charges of other men.

"But by Caesar!" cried Timothy Blair, Lis

vell weathered face turning even redder,

"I've faced shot many times-without run-

ning-you know that, so I can say it with-

out boasting. Yet this time I wanted to

give 'em my beels. I wanted to be fighting

them again; to have the chance to sight a

above the works at Yorktown. But, my

friends, this was a thing of different color.

deliver, and such an order, too! And here

waiting me were these gentlemen-

some mere boys like my own, with mothers

and fathers at home. And they were Eng-

t's historical fact. And more than all that

ind there. They were a gay lot and you

some way respect a man who can laugh when he is defeated. Well, I'll witness that

his lordship of Cornwallis' officers were as

"Well, it took me a long time to clear my

'Gentlemen, I managed to say at last

gentlemen, a lot has to be drawn."
"'A lot, Colonel Blair! Come, whist is

ne, but now I looked at him sternly.

een committed by the contivance of

British officer. An American citizen, neld .

White or your interesting Huddy to us?"

"'If you will wait, gentlemen, I'll ex plain. Give me time!" Ah, I mopped m

lease Major Huddy, prisoner of war, to be punished only by the usage of war.'
"'Oh, there's your Huddy again, colonel,"

"'It's this, gentlemen,' said I, seeing I could evade it no longer. 'Sir Henry Clinton has refused to punish the offender who caused Major Huddy's murder.' Gentlemen, the military could be supported.

the army of the Earl of Cornwallis, held

"And then I paused. I had it out at last

s General Asgill, the famous General Asgill

This was the story Colonel Timothy Blair told again and again at the meeting of the

Cincinnati. I can see him now, this brave claret-complexioned Timothy Biair, who in

deed was something of a hero at Saratoga, as

the histories tell.

I remember well Meg. Simon More's, the

landlord's, daughter of the old King's Arms, Lancaster. Her buxom arms kept the pewter

mugs shining like her eyes, and her game was a passing toast, not only among those of our own stationed at Lancaster, but later

among Lord Cornwallis' officers' prisoners there after Yorktown. She passed the gossip,

when you came in for your glass. She told one day how infamous was the hanging of Major Huddy by the Jersey tories on Middle-

ton heights, and a few weeks after how

ton heights, and a few weeks after how horrid was General Washington in holding Captain Asgill in retaliation. Captain Asgill was such a charming young gentleman! Well, he was enough even to make a tavern-keeper's daughter's heart ache, and there were men who sighed for her, Mistress Meg added with a mischievous toss of her black mane. Come to the Independence tavern, formerly the King's Arms, ye good Americans, but be prepared to hear that your great chief is a despot from Meg's own red lips. Why should those fine young gentle-

lips. Why should those fine young gentle-men, even if they were king's captains, draw lots for the horrible fate of being exe-

cuted simply because the British would not punish the officers who had connived at the hanging of Huddy. But die, he who drew the lot, apparently must. The general-in-chief said he regretted it, but he could not

retreat from the measure adopted. Sir Guy

Carleton, Sir Henry Clinton's successor, only had to do justice on Major Huddy's murderer, and this king's captain should go free as the air. But Sir Guy did nothing, and the time drew on for the execution in retailstice.

One stormy evening in 1782, Meg was in the bar polishing some of the famous pawter

when there entered a postilion plainly from

Was the room satisfactory? she asked, curtisying. What could she do, mem? Noth-

The lady hesitated; although she was no

Where are military prisoners in Lancaste

retaliation.

Mog guessed:

his quarters.

Well, my friends, Captain Asgill had the

sand one, 'what's the point?'

punish the real offender

are to be drawn among you.

een a bit profane myself."

better game, said Captain Ludlow, Lord Ludlow's second son, who always was joking

nice and companionable a lot as ever were

about on parole and were lodged here

by this time I knew these chaps well.

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"It does me good to see you. You haven't changed much more than I have, and I am not a day older than when we got our diawered the other, 'but I don't feel very old yet. I see you still enjoy the theater, and apect you have kept up your literary tastes for the past thirty years."

"Thirty years!" repeated Tom. "How the years fly! Do you remember now they used to drag? Theaters! Well, I do go now and

then, but the plays and acting are not want they used to be. As to books, I still read them, but none of the modern trash. There hasn't been a good book written for a quarter of a century. The new ones give me the dyspepsia worse than what I sat. Do you temember the meals we had on the oid Vermont farm? Those were happy days. Thirty years and more ago! Strange; but I don't show a sign of age. I wonder where this confounded draught is coming from. I feel neuralgia on top of my head now." "Tom, old boy." replies the other, "you

a private traveling carriage.

