RHEUMATISM
CAN NOT BE RUBBED AWAY

It is perfectly natural to rub the spot that hurts, and when the muscles, nerves, joints and bones are throbbing and twitching with the pains of Rheumatism the sufferer is apt to turn to the liniment bottle, or some other external application, in an effort to get relief from the disease, by producing counter-irritation on the flesh. Such treatment will quiet the pain temporarily, but can have no direct curative effect on the real disease because it does not reach the blood, where the cause is located. Rheumatism is more than skin deep—it is rooted and grounded in the blood and can only be reached by constitutional treatment—IT CANNOT BE RUBBED AWAY. Rheumatism is due to an excess of uric acid in the blood, brought about by the accumulation in the system of refuse matter which the natural avenues of bodily waste, the Bowels and Kidneys, have failed to carry off. This refuse matter, coming in contact with the different acids of the body, forms uric acid which is absorbed into the blood and distributed to all parts of the body, and Rheumatism gets possession of the system. The aches and pains are only symptoms, and though they may be scattered or relieved for a time by surface treatment, they will reappear at the first exposure to cold or dampness, or after an attack of indigestion or other irregularity. Rheumatism can never be permanently cured while the circulation remains saturated with irritating, pain-producing uric acid poison. The disease will shift from muscle to muscle or joint to joint, settling on the nerves, causing inflammation and swelling and such terrible pains that the nervous system is often shattered, the health undermined, and perhaps the patient becomes deformed and crippled for life. S. S. S. thoroughly cleanses the blood and renovates the circulation by neutralizing the acids and expelling all foreign matter from the system. It warms and invigorates the blood so that instead of a weak, sour stream, constantly depositing acrid and corrosive matter in the muscles, nerves, joints and bones, the body is fed and nourished by rich, health-sustaining blood which completely and permanently cures Rheumatism. S. S. S. is composed of both purifying and tonic properties—just what is needed in every case of Rheumatism. It contains no potash, alkali or other mineral ingredient, but is made entirely of purifying, healing extracts and juices of roots, herbs and barks. If you are suffering from Rheumatism do not waste valuable time trying to rub a blood disease away, but begin the use of S. S. S. and write us about your case and our physicians will give you any information or advice desired free of charge and will send our special treatise on Rheumatism.

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Gesture language still exists in parts of Australasia. Some tribes possess so excellent a code that it is almost as efficient as a spoken language.

For a violin by Petrus Guarnerius, dated 1695, £260 was given at a recent sale in London; while one by Nicholas Lupot fetched £240.

Opinion Confirmed.

"Explosion of a cargo of soap," read Tired Thomas, who had picked up a discarded paper.

"There!" exclaimed his traveling companion. "I always told you that stuff was dangerous."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Preference.

The Court—Six years at hard labor. You'll get a chance to learn a trade, my man.

Burglar—Judge, couldn't I be permitted to learn it by—er—correspondence course?—Puck.

Her Given Age.

Bacon—The average age of persons arrested in New York City is 22½ years and one out of five is a woman.

Egbert—I suppose the age liable to be given by the woman brings the average away down.—Yonkers Statesman.

Not Conclusive.

Society Leader—What! Is there a report out that I am going to marry Col. Gazoop? Why, I don't even know him!

Matronly Friend—That proves nothing, my dear. I have been married to Dr. Permangan for thirty-seven years, and I don't know him even yet.

Said She.

Prof. McGoozle (suddenly checking himself)—Pardon me, Miss Genevieve, for talking so long. When I get started on my hobby I never know when to stop. I ought not to have assumed, anyhow, that you are interested in antiques.

Miss de Muir—Indeed I am, professor. I could listen to you for hours.

Somewhat Different.

The honeymoon was only a memory.

"On our wedding day," she said, "I was under the impression that you had filled my heart with sunshine."

"Well?" he queried.

"But I find," she continued, 'that it was only moonshine."—Chicago News.

Pleasant for Clarence.

The sharp, penetrating voice of the young woman's mother rang out on the still night air.

