

PORTO RICO'S RUINS.

TERRIBLE DEVIATION OF THE GREAT HURRICANE.

Pictures of the Havoc Wrought in Our Peaceful Isle, Many Pathetic Incidents and Deaths of Heroism Followed the Passage of the Storm.

The recent West Indian hurricane, with its attendant loss of life and damage to property, was one of the worst calamities of the century. In Porto Rico alone the death list reached nearly 1,500, while the number of injured was three times larger.



A BADLY WRECKED VILLAGE.

shores of the island a heterogeneous mass of wreckage that told of disaster to vessels, the crews of which perished. Scores of ghastly, bloated corpses came floating ashore to add their ghastliness and horror to the awful scenes already depicted there.



RUINS OF A NATIVE ABODE.

was an oppressive, heart-rending, funereal atmosphere that seemed to hang like a pall of despair over the stricken isle.

Full particulars of the terrible storm show the great destruction and accentuate the horrible condition of the peasant, or peon. Houses and roofs to shelter were as serious questions as food was before the government issued free rations and made other provisions to feed the destitute.



TREES IN WAKE OF HURRICANE.

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The little Portuguese River, usually a mere stream already swollen from the morning rain, became a raging torrent. It jumped out of its banks at a curve just above Ponce, and swept down through the streets.

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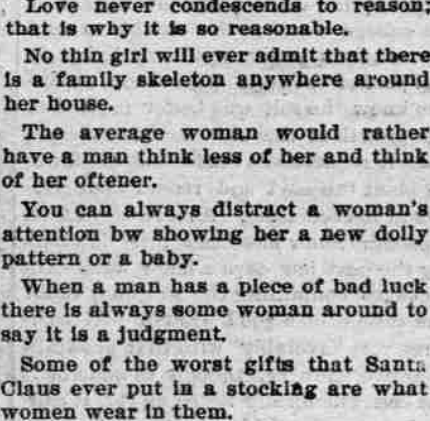
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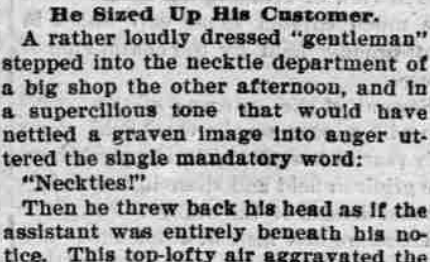
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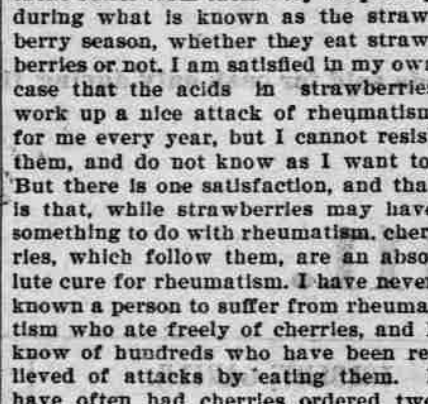
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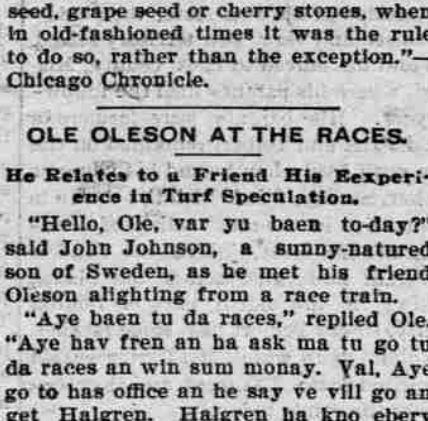
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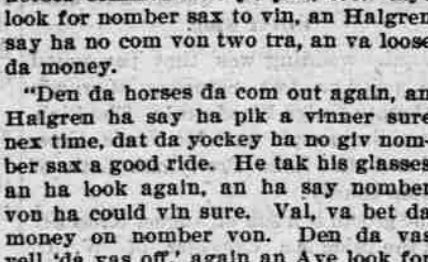
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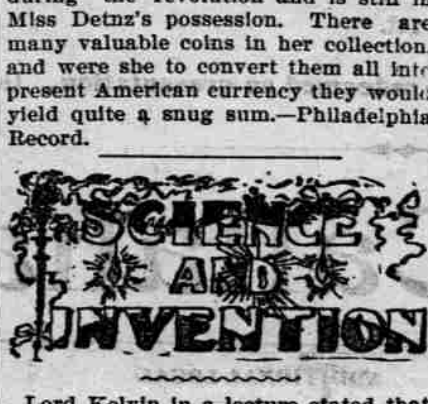
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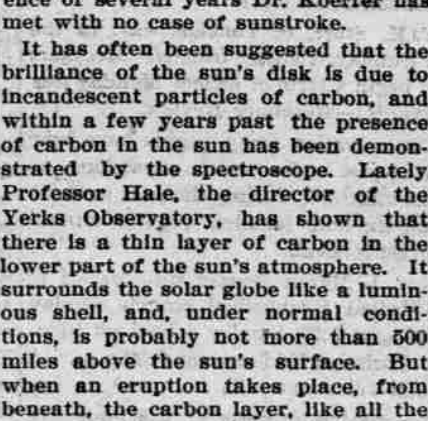
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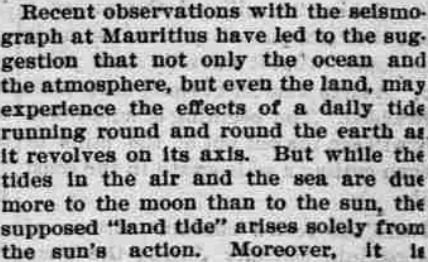
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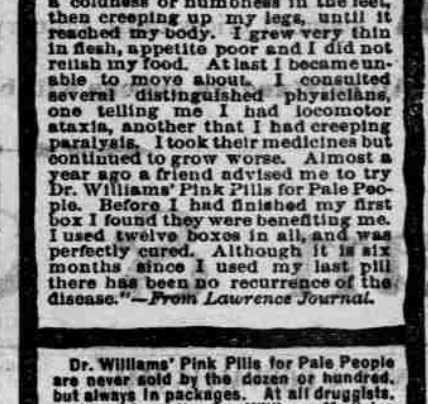
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Creeping Numbness is a Danger Signal.

