

Listen to This Woman's Story

Sarah E. Bowen, of Peru, Ind., said:
"For eighteen years I suffered with weakness peculiar to my sex. I could neither sleep nor eat well, and was reduced to a mere skeleton. My skin was muddy, my eyes heavy, and I was dizzy much of the time. Doctors prescribed for me without avail; medicine seemed to do me no good. I was at the brink of despair when a friend told me what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had accomplished in a case similar to mine. I bought a box and took them. I bought more and took them until I was well and strong. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People brought me new life and I recommend them to every suffering woman."—From the Republican, Peru, Ind.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after-effects of the grip, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, and all forms of weakness either in male or female.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are never sold by the dozen or hundred, but always in packages. At all druggists, or direct from the Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., 50 cents per box, 5 boxes \$2.50.

Have used Ripans Tablets with such satisfaction that I can cheerfully recommend them. Have been troubled for about three years with what I called bilious attacks occurring on regularly case a week. Was told by different physicians that it was caused by indigestion, but I did not believe it. I had the stomach treated, but the attacks continued. I had seen advertisements of Ripans Tablets in all the papers but had no faith in them. But about six weeks ago a friend advised me to try them. I bought a box and took them. I bought more and took them until I was well and strong. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People brought me new life and I recommend them to every suffering woman."—From the Republican, Peru, Ind.

I want to inform you in words of highest praise, of the benefit I have derived from Ripans Tablets. I am a professional nurse and in the profession a clear head is always needed. Ripans Tablets have done it for me. I have never felt so well as I do now. I have been troubled with heartburn and indigestion, caused by indigestion, for a good many years. One day she saw a circular in the paper advertising Ripans Tablets. She determined to give them a trial, and was greatly relieved. By their use she has been able to eat and sleep as usual. She keeps a few boxes of Ripans Tablets in her house and says she will be sure to use them. The heartburn and indigestion have disappeared with the indigestion which was formerly so great. Ripans Tablets are for the whole family. The mother regularly, especially after a baby. My mother is fifty years of age and is enjoying the best of health and spirit. She also keeps a box, as an infallible remedy for all the ailments of the stomach.

THE SECRET OF BEAUTY.
One Can Never Be Pleasant to Look Upon Unless in Good Health.
"The most helpful and agreeable bath is that of tepid water," writes Ruth Ashburn in 'The Ladies' Home Journal.' 'Few people can stand absolutely cold baths, and, no matter how strong one may be, such a bath should not be indulged in unless a thorough rubbing has been afterward.' To speak plainly, it is not cleansing. I can easily understand the desire of every woman to have a clear, beautiful skin, but I confess to being provoked when I think of the amount of money spent on lotions, creams and powders to be applied externally and which have nothing like as good an effect upon the skin as a tepid bath with good soap taken at least once a week.
The condition of the skin depends almost entirely upon the care given to the general health. The girl who is up late at night, gives no care to her diet, indulges in various stimulants, bathes hot and seldom exercises less is certain to have either a dull, muddy looking skin or one covered with disagreeable looking black and red spots. One should avoid many sweets and much pastry and not allow herself to become a slave either to tea or coffee any more than she would to some vicious drug or strong stimulant. She should also remember that unless she is in good condition internally she will be anything but a pleasant object to look upon externally.

Smokeless Powder.
It is a curious fact that with all of the improvements and modifications so notable in our navy we are still using the old fashioned smoky, smelly powder that envelops everything in a gray pall, obscures the view and confuses the gunners. Only one of our ships has been using cordite, the wonderful smokeless powder which the English navy has adopted. The results with this ship, the New Orleans, were truly amazing. The rapidity, accuracy and precision of her fire were the admiration of all observers. Smokeless powder has several advantages. There is no obscuring of the view, the explosion producing the merest haze, which lasts but an instant. It leaves but little residue in the gun, has much more power and is every way more desirable. Higher muzzle velocity is obtained with a projectile, as the powder burns much more slowly than the ordinary sort, and, therefore, generates more gas as the ball travels up to the mouth of the gun. The demand for smokeless powder seems to be one of the imperatives of the immediate future.—New York Ledger.

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I have been a great sufferer from constipation for over 20 years. Nothing gave me any relief. My feet and legs and abdomen were bloated so I could not wear shoes on my feet and only a loose dress. I saw Ripans Tablets advertised in our daily paper, bought some and took them as directed. I have taken them about three weeks and there is such a change. I am not constipated any more and I give it all to Ripans Tablets. I am thirty-seven years old, but I feel like a child. I have my household duties and nursing my sick husband. He has and the drops and I am trying Ripans Tablets for him. He feels some better but it will take some time, he has been sick so long. You may use my letter and name as you like.

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GERM CELLS OF LIFE.

THEY RETAIN VITALITY EVEN AFTER APPARENT DEATH.

A Startling Theory Showing That Instant Death is an Impossibility and That We May Be Conscious For Some Time After Dissolution.

