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(Data from the latest Official U. S. Government Report on Baking Powders, Department of Agriculture, Bulletin 13, page 599.)

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FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

The Message in the Glass. Boys and girls are often wont to write messages to each other, sometimes in cipher and sometimes with the letters formed backward. The simplest way of reading the latter is by holding it in front of the looking glass and reading the reflection. The Science Amusant tells of a more novel and amusing way to accomplish the same thing. It is as follows:

Fill a glass with water and hold it above the eyes. Place the paper in the water so that the tops of the letters will be turned down and apply to the opposite side of the glass. Look now at the in-



terior horizontal surface of the water, and you will see just above the edge of the paper the inverted image of paper and words, with the letters right side up. This curious phenomenon is owing to what is called total reflection. The rays emitted by the inscription are reflected on the inferior horizontal surface of the water and impressed on the eye rays reflected by a mirror. If you place the eye too low, the image will disappear, for the incidence of the rays of light having diminished the eye will then see objects placed above the level of the water.

A Queer Yacht Race.
Boys and girls would surely have laughed if they could have seen a funny yacht race which took place in Central park last summer. The two yacht owners were two little boys named Joe and George, and their yachts were of course the Valkyrie and the Vigilant. George owned the Vigilant, and Joe the Valkyrie. In the race the Vigilant won, which was very nice for the patriotic little Americans who watched the race. The Valkyrie upset and was washed ashore an hour later with her sails all torn and nothing left of her but a piece of kindling wood.

Both the yachts were strips of lath a foot long. Holes were bored in each end and pieces of white cloth served for sails. To English flag floated from one, and the American flag from the other. Both yachts were launched at precisely the same moment, and then all the boys and girls stood on the banks of the lake and cheered while the yachts sailed away before the breeze.

It was a swan—of those beautiful, big, white ones with a long graceful neck—that upset the Valkyrie, for the swan was not used to seeing a yacht race and poked out her long inquisitive bill to find out what it all meant.

It was rare sport for boys and girls, for you may be sure that none of them had ever before seen a yacht upset by a swan.

An Animal Flower.
The inhabitants of St. Lucia have lately discovered the most wonderful plant. It grows in a cavern, in an immense basin of brackish water that has overflowed from the sea. The bottom basin is covered with pebbles and each pebble with from one to five of these plants, which, for want of a better name, are termed animal flowers.

The curious creatures, which are in all shades of color, remind one of a beautiful flower bed. To the sight they are a perfect flower, but on the approach of a hand or a stick they retire out of the middle of the flowerlike disk that provides for each of these filaments is provided with a pincher for reviving prey. They live upon the spawn of fish and marine insects. Whenever the pinchers immediately close, and there is no escape for whatever has been caught.

The Band.
Now, Katie, come, roll, roll the drum, And let the music swell, And while I try this dance to hum I hope you'll play with me, Look, little band, my hand I'll wave, And then the time I'll beat. Now, Frank and Phil, play louder still, Then softly—ah, that's sweet!

Good Advice to Boys.
Honor should not be in the direction of statecraft and literature alone, but may be acquired, and with it wealth and power, by any American boy who starts in life with no capital save a clean heart, willing hands and the best possible use of the brains God has given him. Enduring success and honors await the youth who labors diligently, and who, upon his own exertions for success. The element of luck plays roughish tricks sometimes, but he who toils waits for fortune will receive scant favor from the fortunate jade. —Blue and Gray.

Royalties at St. Helena.
Napoleon Bonaparte has two royal successors on the island of St. Helena. They are Dintzho, the son and heir of Cetewano, the Zulu king, and Undaboko, brother of the same monarch. The claim of St. Helena obliges them to wear a blanket or some heavy covering much of the time. It is doubtful whether they will ever leave the island prison alive. —Paris Herald.

Why are buttons on men's clothing on the right hand side and on women's clothing on the left hand side? This is curious, but true. It would be interesting to know the reason.

A DOG'S CHARITY.