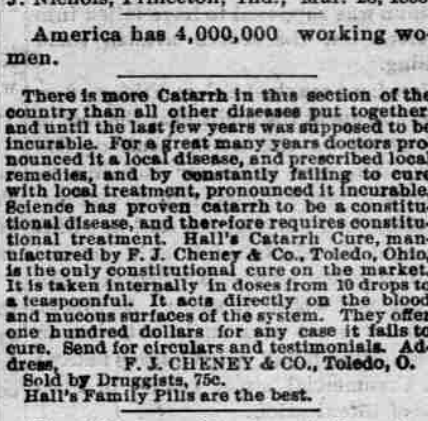
Mr. G. H. Snyder, a well known citizen of Lawrence, Kan., made a claim how severely he was afflicted by this creeping numbness in the feet, hands, and arms, and how he was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

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The first Irish woman to be elected a municipal councillor is Mrs. Maurice Dockrell, who was third in the polls in the Blackrock district of county Dublin, at the last elections, with nine vacancies to be filled.



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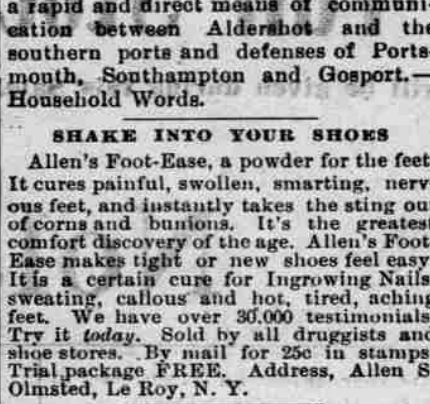
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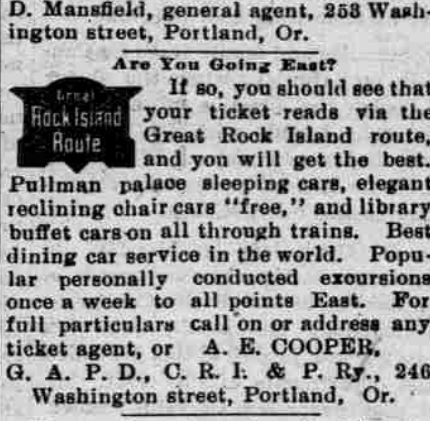
There are few quieter, more secluded villages in England than the Meons, east and west, lying in the Hampshire Downs. Old Winchester Hill presiding over the scene, the town of some old British city thereabouts, the forerunner of the more famous city of the plains.

