NEWS NOTES.

The Pennsylvania Railway Company's summer freight house at Cleveland and about twenty freight cars were burned. Loss \$75,000.

Fire destroyed a part of the Molson warehouse, occupied by the Canadian Pacific railway at Montreal. Loss \$200,000, covered by insurance.

The Ohio Supreme Court set aside the indictments which had been found against the so-called bridge trust, holding that the charges were not sufficiently definite.

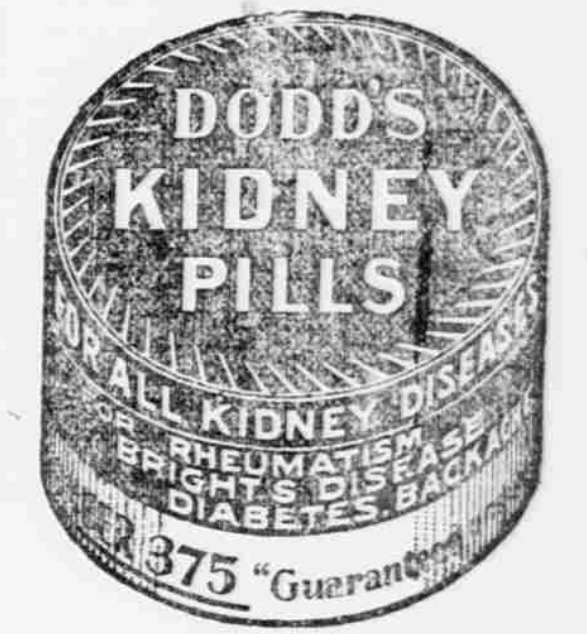
A Conservative Speech.

There were some doubts in the community as to Homer Floyd's fitness for a position on the school board, owing to certain lapses in his early education; but his first speech in his official capacity silenced the tongues of all critics.

He listened to several recitations with a grave and interested air, and at the end of the last one he rose to address the school, "by request."

"Some things are in my province as member of the school board, and some are not," he said, with a genial smile. "It's within my province to say that I never heard scholars answer up more promptly than you children of District Number Three."

"As to whether your answers were or were not correct, it is not my place to say. Your teacher knows, and in her hands I leave the matter."



Price of Pence.

A story is told of Verdi, the famous composer, which shows that he was willing to pay a good price for what he considered comfort.

A friend who went to call upon him in a small watering place found the composer in a little room which he informed his visitor served him for dining room, sitting room and bedroom.

"I have two other rooms, which are large," he said to his friend, "but I keep articles hired by me in them. I have three ninety-five barrel organs."

He paused to note his friend's surprise, and then continued:

"When I came here my ears were tortured by hearing them play 'Trovatore,' 'Rigoletto,' and similar stuff. I hired them from their owners. I pay about fifteen hundred lire for them, and enjoy my summer's rest undisturbed by the sound of my own compositions."

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Butcher Inference.

One day Emperor Francis Joseph was entering a village in his domain of Bohemia and was met on the outskirts by a butcher who had gone out in hope of catching an early glimpse of the Austrian Kaiser. The emperor asked the butcher the way to an inn, and after directions had been given the butcher in turn inquired:

"Have you seen the Kaiser?" "Very recently," answered Francis Joseph.

"Are you sure? Do you know him certainly?" asked the eager butcher. "Well, I ought to," replied the monarch, puffing out his chest. "I have shaved him often enough."

"Ah, and you are the court barber," said the abashed butcher in awestruck tones, as he doffed his cap and bowed to the roadside.—Washington Post.

Little Ambiguities.

Very commendable is the zeal displayed in recent years in the effort to put an end to the atrocious habit of expectorating in places frequented by the public. Still, the offense would probably be classed under the head of "venial"—and it might be well to adjust the punishment to the crime.

After crossing on one of the ferry lines that convey passengers over the North River to New Jersey points, and carefully considering the possible logical connection between the two parts of the "Notice to Passengers" hanging in a conspicuous place, one wonders if perhaps the reforming zeal of the ferry company may not have carried it too far.

The signs read: "Spitting on the floor is prohibited. Life preservers are provided for all passengers."

New Zealand has 5,000,000,000 acres of land set aside as an endowment for schools and old age pension funds.

Habitual Constipation

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