An Enemy Baffled.

There is an enemy with whom thousands are familiar all their lives because they are born with a tendency to biliousness. With this enemy they are constantly battling with ineffectual weapons. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will baffle it. Mere puagatives will not reform a disocdered condition of the liver indicated, not by constipation alone but by sick headaches, yellowness of the skin and e e balls, furred tongue and uneasiness, more particularly upon pressure upon the right side, upon and below the short ribs. Avoid drastic purgatives, which gripe and weaken the intestines, and substitute this world famous anti bilious cordial, which likewise removes molarial, stomatchic and kidney complaints, rheumotism and nervousness. As a lazative of the bowels, painless but effectual, it improves appetite, sleep and the ability to digest and posse ses the additional advantage of a standard tonic.

Whether or not the Chinese are civilizep enough to poke holes in the statues of their adopted country may be a question. But they can easily hire the necessary grade of civilization to do it for them.

Not from a Financial Standpoint.

"I do not recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy from a financial standpoint, for we have others in stock on which we make a larger profit," says Al. Maggini, a prominent druggist of Braddock, Pennsylvania, "but because many of our customers have spoken of it in the highest praise. We sell more of it than of any similar preparation we have in the store." For sale by all druggists.

Some of the Atlantic steamer lines have abolished the steerage department. This means, rather than the suppression of the steerage passenger, that hereafter himself, his poverty and his microbes will travel right in company with other passengers. The occasion does not seem conducive to expressions of gratitude.

Draw Your Own Conclusion.

Mr J. O. Davenport, manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., Fort Bragg, California, has this to say of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy: "I used it for a severe cold and cough and obtained immediate relief. In he Fort Bragg Redwood company's store we have sold large quantities of Chamberlain's medicines." For sale by all druggists.

Turkish army officers are feeling the r gors of reformatory discipline. The petty ones among them are now allowed only two wives. Those of a higher rank may grace the domestic hearth with but three, while the occupant of the topmost pinnacle of military achievement must be content with a wifely quartet. The expected munity has not yet developed.

From Newberg.

C. F. Moore & Co., prominent druggists of Newberg, Oregon, say: "Since our customers have become accustomed with the good qualities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, we sell but little of any other kind. Chamberlain's medicine's all give good satisfaction." For sale by all druggists.

A Minnesota woman, married but two weeks, eloped with another man. While her husband was congratulating himself he made the discovery that the elopers had taken his clothes along, and the gloom that settled upon him was profound. It was humilfating to think that he had been used merely as a dummy for the tailor to fit the raiment of another upan.

An Invaluable Remedy for Colds.

Sheriff Hardman, of Tyler county, West Virginia, was almost prostrated with a cold when he began useing Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. In speaking of it he says: "It gave me almost instant relief. I find it to be an invaluable remedy for colds." For sale by all druggists.

The most curious character on the island of Borneo is the white sultan or rajah of Sarawak. He is an Englishman, Sir Charles Brooke, and the United States is the only nation that recognizes his sovereignty. He rules over a part of Borneo as large as Ireland, and his subjects pay tribute to him in rice.

A Cure for Croup.

If your children are subject to croup always keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at hand. It is a prompt and certain cure. If given as soon as the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. For sale by all druggists.

Why is it when a man considers himself possessed of more than ordinary ability that he lets his hair grow long, while a woman who thinks the same of herself and wants to be the reformer of her kind not infrequently cuts her hair short?

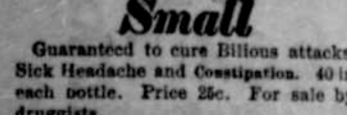
Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

I have sold and used in my family for several years Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy and have found it one of the most useful and satisfactory remedies I ever handled.—C. H. Lewis, druggist, Salt Lake City, Utah. For sale by all druggists.

The empress of Germany never wears a dress, mantle or bonnet a second time, and everything that she buys is of the very best.

I prescribe Simmon's Liver Regulator, and it will deserves all the praise it receives.—Dr. D. W. Atkinson, Siloam Springs, Ark.

The sultan has 300 wives; the king of Dahomey, 250; the shah of Persia, 400; the king of Siam, 600; the king of Ashantee, 3,000, and the emperor of Morocco about 6,000.