"A room for my mistress."
Meg bustled, calling old Simen and the stable hoy, and looking out in the black night and curtaying, when there entered the mistress, her clock held over her face, and followed by a maid, plainly an English girl.

What was the mame? Meg asked of the postition, who said, "No matter, Miss," and at the same time made eyes at her, who gave him a scornful glance, as she had finer men than he ogling her.

The lady was from Philadelphia, of course, Meg gussed: are deceiving yourself, for you have shown marked signs of approaching age within three minutes. Your belief that theaters and actors have degenerated, that new books are below the standard, that childhood cooking was perfection, and that time flies so very fast, are all indications that you are on the down hill side of life. The slight draught down fill side of life. The slight draught that you say brings a tinge of heutalgia to the top of your head, where, I notice, the hair is rather thin, wouldn't have been thought of thirty years ago. Then here you are in the very front seats of a theater. No use denying the signs, Tom. We are getting along, and must admit what others plainly see."

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Meg's eyes looked her surprise.

"Perhaps Her Ladyship was a relation?"

"Don't talk, please," said Meg's duchess, with a suppressed sob. "But, beggin' your pardon, mem, I don't

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A boy was found with a lantern, and the his many times at the New York meetings of the Cincinnati, when we all were inclined lady, her cloak again hiding her face, started gossip, and to tell of this battle and leaving Meg curious, and telling it ove hat, and the dare-devil things we had to the loungers who already had gathered done, or would have done if we had had the 'It's queer-ain't it? No tellin'?-"

idea occurred. "She couldn't be-?"
"Was she good lookin'?" "Yes, and that brughty!" "From Philadelphy?"

'We can't make out from them servants. They're that -A tall man had entered, closely muffled

"My good girl, a room, a qu'll, and some musket as when they poked their heads raper Meg curtsied. Old Simon bustled. Would gentleman come this way?

gentleman followed, very distinguished look-Here was I with the general's order to ing, also in a military coat. "We have three horses. look to them," said this latter to the bowing and scraping landlord. And then he turned to follow Meg, who stood, curtsying at the hall door with a candle, waiting to show the

lishmen, too. Now, we were a country visitors the room. established that day in 1782, although there still was some fighting going on. But before Independence nudged another, "It's he! Didn't ye see? It's he by the the declaration we'd been fellow citizens of these very chaps I had to read the order to.

The speaker was an old, nervous nd his excitement increased. Why, my friends, we hate the British lion and hold the unicorn worse than a "Who did we make it out to be. Brown?" "The ginr'l, 's I'm a sinner rattlesnake, but still, when you think of "Why, man, it's Ginr'l Washington. What's t, that blessed Lion is first cousin to the doin' here? What does it mean? sed he was in Newburg." ie doln' here? American eagle. If that ain't natural history

At that moment Landlord Simon returned, his lips eager with the news, "Gen'l'm'n," he began impressively, "Gins'l Washington is under this roof. That was him-that was-At the moment the second of the tw visitors returned.

"The gentleman is to be disturbed by no born. Now, they were assembled before me, by my order, which was that of the one, do you understand, landlord," with an air of one in the habit of authority "Yis, sir—yis," said Simon. "I've been oo old to fight myself—but I'm pleased that But this gentleman, plainly an aide-de-

camp, was gone hurriedly into the night. The great man, if it were he, was alone in the room above. Meg returned, her eyes Pemberton announced at the door, "and Capdancing in her excitement. Yes, General Washington it was, no other No other, indeed, could be like him. There could be no mistake. The excitement passed on. Old soldiers limped in-armless, legless om many battlefields. Was it he indeed

"It's, gentlemen, no game. I wish to neaven it was. It's the lot of death." "My manner sobered them a bit, I think; hey only stared now in woaler. "'Gentlemen,' I went on, my voice firmer think now that I heard it, 'a murder has The general! How neatly he had trappe his proud fordship at Yorktown! How h had given them the slip at Trenton! What a rage he was in at Monmouth, and now it was over. There was fighting still, but they prisoner of war in New York, a brave man-I knew him myself—Major Huddy was taken from gaol in New York, carried over into Jersey and hung on Middleton Heights, had been fairly whipped by the great man who was here at the Independence Arms. a placard over his body: "Here bangs Huddy for Philip White." And what was he here for in Lancaster, to be sure? Everybody supposed he was in New-burg. Meg listened, finding in the chatter of these disabled soldiers that even she was "'But very well, colonel,' Captain Asgill little boyish chap, interrupted, 'what is not noticed. She didn't care particularly, was such a fine thing for the Independence to have the great man under its roof. He plain. Give me time! An, I mopped my brow here as I came to the point. I hated myself for it. 'Philip White, gentlemen, was a Jersey tory, shot in attempting to escape from the guards, who were taking him to the Monmouth gaol. It was his friends who induced a king's officer to re-

