

No Appetite
Means loss of vitality, vigor or tone, and is often a precursor of prostrating sickness. This is why it is serious. The best thing you can do is to take the great alterative and tonic **Hood's Sarsaparilla** Which has cured thousands.

Splitting Hairs.
A somewhat elderly gentleman, with a merry twinkle in his eye, went into a hairdresser's the other day to have his hair cut.
"Excuse me, sir," said the hairdresser, as he began operations, "but your hair is very coarse."
"Of course," ejaculated the gentleman.
The hairdresser looked rather puzzled, and said: "I mean it won't lie straight, sir."
"No; you see it can't lie straight, or even tell the truth, because it can't talk," smiled the gentleman.
The hairdresser, who began to suspect that he was being played with, felt mad, and said, abruptly: "Bear's grease!"
"Oh, yes!" exclaimed the gentleman; "it bears grease, or oil, or fat of any description; in fact, I should say it would bear anything, or it wouldn't have borne your remarks about it."

Doing Great Work.
Florissant, Mo., Dec. 19.—(Special)—That Dodd's Kidney Pills are doing a great work in curing the more terrible forms of Kidney Disease, such as Bright's Disease, Dropsy and Diabetes, everybody knows. But it must also be noted that they are doing a still greater work in wiping out thousands of cases of the earlier stages of Kidney Disease. Take for instance Mrs. Peter Barreau, of this place. She says: "I have been subject to pains in my back and knees for about three years, but since I have been taking Dodd's Kidney Pills I have been entirely cured."
Others here tell similar stories. In fact, in this part of Missouri there are scores of people who have cured the early symptoms of Kidney Disease with Dodd's Kidney Pills. The use of the Great American Kidney Remedy thus saved not only the lives of Kidney Disease victims, but thousands of other Americans from years of sufferings.

Eagle Caught by a Dog.
A remarkable capture of an eagle by a dog near Romans is reported here.
The dog belonged to a farmer named Angelin Descombes, at the village of Chatusandes. The eagle swooped down on the dog to carry it off, but the animal, on feeling the bird's claws in his back, turned sharply and bit the eagle's claws. The bird rolled over on the ground, and the dog immediately pounced on it, and held it down until the arrival of his master, who captured the bird alive.
From wing point to wing point the eagle measured four feet nine inches.—London Express.

TAINTED BLOOD

Columbus, Ohio, May 19, 1903.
Some four years ago I was suffering from impure blood and a general run-down condition of the system. I had no appetite, was losing flesh, and had an all-gone tired feeling that made me miserable. I began the use of S. S. S., and after taking seven or eight bottles my skin was cleared of all eruptions and took on a ruddy, healthy glow that assured me that my blood had been restored to its normal, healthy condition. My appetite was restored, as I could eat anything but before me, and as I regained my appetite I increased in weight, and that "tired feeling" which worried me so much disappeared, and I was once again my old self.
I heartily recommend S. S. S. as the best blood purifier and tonic made, and strongly advise its use to all those in need of such medicine. VICTOR STUBBINS, Cor. Barthman and Washington Aves.

Wheeling, W. V., May 28, 1903.
My system was run down and my joints ached and pained me considerably. I had used S. S. S. before and knew what it was, so I purchased a bottle of it and have taken several bottles and the aches and pains are gone, my blood has been cleared and my general health built up. I can testify to it as a blood purifier and tonic. 1533 Market St. JOHN C. STRIN.

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HUNTING TIME.

They're comin' from the city to the country russet brown,
With their rifles and their shotguns to hunt the farmer down,
The law is off the squirrel, an' now I'm tellin' you,
Them city hunters 'pear to think it's off the farmer, too.
Soon the landscape will be punctured with a lot of bullet holes,
An' everybody will be dodgin' to save their precious souls.

For when them city fellers go cavortin' with a gun,
An' plug somebody full o' lead, they call it "havin' fun."
An' then somehow it seems to me they allers 'pear to fail
To make a fair discrimination 'twixt a farmer and a quail.
For anythin' that rustles, if it shows a tail or head,
An' isn't plainly labelled, they'll pump it full o' lead.

An' when a charge o' double-B has taken off the crown
Of your old hat, they'll calmly swear they didn't know you're roun'.
An' sometimes when you are absorbed in the field a-pullin' beans,
You'll be mightily surprised with a bullet in your jeans.
They'll come an' board with you, then some mornin' 'fore you're up,
When they're out a-huntin' lions, they'll shoot the brindle pup.

Oh, it's strenuous times we're havin' in the country jes' 'bout now,
An' if 'twan't for new inventions we'd be hidin' in the mow.
But don't you for a minnit think the farmer hasn't progressed,
An' traveled 'long in the procession with the spirit of the rest.
A country store these later days is fairly out o' date,
Unless it keeps upon its shelves suits lined with armor plate.

An' now we're all a-waitin', really want to get a chance
To demonstrate the quality of our anti-bullet pants.
So come along, you city dudes, with your goggles an' your gun,
We've got on our iron trousers, an' we're ready for the fun.
Don't hesitate a second, but come out an' help us laugh,
While you ponder on the difference 'twixt a farmer and a calf.
—Cleveland Leader.

NAB JAPANESE BIRD SLAYERS.