Remarkable Case of a Hood's Sarsaparilla For a Companion. Late in the afternoon of a raw day in November, as the doctor alighted from his carriage at the door of his stable after a long drive over frost-bound roads, he was somewhat startled by the sudden appearance of a bound, which trotted up to him without ceremony, and seizing him by the skirt of his long driving coat endeavored to pull him in the direction of a shed at the end of the stable. The doctor, somewhat startled rather vigorously, whereto the dog immediately released his hold, but instead of running away retreated in good order toward the shed, whence he presently reappeared and tugged at the coat as before.

Having freed the horse from the shafts of his buggy, the doctor went into the house for a lantern. As he came out the bound again approached and repeated the performance. This time, greatly to the creature's delight, the doctor followed him into the shed, and there in a remote corner, stretched at full length upon his side and evidently in a condition of exhaustion, lay what is known as a "rough dog"—a short-haired animal of medium size, whose coat is thickly covered with small black and white spots.

By the light of the lantern the doctor looked the poor fellow over carefully and found the cause of his breakdown to be a bleeding fever that made travel impossible. Here was a charity case indeed, and so such appeals of charity the physician is ever ready to respond. A comfortable bed of straw and a good supper were quickly provided for the sufferer. His feet were then cleaned, anointed with a soothing ointment and wrapped in bandages, the bound looking on intently with every manifestation of interest and pleasure. He was invited by the hospitable doctor to spend the night with his canine friend, but he declined the invitation. Having seen his companion properly cared for, he hurried away as if on important business, but when the doctor went to the stable the next morning he found the faithful creature at the stable door waiting for admittance.

When he was permitted to enter, he went straight to the patient, and I wish I could report word for word what passed between the two. I have no doubt the bound jumped into his friend's confinement, curled up on him upon having found an animal companion in his extremity, and in reply to the signs of gratitude and obligation protested that he had and does no more than any self-respecting dog would do under the same circumstances. He remained about the stable for half an hour and then left. —Our Animal Friends.

John O'Grady's House.
On the reign of James IV of Scotland, John O'Grady, arrived at Callindale, near the banks of Warside, Duglass, near the beach of the month of Penland firth, the northeastern extremity of the mainland of Scotland. In time their families increased until there were eight households of the same name. They lived as neighbors in the greatest peace and amity, each year holding a festival in the original house.

At one of these annual gatherings the question of precedence arose among the young members, and they disputed as to who should sit nearest the "head of the table" or enter the room first. The old grandfather, being O'Grady of history, was made arbiter of the dispute. He was practically settled by the time of the annual meeting. Accordingly he built a right-sided house in which to hold the annual jubilee. This house had a double door on each side and a round table in the center. This arrangement he made for each family to sit at a table which was practically "without a head."

This famous house was long a landmark in Britain and even to this day is one of the Englishman's starting points of memory. —Land's End. From one end of England to the other. —Philadelphia Press.

They Sneezed in Chorus.
The Rev. R. S. Hawker, in the course of some reminiscence of an old friend of his, quotes an anecdote which his friend, himself a clergyman, was fond of telling. It is about a marriage ceremony and a pinch of snuff and in the narrator's own language runs thus:

It was always the custom in those days for the clergyman after the marriage to say to the bride first, before any other person. Well, it was so that I had just married my own box, my own lady, and when it was over I proceeded to observe the usual ceremony. But I had just taken an enormous fidget and thumpful of snuff, so no sooner had the bride received my kiss—and I gave her a smart kiss for her good looks—than she began to sneeze. The bridegroom kissed her, of course, and began also. Then the best man advanced to the bride. Better he hadn't, for he began to sneeze awfully, and by and by the bridesmaids also, for they were all kissed in turn, till the whole party went sneezing down the aisle, and the last thing I heard outside the church door was tchu, tchu, tchu, till the noise was drowned by the bells from the tower.—Youth's Companion.