"You often meet with the phrase 'death was instantaneous,' and you believe it, but instant death is impossible.

A professor has been studying the subject, a man of renown in his own world, and he has discovered certain important data proving conclusively that no one can meet with instant death. He works out his theory on the data afforded by the physicist of cells. He states that no one yet has proved that after they are cut off from a live brain cell. When this has been done, then we can more easily ascertain how long a time elapses before the death of a cell takes place.

But, first, what is a cell? To be brief, both plants and animals—including, of course, man—are built up of units, elementary units, which you can only detect under the microscope. Now, each tiny cell is a vital elementary unit. We are nothing but highly developed results of the individual vitality of huge quantities of these fundamental cells.

As this is undeniably so, how is it possible, by simple decapitation, say, to cause instant death in the millions of cells which compose the brain? It is known that brain cells have their own cell life and are able to live a certain time after they are cut off from outside nutrition without the supply of any blood whatever from the body. The nourishment is supplied inside the cell walls, and it can go on living after being cut off from other resources.

From this argument it is clear to the professor that these millions of cells in the brain must continue to live after death has apparently intervened—that is, when death appears, but only on the outside, to have been instantaneous.

After a man's leg is cut off, or an animal's, you can stimulate the nerves for a long time, but you cannot get it after the cells are dead. You cannot get any response at all.

Electricity has been thought to be the germ of life, but this is a fanciful theory when confronted with the new laws as by research established. The countless millions of cells of which our bodies are entirely composed contain the germ of life, and it is impossible for these to be visited with an instantaneous unconsciousness.

You can take living cells from a pig's glands, and this same professor will demonstrate to you that after these glands have gone through their preparation the cells are still living.

But the curious fact remains that at present there are no data showing the supposed length of time it takes for the cells of the brain to empty themselves of the germ of consciousness or life, but it is certain that consciousness does not cease immediately after, say, a head has been cut off a body. The belief, however, is that at least four or five minutes must elapse ere death finally steps in to arrest life.

It has been noticed in the case of a decapitated head that the cheeks remain red for some minutes after the severance, a conclusive proof that the cells are living.

The heads of decapitated animals have continued to live and snap at the air for three or four minutes after severance. This phenomenon is well marked in the head of a tortoise separated from the body. The life of the brain, therefore, must be retained for some time after the head is severed, from the very fact that, though being separated from the trunk, its nutritious blood and gases, taken from the fund stored up in the cells, are in sufficient quantity to carry on life, but for what exact period is unknown.

Do the brain cells die simultaneously? No, because they have their own individual cell life. Our scientific friend also makes the very startling statement that in many diseases the brain cells, although the person to all appearances is dead, may live for three or four hours after supposed death has taken place.

In the case of a healthy person being hanged, seeming death is not instantaneous, but real death is certainly not instantaneous. The brain cells are the last to die, and life is not really extinct until rigor mortis sets in, which, in the case of a healthy person dying suddenly, is protracted.

Now, when it is known that an ordinary cell lives after being removed from a living body, why, then, cannot the brain cells retain their life when the conditions immediately surrounding them are much the same as during their previous existence?

The head of a chicken was cut off, and after certain stimuli had been made it opened its mouth and gasped five minutes after its head had been decapitated from the body.

The head of a certain animal was cut off and found susceptible to light for many minutes after it was apparently dead. A strong electric light was held in front of the eyes and moved alternately near to and far away from them. The pupils of the eyes followed the light in its movements, expanding and contracting, that is to say, focusing themselves upon the light as it moved backward and forward. It was proved that the animal was capable of smelling by the use of certain pungent odors placed near the nasal organs—and all this because the brain cells were still living.

Raising Ducks Without Water.
Ducks don't need water to thrive. There are many duck raising plants in this country where thousands of the fowls are bred each year for market and where there is not even a puddle for them to founder in. One of these farms is credited with an output of 20,000 ducks a year.

A Sorcerer Elected.
M. Legitim, the new Socialist deputy from Guadeloupe in the French parliament, is a negro. He dresses in the latest fashion, wearing silk hat, patent leather shoes, white necktie and irreproachable frock coat. He believes in ghosts, witches and devils and is a famous sorcerer in his own country. In fact, he owed his election to his successful defeat of the devil by dancing and yelling for several hours in a cemetery. His ability in this line convinced the free and independent electors of Guadeloupe that their interests would be safe in his hands.

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A POPULAR SINGER.

A Young Vocalist Who Quickly Took a Prominent Place.

One of the greatest honors of the Transmississippi exposition at Omaha was accorded to Miss Anna V. Metcalfe, who was selected as one of the two soloists for the opening concert, Mr. Charles Clark, baritone, being the other. Of Miss Metcalfe the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says:

Miss Metcalfe came to St. Louis a few months ago to accept the position of soprano in the choir of the Second Baptist church. There has been scarcely a week since her arrival in St. Louis that she has not been asked to sing in some other city, and she has just returned from giving a recital at Cairo, Ill., where she also sang before the Alexander club of that town. She was one of the soloists at the recent Moberly (Mo.) music festival and sang at the last concert.

