

## America's

Greatest Medicine in the Medicine for You.

Do not experiment with untried preparations. Be satisfied only with the great and best, Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has cured multitudes of people and is kept in hand in thousands of homes as the only safe and reliable family medicine. It will defend you from the dangers of summer.

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In America's Greatest Medicine. \$1; six for \$5.  
**Hood's Pills** cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

**Folding Megaphone.**  
The megaphone has come into almost universal use at athletic and aquatic races and contests because it enables the judges and other officers to make announcements that can be heard all over the field. Its adoption has been somewhat hampered by the size of the instrument, which is too bulky to be conveniently transported, but this has been overcome by making them collapsible like the drinking cup made for travelers and picnickers. The folding megaphone is made in sections, one fitting in the other, and when not in use the horn collapses into a package about the size of a hat box.

**WHAT WILL BECOME OF CHINA.**

None can foresee the outcome of the quarrel between foreign powers over the division of this ancient but unprogressive race. Many people in America are going to pieces because of dyspepsia, constipation, liver and stomach troubles, and are living too fast, but strength, vigor and good health can be retained by using the above disease with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

Naples is to be connected with Mount Vesuvius by a direct railroad line, which will connect with the cable line running to the top of the volcano.

**TRY ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.**

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen, nervous, and hot, and get tired easily. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain and gives rest and comfort to the feet. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Sent by mail for 50c in starbottle. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, New York.

The Russian pood, a measure of capacity in handling grain, is equal to 36.1 pounds.

**FITS** Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after the first dose of Dr. Allen's Great Nerve Restorer. Sent for FREE. 25c trial bottle and bottle for \$1.00. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, New York.

The waters of the Grand Fall of Labrador have excavated a chasm 30 miles long.

Try Schilling's Best tea and baking powder.

It is asserted that plate glass will make a more durable monument than the hardest granite.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the best of all cough cures.—George W. Lott, Faber, La., August 30, 1885.

It is announced that Italian experiments on vegetable life with Roentgen rays have shown that the effect is identical with that of sunlight.

**For the Summer Girl.**

A love in soft white tulle is just made for the summer girl. It has an airy, fairy fold of white tulle round it, and two quills curve back from the knot in front. White violets coquet with Miss S. G.'s tresses in the white. It is ideal summer hatgear, all white and inexpressibly dainty.

**Prevents Drying of Mucilage.**

Mucilage cannot dry up nor the brush become hard in a new bottle which has a rubber stopper. In the center of which the brush handle is formed, the handle adjusted by a screw socket as the mucilage is exhausted.

**He Would Try.**

A Denver girl kissed a soldier good-bye at the depot with the remark: "God bless you; stand up for Colorado." Between his sobs he replied: "I'm from Nebraska, but I'll try to stand up for both states now." Thereupon she kissed him again for Nebraska.

In the town of Chillicothe most shops are open till midnight, and during the hot afternoons, when everybody takes a siesta, they are locked up.

"Red rain" dust from a heavy fall at Melbourne in 1894 has proven identical in composition with ordinary soil from volcanic rocks.

New Jersey was the first state permitting the right of suffrage to women; this was done nearly 100 years ago.

It takes eight times the strength to go upstairs that it requires to accomplish the same distance on a level.

The average velocity of the Gulf stream is three miles.

**REGAINED HEALTH.**

Gratifying Letters to Mrs. Pinkham From Happy Women.

"I Owe You My Life."

Mrs. E. WOOLLEIGH, Mills, Neb., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I owe my life to your Vegetable Compound. The doctors said I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. My menstruation had stopped and I was losing blood and turning to water. I had several doctors. They all said I could not live. I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it helped me right away; my menses returned and I have gained in weight. I have better health than I have had for years. It is wonderful what your Compound has done for me."

"I Feel Like a New Person."

Mrs. G. L. LEACH, 1609 Belle St., Alton, Ill., writes:

"Before I began to take your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer from womb trouble. My menses would come two and three times in a month, causing me to be so weak I could not stand. I could neither sleep nor eat, and looked so badly my friends hardly knew me.