He Wanted to Find Out.
A little boy whose experience with elevators had been a very limited one was brought to the city by his mamma, and in the course of two or three hours shopping the little fellow was taken up and down in different stores a good many times. Finally the two went to an office building, took chairs in a rather small room and waited. "Where are we now, mamma?" asked the boy. "In Uncle Rob's office." He glanced around the rather contracted quarters and then asked: "When does it go up?"—Pittsburg Chronicle.

Money.
Professor White—When did money first come into use? Brown—The exact date isn't known, sir, but it was subsequent to the failure of the tower of Babel. Professor White—Indeed! How did you learn that? Brown—By inductive analysis, sir. Money talks, and everybody has always understood its language.—Kate Field's Washington.

A Waste of Money.
"Oh, misery!" cried the editor. "What's the matter now?" "I just threw a post out of the window, and his wife, who was waiting for him and his, was presented one of our insurance coupons at the cashier's desk. He had it on him! Another \$100 gone, when 5 shillings would have bought only his poem, but his everlasting gratitude."—London Tit-Bits.

MORE HASTE, LESS SPEED.

There is a natural and very strong desire in the spring and early summer to get rid of underwear and overwear, so that the fresh air may thoroughly refresh. But the worst coils of the whole year are taken, and especially at open windows, where the drafts are strongest and a chill the surest. It is here where lumbago sets in. It is the condition and circumstance to make such a bad thing. It is just the time also when St. Jacobs Oil should be used for immediate use. It is a time, too, when it makes its surest cures. For lumbago it is a certain remedy.

A Fair Opportunity.
Tasso, being told that he had a fair opportunity of taking advantage of a very bitter enemy, replied, "I wish not to plunder him, but there are things which I wish to take from him—not his honor or his life, but his malice and ill will." Well spoken! A noble taking from an enemy, is his malice and ill will! How is that done? Love is the potent weapon. "Heap coals of fire on his head."—Exchange.

Converted Too Soon.
Mark Twain tells of a young-colored girl who "experienced religion" in a revival. The next day in dusting her master's desk she happened upon a \$2 bill which had been left there by accident. "Lord-a-massy," she said as she covered it with a book so as not to be further tempted, "how I wish that revival had been put off till to-morrow!"

Converted Too Soon.
So convinced were the authorities at one time that Europeans could not live in India without alcoholic stimulants that they actually prohibited the formation of temperance societies among the soldiers. The theory is now altogether changed, and the English soldiers in India include 20,000 total abstainers.

A TERRIBLE VISITANT.
The Sultan of Turkey never always dines alone. Tables, plates, knives and forks are eschewed. He uses only a spoon and his fingers, thus fishing out the food from little saucetins placed on the floor.

Disinfectants for Cattle.
Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good they can possibly do in such cases. HALL'S CATARRH CURE, which is sold by F. J. Cheney & Co., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood, and mucous surfaces of the system. It is the only medicine of the kind. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free. Sold by all Druggists, price 75¢ per bottle.

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SPRING MAKES ME TIRED

To many people Spring and its duties mean an aching head, tired limbs, and throbbing nerves. Just as the milder weather comes, the strength begins to wane and "that tired feeling" is the complaint of all. The reason for this condition is found in the deficient quality of the blood. During the winter, owing to various causes, the blood becomes loaded with impurities and loses its richness and vitality. Consequently, as soon as the bracing effect of cold air is lost, there is languor and lack of energy. The cure will be found in purifying and enriching the blood.

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The Mothers' Union. The Mothers' Union is a religious and educational society which aims to improve the moral and physical condition of the mother and her children. It is a non-sectarian organization and is open to all women. Its objects are to provide for the education of the young, to improve the domestic and social life of the mother, and to secure the moral and physical well-being of the children. It has a long and successful history and is now one of the most powerful organizations in the world.