A WOMAN'S COMPLAINT.
I know that deep within your heart You hold me shrouded apart from common things And my step, my voice, can bring to you A gladness that no other presence brings.

And yet, dear love, throughout the weary days You never speak one word of tenderness Nor stroke my hair nor softly clasp my hand Within your own arms in loving, mellow caress.

You think perhaps I should be all content To know as well the loving place I hold Within your life, and yet you do not dream How much I long to hear the story told.

You cannot know, when we two sit alone And tranquil thoughts within your mind are stirred, My heart is crying like a tired child For you fond look, one gentle, loving word.

'Tis not the boundless waters ocean holds That give refreshment to the thirsty flowers, But just the drops that, rising to the skies, From thence descend in softly falling showers.

What matter that our granaries are filled With all the richest harvests' golden stores, If we who own them cannot enter in, From thence stand below the close barred doors?

And so 'tis said that those who should be rich In that true love which crowns our earthly lot Go praying with white lips from day to day For love's sweet tokens and receive them not.—Pearson's Weekly.

LIEUTENANT CLOVER.

The colonel seemed much disturbed. He walked to the window and gazed out at the empty parade. He walked to his desk, and Adjutant Caldwell Clover, who was signing orders, glanced out of the corner of his eye and saw that the colonel was pulling his mustache.

Then the colonel sat down and said rather sharply, "Are you busy, Clover?"

It was not customary for the colonel to address the officers by their names in this way. He was supposed to address Adjutant Clover as lieutenant, and to say that the young man was surprised would be placing it mildly. Of course he didn't object. In fact, it pleased him to have the colonel speak to him familiarly, only it was so unexpected.

"I am not busy, colonel," said the adjutant.

"How old do you think I am, Clover?" asked the colonel.

"Why, I don't know, colonel," stammered the adjutant, "not any older than—that you ought to be."

The colonel was slicing a sheet of paper with the paper knife. "I want you to do something for me, Clover. I have come to depend on you entirely for everything that I am going to put this personal matter in your hands. I want you to write a proposal of marriage to a young lady for me."

The colonel was much embarrassed. His face was red under the tan. "A proposal of marriage!" echoed the adjutant.

"Yes. If any one had told me I was afraid of a woman, I would have laughed at him. I tried to speak to her about it last night at the hotel, and when she looked at me with those steady brown eyes of hers I couldn't say a word."

"Then it's Miss Lacey?" said the adjutant.

"It is Miss Lacey."

"Very well, colonel," Adjutant Clover received the order just as he would have received an order to appoint a substitute captain for the recruits or any trivial thing of that sort, and he turned to his desk as the colonel went out.

There are those who think an adjutant has nothing else to do save listen to 37 bugle calls a day and look his best from reveille to taps. It is a mistake. He has a thousand and one things to do.

He oversees guard mount. He selects the colonel's orderly. He writes letters and signs papers, and now Adjutant Caldwell Clover of Troop X is asked to write a proposal for his colonel to Agnes Lacey.

When Captain Lester went east and returned with a golden haired young wife, Lieutenant Clover danced with the bride at the reception given them.

"I am sure I shall not be lonely here," she said to him. "I find it all so new and interesting, and then in the summer my sister is coming to me."

They were promenadeing then, and she looked up at the six feet of handsome manhood beside her and said: "You will like my sister. She is not at all like me. She is almost as tall as you are and independent and brave." And from that night Lieutenant Clover looked forward to the coming of Captain Lester's fair sister-in-law.

Miss Lacey reached the post in July. Mrs. Lester had been watching for the coach, and when it was approaching on the brow of the hill Lieutenant Clover handed her a pair of fieldglasses, and when at last the rattle of the wheels was heard they walked together across the parade, and it was Lieutenant Clover's hand that opened the stage door and then reached up to help the girl alight.

When he took off his cap to her and then excused himself and sister to the captain's quarters, Agnes Lacey felt that all her sister had written about the courteous young officers of the post must be true.

The summer was a quiet one at the post. There were a few dances, some rides over the prairie, a picnic or two and long quiet hours on the veranda, and then one day there came news of Captain Lester's transfer to another post. It was on the day before the one set for his departure that the colonel gave his adjutant his peculiar order.

When the colonel had gone, Lieutenant Clover leaned back in his chair and clasped his hands behind his head. He was to propose to Agnes Lacey for the colonel. He thought over all the hours he had spent with Agnes, and his face grew tender and his lips quivered a little as he remembered that tomorrow she was going away, then he said to himself: "What's the use of my feeling like a dog in the manger? She wouldn't marry me. She'll never think of me again after she leaves here." He took up his pen, then hesitated as he dipped it in the ink. "My, but it will be lous-

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