

U. S. Government Baking Powder Tests.

The report of the analyses of Baking Powders, made by the U. S. Government (Chemical Division, Agt Dep't), shows the Royal superior to all other powders, and gives its leavening strength and the strength of each of the other cream of tartar powders tested as follows:

LEAVENING GAS.		
Per cent.	Cubic in. per cu. in.	
ROYAL, Absolutely Pure, 13.06	160.6	
12.55	151.1	
11.13	133.6	
10.26	123.2	
9.53	114.	
9.29	111.6	
8.03	96.5	
7.28	87.4	
4.98	25.5	

Royal Baking Powder is absolutely pure, and of greater leavening power than any other powder.

John Plankinton's Oration.

A noble type of the man who knows how to do good with his money was John Plankinton, of Milwaukee. Mr. Plankinton's charitable deeds began in early life, from the very generosity of his nature, and were continued uninterruptedly. What he has done is best attested by the fellow citizens of the great pork packer who had shared his public munificence and were thoroughly cognizant of his many private charities. In illustration of the esteem and love in which he was held it is related that when President Cleveland visited Milwaukee in 1887, the applause which greeted him as his carriage drove along the streets was nothing to the ovation given John Plankinton, who rode in the procession. When, a year or two later, Mr. Plankinton's body was borne to the cemetery, all the houses along the line of the funeral march were draped in mourning and expressions of personal sorrow were heard on every hand. It was a tribute to a rich man who spent his money wisely and who knew what was beautiful in a life that is worth living.

Mutual Interrogatories.

"William," said she, severly, "how many more years are you going to ask me to marry you?"

"Clara," said he, with equal sternness, "how much longer are you going to persist in refusing me?" — Merchant Traveler.

THE REASON.

Let us look into the force, meaning, reason of the oft-repeated: Cures Promptly and Permanently.

Pains Endured for 30 Years, 25 Years, 20 Years, 10 Years,

Have been promptly cured by ST. JACOB'S OIL.

By the use of:

A FEW APPLICATIONS A HALF BOTTLE ONE BOTTLE TWO BOTTLES.

Correspondence with sufferers shows entire permanence of cure up to this time, in some cases covering 5 Years, 7 Years, 8 Years, 10 Years,

and so on, and this proof we hold.

A copy of the "Official Portfolio of the World's Foliesten Exhibition," descriptive of buildings and grounds, beautifully illustrated, in water-color effects, will be sent to any address on receipt of 10c in postage money. — The Charles J. Vassell Co., Boston, Mass.

"August Flower"

The Kind of Music Bandoliers Liked. Literature is on the border of science, draws inspiration from it, and finds in the marvels of physiology motifs of disquietude and fear—an unpublished shudder, in fact, to speak a little after the manner of Victor Hugo. Charles Bandolier certainly had an influence on this particular movement. I hear him still telling us with a grimace not to be forgotten "I adore Wagner." He had been one of the first to defend him in Paris. But the music I prefer is that of a cat hung up by his tail outside of a window and trying to stick to the panes of glass with its claws. There is an odd grating on the glass which I find at the same time strange, irritating and singularly harmonious.—Jules Claretie in North American Review.

YOU AND I.

Not he who says it on the shelf, But he who spends his time. JOHN R.

He gives birth to what gives him.

And best or worse is he who craves it.

A thousand with our work success.

One brings us closer together to speak it.

He only never finds who seeks it.

The atom with the supreme sun.

Of Nature's works was made partaker.

Alas! has each its course to run.

And show the wisdom of its Maker.

The steady seasons come and go.

The constant needle strangely faltered.

The moon draws sea ways to and fro;

Opinions change, truth never alters.

We may resist our foe's assaults,

His steers that sting, his hounds that bate.

Correction of our daily faults.

We find another, harder master.

Self has no claims when duty calls.

Our destinies receive our shaping.

Escape we may from prison walls,

But from ourselves there's no escaping.

The cruel conquests of the sword.

Bring fleeting fame that soldiers sigh for.

The cheering smile and winning word.

Bring love that thousands pine and die for.

An accident, a lucky star.

Might lead us to the alder's niches.

Not what we have, but what we are

Is the imperishable riches.

Is there a course we should pursue?

Through ruin's realm we must pursue it.

Though death confront us we must do it.

Not how to die, but how to live.

Demands our care and best endeavor.

For character its light will give.

When sun and stars are unclouded forever

—E. N. Pomeroy in Youth's Companion.

They kill, but Do Not Smoke.

The average Kalulu does not regard murder as a crime. It is kill or be killed in his own country, and he therefore regards the matter of the taking off of a friend most philosophically. "There is nothing to worry about; he is dead, and I killed him," will tell you if you should inquire about a companion with whom he was on the best of terms the preceding winter. I have heard an Afghan, while purchasing a weapon, speak with evident gusto of the occasion when he would use the gun to murder a friend. It caused him as little concern, this contemplated crime, as if he had said, "Shall kill a chicken, if God so wills it, tomorrow for my pillow."

And yet there is something childish and affectionate about these men. They never seem to forget favor and repay it to the best of their ability. Unlike other Mohammedans they do not observe the Koran with blind obstinacy, but occasionally stretch its precepts to accord with their ideas of religion. They do not drink for that is directly against the law, nor do they smoke. San Francisco Chronicle.

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Money in Electricity.

A very recent estimate of the capital invested in the electrical industries in the United States is \$720,000,000, and of this amount \$350,000,000 represents the proportion which electric lighting and power have at attained; \$100,000,000 is also the estimated investment in electrical supplies, of which the electric lighting and railway appliances constitute a large proportion. — Pittsburg Dispatch.

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