"I took doctor's medicine but did not derive much benefit from it. My druggist gave me one of your little bottles, and after reading it I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I feel like a new person. I would not give your Compound for all the doctors' medicine in the world. I can not praise it enough."

**WILL & FINK CO.'S SPRING EYE GRASS PILLS AND CURE FOR EYE NEEDLES.**

Will & Fink Co. is the maker of all eye needles. For sale by all general merchandise stores, or by

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Where all eye needles are made. In time. Sold by druggists.

**CONSUMPTION.**



## Love Story of the War.

Love to you and bids you not to grow discouraged.

"Any word from Lucy?"

"None."

I had never known Charlie to be so reticent about his letters, which he usually handed me for perusal. But this I saw him put away in his breast pocket.

In the days that followed I had little time to wonder what had made my mate so downhearted and gloomy. Then came that memorable day in July, which none can forget who lived to tell its tale of horror. Charlie was shot by a side on Seminary Ridge. I saw at a glance that he was badly wounded and picked him up in my arms to carry him back to the lines.

There I laid him down, putting him in the care of one of our boys, whose arm was shattered by a bullet.

"Stay with him," I begged, "until I return, and if he should be dead, do not let his body be buried. I promised to return to him in his poor old mother."

Toward night, when the battle ceased, I hastened back to my friend Charlie. He had died while I was gone, and his body lay in a long trench with hundreds of others ready to be covered

with earth as soon as the men who had dug this wholesale grave could reach their breath and complete their terrible work. The guard I had put over him stood by the side of the ditch where he lay.

"Lieutenant," said he, "Mr. Ferguson requested me to tell you that the letter in his breast pocket should not be taken out by any one but you. He said he told you to see him."

Gently I lifted the body in my arms and from his pocket extracted the document he had left me. I thought it perhaps a memorandum of his last wishes, which he wanted me to carry out. The receipt over his heart carried nothing but a letter. It was from Aunt Jane.

Reverently I opened it. I knew that Charlie was fond of her, but I never dreamed that he loved her and had asked her to be his wife.

"I love another," she wrote. "You may guess it is my old playmate, Ben Stutiff, but he will never know. He is madly in love with Lucy—she has forgotten him. Yesterday we received the announcement of her marriage with a wealthy Boston merchant. Do not tell Ben that she has married. He would be crushed to blast his hopes in these hard, trying times."

My eyes filled with tears as I read Lucy's letter. A sigh for Lucy, yes, for Lucy, I thought of her, but the pain her faithfulness gave me was wiped out by Aunt Jane's divine love.

I placed the letter in the pocket over my heart. There it lay until I returned to Marcelline at the close of the war. Aunt Jane stood by the gate to welcome me. My father had died, but my mother was still there to greet me.

"That night under the trees of the old homestead, with no other face but the moon for a witness, I told Aunt Jane of my find."

She turned scarlet and then deadly pale, but before she had time to say from me I caught her in my arms and kissed her the passionate kiss that made her my wife.—Utica Globe.

**Needed His Right Hand.**

"I have heard and read many pathetic stories," said Senator Hoar, recently, "but none ever awake so much sympathy as one which Professor Gallaudet related. The professor has a favorite pupil—a little deaf mute boy, exceptionally bright. Mr. Gallaudet asked him if he knew the story of George Washington and the cherry tree. With his nimble fingers he quickly repeated the story, and he proceeded to repeat it. The needless gesticulations continued until the boy had informed the professor of the mutilated tree and of his quest for the mutilator. 'When George's father asked him who had cut the cherry tree,' signed the 'colorless child.' 'George put his hatchet in his left hand.'"

"Stop!" interrupted the professor. "Where do you get your authority for saying he took the hatchet in his left hand?"

"Why," responded the boy, "he needed his right hand to tell his father that he cut the tree."

