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the most wonderful cures on record are
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Hood's
Sarsaparilla
Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, biliousness.

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corner of Curran and Anderson Sts., At-
lanta, Ga., had a cancer for years.
It first appeared on his lip and resem-
bled a fever blister, but spread rapidly
and soon began to destroy the flesh.
His father and uncle had died from
cancer, and he sought the best medical
aid in different cities, but it seemed im-
possible to check the disease. Several
operations were performed but the can-
cer always returned. This continued
years until the partition in his nose
and his entire upper lip were eaten
away. All treatment having proved
futile, he looked upon death as the
only relief.
"Some one re-
commended S.S.S.,"
he says, "and
a few bottles af-
forded some relief; thus
encouraged I con-
tinued it, and it
was not long be-
fore the progress of
the disease seem-
ed checked. I persevered in its
use, and remarkable as it may seem, I
was completely cured, and feel like I
have new life. S.S.S. is the most re-
markable remedy in the world, and
everyone will agree that the cure was a
wonderful one."

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SKIRT BINDING
A strip of Featherbone stitched
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TREATED FREE
Successfully Cured with Vegetable Remedies
Have cured the thousands of cases. Cure cases pro-
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covery to cure in ten days at least two-thirds
of cases removed. Send for free book testimo-
nial of miraculous cures. Ten days' treatment
by mail. If you order trial, send 10c. In stamp
and postage. Dr. H. H. GREEN & SONS, Atlanta, Ga.
and return this advertisement to us

"We will Leave it Entirely
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HERCULES GAS OR GASOLINE EN-
GINE, and if it does not do all we say
it will, you can return it at our ex-
pense. Send for Catalogue and Price
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"Just Don't Feel Well,"
DR. GUNN'S
LIVER PILLS
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Only One for a Dose.
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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING
SYRUP
FOR CHILDREN TEETHING
For sale by all Druggists. 25 Cents a bottle.

WINSLOW'S CURE FOR
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use
in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION

TWO CUBAN NUISANCES.
Venomous Crawlers that Make Things Unpleasant.
With the coming of the rains in the
tropics, many of the insects and smaller
reptiles which live out of doors in the
dry season seek shelter in the country
houses and beneath stacks of cane and
trash. While bites and stings from in-
sects are rarely reported, still they are
more frequent than one would believe.
Of those which do not often trouble
mankind much north of the latitude of



A CUBAN CENTIPEDE.

Havana are the chigoe, or "jigger,"
which burrows beneath one's toe-nails
and lays eggs which develop festering
sores; the scorpion and the centipede.
In Cuba the scorpion develops into a
pest, especially in the country districts;
and, together with the centipede, is a
foe with which the Spanish soldiery
are compelled to reckon. Both the
centipede and scorpion hide beneath rot-
ten wood, the "trash" of the yard and
cane-field and fallen leaves. The bite
of neither is sufficient to cause death
in an adult, but many children have
been killed by them in every island of
the West Indies.

These two are the worst, and it would
seem as though they were endowed
with almost superhuman instincts, for
they appear at times and in places
when and where least expected. The
centipede moves with the rapidity of a
streak of light, leaving behind it—if it
traverses the limb or body of a human
being—its venomous track punctured in
the skin. Its punctures are from the
front pair of legs, which have poison
ducts or glands; but its bite is worse
than these, and sufficient to cause vi-
olent fever in a grown person. With its
flat, glistening body, its scores of legs
twinkling like the mischief, and its
rapid motions, it seems the embod-
iment of evil—as it is.

The island of Cuba is almost as free



A CUBAN SCORPION.

from poisonous snakes as is Ireland,
and the only annoying pests are those
mentioned. One might stay in the
island for months and years without
being bitten, the cities, as Havana and
Santiago, not being infested.

ADOPTS AMERICAN MODES.

Wife of New Japanese Minister Has Discarded Native Dress.

Among the recent additions to diplo-
matic circles in Washington are Min-
ister Hoshi of Japan and his wife.
Mme. Hoshi is about 33 years of age
and of the most pleasing personal ap-
pearance. She is short, probably 4
feet 10 inches in height. Her dark
hair is very abundant, her large brown
eyes are soft, yet bright, and her com-
plexion is clear and rosy. In dress,
her costume is that of the American
woman, yet as she has only recently
laid aside her native gowns, her ward-
robe of western robes is limited. She
has placed herself in the hands of a
tutor, in order to master the intricacies
of the English language, and by next
winter will no doubt be able to pre-
side at a tea in the most approved style,
as far as conversational ability is con-
cerned.

Mme. Hoshi has been married ten
years, but there is only one child in the
family, a boy of 6 years of age. His
name is Hoshi Kikaru, and he is a
bright little fellow, wandering about
the house in evident loneliness for his



JAPANESE MINISTER AND FAMILY.

many playmates in the East. The wife
of the minister is a fine musician and
devotes much of her time to that art.

A Wise Word to Mothers.

When the school days are finished
and the home-coming over, many girls
are more or less discontented in the
home because there seems no special
place for them to fill. In school they
have had duties and occupations, and
have become accustomed to regular
hours of employment.

Wise is the mother who at this try-

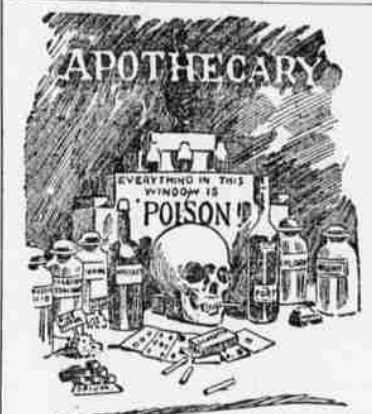
ing time is willing to make a place in
the house for the little would-be re-
former, or the enthusiast who would
like to put into practice some way her
ideas of house keeping and home-mak-
ing. Let the new ways and the new
ideas be tried, and show some hospi-
tality to them and some sympathy to
other views than your own.

