## Hood's Sarsaparilla

Has won success far beyond the effect of advertising only.

The true secret of its wonderful popularity is explained entirely and only, by its unapproachable Merit.

Based\_upon a prescription which cured people considered incurable, which accomplished wonders astonishing to the medical profession,

#### Hood's Sarsaparilla

Includes the concentrated values of the best-known vegetable remedies, united by such an original and peculiar com-bination, proportion and process as to secure curative power peculiar to itself.

Its cures of mild and extreme cases of scrofula, eczema, psoriasis, and every kind and degree of humors, as well as catarrh and rheumatism-prove

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the best blood purifier ever produced.
Its cures of dyspepsia, biliousness, nervousness, loss of appetite and that tired feeling make it the greatest stomach tonic, nerve-builder and strengthrestorer the world has ever known.

#### Hood's Sarsaparilla Is a thoroughly good medicine. Begin to take it TODAY. Get HOOD'S.

Consumption in Norway. Vital statistics published recently in

Norway show that about 7,000 inhabitants of that country die annually rom consumption.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tableta

Age of Tree Maturity.

Authorities on forestry say that 75 years are required for the oak to reach maturity; or the ash, larch and elm, about the same length of time; for the spruce and fir, about 80 years. After this time their groth remains stationary for some years, and then decay begins. There are, however, some exceptions, for oaks are still living which are known to be 1,000 years old.

#### CATARRH CANNOT BE CURED

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined —th the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing estarth. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Proprs., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, price 75c.

Halls Family Pills are the best.

#### Distance Between the Earth and Sun.

About 50 of the principal observatories of the world are now co-operating in a great programme of observation for improving our knowledge of the distance between the earth and sun. it.

## Will Revolutionize Water Navigation.

W. A. Heath, of Rawlins, Wyo., says he has invented a flying machine which will revolutionize water navigation as well as solve the aerial navigation problem.

YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TAKING When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic, because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Qui-ains in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. 50c.

## In Memory of Hamilton Fish, Jr.

A bronze base relief tablet in memof Hamilton Fish, Jr., who was killed in the Spanish-American war, has been erected in Columbia university.

# Contagious **Blood Poison**

There is no poison so highly contagious, so deceptive and so destructive. Don't be too sure you are cured because all external eigns of the disease have disappeared, and the doctor says you are well. Many per-sons have been dosed with Mercury and Petash for months or years, and pro-nounced cured—to realize when too late that the disease was only covered up— the Bogots Likes driven from the surface to break

out again, and to their sorrow and mortifi-cation find those nearest and dearest to them have been infected by this loathsome disease, for no other poison is so surely transmitted from parent to child as this. Often a bad case of Rheumatism, Catarrh, Scrofula or severe skin disease, an ald sore or ulcer developing in middle life, can be traced to blood poison con-

tracted The Sin of the Parent. life, for it remains smoldering in the system forever, unless properly treated and driven out in the beginning. S. S. S. is the only antidote for this peculiar virus, the only remedy known that can overcome it and drive it out of the blood, and it does this so thoroughly and effectually that there is never a return of the disease to embarrase or humiliate you afterwards.

See the containe no mineral to break down your constitution; it is purely vegetable and the only blood puriler known that cleanase the blood and at the same time builds up the general

poison is the most complete and instruc-tive ever issued; it not only tells all about this disease, but also how to cure yourself at home. It is free and should be in the hands of everyone seeking a

ME SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, CA.

#### HOW SHE ADDED NOTHING.

Parsimonious New York Millionaire and His Generous Wife.

Mr. Chalmers of the Red Cross national organization was in the city recently while chatting with some friends at his hotel told a quaint story, which he vouched for as letter true, about a certain famous New York millionaire. "I will name no names," he said, smilingly, "but the gentleman to whom I refer enjoys a wide reputation for parsimony of the extreme. kind. He has no use for his huge fortune, and I really believe he would like to be generous, but he has pursued money so long and so eagerly that it has become a moral impossibility for him to let go of much at any time. His wife, on the contrary, is very charitable and is a liberal giver. One day last spring a committee of clergyman called on the old gentleman with a subscription paper for a boys' industrial school, intended for the education of street waifs. He had expressed interest in the institution, and they confidently expected him to put down his name for several hundred dollars at least. He received the callers cordially and invited them to unfold their manner. They spent upward of an hour rehearsing the particulars and brought all their eloquence to bear in describing the good they hoped to accomplish. When they finally talked themselves out the millionaire asked for the subscription list. 'Times are mighty hard,' he said, sighing deeply, and I had intended making a very modest donation, but in view of what you have told me I'll just double the amount.' With that he sets down \$10 opposite his name.