**A Queerly Milkmaid.**

The Queen of the Belgians and Princess Clementine, while driving in a pony-cart one day last summer, had a charming rural adventure, which the London Post describes:

They stopped at a farmhouse to buy a glass of milk. Nobody but an old, paralyzed woman was in the house, and she replied that no milk was left in the jugs, and that she was unable to go to milk a cow.

"Never mind," said the queen; "if you will allow me, I will go to the pasture. Just tell me where the jugs are."

"But, my dear lady, you are from the town, and you will never be able to milk a cow," objected the old woman.

She was mistaken, however, for with a little later her majesty returned with a milk pail on her head. Princess Clementine had laid on the table three bowls, a loaf and the needed knives and plates. The old farmer's wife was served by the princess, who, it appears, greatly enjoyed the adventure.

**The Largest Congregation.**

The largest congregation in America is that of St. Stanislaus Kostka, in Chicago, which has 30,000 communicants. The number of attendants at the several Sunday services frequently exceeds 15,000.

A woman never gets so old that she outlives an attachment for the wedding presents which were given her.

The turtle may be slow, but he usually gets there in time for the soup.

**Rock Carvings of the Ancients.**

On coils in the rock carvings of the ancients the umbrellas of the past are familiar form. This goes to prove that Jonas Hanway did not invent the umbrella, but he saw the value of the eastern sunshade and soon it became the fashion to carry this useful article.

**Where They Missed It.**

"I am very much surprised to hear that they are married. I thought he was merely flirting with her."

"He thought so, too."—Cotton's Weekly.

The people waste a terrible portion of their lives in trying to be prettier than the Lord ever intended them to be.

We have noticed that every man with a big mustache is very fond of soup.

## SIBERIANS IN CHINA.

Wild Race of the Siyots Fled Before Russian Invasion.

One of the most curious of many curious people who make up the great nation of China is the Siyots. They live in the far interior, north of the desert of Gobi, in a region of which little is known. The best maps of the country close to the boundary line between China and Siberia, and the headwaters of the Yenki, are inaccurate, and are of little value to the traveler.

The Siyots are Chinese only by adoption. When the Russians invaded Siberia 300 years ago the Siyots refused to bend the knee. They retreated southward and forced their way into the Chinese empire. They disappeared a quiet and peaceful people in order to make homes for themselves.

The Siyots are a nomadic people. They live in portable tents, built of latwood, and the tent is an arrangement of boxes which serve as seats and beds. They also hold the family stores. The Siyots live the Turbets. The latter have no boxes inside their tents and the Siyots consequently have a superior contempt for them.

The Siyots are a people of religious and evidences of their religion may be found all over the country. At every dangerous ford or difficult mountain pass are piles of stone or sticks adorned with bits of rag or with wisps of horse hair. Every man who crosses the stream or mountain adds a trifle to bend the knee. They retreat southward and forced their way into the Chinese empire. They disappeared a quiet and peaceful people in order to make homes for themselves.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The highest waterfall in the world is Chocoma, in Yosemite, Cal., which is 2,655 feet high, or just half a mile.

Not within living memory has there been known so abnormally snowless a winter in European Russia as the past season.

A medical correspondent at Paris writes that Dr. Mossa has established the fact that the blood of eels is poisonous.

A curious fact has been noted by Arctic travelers—snow when at a very low temperature absorbs moisture and dries garments.

Gun cotton is cotton wool, washed then soaked in nitric acid and three parts of sulphuric acid, washed in water, pulped and dried.

It has been found in Switzerland that in building a railway, laborers could work one-third longer at a height of 10,000 feet as a mile lower.

The Rhind manuscript now in the British museum is the oldest intelligible mathematical work extant that has ever been deciphered.

The largest theater in the world is the Grand opera house of Paris. It covers more than three acres of ground, and cost \$3,000,000 francs.

The creatures known as ocean hydras have no heart, no lungs, no liver, no brain, no nervous system, no organs save mouth and skin.

Glaciers vary in length from year to year, and apparently in cycles of years also, those of the Alps having shown a general diminution since 1850.

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