didn't go to the other tavern, anyway.
"Yankee Doodle," hummed Meg. The air was new then. So absorbed was the girl that she did not notice at first that the mysterious lady vis-itor's maid stood at the taproom bar. "Miss! Miss!" said the red-cheeked maid with haughtiness of great personages'

"Miss, will you pay attention. My mistress wants to see you "Yes," said Meg, hastening, all her curisity returning about that first visitor. At the lady's door she hestitated. The lady was sobbing, her tace in

the military court of the Army of the United States, presided over by General Wasning-ton, has decreed that a British officer of Meg wanted to say something.
"Mem," she began, a lump in her throat"Mem!" here as prisoner of war, shall be executed in retaliation—if Sir Henry Clinton does not The lady looked up miserably, and beautifully, Meg thought.
"I want my bill, girl, and the carriage Gentlemen, lots

hands.

'But, mem, mayn't I bring a cup of tea or some wine? Surely the lady should have something to eat." "Well, you might bring some tea," the lady began. "And see that the men and horses are fed, and told to be ready as soon as they possibly can." Meg could not resist saying as she

"It's this, mem, that we're a bit upset a the Independence because such great folks have come down on us, so that you, mem, must excuse us if we're slow." "Oh, you have heard me, girl," said the lady. "Do go."
"Beggin' your pardon, mem," said Meg.
and insisting on making her point, and as-

I wonder if he remembers that day when he drew the lot of death? "Well, my friends, Captain Asgill had the lot of death, and his comrades looked at him pityingly, and then grew angry, and men swore at us Americans, and at Washington. By Caesar, my friends, what names those British prisoners of war did call the general-in-chief. But I couldn't blame them much that day, for in their places I might have been a bit profane myself." "It's no less than Gin'ral Washington his-Suddenly the lady started up.
"Who, girl? General Washington! Here? Meg enjoyed the astonishment her state-ment had made.

"I've said it mem "Take me to him, quick." The lady smoothed her hair, fixed he neckerchief, rubbed the poor red eyes. girl."
Meg stared at her in astonishment.

"He's forbidden anyone sesin' him, mem You know, mem, he's a terrible man." "Take me to him, I tell you. I will see you are not blamed."

For a moment Meg hesitated, until the superior will, aided by a shilling, and her own feminine curiosity to see the denouement, conquered.

'This way, mem. That's the door,'

Here the lady hesitated, and then knocked, at first timidly, and then determinedly. Meg wondered how she dared. "Well, come in." said a weary voice.

The lady opened the door, and from the threshold regarded the great man as the circle of light from the candle on the table at which he was writing, fell about him. On his part the tired, light blue eyes looked their surprise—the eyes Stuart painted a dark blue that fading pigment might give the color exactly right an hundred years after.

Like Meg, he thought the lady distinguished.

"I beg your pardon," he said, rising.

"I, sir, am Lady Asgill."

gain. "Captain Asgill's mother," she added.
"I have had your letters. Do be seated," he managed to say.

"I came ta America, sir,—to see my son-to plead with you—the despot." "You have the right to think that, perhaps," he said, now gently. "I have had thousand letters. Many people have pleaded for your son."
"And—? And you can let this go on?"

"Lady Asgill," but he stopped in confu-Meg, watching at the door, muttered in open-mouthed wonder, "The young cap'n's "Do be seated, please," said be, who had

not feared the battle, and who feared the

sorrow in his visitor's eyes.

But she looked at him sternly. "Captain Asgill may die when you can prevent it. They talked of you, you General Washington as a great man—as the liberator, and you are as bad a despot as any king." "You are accusing me, madam," he said, il gently. "I cannot blame you. Yet ery criminal has right to defense."