"Marie, come in the house this minute! Haven't I told you——"

"Mamma," interrupted an equally sharp voice, appearing to come from somewhere on the front porch, "this isn't Jack! This is Clarence!"

Americans and American capital are going into Ceylon to assist in the development of the tea-growing industry this year as never before.

Sir Henry Samuel, who was a Unionist candidate for Parliament, is the author of this bull: "The legislative garden of the Liberals is an arid swamp."

The Limit.

Biggs—The Dopsons are very exclusive, I understand.

Diggs—Yes, indeed. Why, they even have wire screens on their doors and windows so their flies can't get out and associate with the flies of their neighbors.

"Hurrah."

The history of many a race may be read in its battle cry. The "Banzai!" of the Japanese, the "Faghaghballah!" of the Irish, and our own "Hurrah!" have found their origin far back in history.

Although many authorities have declared that the word "hurrah" is a development of the Jewish "Hosannah," the consensus of opinion now is that it is a corruption of the ancient battle cry of the wild Norsemen, "Tur ale!" meaning, "Thor aid us!" Formerly the word was spelled "Huzza" and pronounced "Hurray." In one form or another it is used by almost every nation.

"Pass the East Wind."

Miss Agnes Slack, secretary of the International W. C. T. U., told on the Merion, as she was about to sail for Liverpool, a temperance story:

"A little boy, one evening at dinner, gazed at his father's face a long while, and then said:

"'Papa, what makes your nose so dreadful red?'

"'The east wind of course,' the father answered with gruff haste. 'Pass that jug of beer, and don't talk so much.'

"Then, from the other end of the table, the boy's mother said sweetly:

"'Yes, Tommy, pass your father the east wind, and be careful not to spill any on the table cloth.'"

A Close Guess.

"The word is 'q-u-a-r-t-z, quartz,'" said the teacher. "Now, can you use it in a sentence, Maggie?"

"Why," replied the little girl, "it's like this here: 'When a gent loves a lady he quartz her.'"—Philadelphia Press.

Getting Out from Under.

From the depths of her inner consciousness Mrs. Shelley had evolved a hideous monster in the shape of a human being, but destitute of all the moral attributes of humanity.

"Still," she reflected, "no fair minded person can accuse me of being a nature faker. I am not charging nature with having any hand in the production of this monstrosity."

In elaborating the story, however, she cleverly dodged all responsibility by putting the entire blame on a helpless and unsuspecting student of the name of Frankenstein.

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MILITIA MAY BE CALLED UPON

Governor Will Take Possession of the Road by Armed Force if Necessary to Enforce Laws.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 6.—It is not unlikely that troops will be ordered out within a few days to take possession of the line of the Southern Railway, the cancellation of whose license to operate in the state is calmly ignored by the company. A four-hours' conference held here this afternoon between Governor Comer, Attorney-Gen. Garber and prominent attorneys, including two ex-Chief Justices of the Supreme Court, is believed to have resulted in a determination to make wholesale arrests of officials of the Southern road if that company does not recede from its present position.

A state official close to the Governor made the statement that Governor Comer was going to use every power at his command to make the Southern Railway obey the laws of Alabama.

"If the railroad carries out its threat to stop all business inside the state and confine itself to only interstate business," said this official, "then the Governor will order out the state troops and take possession of the railroad, which has already placed itself in the attitude of a mob, defying the rightful authority of the state. This action would be followed up by an extra session of the legislature, at which a law would be enacted whereby the railroad would be placed in the hands of a receiver in less than 60 days."

STANDARD CANNOT ESCAPE.

Only Two Pretexts, and Neither One Will Hold.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Two avenues of possible escape are open to the Standard Oil Company, but whether one or both are taken the government will be found strongly intrenched, confident of repeating the victory it scored in Judge Landis' court. The trust may appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals on a writ of error, or to the Supreme Court of the United States on constitutional grounds. One appeal will not conflict with the other, and no further appeal lies in either case. The Circuit Court of Appeals has final jurisdiction in questions of error affecting the law in the case, and so far as Judge Landis' official acts in the construction of the law are concerned, the Supreme Court of the United States can only consider one question.

