

## "MY OWN SELF AGAIN."

Mrs. Gates Writes to Mrs. Pinkham, Follows Her Advice and is Made Well.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For nearly two and one-half years I have been in feeble health. After my little child came it seemed I could not get my strength again. I have chills and the severest pains in my limbs and top of head and am almost insensible at times. I also have a pain just to the right of breast bone. It is so severe at times that I cannot lie on my right side. Please write me what you think of my case."—  
MRS. CLARA GATES, Johns P. O., Miss., April 25, 1898.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as advised and now send you a letter for publication. For several years I was in such wretched health that life was almost a burden. I could hardly walk across the floor, was so feeble. Several of our best physicians attended me, but failed to help. I concluded to write to you for advice. In a few days I received such a kind, motherly letter. I followed your instructions and am my 'old self' again. Was greatly benefited before I had used one bottle. May God bless you for what you are doing for suffering women."—  
MRS. CLARA GATES, Johns P. O., Miss., Oct. 6, 1899.

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The Colorado State Federation of Labor is investigating the feasibility of leasing and operating a coal mine at Baldwin.

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The fact that nettle fiber has of late been found to produce the finest tissues obtainable from any vegetable source has led to a project in Germany to introduce the cultivation of nettles in the Kamerun region of Africa. If the experiment is successful, the enterprise will be undertaken on a large scale in connection with the weaving industries.

Among the most remarkable glimpses into hidden corners of nature that recent scientific advance has afforded are the frequent discoveries of micro-organisms in unexpected places, where they produce phenomena heretofore supposed to arise from other causes. For instance, Dr. A. Pettersen, of Upsala, Sweden, has ascertained that in preparations of meat and fish containing, for purposes of preservation, salt to the amount of 15 per cent., micro-organisms grow luxuriantly, and he concludes that the flavors and odors that are peculiar to various salt conserves are due to the micro-organisms with which they are crowded.

At the latest annual meeting of the Geological Society of America, Prof. I. C. Russell called attention to the recent discovery that many of the swamps and lakes in the southern peninsula of Michigan are rich in calcareous marl, suitable for making Portland cement. Although partly composed of shells, the Michigan marl is principally a chemical precipitate which is still being formed. The precise method of its formation is not yet understood. The supply is practically inexhaustible. Large cement works have lately been constructed, others are in contemplation, and Prof. Russell says that Michigan can easily take a leading place in that industry.

In 1893 the Japanese government appointed an investigating committee on earthquakes. This committee, which has now nearly completed its labors, reports, among other things, that it seems likely that one part or another of Japan will be visited by a destructive earthquake once in every two and a half years. That portion of the land bordering the Japan Sea is seldom disturbed by other than local earthquakes, while the Pacific coast of the country frequently suffers from great shocks originating under the ocean. When a region is shaken by constantly recurring small earthquakes, it appears to be rendered safe against the occurrence of destructive shocks, because the accumulation of stress in the earth's crust at that point is prevented.

Prof. E. H. Barbours, of the University of Nebraska, after comparing his own observations in 1895 with those in 1896, and collecting the opinions of other visitors to the National Park, expresses the fear that within a decade many of the scenes now most attractive in the wonderful Yellowstone Valley will have disappeared. He gives details showing that nearly all the hot springs and geysers have declined in activity. "Old Faithful" geyser still does honor to its name, but the interval between its eruptions, formerly an hour, has increased to 75 or 80 minutes. Meanwhile there seems to be an increase of ebullition in the water of the greatest of all the geysers, the Excelsior, whose outbursts have always been separated by irregular periods, covering years at a stretch, and there is hope that it may be preparing another exhibition of its power.

### ADMIRAL SAMPSON'S WISH.

A Watermelon Feast on Shipboard Providentially Provided. The law of coincidence works wonders. During the blockade of Santiago Admiral Sampson and his officers were sitting one more than sultry day upon the deck of the flagship New York. It was too hot for conversation, and almost for thought, says the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post. The fighters simply blinked and glared. The silence was broken by one, who said: "Next to having a brush with the Spaniards, I'd like to have a Georgia watermelon." The suggestion brought a smile to every face, which widened when the Admiral echoed, "A watermelon? I want two for myself."

A moment afterward the quartermaster announced the arrival of a boat from a supply ship, which had just come in from New York city, and added: "The boat is full of Georgia watermelons off the ice." Red tape was disregarded, and soon hill on board, from the Admiral down, were having one of the most enjoyable feasts of the war. When it was over the officers tried to find how it was that their wishes were so promptly answered, but, although they came near the truth, they never learned the true story of the coincidence.

Mrs. Van Brunt, a New York artist and a member of many of the patriotic organizations which were brought into being by the Spanish-American war, heard one day of the excitement produced on the Texas by the arrival of a large but somewhat dilapidated watermelon from home. The story touched her, and the same day she secured several barrels of the choicest fruit and

shipped them by the first supply ship going to Santiago. The captain of the vessel was courteous and obliging, and when told of the commission put every one of the melons on ice and agreed to send them to the Texas the moment she arrived at her destination, and in the event of the Texas not being there to present them to the admiral in charge.