She did not sob now, although there was that dull despair in her eyes. She spoke, if-controlled, contemptuously, accusingly:
'You will say, I suppose, that his majesty's self-controlled. agents can arrange the matter by punishin those who hung Captain Huddy. You always write that.'

longer young, yet she certainly was the most beautiful lady, Meg declared, she ever had seen. "Just like a duchess." as if Meg ever "Yes, I could say that; I could say I am sorry, that !--"
"I shouldn't believe you." kept?"
"Mostly on parole, mem," about the town,
exceptin' Captain Aegill, poor gentleman—
"Yes, I know. I want to be directed to

"Doubt'ess not. I don't expect you to, Lady Asgill I know how horr ble this all has been—to you—the mother, I know—" She said nothing, looking at him with those accusing eyes. Yet perhaps his manner, the rejuctant memory of his great fame, made

court managing these cases, -as these will "And yet - 1" she began.

"West," said he. "I expect my side-de camp, Colonel Pemberton, every moment." She looked at him passionately

General Washington, you are a smooth toughed demagogue. Men may call you what At the moment steps were in the hall. aide de camp entered, glancing curiously at the general's visitor.

'Yes, Colonel Pemberton." Your excellency, he is here with Colonel Perguson, the commandant." Colonel," said Washington, quietly-per-

haps with a note of triumphant justification, This is-Lady Asgill."
"Lady Asgill!" the a de-de-camp began 'Captain Asgilf is below," he added in his She looked at him, not understanding, when

he general continued: "I have persuaded congress and the milimy point of view, that this course of retaliation was inexpedient, my lady. On my way back from Philadelphia to Newburg I stopped at Lancaster to order

the commandant to release Capta'n Asgill. I am glad—" his voice was thick—your ladyhis voice was thick-your ladyship is here-at this time." Do you mean th's?" she said, incredulously. and then the color began to mount

faded cheeks. "Oh, sir-A great gladnese suddenly was in those

eyes, a mother's—a great gratitude, "Forgive me, sir, sll I said." understood, your ladyship. Pemberton, will you please take her lady-chip-to Captain Aug 11?"

"If you will sir," Lady Asgill said. Her voice broke. "If your ladyship will allow me," Pember-ton began, leading the way, "Tell Ferguson to wait," said the chief, Lady Asgill and Captain Asgill may wish he said, to see me first."

"I understand, your excellency. As their steps sounded the general looked at the papers strewn on the table. Other matters were perplexing him, problems of national policy. The victory was gained over England beyond peradventure. But could the United States govern themselves Ah, much was to be done yet, so much! found himself longing for the field. That was easier, after all. His memory went back over the days and nights of defeat when nobody believed in him; when he seemed about to yield all, but he wouldn't, he couldn't. And now he had succeeded. ed by no Achievement lay behind; war was over and he sa'd quick action, only to leave other problems, of curbing the army, of making these different state interests identical. The blue eyes were wear er, he longed for Mount Vernor and his study and the horses and the dogs and the accounts of the estate, all the dear quiet life of the Virginian gentleman.
"Lady Asgill, your excellency," Colonel

STORIES OF STATESMEN.

tain Apgill.

How Henry Watterson Repeated Speech at a National Convention. Henry Watterson is one of the most briliant men that ever lived, and, like another great editor, Horace Greely, served ninety days in congress, writes Champ Clark in the St. Louis Republic. I doubt whether he would accept the senatorship if elected, and yet some members persist in voting for him. He is about to bury himself in Voltaire's old retreat at Geneva. Switzerland, to incubate a rival in interest Boswell's "Life of Dr. John-

My feeling toward him is one of personal affection. When a boy his paper was my political "vade mecum," and personal acquaintance has only increased my regard for him. Differences on the money question cannot chill my friendship for "Marse Henry, as the Kentuckians lovingly call him. Once I had the pleasure of introducing him

ture I went with him to his hotel and sat up with him till train time.

During the evening I told him that I heard his speech in the great Merchants' Exchange half at St. Louis in 1876, when he was temporary chairman of the Tilden convention

whereupon he said: "I will tell you secret connected with that speech. I was un-expectedly notified that I was to preside and had barely time to write my speech and not enough to commit it to memory. I couldn't see to read it, so as to make it satisfactory to myself or pleasant to the audience; so had a man sit just behind me on the stag

and read it to me sentence by sentence as delivered it." Upon my expressing surprise that such a feat could be performed, he gave me an explanation. He said: "The larger the audience, the longer the speaker pauses between sentences to get his breath; and in addressing crowd as large as that was a man naturally and necessarily stops long enough at each

sentence." That evening spent with Watterson was one of the most enjoyable of my life, and that incident has been of great use to me in gauging a written speech so as to fit the time. My experience is that it requires about at to deliver to a large audience a speech that it takes thirty minutes to read in an ordinary tone of voice, to a few persons. Ignerance of this proportion is one of the easons why the hammer falls on so many congressmen in the middle of their spe and why so many ask the privilege of extend ng their remarks in the Record. This incident my be of service to the rising