Under article 8 of the Constitution, "excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted." In the opinion of officials of the Department of Justice, the case can reach the Supreme Court on the ground that the $29,240,000 fine is excessive, because the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the defendant, has capital stock of only $1,000,000 and assets of only $10,000,000. The astute lawyers employed by the trust may find other constitutional questions to raise in the Supreme Court.

The government is ready to meet such an issue and is confident of victory. It will reply that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana is, as Judge Landis has construed, the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the great Standard trust, in fact, and that the fine imposed upon the trust must be measured by the resources of the trust, and not one of the subsidiary, dummy branches.

By the Department of Justice attention is called to the common practice in criminal courts of imposing fines upon vagrants, when the inability of the culprit to pay the fine is known to the court. But such sentences have never been construed as excessive fines.

Brakeman's Strike Is On.

Denver, Aug. 6.—Officials of the Colorado & Southern Railroad said today that 75 strikebreakers were on the way to Denver from different parts of the country to take the places of switchmen, yardmen, brakemen and others of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen who are on strike to enforce the demands of switchmen and yardmen for an increase in wages of 2 cents an hour. This is the principal development in the strike. One freight train was sent out of the yards today manned by non-union men.

National Irrigation Congress.

Sacramento, Aug. 6.—Plans for what is expected to be the greatest irrigation celebration in the history of this country were announced here today by the Board of Control of the Fifteenth National Irrigation Congress. There will be a two weeks' session of festivals, celebrations and jubilees held in connection with the congress, which opens in this city September 2. Heretofore the congress has been largely Western in its composition, but this year a special effort has been made to give to it a National character.

About to Start North.

Spitzbergen, July 25, via Tromsoe, Aug. 6.—The Wellman-Chicago Record-Herald polar expedition has been hampered greatly by a high wind, which at times became a violent gale, threatening the balloon-house. The damage done has been repaired and as arrangements now have been perfected and the apparatus has been found to work most satisfactorily, it is hoped, unless further accidents occur, to start for the pole about the middle of August.

Captured Jap Poachers.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 6.—Advices have been received here of an attempted sealing raid by the Japanese sealing schooners Kaike Maru and Midori Maru on the seal rookeries at Cooper Islands, guarded by Russians. The schooner Kaike Maru has returned to Miyako, Rikusu province, Japan, and reported three of her sealing boats and 12 men captured by Russians.

FINED $29,240,000.

Great Monopoly Is No Better Than Counterfeiters or Robbers.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—Judge Kenesaw M. Landis Saturday in the United States District Court fined the Standard Oil Company, of Indiana $29,240,000 for violations of the law against accepting rebates from railroads. The fine is the largest ever assessed against any individual or any corporation in the history of American jurisprudence. The case will be carried to the higher courts by the defendant company.

The penalty imposed on the company is the maximum permitted under the law and it was announced at the end of a long opinion, in which the methods and practices of the Standard Oil Company were mercilessly scored. The judge, in fact, declared in his opinion that the officials of the Standard Oil Company who were responsible for the practices of which the corporation was found guilty, were no better than counterfeiters and thieves, his exact language being:

"We may as well look at this situation squarely. The men who thus deliberately violated this law wound society more deeply than does he who counterfeits the coin or steals letters from the mail. The nominal defendant is the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, a million-dollar corporation. The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, whose capital is $100,000,000, is the real defendant. This is for the reason that, if a body of men organize a large corporation under the laws of one state for the purpose of carrying on business throughout the United States and for the accomplishment of that purpose absorb the stock of other corporations, such corporations so absorbed have thenceforth but a nominal existence. They cannot initiate or execute any inherent business policy, their elimination in this respect being a prime consideration for their absorption. So, when after this process has taken place, a crime is committed in the name of such smaller corporation, the law will not consider that the latter corporation is the real offender. And where the only possible motive of the crime is the enhancement of dividends and the only punishment authorized is a fine, great caution must be exercised lest the fixing of a small amount encourage the defendant to further violations by esteeming the penalty to be in the nature of a license.

