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What Put It Out.

"Accidents?" said the old sea captain. "No, we never have any to speak of on this line. Why, one trip about a year ago the ship caught fire down in the hold, and we never discovered it till we got into port and began to discharge."

"That's strange. What put the fire out?" "Why, it burned down through to the sea and the water put it out. Couldn't burn the water, you know."

And the captain walked away smiling, while the interlocutor was so astonished that he never thought of asking why the ship did not sink.—London Speaker.

"Every man has his price," sententiously announced the philosopher of the all night drug store, where the street railroad franchise was being discussed.

"Well," said the wit of the establishment. "I wish somebody would discover my price and offer it to me."

"My boy," solemnly remarked the perfumery drummer, who had not spoken before that evening, "there is no smaller coin made than a cent."

And for several seconds there was no sound heard save the drip, drip of the real mineral waters from the hydrant.—Buffalo Express.

Boston's Public Library.

In Boston, at least, is a public library where the eye may share its pleasure with the mind and our popular taste may gain that impulse in the right direction for which, with us, the opportunity is still far too meager. We have had no Medici to adorn our streets, and often our public buildings have been the deplorable issues of inexperience and political scheming. Now, for once, we have an enduring monument worthy of our material prosperity and progress.

Turning away, we linger and look back at the long inscription of its northern facade—"The Commonwealth Requires the Education of the People as the Safeguard of Order and Liberty"—and we are profoundly grateful to the commonwealth which has justified itself so nobly that all the world may learn from it a useful lesson.—Scribner's.

A New Test of Sobriety.

Shibboleths to test sobriety, or comparative sobriety, in the case of supposed drunkards have often been heard of, and have generally been looked upon as jokes for the dinner table or the smoking room. From a case reported at the Westminster police court, it appears that a doctor, examined as a witness, has invented a test phrase which he regards as infallible. It is, "The artillery extinguished the conflagration early." This may be very effective, and it was tried successfully on a cabman (the defendant), but the doctor need not have taxed his inventive powers. There is the "Peter Piper" and one or two more not quite so elaborate. "Biblical criticism" and "British constitution" have long been favorite tests, but the best is probably "Mrs. Smith's fish sauce shop."—London News.

In all governments there must of necessity be both the law and the sword; laws without arms would give us not liberty, but licentiousness; and arms without laws would produce not subjection, but slavery.—Colton.



To remove warts from the hands soak them with acetic acid and apply lunar caustic.

In cases of profuse nosebleed sniff up extract of witch hazel and cold water.

An excellent remedy for burns is made by mixing equal parts of lime water and raw linseed oil.

Ten drops of aromatic sulphuric acid, taken in water at bedtime, will help to counteract severe night sweats.

The best effects from quinine can be secured by taking one or two grains in powdered form before each meal.

Ten grains of bicarbonate of soda in a glass of water, or a small piece of carbonate of magnesia will dispel heartburn.

When gums are very sensitive and bleed readily, rubbing with tincture of myrrh several times a day will give great relief.

Chronic rheumatism sometimes yields to doses of syrup of hydriodic acid. Dose, two teaspoonfuls taken in water half an hour before meals.

Weak eyes may be benefited by bathing them every night with a solution composed of one teaspoonful of pure salt and a pint of warm water.

A tablespoonful of extract of malt, with cod liver oil, may be used with good effect when a person is anxious to gain flesh. Take immediately after meals.

A lotion composed of ten grains of citric acid, one ounce of glycerine and one ounce of rose water comprises a standard preparation for removing freckles or sunburn.

The following is a simple remedy for headache: Citrate of caffeine, thirty-two grains; bromide of soda, one ounce; elixer of guaiacum, four ounces; dose, a teaspoonful every three hours.

Shampooing the scalp with green soap and tepid water twice a week, with later daily application of an ointment containing one dram of tannin and one ounce of vaseline will effectually remove dandruff.

Hives in an adult may be alleviated by a dose of five drops of salicylate of soda, taken every three hours. The tormenting itching can be lessened by applying a lotion composed of one part of water of ammonia, one part of spirits of camphor and two parts of alcohol, as required.

EXTREMES IN HUMAN NATURE. Hassan Ali, the Egyptian Giant, and Fritz Christian, the Swiss Dwarf.

The two extremes in human stature are men. The tallest man in the world is an Egyptian named Hassan Ali, 18 years of age, 8 feet in his stocking feet, and what is rare in giants as well as in dwarfs, good looking, having dark brown eyes, a full chin, small nose and prominent ears and lips.

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An Honorable Vegetable.

The nutritious and wholesome onion occasionally finds its vindicators. At the thriving Montana city of Anaconda there is a dining club, called the Anaconda Onion Society. Its first feast was recently given with distinguished success.

Down the center of the hall, says the Anaconda Standard, was set a long table, with covers for all the guests. At each plate there was a large and juicy onion; in the middle of the table was an array of meats, bread, fruit-crackers, cheese and other things.