His Second Misfortune. Here is a story that one of the souther members vouches for, says the Washington Post. A young man, one of his constituents, applied to him for a \$1,000 clerkphip. The member secured the appointment, but the

state of mind and said: "Colonel, I have had \$125,000 left me by an aunt, and, my God! just think what I have to go through again."
"Let me congratulate you," said the repre

day before the constituent was to be sworn

sentative. "No, don't do that," said the constituent 'you don't know what you're congratulating

"Yes, I do." said the member, "for now you can live without working."
"Colonel," said the distressed young man,
"I may as well tell you. Several years ago I had \$100,000 left me by another aunt, and it took me nearly a year to spend it. After I got through I had to go to the hespital for six months to get over the effects of my dissipation. The reason I came to see you to day was to ask you to keep that place for me until I can spend this money."

Judge James H. Mulligan, United States consul to Samon, who returned to his home in Lexington, Ky., recently, was given a banquet. At the banquet he made an address, the most remarkable part of which was the following:

"When I was away off on that little speck of land in the Pacific ocean and looked across the vast siretches of sea to try, I could see no democrats and no republicans. It was America. The English, the Germans and all the others are against America, no matter what the diplomats may say. I feel that I have learned more in the last two years than I have learned before. I have borne my part in the battle of politics, have spoken bitter words, but when I stood under that mighty crag on that far away speck in the ocean and helped to lay him to rest whom I had learned to love, Robert Louis Stevenson-I felt that if ever I got back home I would never speak an un-kind word to a fellow-countryman, but would do all I could to bind up any wounds that I may have caused."

sorry pickle when he found in the Congres-

stonal Record a sound money speech ascribed to him, whereas, being a prairie populist, he had, of course, spoken with all the cloudence and energy at his command in favor free eliver. The explanation was simple of free eliver. The explanation was simple, writes a correspondent of the Times-Herald. At the government printing office the intelliaccusing eyes. Yet perhaps his manner, the rejuctant memory of his great fame, made her listen. He went on now with stronger self-control.

"Many things I have to do from my position. I am not free to set for myself. I have to do as congress and the military rears ago, when Mr. Hitt of Hilipols was a life position of the great compositor had mistaken Mr. Ketr for other poisonous drugs, can be used with perfect safety. No one need suffer from piles in any form who will give this excellent remedy a trial. Any druggist can get it for you.

new statesman, a woman suffrage bill introduced by a member named ascribed to Hitt by a typographical and during the ensuing campaign Mr. Hitt was humbly on the defensive against the women of the district, who averred they did not want any fresh young congressman tell-ing them what their political rights and duties were. In the Chicago republican national convention of 1888 Mr. Bontelle of Maine introduced a temperance resolution, and Delegate Oliver of Pittsburg fought it bitterly for half an hour. The newspapers sent out in their reports that Mr. Dolliver of lowa had spent his energies in of lows had spent his chergies in opposition to the temperance plank, and this little blunder came within an ace of putting an untimely end to the promising career of the young statesman from the hottest prohibition district of the Hawkeye state,

Confusion of Names.

The two Joneses of the senate are often mixed up in a sad way by their callers and correspondents, but as they are both very much on the same side of the silver question are concerned. Not so with Mr. Mitchell of Oregon and Mitchell of Wisconsin. One is a cilverite and the other a devoted though silent disciple of a stable monetary standard. Tawney and Towne of Minnesota have a hear of trouble, too. A day or two ago Mr. Taw-ney was called out of the house by a citizen of his state, an old and enthusiastic gentle-man, who had with him a pair of pretty daughters. "I want to thank you for your speech on the silver question," said the vistor, shaking his congressman eagerly by the "You have hit it exactly. The best speech I ever heard. I want 100 copies of it to distribute among my neighbors." "Yes, echoed the young ladies, "we are de lighted. It was such an eloquent speech and

we are proud of our state. Mr. Tawney blushed. "Glad you like it." "If you will stay till Friday you may have the pleasure of seeing us bury the silver bill so deep I hope it will never be heard from again.