"The defendant argues that to hold it for 1,462 offenses would be a violation of the constitutional prohibition against the imposition of excessive fines, and it is urged that congress could never have intended to confer upon the court such power. It is the view of the court that for the law to take from one of its corporate creatures as a penalty for the commission of a dividend-producing crime less than one-third of its net revenues accrued during the period of violation falls far short of the imposition of an excessive fine, and surely to do this would not be the exercise of as much real power as is employed when a sentence is imposed taking from a human being one day of his liberty.

"It is the judgment and sentence of the court that the defendant, the Standard Oil Company, pay a fine of $29,240,000."

Under the seven indictments still pending against the Standard Oil Company, an additional fine amounting to $88,440,000 may be levied against the company.

How to Make Public Pay.

How the Standard Oil Company can exact payment from the public: Fine imposed by Judge Landis, $29,240,000; attorneys' fees (estimated) $260,000; total fine and costs $31,500,000. Present price (average grade) kerosene per gallon, 12 cents. Proposed price, same, 13 cents. Gallons refined kerosene to one barrel crude petroleum, 15. Number gallons to be sold at increase of 1 cent per gallon over present quotations to reimburse Standard Oil, 3,150,000. Number barrels crude petroleum, 210,000,000. Increase in dollars, $31,500,000. Capital stock Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, $100,000,000. Capital stock Standard Oil Company of Indiana, $1,000,000. Wealth of John D. Rockefeller in excess of $1,000,000,000. (Exact figures not known to himself.) Rockefeller's interest in Standard Oil (27 2-5 per cent total capitalization), $27,400,000. Figures based on one barrel crude petroleum producing 35 per cent kerosene and by-products, paraffin, lubricating oils, etc.

Flogged in Public View

Hazelton, Pa., Aug. 5.—Louis Samobolla, accused of wife-beating, was publicly flogged by Alderman McKelvey, before whom he had been brought for a hearing. After the testimony had been given, Alderman McKelvey seized the man by the collar, dragged him into the street, pulled the coat from his back and then handcuffed him to a post. The crowd divined his intention, and a man took off his belt and gave it to McKelvey. The alderman is young and strong, and the flogging was vigorous.

Sultan's Army Vanquished.

Tangier, Aug. 5.—Reports from Tetuan say that mountain tribesmen last night attacked and vanquished the government forces under General Bagdadi, the chief of the Sultan's army, who is conducting the operations against the bandit Raisuli. Several Caids are among the killed. General Bagdadi had his leg broken. There is no truth in the report that a bank at Casa Blanca had been pillaged, and the story that the servants of the British consular agent at Elksar had been murdered is discredited.

Virginia Roads Give It Up.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 5.—Shortly before midnight the state officials received a telegram from the attorney of the Virginia railroads to the effect that the 2-cent rate would be put into effect on or before October 1, on condition that the matter should be taken to the courts for a final decision as to its legality.

The statement given out by the railroads is that they have determined to give in to the people and to end the conflict.

Coin Design His Last Work.

New York, Aug. 5.—Through a letter from President Roosevelt, made public, it was learned that Augustus St. Gaudens, the famous American sculptor, who died, had designed the new gold coins which are now being completed. This design is probably the last completed work that left the hands of the sculptor.

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He Took a Rest.

As it is undoubtedly true that one man's meat may be another man's poison, so it happens sometimes that what seems like work to one person is regarded as recreation by another.

"Had a good lecture on Alasky, didn't we, Eb?" asked one of Mr. Dodd's neighbors, meeting him the day after the lecture. "To sit there peaceful as pie for two hours, hearing him reel off the information and seeing those pictures cast on the screen, was a grand rest for me, beat out with cranberrying as I be."

"It was a good enough talk," admitted Mr. Dodd, in a grudging tone, "but it didn't rest me any to speak of. Between having to set stock still without a chance to get in a word for two mortal hours and crane my neck looking at those views, I was pretty well wore when I got home.