A division of labors and responsibil-
ities is a happier way of meeting the
difficulty than a giving up and over-
of one's ideas and domain to the per-
haps overzealous young woman who
should have gained tact and sympathy
and some knowledge of how to live
happily with others if her school days
have been of any value. Encourage
her to use her gifts, not only in her
own home, but for others. The New
York Evening Post says that the girl
who has plenty of room for expansion
in her own home is usually the least
anxious to try home-making under an-
other roof.

WARNING TO WHISKY DRINKERS

**Crusade Against Strong Potations In-
augurated by a Kentucky Druggist.**

Probably the bravest man in the United
States is a druggist doing business
in Nicholasville, Ky. His name is Jas.
W. Gordon, and he has fitted up in the
front of his drug store what he calls
a poison window, and a bottle of the
corn juice dear to the Kentucky heart



WHISKY AMONG THE POISONS.

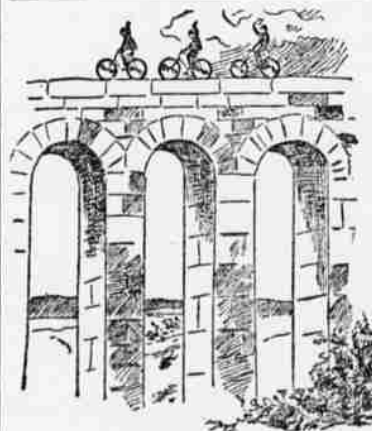
is there. The window is a gruesome
thing. It is a whole-course of lessons
to the man who wants to commit sui-
cide. In the middle, white and grin-
ning, is a skull. Clutched in its teeth
is the deadly cigarette, an ash clinging
at its tip. At the right of the skull is
the bottle filled with the good corn
juice of the Kentuckian's daddies. At
its left is a bottle of port wine. Scat-
tered about in the foreground are cards,
dice and poker chips.

The rest of the window is filled with
small jars containing liquid poisons and
papers upon which are heaped powders
enough of various sorts to end the trou-
bles of a regiment. Every article is
labeled, from the cigarette to the prus-
sic acid, and to prevent an possible
misunderstanding of his meaning Mr.
Gordon has fronted the whole deadly
collection with a startling sign, which
reads: "Every article in this window
is poison."

A PERILOUS FEAT.

**Three Wheelmen Perform Foolhardy
Antics on the Starucca Viaduct.**

Three New York wheelmen, en route
to Chicago, a few days since rode at a



A FOOLHARDY FEAT.

rapid pace across the coping of the
great Starucca viaduct at Lanesboro,
Pa. When in the center of the struc-
ture they waved their hats at a picnic
party below, which watched their fool-
hardy antics with breathless interest.
The breaking of a portion of a wheel
or the swerving of a few inches and
the rider would have been hurled down
into the fields below, a distance of over
100 feet. They were the first venture-
some riders to perform the hare-
brained exploit.

Silver at the Treasury.

There is a general misapprehension
as to the nature of the silver certificate
which could be easily corrected by a
careful reading and consideration of
the words it bears on its face. In the
case of the \$5 note these are: "This
certifies that there have been deposited
in the Treasury of the United States
five silver dollars, payable to the bearer
on demand." It is nothing more, there-
fore, than a certificate of the fact that
the silver has been deposited and that
the bearer of the note may have it at
any time he chooses to ask for it. There
is nothing on the face of the note to
justify the impression that it is to be
redeemed in gold, for the assurance it
bears is directly to the contrary.

BY STEAMER, TRAIN OR BOAT?

Which of these have you selected as a means
of travel? No matter. Whichever it is re-
collected that for sea-sickness, disorders of the stom-
ach, liver or bowels, engendered by rough sea-
motion and bad food or water, and for
malarial troubles, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters
is the most useful specific you can take with
you. It is invaluable also for rheumatism, kid-
ney complaints and nervous trouble.

The only gem in the world which
cannot be counterfeited is the opal.
Its delicate tints defy imitation.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the only
cough medicine used in my house.—D. C.
Albright, Millburg, Pa., Dec. 11, '95.

There is more catarrh in this section of the
country than all other diseases put together,
and until the last few years was supposed to be
incurable. For a great many years doctors pro-
nounced it a local disease, and prescribed local
remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with
local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science
has proven catarrh to be a constitutional
disease, and therefore requires constitutional
treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured
by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only
constitutional cure on the market. It is taken
internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoon-
ful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous
surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred
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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

FITS.—All fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's
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day's use. Marvellous cures. Treatise and \$2.00
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931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A woman is the engraver of medals
in the royal mint at Stockholm,
Sweden, and has been for many years.

It is said to be possible to draw
platinum wires so fine that two of them
twisted could be inserted in the hollow
of a human hair.

The most effective way to capture a
whale is to spear it with an electrical
harpoon, when it is once shocked into
unconsciousness.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the
transient nature of the many phys-
ical ills, which vanish before proper ef-
forts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—
rightly directed. There is comfort in
the knowledge, that so many forms of
sickness are not due to any actual dis-
ease, but simply to a constipated con-
dition of the system, which the pleasant
family laxative, Syrup of Figs, prompt-
ly 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 be-
neficial effects, to note when you pur-
chase, that you have the genuine article,
which is manufactured by the Cali-
fornia 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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To Be
Given Away
this year in valuable
articles to smokers of
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You will find one coupon in-
side each 2-ounce bag, and two
coupons inside each 4-ounce
bag. Buy a bag, read the coupon
and see how to get your share.

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