The father and daughters looked at one another. The expression on their faces was one "Really, Mr. Towne," said the old gentleman, "we-" "Oh, it is Towne you want." raid Tawney, divining the situation, "Stay

where you are and I will send him out to A TEMPERANCE STRAW.

The Showing of Corkscrews Made the There was a pleased expression on the stern features of the angular woman with the rasping voice, as she regained her seat in the accommodation train. She had just walked up one side and down the other of the long isle, relates the New York Herald, and had spoken a few hurried words to each man as she handed him a copy of a temperance trace

"The world is growing better," she said, leaning over and addressing the man in the end seat. "You see, there is so much difference of opinion on the subject that you can't get any intelligent idea from studying sta-tistics. I'm a worker in the noble cause of temperance, you know, so I thought I would do a little investigating for myself." "Am I to understand, madam," replied the

man, turning his head half way round, "that the result of your labors shows that the world is growing petter? "That's it exactly," she returned. "As soon as I entered the train and saw that it was nearly full of men I knew that the time for

original investigation had arrived. When I handed out this beautiful little tract I asked each man point blank if he was a drunkard It did my heart good, as you may well imagine, to hear each of them answer that he wasn't. "But, my dear madam," argued the man, "it takes a pretty hard drinker to make a

"Nonsense," broke in the woman. "There can be no fine distinctions in a question of this kind. A man who drinks is nothing else than a drunkard. I'm satisfied with the test I made, for I could see that each man answered my question honestly."
"I won't attempt to argue with you, madam," said the man. "I'll just make a little test of my own."

Stepping out into the aisle the man sang

drunkard."

out in a cheery tone that echoed through the length of the car:
"Say, boys, any of you got a corkscrew?" In a moment a smile came over the man's features as he slowly counted seventeen hands lifted up in the air, and he was about to address the woman, when he saw that she had fainted, and that the conductor testing the virtue of her dearly loved

An Ancient False Tooth Unearthed. A skull found in a gravel pit in North Waco demonstrates one of two things: reckoned by geologists, or methods employed by dentists supposed to be of recent inven-tion were practiced in antiquity. The teeth in the skull found were filled with a sub-stance which the local dentists say was unknown ten years ago, and there was a false ooth set on a plate in a manner regarded as belonging to the present decade. The skull was taken out from beneath a gravel stratum four fe∘t thick, which stratum was five feet under loam and clay. About four feet from the skull were some bones of a human foot. No other portions of the skeleton could be

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills

Popular Modern Novels.

Yale students taking the modern novel

course have expressed their opinion that

"Lorna Doone" is the finest modern novel they have read during the course. This novel got 140 votes, "A Gentleman of novel got 140 votes. "A Gentleman of France" came next with only forty-five votes, Howells' "A Modern Instance" and Stevenson's "Treasure Island" came next in order

A RELIC OF THE PAST.

NO LONGER NECESSARY.

Surgical Operations for the Cure of

Piles and Rectal Diseases

Medical Discovery Which Will Change the Treatment of All Such Diseases.

ome physicians, but by people in general that the common, painful and exceedingly annoying trouble, piles, was practically incurable by any other means than a surgical operation, and this belief has been the cause of years of needless suffering, because of the natural dread of surgical operations. There are many salves, ointments and similar remedies on the market which afford some relief in cases of piles, but the Pyramid Pile Cure is the only preparation so far introduced that can be reliably depended upon to cure to stay cured every form of itching, bleeding or protruding piles.

Mrs. M. C. Hinkley of 691 Mississippi
street, Indianapolis, was told by her physi-

cians that nothing but a surgical operation costing between seven and eight hundred deliars could cure her, as she had suffered for fifteen years; yet even in such a case as hers the Pyramid Pile Cure accomplished a complete cure. She says: "I knew an operation would be death to me and tried the Pyramid with very little hope, and not to bew endered at that I am so enthusi-actic in its praise." Major Dean of Columbus, Ohio, says he not to be wondered at that I am so enthusisuffered for forty years from piles, and twenty ears from itching piles, and in his

twenty ears from itching piles, and in his case two packages of the Pyramid cured him.

Mr. D. E. Reed of South Lyons, Mich., says: I would not take \$500 and be placed back where I was before I used the Pyramid Pile Cure. I suffered for years, and it is now eighteen months since I used it and not the slightest trace of the trouble has returned. The Pyramid Pile Cure is sold by nearly

all druggists at 50 cents and \$1.00 per pack-age, and as it contains no opium, cocaine or