

EDITOR'S BACK STAIRS.

The Interesting Views of the Late Dr. J. G. Holland.

The columns of the newspapers appear to be flooded with proprietary medicine advertisements. As we cast our eye over them, it brings to mind an article that was published by the late Dr. Holland in Scribner's Monthly. He says: "Nevertheless, it is a fact that many of the best proprietary medicines of the day were more successful than many physicians, and most of them, it should be remembered, were at first discovered or used in actual medical practice. When, however, any shrewd person, knowing their virtue, and foreseeing their popularity, secures and advertises them, then, in the opinion of the bigoted, all virtue went out of them."

Is not this absurd? This great man appreciated the real merits of popular remedies, and the absurdity of those that derided them because public attention was called to the article and the evidence of their cures. If the most noted physician should announce that he had made a study of any certain organ or disease of the body, or make his sign larger than the code size, though he may have practiced medicine and been a leader in all medical councils, notwithstanding all this, if he should presume to advertise and decline to give his discovery to the public, he would be pronounced a quack and a humbug, although he may have spent his entire life and all his available funds in perfecting his investigations.

Again we say "absurd." If an ulcer is found upon one's arm and is cured by some dear old grandmother, outside of the code, it will be pronounced by the medical profession an ulcer of little importance. But if treated under the code, causing sleepless nights for a month, with the scientific treatment, viz., plasters, washes, dosing with morphine, arsenic and other vile substances, given to prevent blood poisoning or deaden pain, and yet the ulcer becomes malignant and amputation is made necessary at last, the "isms" of the medical code, this is much more gratifying to the medical profession, and adds more dignity to that distinguished order than to be cured by the dear old grandmother's remedy.

This appears like a severe arraignment, yet we believe that it expresses the true standing of the medical profession in regard to remedies discovered outside of their special "isms." One of the most perplexing things of the day is the popularity of certain remedies, especially Warner's Safe Cure, which we find for sale everywhere. The physician of the highest standing is ready to concede its merits and sustain the theories that it provides for the ailments of the human system because it assists in putting the kidneys in proper condition, thereby aiding in throwing off the impurities of the blood, while others, with less honesty and experience derive, and are willing to see their patient die scientifically, and according to the code, rather than have him cured by this great remedy.

Yet we notice that the popularity of the medicine continues to grow year by year. The discoverer comes boldly before the people with its merits, and proclaims them from door to door in our opinion much more honorably than the physician who, perchance, may secure a patient from some catastrophe, and is permitted to set a bone of an arm or a finger, which he does with great dignity, yet very soon after takes the liberty to climb the editor's back stairs at 2 o'clock in the morning to have it announced in the morning paper that "Dr. So-and-so was in attendance," thus securing for his benefit a beautiful and free advertisement.

THRESHER TRAIN ARRIVED.

Z. T. Wright's Immense Train of Advance Threshers Arrived in Portland at 4:30 P. M. Last Friday.

This is the only special freight train that ever crossed the continent that had a special printed time card for the entire trip. The C. B. & Q. R. R. had this special time card printed before the departure of the train from the East, and it has been run on strictly schedule time all the way through. There are more threshers on this single train than any firm in Portland has ever yet shipped during an entire season, there being 72 threshers besides engines and horse-powers.

It is learned from Mr. Wright that this shipment is only a portion of the order that he has already placed with the Advance Thresher Company for this season. To give some little idea of the importance of this shipment, it can be stated that if these threshers were strung out one by one, they would reach a distance of twelve blocks. The train was in charge of Mr. Clarence L. Wright, a younger brother of Mr. Z. T. Wright, and the former enjoys the distinction of making the first visit to the coast in the full enjoyment of a special train, he being the only passenger on this train. Mr. C. L. Wright expects to make his home in the future on this coast. It is further learned from Mr. Wright that last summer he was short over thirty machines, and it was this that induced him to make this enormous shipment this year. He will make every endeavor to fill all orders received during the present year, but he advises all parties who desire threshers to send in their orders as early as possible. Mr. Wright says that the Advance Thresher is the only machine in the market that will stand crowding up to its full capacity and not waste the grain, and as farmers are like all others of the times, the making every attempt to do everything in a hurry, they have found by careful trial that the Advance Thresher is the best machine in the market to-day.