The poor clergyman were so crushed that they took the paper and filed out in dead silence, but in the front office they encountered the rich man's wife. She knew of their project and began at once to question them in regard to it. While they were talking her husband happened to look out. 'Martha,' he called sharply, 'I've already given those gentlemen as large a subscription as we can afford. I want you to add nothing to it.' 'Very well,' she replied, sweetly, and put two ciphers after his \$10."-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

## HE CAN WAKE THE JUDGE.

Philadelphia Lawyer Exercises a Trick of the Voice with Success.

There is said to be lawyer in Philadelphia who possesses a trick of the voice to which a certain measure of his success is due. The trick consists in waking the Judge. Whether it is a common practice for the high dignitaries of the Federal Supreme bench to indulge in a nap in the course of a long argument, such happenings are not unknown, and it is well for an able logician of the bar to be prepared for

would seem to be something in the na ture of slamming a law book under his nose or connecting his personality with the current of an electric battery. But the trick is explained as purely a matter of sound involved in the skillful control of the voice. It is said that a you going to find it putting your feet plump condemnation upon every veil barrister practiced in the art and rhetoric of addressing the bench can gather all the waves of sound from his throat into a focus and deposit it in the Judge's ear with the general effect of a bomb. The trick, however it is accomplished, is said to have been worked repeatedly with success on the late Judge McKenna, whose habit of going to sleep on the bench was once a up from the furnace. That would pronotorious subject of comment in the celebrated litigation over the Berliner

telephone patents. This queer trick of the voice, while it is said to be the pecular property of one celebrated lawyer, is probably attempted often with varying success by

## Another Fresh 'Un.

Mrs. C. is one of those unfortunate ladies who are rarely out of communication with the servants' registry office. Tradesmen and others who frequently call at her house are metatthe door by a perpetually changing staff of domestics. On one occasion when a ring was heard, for some reason or other Mrs.C. herself went down, and, opening the door, found outside the milkboy with the afternoon's dole of milk. Seeing her, he leaned against the doorway and gave vent to a prolonged whistle. Then, imagine her feelings when he addressed her thus:

"What, another fresh 'un? You will not stay here long. I lay. She is a beauty, she is."-London Tit-Bits.

Aggravating the Offense. The absurdity of many of the com mon forms of speech comes upon us at times with something like a shock.

A man who was making his way in to a crowded omnibus with considerably more haste than was necessary trod roughly upon the toes of a weman

passenger. She uttered an exclamation of pain and he stopped long enough to say:

"I beg a thousand pardons, ma'am." "The original offense was bad enough," she replied, "without asking me to issue a thousand pardons for it. I will grant you just one pardon, sir." There was a general titter as he sat lown, and he did not step on anybody's oes when he went out.

Limitations of Linguists. The great linguists have never been great, save in their specialty. No great linguist was also great as an author. The ability to learn languages does not seem to co-exist with talent in other

It is an easy task to convert the average man to any theory that promises to no radiators er registers. I've looked however, be very trying if the mesh be benefit him financially.

lines.

#### \* BASE-BURNER THE THING.

The Old Man Says It Beats Other Heaters and that Steam and Hot Air Won't Do for the Family Use 

old-fashioned base-burner," said the old a good base burner just beats a crack man as he stretched out his hands to- fortune teller all to pieces every day in ward a glowing pattern of his favorite the week. And all this is the reason heater of the style of about 1885. about these other things, even natural gas," he continued. "Some way or family together and makin' 'em feel another they don't go to the spot-not | right." with me. They make me feel just like I had on a new pair of boots, and mighty bad fitting ones at that. They go against the grain and don't make me feel at home. And, besides, they don't always deliver the goods. Now, just look at this one. You bet it delivers the goods all the time."

The old gentleman was right, at the moment, at least, for in the lamplight not be permitted to decree modes whose scheme in detail, which they proceed. You could fairly see the heat shooting ed to do, greatly encouraged by his away from the base-burner. The thermometer registered 87 degrees and the furniture near by was beginning to smell had raised up on the side next the stove.

