

LOSS AND GAIN.

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From 228 lbs. to 120! I had been doctoring for my liver, but it did me no good. I did not expect to live more than three months. I began to use Hop Bitters.

"The first bottle nearly cured me." The second made me as well and strong as when a child.

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OF Blessed Memory.

I often wonder mother loves to creep Up to the garret where a cupboard stands, And sit upon the dusty floor and weep, Holding a baby's dress in her hands.

I often wonder grandma loves to sit Alone where hangs a picture on the wall-- A handsome face across whose features fit The phantoms of love she would recall.

I wonder, too, that sister, pale and sad, Waits at the gate, and, waiting, seems to hear The footfalls of the brave, heroic lad Who nevermore may woo her waiting there.

The little lips in voiceless death are sealed-- The haughty squire sleeps now a lasting sleep-- The broken-hearted women live to weep.

Artificial hips--for women of fashion, of course--are the latest, and are necessary to the present style of close fitting garments.

A Chicago girl has taken poison on account of a Milwaukee man. The girl in that city is getting worse and worse.

A Wall street man who had the audacity to give his bride a set of imitation pearls. The fraud was not discovered until after the honeymoon.

A Broadway dealer in diamonds says there are 200 ladies in New York who have \$4,000 worth of personal jewelry.

Little girls this winter are wearing regular fitted riding habits, their clothes being fashioned exactly after the model worn by the unfortunate heroine of the famous nursery legend.

A button-down shirt was a vigorous tree during the revolution still stands on the farm of George Sanger, Canterbury, Conn.

pear from trees also in blossom, and ripe strawberries which had grown in the open air. "The fact," says The Debata, "is miraculous in the latitude of Normandy."

A. H. Purd, of Pekin, Ill., has a curious relic in the shape of a great battle-axe made in Germany 249 years ago. It is a very curious weapon, and on the stock is a German inscription, which gives the name of its owner.

A New York correspondent reports in The Allgemeine Zeitung an astounding discovery. He states that in the virgin forests of Sonora, a province of western Mexico, near Mazatlán, a pyramid had been found measuring 4,800 feet at its base and rising to the height of 750 feet.

Don't go to the theatre, lectures or ball, But stay in your room to-night; Deny yourself to the friends that call, And a good long sleep you'll find.

Don't think that the young and giddy friends Who make your pastime gay Have had the same old story for you That the old folks have to-day.

It is said that whenever a stranger drops ten cents into a collection basket, the amount paid for sayings is increased.

At Ancona, in Italy, 100 priests have held meetings with a view to organizing a strike in the event of the failure of their efforts to have the amount paid for sayings increased.

A woman who was a chrysalis when she was a caterpillar, and who was a butterfly when she was a chrysalis.

My father bought an undershirt, Of bright and flaming red-- "All wool, I'm ready to assert, "Flocced dyed," the merchant said.

The Rev. Mr. Shipp married four couples in 15 minutes, which is at the rate of 16 knots an hour for that Shipp.

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