The train was stopped below the N. P. Mills and was photographed, and any of Mr. Wright's friends who wish a photograph of the largest train of Threshers ever shipped west of the Rocky Mountains, and more threshers than ever has been shipped in any one train by any firm except the Advance Thresher Company, they can get it by applying in person or by letter. Mr. Wright informs us that the greater portion of the machines on this train are already sold. He also says that there is no machine in America that can equal the Advance for fast work and saving grain. Mr. Wright's warehouse and office is at the foot of Morrison street, and he will take pleasure in explaining the merits of the Advance Thresher to all who may be interested. Please mention this paper.

THE TRADE-WINDS.

Their Cause and Nature Explained in Simple Language.

In order that we may distinctly understand the cause and nature of the trade-winds, it is necessary to bear in mind that the earth in the center of its circumference, at an equal distance from the poles, is divided by a line called the equator into two hemispheres—the northern and the southern. Across the equator, cutting it obliquely, there passes another great circle called the ecliptic, which describes the path the sun traverses. It extends 23 1/2 degrees north and 23 1/2 degrees south of the equator, which is the utmost limit the sun traverses; for, when arrived at either of these boundaries, he again seems to return towards the equator. It must be very evident that the region of the earth included within a circle drawn 23 1/2 degrees north and 23 1/2 south of the equator—which will comprehend the greatest portion of Africa, a considerable part of Asia and America, and many large, fertile and populous islands in the East and West Indies—will receive constantly the solar rays in a direction so little oblique as to cause the most intolerable heat. It is, therefore, called the torrid zone; and the limits at which the sun stops, and appears to retrace his course, have received the name of tropics, or circles of return. This being premised, and it being also remembered that the earth revolves daily, "her silent course advancing," round the sun from west to east, the cause of the trade-winds will be readily understood.

The rays of the sun, in its apparent motion from east to west, rarely the air beneath, and the air so rarified rises into the higher regions of the atmosphere. While this takes place, the colder air from the adjoining temperate zones rushes in to supply its place. But it is from the polar regions north and south that these colder currents originally come; and did the earth remain at rest, such would be their obvious direction. Instead of this, however, north of the equator the direction of the trade-winds is from the northeast; south of the equator, from the southeast; the cause of which is thus explained: The velocity with which the earth revolves is inconsiderable at the poles, but increases as we advance, and is at its maximum at the equator; the winds, in sweeping from the poles, do not acquire a corresponding velocity with the motion of the earth as they advance towards the equator; therefore, moving more slowly than the earth, they are left behind; so that, to the observer who imagines himself at rest, the air appears to move in a direction contrary to the rotation of the earth, viz., from east to west.

The external limits of the trade-winds are thirty degrees north and thirty degrees south of the equator; but each limit diminishes as the sun advances to the opposite tropic. The larger the expanse of ocean over which they sweep, the more steadily do they blow; accordingly, they are more steady in the Pacific than in the Atlantic, and in the South than in the North Atlantic Ocean. Within the region of the constant trade-winds rain seldom occurs, but it falls abundantly in the adjoining latitudes. The reason is, that rain is produced by the sudden mixture of air of different temperatures charged with moisture; but the constant circulation and intermixture of the air from the upper strata of the atmosphere maintains so equal a temperature in these latitudes as not to occasion the condensation of vapor which is necessary for the production of rain.

Within the limits of the trade-winds, contrary to what might have been supposed from the latitude, the atmosphere is peculiarly cool and refreshing. The climate of the Sandwich Islands is far more cool than might be supposed, judging from their latitude. To the trade-winds must this alone be attributed; and thus has Nature rendered a region, which would otherwise have been parched, arid and uninhabitable, exuberant in beauty and magnificence.—N. Y. Ledger.

A peculiar fact about American literary women is that many of them are domestic in their tastes and have great ability as housekeepers. Lucy Stone is a noted home-maker. Mrs. Elizabeth Cady-Stanton's domestic propensities are well known. Mrs. Annie Jenness Miller, the lecturer and advocate of dress reform, has a husband who worships her. Mrs. Livermore, the lecturer, is another good housekeeper, and in addition to her public and private duties takes care of an invalid daughter.