At one end of the hall floated the standard of the club in proud conspicuousness. It consisted of a pole surmounted by a string of the vegetables from which the society takes its name. On the wall hung this motto, beautifully wrought: "Onion There Is Strength."

Each member wore a pretty boutonniere of little onions. The occasion was greatly enjoyed by all the participants, and the society hopes to do much to restore the onion to the honor and esteem of the world.

In Montana, as well as on the whole of the Pacific slope, the onion attains a deliciousness of quality which is comparatively unknown on the eastern side of the continent. If the people of the East could have onions as good as those of Montana and California, it is possible that the Anaconda Onion Society might find imitators in the East.

Peace In a Great City. I should say that yesterday was one of the most peaceful days that has been passed by society this winter.

After a careful perusal of the papers I didn't see that one single person had sued any one else for divorce, that any one had been robbed of silver or diamonds or that the Belmont-Vanderbilt crowd had done anything to warrant any more publicity.—Cholly Knickerbocker in New York Recorder.

POT BOILING.

From the running of the maple trough in the Spring to the boiling of the apple butter pot in the fall, and all the household boiling between times, there are a thousand chances of very severe scalds and burns. In all households, winter and summer, in great factories and in nurseries, where careless children play with matches, there is need of something to be always on hand in such emergencies, and St. Jacobs Oil fills that want to the letter. With careful attention to directions for use, there is nothing more soothing, healing and curative than this great remedy for pain. It cures promptly, and making a scald or burn no scars. The pain of scalds or burns is acute and torturing, and the relief by the use of the Oil is immediate and sure.

Hark, the springtime peep; "I have seen the bluebird's wing." Yes—the wretch—but what of that? On his sweetest heart's wing hat. —Louisville Courier Journal.

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Prominent among the New England men whose brains and energy have helped to make the western states rich and powerful is General David T. Beals, president of the Union National bank of Kansas City. Successful in his many enterprises, he lives today in a fine mansion at the corner of Independence and Wabash aves.

The work and the responsibility incumbent upon the president of so important a banking institution as the Union National would endanger the stoutest health. Gen. Beals' clear-headedness and good sense were as manifest in the choice of a remedy as in his business enterprises. He strengthened his tired nervous system by the use of Paine's celery compound. Its invigorating, health-giving effects justified his expectations, and showed in his own case the remarkable power of this much-discussed remedy for thoroughly restoring and strengthening the "run-down" system.

"I found Paine's celery compound an agreeable tonic and soothing to the nerve," says General Beals.

These are the concise words of commendation characteristic of the conservative business man and the influential banker, who has learned to weigh well his words.

The sunny sunlight and the stagnant, used-up air of living rooms during the winter reduces the strength and nervous energy, especially of per-

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It is a fact worth commenting upon that men and women of national reputation and prominence, like Gen. Beals, State Treas. Colvin of New York, Mr. Carlisle's private secretary, Mayor MoShane of Montreal, Rev. Fr. Ouellet, Com. Howell, ex-Minister to Austria John M. Francis, and a host of others who are careful what they employ when sick and have the amplest opportunities for finding out what is best, have of their own accord sent letters describing fully their permanent recovery from rheumatism, heart weakness, sleeplessness, debility, kidney trouble, and diseases of the stomach and liver. In all these cases Paine's celery compound was the remedy that was able to completely and permanently bring back health, make poor blood again rich and pure, and regulate and build up the nervous system when weakened and deranged.



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With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a congested condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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The invitation is certainly worthy of the consideration of the afflicted, who for years, have been taking nauseous nostrums without effect; who have ostracized themselves from home and friends to live in more salubrious climates, where the atmosphere is more congenial to weakened lungs, and who have fought against death with all the weapons and strength in their hands. There will be no mistake in sending for these free bottles—the mistake will be in passing the invitation by.

Mr. Wallace—Is your sister Alice an obliging girl? Willie—Obliging ain't no name for it. she's all the time obliging me to do what I don't like.

Fritz Christian, who is the antithesis of Hassan Ali, is a Swiss and only 2 feet 6 inches in height. All is young enough to grow taller, but Christian has reached his full stature, being now 23 years of age. He came to this country from Switzerland very recently and has made his home at Stony Creek, Ohio.



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Just as Liable to Get It. A Rockford man proposes to begin a search for treasure buried by the Aztecs, after which, it is to be presumed, he will begin a hunt for any gems that Noah may have dropped out of the ark. —Chicago Post.

He's a Poobah. There does not appear to be much of a scramble for public office in Tawas City, Mich., as one man there is village marshal, street commissioner, truant officer, night watchman and lamplighter.

Should We Recognize Her? If by chance our government should stumble over Cuba in the dark, will it doff its cap and say, "Excuse me; I didn't recognize you?"—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

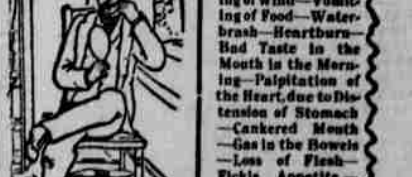
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