"But I took the lantern out into the woodshed, and by the time I'd split up a week's kindlings I felt kind o' rested an' calmed down."

Dogs and Musical Tones.

The capacity of dogs to distinguish musical tones has been made the subject of elaborate experiments by Dr. Otto Kalischer, of Berlin, and the results have just been published in the proceedings of the Berlin Academy of Sciences. Dr. Kalischer trained his dogs to pick up and eat morsels of meat set before them only when a certain note was sounded.

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How the Ball Wound Up.

"Yaas, de beauty an' chivalry ob Smoketown mingled in the ballroom."

"Mingled, yo' say?"

"Mingled till 'bout 'leven o'clock. Den dey mixed."—Houston (Texas) Chronicle.

The London milkman covers his route on foot, pushing a hand cart with three wheels, which carries his cans of milk and his different measures.

Clever at That.

"Who is that seedy-looking man over there?"

"That's Burroughs. He's a real master at constructing short stories."

"Oh, an author, eh?"

"No. I mean he can think up any number of ways of telling you he's broke."—Philadelphia Press.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

One Exception.

Mrs. Wickler—Dear me! how all the necessaries of life have gone up.

Wickler—No; they haven't all gone up.

Mrs. Wickler—Well, I should like you to mention one thing that hasn't gone up.

Wickler—Certainly. My salary.—Illustrated Bits.

Water from an artesian well at Ostend which has been wasted for fifty years has now been discovered to possess medicinal qualities similar to the waters of Vichy.

"Improving," said the professor of vocal training. "By my dear madam, it's—er—not the same voice at all."

Not Committing Himself.

"Do you find my daughter's voice improving, Mr. Belcher?" asked Mrs. Upmore.

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"So you are one of the men who went west to grow up with the country,"

"No," answered the prosperous and serene citizen. "I am one of the men who went west to show the country how to grow up properly."—Washington Star.

He Had Enough.

"Here's a note," said the postal clerk, "from a man complaining that his mail isn't delivered regularly."

"What's his name?" asked the chief.

"Vladevoledoweschowski."

"Huh! With that name you'd think he had all the letters he needed."—Philadelphia Press.

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PRECIOUS STONES OF THE WEST.

Sapphires Found in Montana Are Very Hard—Opals Brittle.

Many precious stones found in the far Western States come to a lapidary of Portland, Ore., to be cut, says a dispatch to the Indianapolis News. The principal stones cut are sapphires, garnets, rubies, opals and agates. Besides these, he polishes and trims large quantities of gold quartz and any amount of pebbles from the seashore and mountains. Talking of his work one man said:

"Sapphires are next to diamonds in hardness. I get a large number of these to cut, most of them coming from Montana and Ceylon. Those from the Indian isle are the most expensive, but I have known people to come into my shop and pick out a Montana stone in preference to the other. These stones run from a white to a deep blue. Many have red and pink shades in them.

"Following the sapphires in value and hardness to work are the rubies. These popular stones are simply red sapphires, so far as I have been able to judge, after having handled hundreds of both sorts of the gems. They come from the same localities—Montana and Ceylon—but nearly all are mined in the copper State.

"Garnets are very often brought to me for transforming from rough, ugly-looking stones to pretty gems. Many of these are not worth the cutting, but one does not know this until after 'the deed is done.' Very often a man will come in and show me a stone in the rough and ask my opinion of it. Now, one cannot judge the true value of a gem until it is cut, but I make a guess as to what I think it will be. I am about as often right as wrong, for many times the stones that I did not think were worth while, turn out to be beautiful gems, while others that bore promise of being fine are not worth the time spent on them. The best garnets I receive are from Arizona and New Mexico, although many come from eastern Oregon, Idaho and Montana. They are not very hard to cut.

"Idaho and eastern Oregon send a great number of opals to this city. I also get some stones from Austria and Mexico. I often find some rare beauties in those sent from Idaho and Mexico, but the finest are found in Hungary.