Rosy Boy—"Why didn't you take a wedding trip, Bloodgood?" Bloodgood—"Well, you see, my wife and I came to the conclusion it wouldn't be much of a novelty, for us. We met first on a steamer on the Atlantic Ocean; I proposed in Sweden; was accepted in Russia; obtained her father's permission in England; the marriage settlement was drawn up in this country, and we were married in Algiers."—Once a Week.

—One can not master all knowledge, says a Southern writer; the majority of even the best books must be left unread. In order to know well a little one must be content to remain ignorant of a great deal that seems equally important. Carlyle says that the art of selecting books is the art of rejecting them.

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Curious Coincidence.

"Waiting to see some one?" he asked of a young man who was standing on one of the porticoes of the city hall the other day. "Yes." "So'm I. What are you after?" "I'm after a marriage license and want to see the county clerk." "And I'm after a divorce and want to see a lawyer. Say, it's a curious coincidence, ain't it? Let's go and take a drink."—Detroit Free Press.

Two Boneless Dwarfs.

Sussex county, Del., is proud in the possession of the Misses Marine, two remarkable little dwarfs, who were born and reared in that county. The oldest, Miss Lizzie, lacks three inches of being three feet tall, has a head in proportion to the rest of her body; is very intelligent, conversing fluently with all with whom she comes in contact, despite the fact that she weighed but forty-five pounds and must stand on a chair in order to put her head on a level with the shoulder of an ordinary person. But stand on a chair or anything else she cannot, neither can her sister, for the reason that neither are provided with those very necessary adjuncts to standing—bones. A sort of cartilage answers in place of the bones, enabling the little mites to move hands or feet with perfect ease. Both use the fingers quite nimbly, doing all sorts of needle work, such as embroidery, etc., although the fingers may be bent in any direction desired without the least sensation of pain, being almost as pliable as so many little ropes.—J. W. Wright in St. Louis Republic.

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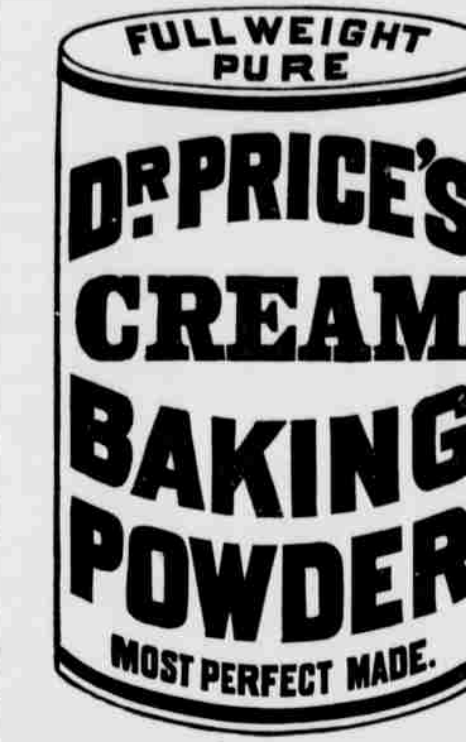
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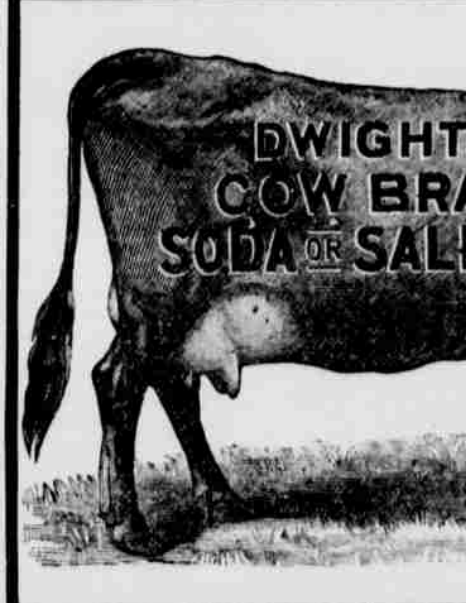
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