### NEW FIND OF FULLER'S EARTH.

Deposits of Unusual Purity Discovered in Florida. There has just been brought to light near the Ocklockonee River, fourteen miles west of Tallahassee, Fla., what is believed by experts to be one of the most wonderful pure veins of fuller's earth ever discovered in any country. It is said to yield, at the expenditure of very little labor, immense quantities of fuller's earth, which stands the 100 test—that is to say, there is no waste. Nearly all mines of the kind contain, besides the valuable commodity, rock, flint gravel, sand, etc., but this is absolutely free of all such substances.

Fuller's earth is a soft clay and it has many uses. Half a century ago it was little mined in England, and was so valuable there that exportation of it was prohibited. Twelve miles from the place of the new discovery are two fuller's earth mines that have been worked for a long time. One is known as the Ward mine and the other is owned by the Standard Oil Company. The product is used largely for refining crude oil. Hitherto these two old mines have regulated the supply and the price of the article and enormous profits are said to have been realized from them. It is estimated that the fuller's earth found in this new vein can be put on the market ready for commercial uses at one-third the cost possible from any other mine.

Some of the more important uses to which this material is now put, with excellent results, are the following:

1. In making baby's powders of great healing properties for the skin.
2. In refining all kinds of crude oils.
3. For distilling whiskies and brewing beer.
4. In the manufacture of all kinds of vaselines.
5. Packing-houses use it for refining lards, oleomargarines, butterines and cottolenes. These commodities cannot be made without the use of fuller's earth.
6. As a foundation for manufacturing all kinds of laundry and toilet soaps.
7. A new use recently discovered for fuller's earth is that the wool manufacturers wash old wool with it, as it is a great absorber of all oils and refuse matter found in raw wool.

### Naming the Prince of Wales.

About six hundred years ago there was a king of England—Edward I—who subdued the people of Wales. After conquering the Welsh he was anxious to get their good-will, and so when it happened that his first baby prince was born in Carnarvon, in Wales, he had a bright idea. He announced that his boy was a native of Wales—one who could speak Welsh just as well as any other tongue (this was true, as the baby was but a few weeks old), and he should therefore be the people's own prince, Edward, Prince of Wales.

Twenty-three years after this baby became King of England, and about fifty years later his grandson had assigned to him, as the third Prince of Wales, the crest and motto which has been borne by all the English kings' sons who have since that day had the title. The crest is three ostrich feathers, and the motto is the sentence, "Ich dien"—"I serve." It was given to the Black Prince, a boy of great promise, who fought bravely at the battle of Crecy.—Forward.

### Electric Fish of the Nile.

Prof. Francis Gotch describes the electric fish of the Nile, of which the Egyptians made pictures thousands of years ago, and which still inhabits the waters of that river, as being provided with an electric organ that encloses the whole body. It is situated in the skin, and when viewed with a microscope is seen to be composed of about 2,000,000 beautifully formed little disks, superposed upon connected rows of minute compartments in which are the terminals of nerves. The shock is produced by an intense current which traverses the entire organ from the head to the tail of the fish, returning through the surroundings. It stuns small fish in the neighborhood. Prof. Gotch likens its action to that of a self-loading and self-discharging gun. The electromotive force of the organ in a fish only eight inches long can, he asserts, attain the surprising maximum of 200 volts. A single giant nerve-cell at the head of the spinal column is the source of the impulses which discharge the organ.

### Fortified.

"What're you doin' wid de new alarm clock?" asked Plodding Pete. "I had to git it," answered Meandering Mike. "Last night I dreamed I was workin' an' I'm goin' to set dis every two or three hours so as not to take any chances."—Washington Star. Reporters say the hardest of all jobs is to get facts in a church row.

### Rewards for Andree Relics.

Notice has been received at the Swedish and Norwegian consulate in New York that the king of Sweden and Norway has decided to reward persons who have found objects belonging to the Andree polar expedition, and that a fund has been set aside for rewards for persons who may hereafter find objects from the expedition. It is supposed that the hope of reward is meant to be an incentive to whalers and other mariners who go far north to search for traces of the explorer and penetrate places out of the beaten path for that purpose.

### Electricity in Capsules.

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### Its Saddest Aspect.

The Liverpool Post, calling attention to the report of Dr. Wiglesworth on the Rainhill asylum, says: "The evil of drunkenness has many sad aspects. But perhaps the saddest of all is the fact that as drunkenness increases so does insanity. Last year 186 patients were admitted to the asylum as a result of drunken excess. Of these 78 were women. During the year 38 recovered and were discharged. At the end of December over 130 remained, of whom less than 50 are regarded as curable. This refers to one year only and to one asylum."

### Decision of Character.

Without decision of character no man or woman ever amounts to much. —Chicago Daily News.

That operators shall at no time withhold more than two weeks' wages from miners is a recent mandate expressed by the Iowa state senate.

"For the recognition of the union and the nine-hour work day," is the cause of a recent strike of 230 brass workers in Chicago.

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