"Opals are hard to cut on account of their being so brittle. This is why the stone became known as an unlucky one. Workmen hated to have to cut them, for often just as a job was about finished the stone would break.

"Amethyst, topaz and crystal quarts are sent me from various parts of the United States. Most of the first are found in the Lake Superior region, while the topaz is obtained in Rocky Mountain States. There is very little difference in the work of preparing these two gems for the market.

"Pink and green tourmalines are sent to me from southern California, as well as the new gem, kunzite, which is of a lilac color.

"Jade is very hard to polish. This stone is the toughest known, and takes what we call a greasy polish. The best of this stone is found in China and New Zealand. There is a light, dirty-looking jade found in southern Oregon, and while it has the toughness of the sort from over the seas, it does not have the color, and so is valued at almost nil.

"Gold quarts is fixed by cutting it with a fine saw into the desired shapes. I can tell the name of the mine from which any gold quarts is obtained from eastern Oregon or Idaho by simply looking at a sawed section of the mineral.

"Every little while some one comes in with a package under the arm. He looks around to see if there is any one about the shop other than himself. Right then and there I put it down that the visitor has what he thinks is a collection of diamonds in the rough. I always ask the location of the claims, for the reason that I get so much of this work that I may have examined half the rocks in the neighborhood, and could tell in a minute whether there was any likelihood of diamonds being found in the collection.

"But none of these persons will tell me where they found the rocks until I have reported the result of the investigation. They are afraid I want to find the location of the diamond mine and steal it from them."

This Woman's Plaint.

"What is especially needed at the present time," said the busy woman, "is a new style compliment for thin people. The attitude of the public toward the 'willowy' type of human being, especially the female species, is puzzling. Those who carry a few extra layers of flesh seem to feel a consuming compassion for those whose frame is less abundantly covered. In their opinion the greatest compliment they can pay a person of my meager proportions is to exclaim:

"'Oh, how well you are looking. Your face is ever so much fuller than it used to be.'

"Just as sure as I meet anybody who wishes to be particularly agreeable she—or maybe he—says that. They think it will make me feel nice and comfortable. But it doesn't. I don't want my cheeks to stick out like full moons. I don't want to be fat, I don't want to be even stout. In fact, very few thin people do want to. That is why I cannot understand the prevalence of this form of compliment. No one would ever think of saying to a stout person, 'Oh, you are so much thinner than you used to be,' or to a florid person, 'Oh, you are so much whiter than you were.' Then why address remarks so extremely personal to the lean and hungry Cassiuses of either sex with the idea of pleasing?"

You can't get an unprejudiced opinion of your new suit by asking a man: "How do you like my new suit?" If he likes it, he will bring up the subject himself.

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His Little Pile.

Mr. Corson, owner of the sawmill, had his eye on every stick of timber in the county, and the owner of every poor little clump and grove had his eye on Mr. Corson and the rising prices of lumber.

George Wales cut his thin squad of pines, trimmed the logs, and piled them in his front lot by the road. Then he waited for the time when he should accidentally be visible on the place and Mr. Corson should drive by.

The encounter took place in due time. Mr. Corson rattled past in his wagon, took a sidelong look at the pile of logs, and called, "Say, George, don't you know it ain't polite to throw your toothpicks round the front yard?"

Useful.

"I hear old Grandpa Jinx has passed away."

"Yes, and the family miss him very much."

"I should think they would be glad for him, he had the palsy terribly."

"Yes, but they used to fasten him to the churn and he'd bring the butter in no time."—Fort Worth Record.

All Tangled Up.

The boy temporarily in charge of the "morgue" in the office of the Daily Thunderbolt was not sure whether he had found the portrait the night editor wanted or not, as there was no name on it.

In despair he called up that functionary through the telephone.

"Say," he exclaimed, "I wish you would send somebody down here that can tell me whether this is a cut of Senator Knox, Boss Croker or Harry Orchard, and be blamed quick about it!"—Chicago Tribune.

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