> "Yes, sir," went on the base-burner advocate, "you can't find anything that'll touch the base-burner." tainly his proposition would not have been disputed just then.) "There's a a base-burner that is in good working find any poetry in looking down into a from yearing it.
>
> register that is spouting up nothing but Go and ask an oculist his opinion, and a big stream of hot air, and how are what he has to say on the topic is to

"Well you can talk about your steam | and found out how to do just the right heat and your hot water pipes and your thing. All I had to do was to keep lookfurnaces and your natural gas all you in' there long enough and the way was want to, but as for me give me the good | made clear. Why, I want to tell you why I maintain that a base-burner is "There's something kind of artificial the only thing to have in the house fer heatin' purposes and fer gettin' the

#### VEILS AND THE EYESIGHT.

Women Often Ruin Their Vision by Wearing Such Gauze.

One would naturally suppose the eye sight is of such inestimable value that rational human beings would scrupulously shun all risk of impairing it, and that above all things fashion should effect is to weaken that most sensitive of the organs, the eye. Yet it is a deplorable fact that many of the fashions are blindly followed by the fair "scorchy" and little warts in the paint sex at the behest of some "leader" in the gay world of society.

The vell is one of the fashions of the present, as it has been of past times. The sex is divided in opinion as to the effects of the vell upon the vision, but where you will find one to maintain lot of poetry to be found looking into that such an adornment fades the complexion you will find ten to aver order. Now, where are you going to that no penalties would prevent them



AROUND THE OLD BASEBURNER.

dren and the old folks can get together in the right kind of style. Imagine a or snuggling up to the hot air shooting ger arises. mote a family feeling in fine style, wouldn't it?"

"You see, the old base-burner, with its ruddy glow and radiating heat, just against the side of the house, then's lowed by thinner silk ones, which in

up against a steam radiator? Shucks! that is worn. Yet he will admit that, There's nothing in the world like a while some nets are extremely dangerbase-burner for the family to gather ous and deleterious to the eyes, others around. I tell you the base-burner is are almost uninjurious. There are the heart of the home. Here the chil- fashions in nets and gauzes, and many are the variations with which the veil is worn, but in England it always covfamily gathering around a steam coll ers the eyes, and it is here that the dan-

Of all the vells ever tried, the ideal one is yet to be discovered. Some women can trace step by step its evolution throughout the century. They have heard their grandmothers talk about sends out good feeling that can't be the white lace "fall" that used to be resisted. When the winter blasts are liked, and themselves can recollect the howling outside, fairly shaking the thick green, blue, gray, white and green chimney, and shricking around the gauze horrors worn to protect the comcorners and banking up the snow plexion from tan. Those veils were fol-

Then come the guite condemned vells which have chenille spots all over them; they are bad in proportion, as their dots are close and large or scanty and small, but they are less sight-wearing than a veil that is patterned as well as spotted, a veritable agony to sensitive sight. White vells are often much more evil in their effects than black, for the material, be it tulle or net, possesses a faculty for dazzling the vision and making everything seen through it wavering and ill-defined. Finally, has not the case been proven that those who are conscious of strain, a lack of clarity of sight or weariness after wearing a veil, should give up the task of looking smart at the expense of vision. Even the strong argument in favor of veils of a sensible and clear mesh. which the oculists do not attempt to deny, namely, that such nets do keep the eyes from the assaults of grit, especially during a drive or while cycling and motoring, should not appeal to the weak-sighted.

#### COLOR OF GOLD COINS.

Reasons for Differences in Tint of Coins of French Mintage. Some time ago a Frenchman placed together a numbers of gold coins of French mintage of the beginning. middle and end of the last century. He

was much surprised to see that they differed in color. He set about finding out the reasons for this difference, and the results of his investigations have been published in else, I agreed to take them. That was

There is a paleness about the yellow had used three boxes I could note very of the ten and twenty-franc pieces plainly the change for the better, which bear the effigies of Napoleon When I had used the seventh box I I. and Louis XVIII. that is not observed in the gold of later mintage. One admirer of these coins speaks of their color as beautiful paleness" and expresses regret that it is lacking in later | weight from 140 pounds at the comcoins. The explanation of it is very simple. The alloy that entered into the French gold coins of those days contained as much silver as copper, and it was the silver that gave the coins their interesting paleness.