The Meons are to have a railway at last, and we read that the Meon valley railway from Alton to Fareham, a distance of about 26 miles, will run through country hitherto quite untouched by any railway.



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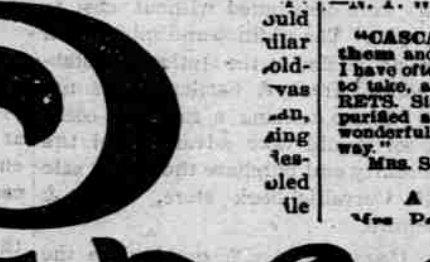
Shake into your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, nervous feet, and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions.



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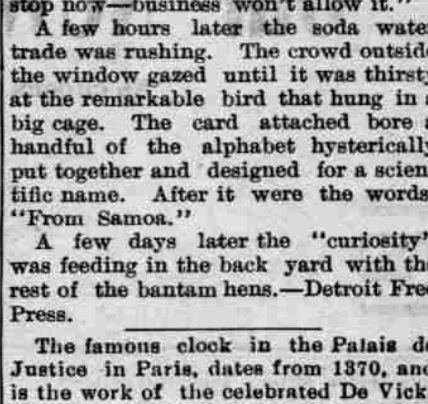
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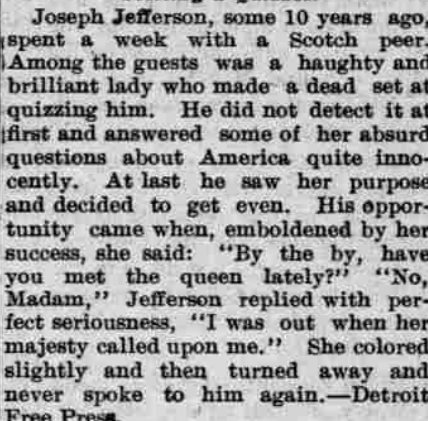
An Irish lady, having had a few hot words with her husband one day, had occasion a few moments after to send her servant for some fish for dinner.

"Bridge," said the mistress, "go down to the town at once and get me a place."



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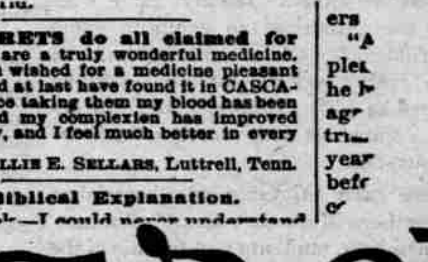
The famous clock in the Palais de Justice in Paris, dated from 1870, and is the work of the celebrated De Vick, whose turret clocks are the earliest on record.



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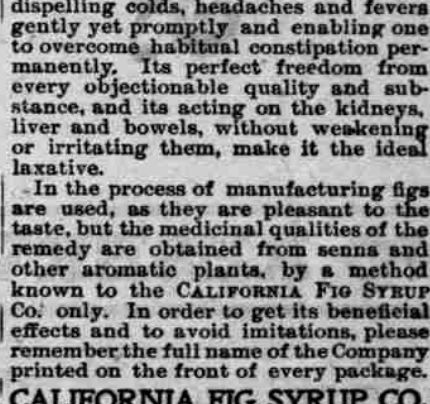
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An Excellent Combination.

The pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well known remedy, Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., illustrate the value of obtaining the laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system.



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Once upon a time an operator in stocks was sold short, and ruin stared him in the face unless the market should break. In his desperation he remembered having heard that honesty is the best policy.



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