SERVED IN TWO WARS. THE GRIP ALMOST WON WHERE THE BULLET FAILED. Who Can Look on the Infirmitie of a Veteran Without a Feeling of Deepest Sympathy? From the Herald, Woodstock, Va. There is an old soldier in Woodstock, Va., who served in the war with Mexico and in the war of the rebellion. Mr. Levi McInturf. He passed through both of these wars without a serious wound. The hardships, however, told seriously on him, for when the grip attacked him four years ago he nearly killed him. Who can look on the infirmities of a veteran without a feeling of the deepest sympathy for him? His townspeople say that he is now confined to his house so prostrated with great nervousness that he could not hold a knife or fork at the table, scarcely able to walk to, and as he attempted it, he often stumbled and fell. They saw him through the best of it but had —but still he suffered on for four years, and gave up finally in despair. One day, however, he was struck by the account of a cure which had been effected by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. He immediately ordered a box and commenced taking them. He says he was greatly relieved within three days' time. The blood found its way to his fingers and his hands which had been palsied assumed natural color, and he was soon able to use his knife and fork at the table. He has recovered his strength to such an extent that he is able to chop wood, shake corn and do his regular work about the home. He now says he can not only walk to Woodstock, but can walk across the mountains. He is able to lift up a fifty-two pound weight with one hand and says he does not know what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for others, but knows that they have done a great work for him. He was in town last Monday, court day, and was loud in his praises of the medicine that had given him so great relief. He purchased another box and took it home with him. Mr. McInturf is willing to make affidavit to these facts.

Chicago Women's Political Society. The practical ability of women in the work has been recently illustrated at Chicago, where, while the good citizens' committee did nothing to plan and talk, Mrs. Mary Ahrens, president of the Chicago Suffrage Association, paid the rent out of her own pocket for two stores on Wabash avenue. She circulated requests for supplies. The women who were impatiently unwound their gifts to reach the needy remedial freely, and 25,000 men have been housed and fed. The G. A. R. have a large kitchen at 66 Park avenue, where thousands are fed daily. The Hebrew ladies' charitable society has another. The Catholic ladies' All society is doing practical work. The Chicago Woman's club is doing a great deal of work among the women and children. All this while the various citizens' committees were remaining and planning and figuring how much money would be needed.—Chicago Correspondent.

Women's Exchange. The women of a certain city are proposing to establish an exchange for women's work that shall provide the material for underclothing, fine embroidery and all such articles as are salable, and buy them at once from the makers, paying them a certain sum for their labor. The articles are then to be disposed of at a public sale or private sale at reasonable rates, covering the cost of material and labor. Charities managed in this way in England have proved successful. The women of another city announce to the public that they have established a bureau where mending of all kinds will be done at the residences or taken away and made a particular appeal to bachelors and business women to avail themselves of its advantages. Women seamstresses are also provided to make boys' clothing out of old material.—New York Post.

Organized in France. A report that a ladies' fencing club is about to be established in Paris has received some attention. Members are to be recruited from among the best sets, and their numbers are to be very restricted. Of course if this is the case every one will want to join, but only adepts with the foils will be admitted and men vigorously excluded, not only from membership, but also from the monthly fencing matches, to which lady friends of members may be invited. So far, however, the matter is only in embryo, and many difficulties may arise in the execution of it.—London Gentleman.

An Approved Hat Decoration. Oblong buckles, curved more or less, are a most approved decoration for hats. When intended for this purpose, they have rather formidable pointed tongues, which pierce the ribbon. Frequently drawn through the buckle. Frequently they measure six or eight inches in length and will go nearly half round the crown of a sailor hat. But their use is not confined to this shape of hat—they will also pierce broad brims and toques equally well. Similar buckles are made in jet, but that in imitation diamonds is the favorite.—Boston Globe.

Sheets and Pillowslips. We may contrive to hemstitch our sheets and put frills on our pillowcases, for the household linen of a royal bride that is just completed and pillowslipped hemstitched at both ends and towels hemstitched and frilled, and the towels also hemstitched. On each piece is embroidered a rose, and a ribbon on which is worked the motto of the house. This is the lettering of the motto is done in the small space of 14 inches, it is so distinct as to be easily read.—New York Advertiser.

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