The coins of the era of Napoleon III. were more golden in hue. The silver had been taken but of the alloy.

The gold coins of to-day have a still warmer and deeper tinge of yellow. This is because the Paris mint, as well as that in London, melts the gold and the copper alloy in hermetically sealed boxes, which prevents the copper from being somewhat bleached, as it always is when it is attacked by hot air; so the present coins have the full warmness of tint that a copper alloy can give.

If the coins of to-day are not so handsome in the opinion of amateur collectors as those issued by the first Napoleon, they are superior to those of either of the Napoleons in the fact that it costs less to make them. The double operation of the oxidation of copper from the surface of the coins, allowed ration money in all cases. formerly practiced, made them less resistant under wear and tear than are the coins now in circulation.

## PARIS IS BEST FORTIFIED.

Twenty-one Miles of Tefenses Now Guard the French Capital.

The best fortified city in the world is Paris. It is defended by seven great forts about the city, eight miles away from its walls; nineteen smaller forts four miles out, each containing three acres and mounting two ninety-fiveton guns. Great stacks of 100-pound melinite shells are ready for these guns to hurl. There are twenty-one miles of continuous fortifications about the town-earth-work walls 150 feet thick at the base and fronted by fortyfive-foot monts. So cleverly are the forts masked by long slopes of green turf and the walls by trees and bushes that one can pass in and out of Paris a dozen times and see scarcely a trace of its fortifications.

The range of the ninety-five-ton guns



SIGHT TRAPS-FIVE SPECIMENS OF THE INJURIOUS VEIL.

the time you realize what home would their turn were deposed in favor of be without a base-burner. That's the those of thread lace, after which came time that all of us hustle up to the the many abominations still exploited, stove in a kind of semi-circle. Nobody to wit, mesh nets dotted and patterned gets clear behind the stove, where the in various ways. chimney is, but that's the only place they leave clear. Then we just have a tailed ones again, and a feeling has good old family talk. Me and the boys also come in there for the utter banyank off our boots so's to get real comfortable and the women folks peel the apples an' we crack nuts, eat popcorn an' drink cider an' have the all-tiredest good time you ever did see.

"Then if any of the boys has got bruises on their ankles where their boots rubbed while they were tryin' to skate, this is the time that mother gets out her home-made salve and fixes 'em up. You can't do tricks like that in front of a hot water radiator. I s'pose if the boys broke through the ice and come in with their feet wet they could, maybe, dry with furnace er steam heat, but they couldn't do it quick and do it good and right, like they could with the old base-burner.

"An' you say all you please about these new-fangled heats, but you can't make me believe that you er me could ing, too. It has no spots at all upon it, look at 'em hard enough er long enough and so does not worry the poor tortured to see things in 'em. They wouldn't eyes that have to dodge spots or vainly help you none to solve yer problems er and unconsciously try to focus them. lighten yer burdens. But you can git one of the worst possible exercises to all that kind of help out of the base- which weak or imperfect sight can be burner. Ye can see figures and things put. The retrograde step is taken by in the red-hot coals you couldn't find in Russian net veiling, which need not, into them coals many and many a time fine, for it is unspotted.

Just now they are wearing most curishment of the vell. A more uncomfort able and imbecile affair for afternoon teas than the mask and the chin veil is cannot be imagined.

It is a sign of grace, perhaps, that the question which is being much debated now among smart people is whether the veil does not accomplish so much harm to the visual organ as to outweigh all other considerations in its favor. They wonder whether a vell could not be contrived that would leave the eyes uncovered, while it beautified and protected the rest of the face. As a pattern, nothing could be better than the Turkish woman's yashmak, which is justly held to be the most modest face covering in existence.

The very best is a vell as fine as gossamer, which can also be most becomis fourteen miles. To work these guns Paris has 50,000 trained artillerymen among her reservists. She could man every gun twice over, garrison all her forts with infantry reservists and put a dozen cavalry regiments into the field for scouting purposes. Such a performance no other city on earth could rival. At every 1,000 yards along the inner

slope of the fortifications is a threestory guardhouse. Some 20,000 troops could thus be sheltered within call of all attackable points. Every horse over 4 years old is registered. The general staff could choose from some 120,000 horses. There are in Paris 1,600 cabs, with three horses to a cab-48,000 mounts fairly suitable forcavalry. Add 20,000 tram and bus horses and 50,000 draught horses—the balance may be taken as in private hands. The military stores of Paris are boundless. In a day she could arm and clothe 450,000 fighting men with 70,000,000 rounds of melinite cartridges, and at the army bakeries she reserves large stores of

#### A Spider's Thread. What we call a spider's thread con-

sists of more than 4,000 threads united. The girl who used mucilage to keep her hair in curl has been much stuckup ever since.