United States Authorities Arrest Seventy-Seven Plumage Hunters.
The United States revenue cutter Thetis put in at Honolulu a while ago with seventy-seven prisoners, all Japanese plumage hunters, who had been captured on an American island while engaged in their illegal operations, says a writer in Field and Stream. These men were sent out as hunters by a Tokyo firm and their destination was Linsay Island, known in many regions as a wonderful nesting place for plumage birds.

This island is in mid-Pacific not far from Midway Island. The fact that it belongs to the United States did not seem to deter these oriental plumage hunters. They had, besides the hunters, a corps of skimmers and taxidermists. They went to work last January and collected a great many thousands of skins. Late in the same month an ocean gale destroyed their schooner, drowned some of the men and left the rest marooned upon the island.

A second Japanese vessel brought about forty more hunters, who were left to join the others, the ship leaving word that she would presently return. She did not return. Meantime the war with Russia broke out, of which the plumage hunters heard nothing. In any case they were very hungry when finally discovered by the United States revenue steamer, rescued and imprisoned.

Captain Hamlet of the Thetis says they had wrought an appalling destruction. There were 335 cases of plumage collected, and in all likelihood more than 300,000 plumage birds had been destroyed. It would seem that the records of the orient rival those of Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana and other parts of the United States, where the very acme of thoughtless destruction would seem to have been reached.

Vivisection Is a Science Not for Man.

There is a knowledge which is heavenly, a knowledge which is human, and a knowledge which is diabolic; there is a knowledge which is blessed and a knowledge which is accursed. The first is ennobling and elevating, and lifts man toward God. The second is debasing, degrading, and drags men toward the pit. The knowledge gained by rooting amid the groans and agonies of living creatures, whom their Maker and ours put into our power, to teach us mercy, as He gives mercy to us, is such an accursed knowledge that only demons could seek for it, and it can turn to no human good. "Science" so gained is not for men, but for devils.—Bishop Hugh Miller Thompson in Success.

A Reminder of the Past.

Ragson Tatters—I got a shock from a 'lectric battery to-day. Funny sensation, dat; feels jist like takin' a bath.

Harvard Hasben—Gee whiz! You must have a good memory.—Philadelphia Press.

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Students Broke Them Up.

There are very few things that escape the notice of college students when they appear en masse. This was demonstrated at an uptown theater the other evening when a stirring melodrama was being enacted, says the Philadelphia Record. A group of ten students occupied the front row of the balcony. Just below them sat a party of young women. It was when the beautiful heroine was about to be thrust out on the mercy of a pitiless world that tragedy was turned into comedy. True to feminine emotional nature, the feelings of the group of women aforesaid were so wrought up that tears began to flow. There was a hasty struggle for handkerchiefs, a deep dive into pockets and bags and then a pause. Only one of the six girls had had the foresight to provide herself with a handkerchief.

With a sympathetic glance of comprehension she wiped the tears from her own eyes and then passed the bit of linen along. One by one the weeping maidens dabbed their eyes with the handkerchief and then it was smuggled back to the owner and the game of progressive handkerchief was begun again. The students saw all this, and one of them took a handkerchief from his pocket to wipe away imaginary tears and passed it along the line. Loud "sobbs" drew attention to them. In a moment the house was convulsed with laughter, and it was only after managerial interference that the by-play was stopped and the six maidens with the one handkerchief were spared further mortification.

Cornmeal Is Heating.

Corn meal prepared in any one of a half dozen palatable and digestible ways has been demonstrated to be richer in heat units than almost any other food that comes to the ordinary table. In a bulletin issued by the Michigan Agricultural College the fuel value of corn meal scarcely can find space on a page of the pamphlet for its expression in a long black line that has to double back upon itself twice in order to show the 9,000 calories that are in five pounds of the substance.

Eggs, sirloin steak, beef ribs, milk, cheese, and even the vaunted bean take place far back from the side of corn meal in nutritive value when the cost is considered. A table from this demonstration is particularly interesting, based upon the expenditure of 10 cents at the market prices of the commodities. This 10 cents value, with corn meal at the top, is as follows:

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Salt pork	.71	2,800
Butter	.42	1,000
Milk	3.33	1,200
Cheese	.63	1,200
Round steak	.83	900
Beef rib	.63	800
Sirloin steak	.50	650

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Little Johnny—Say, pa, will you buy me a pair of roller skates?

Pa—What in the name of common sense do you want with a pair of roller skates?

Little Johnny—Why, pa, I want to use them for mowing the lawn in summer and shoveling snow in winter. What else could I use them for, pa—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Polly—The way that man looked at me was positively insulting!

Dolly—Did he stare at you?

Polly—No. He gave one glance and then looked at something else.—Illustrated Bits.

His Sphere.
Friend—Do you never take a vacation, doctor?
Doctor—Very seldom. I'm kept busy all summer doctoring people who have been taking vacations.—Pack.

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The Lady—Were you a fireman, my poor man?

Dusty Dennis—No'm; I smoked a cigar butt in a haystack.

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She'd Looked It Up All Right.
Teacher—Have you looked up the meaning of the word "imbibes," Fanny?
Fanny—Yes, ma'am.
Teacher—Well, what does it mean?
Fanny—To take in.
Teacher—Yes. Now give a sentence using the word.
Fanny—My aunt imbibes boarders.—Woman's Home Companion.

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No Flowers.

A Ray County, Missouri, man bet \$2 that he could twist the tail of a dun-colored mule and escape unscathed. In reply to a telegram from the coroner his father, in the East, wired: "Bury the fool where he lit."—Denver Post.

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