Fools are apt to discern the faults of others and overlook their own.

# HARD TO BEAR

Story of a Druggist Who Was Always Compounding Remedies for Others Yet Suffered Agonies Himself.

From the Republican . Eldorado, Ill. Perhaps in no case where stomach trouble was the ailment has the efficiency of a popular remedy been so thoroughly demonstrated as in the case of W. E. Mathis, a prominent druggist

of Eldorado, Ill. The story as told by

Mr. Mathis is as follows: "In the spring of 1894 I had a very serious case of indigestion. My stomach commenced to give me great trouble, and, while I knew the nature of the pain, I did not at first use the proper precaution. For some time I did not pay any attention, but it gradually grew worse, when I consulted a physician, who prescribed for me. I used his medicine according to instructions. I began to experience nervous spells, became subject to congestion of the stomach, and considered myself in a precarious condition. The physician's medicine and other remedies I tried failed to benefit me.

"One day a friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I considered it a useless experiment, but as I had tried everything three and a half years ago. When I

was cured. "The pills have not only cured the indigestion, but they have also cured my nervousness, my blood is in perfect condition, and they have brought my mencement of the stomach trouble to 180 at present.

"If any one who reads this desires to know more of my experience I will gladly answer letters which enclose stamp for reply.

W. E. MATHIS, Sworn and subscribed to before me this 27th day of June, 1900. Thos. D. Morris.

Justice of the Peace. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold at all druggists or will be sent direct from Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y. Price 50 cents per box; six boxes, \$2.50.

#### Night in Kansas City.

Conductor-Why don't you stop for them three fellers that signalled? Motorman-I got me week's salary in my pocket, and you bet I ain't takin' chances like that.

## Salary of Marine Band.

The leader of the marino band the copper and cleaning it off the sur- Washshington gets \$1,500 s year, and face of the cein with acids is no longer the first and second class musicisme 360 employed; and the large elimination of | and \$50 a month respectively. They are

## Pald \$3,700 for a Cow.

The highest price ever paid for a Hereford cow was brought by Carnation, which animal was sold to J. C. Adams, of Moweaqua, Ill., for \$3,700 at a Kansas City exposition. The previous high price record was \$3,150.

# Will Experiment With Japanese Oysters.

Eastern oysters do not reproduct well in the colder waters of Oregon and Washington. An attempt is to be made, therefore, to acclimate there the fine large oysters of Northern Japan.

## To Be Sure.

Quizzer-"What does it mean by "hiding your light under a bushel?" Guyer-"Sending valentines without writing your name on 'em.

## Church Membership at Newton,

The ministers of Newton, Kan., have just completed a religious census of that town. They found 5,358 persons in 1,453 families and of these people 2,316, or less than half, professed to be church members.

#### Union Elects Negro Vice-Presidents. It is the custom of the Alabama dis-

trict of the United Mine Workers to elect a negro as vice-president. The Powers That Be.

#### "Hush! Not so loud. We're having a conference of the powers."

"Eh? Who is conferring?" "My wife, my mother-in-law, and the cook!" Tramps Are Scarce There. A Missouri judge has hit upon a

novel plan for getting tramps to leave town. He sentences all brought before him to 30 days' work on the streets and gives them half an hour to get their tools. That half hour sees them well on their way. Exports of Coal Grow.

#### this country has shipped abroad coal and coke to the value of almost \$20,-000,000.

The exports of coal continue to grow

monthly, and to 10 months this year

Pitch Cloak for Life-Saving. A pitch cloak is the newest form of life saving apparatus. It is a Swiss invention. It weighs about one pound, and will keep even a fully equipped soldier above the surface of the water. It has water proof pockets in which food and dirnk may be carried, as well

#### shipwrecked in the night. Abandoneu Farms Being Taken Up.

as blue lights, in case the wearer is

The abandoned farms of Massachusetts are fast being taken up. Three years ago there were 830 thus classed in the state. A recent enumeration shows there are now but 136.