Bile Beans Small

Guaranteed to cure Billious attacks, Sick Headache and Constipation. 40 in each bottle. Price 25c. For sale by druggists.

Picture "7, 17, 70" and sample dose free. J. F. SMITH & CO., Proprietors, NEW YORK.

Washing Fruits.

Strawberries, raspberries and many other small table fruits are not washed by the majority of people before eating, for there is a general notion among housewives that by dipping them in the water first, fresh, fine fruit flavor is taken away by the operation. This may be true, or simply the result of imagination. It is a small point, however, to keep one from using water as an antifever agent. It has been demonstrated beyond dispute that disease is frequently conveyed to many people through fruit. When the fruits are picked off the bushes by the owner, there is no objection to their immediate use without washing, but when they are purchased from stands in cities they need a good washing.

Professional fruit pickers often have the germs of fevers, skin disease or other contagious complaints on their hands, and those are conveyed from one person to another. The dust from the city will accumulate on the grapes and berries that are exposed on the stands for sale, and it is well known that this dust contains many germs that are more or less harmful to the human system. If fruit bought from the public markets is washed the water will often be absolutely black, and it is filthy as well as dangerous to take all of such dirt into the stomach.—Yankee Blade.

What Women Demand.

The only idea of some people seems to be as though no woman had ever done anything difficult or perplexing in her life, and just because she has gone to work and accomplished something, they are taken off their pins entirely. This is anything but the right spirit in which to look at a woman's work. There is no such fuss made because a man has succeeded in farming or poultry raising or stock breeding or floral culture, but because a woman has done these things there is no end to the wearisome chatter which is everywhere thrust in our faces. To give the woman a chance, and the very best possible chance, is to take it for granted that they really can do something and do it well, and let their works and not the public praise them.—New York Ledger.

Better Still.

"Nothing can make a woman so superlatively happy as to have a baby of her own to kiss," exclaimed Mrs. McBride rapturously as she fondled her firstborn.

"My dear," replied her husband pityingly, "you can never know the unutterable joy of being 'next' in a crowded barber shop on a Saturday night."—Brooklyn

HOW'S THIS.

We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of catarrh that can not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & Co, Props., Toledo. O.

We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

West & Truax, who'esale druggists, Toledo, O , Walding, Kinnan & Marvin wholesale druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.

The smallest inhabited island in the woeld is that upon which the Eddyston lighthouse stands. At time of low water it is only thirty feet in diameter.

The Advertising

Of Hood's Sarsaparilla is always within the bounds of reason because it is true; it always appeal to the sober, common sence of thinking people because it is true; and it is always fully substantiated by endorsements which, in the financial world would be accepted without a moment's hesitation.

For a general family cathartic we confidently recommend Hood's Pills.

The Prince of Wales receivos a salary of $200,000 a year, but that dosen't come near paying his expenses.

I have been bothered with catarrh for about twenty years; I had lost sense of smell entirely, and I had almost lost my hearing. My eyes were getting so dim I had to get some one to thread my needle. Now I have my hearing as well as I ever had, and I can see to thread as fine a needle as ever I did- my sense of smell is partly restored, and it seems to be improving all the time. I think there is nothing like Ely's Cream Balm for catarrh. Mrs. E. E. &rimes, Rendrill, Perry Co., O.

Successful prophets generally inquire around among the neighbors before predicting.

Painting the town red means headache in the morning. Simmon's Liver Regulator prevents it.

There are 46,000 oil wells in the United States, and their daily output is 130,000 barrels.

Take Simmon's Liver Regulator in youth and you will enjoy a green old age.

Chili is said to number among her population more poets per capital than any other nation in he world.

Give your pet dogs or cats Simmon's Liver Regulator, when sick—it will cure them.

In the Bible the nineteenth chapter of II Kings and thirty-seventh chapter of Isaiah are alike.

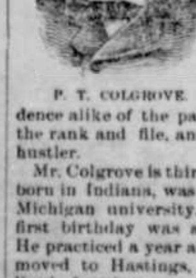
Don't sicken people with bad breath of yours. Take Simmon's Liver Reg lat r

It takes nearly five years, it is said to tan an elephant's skin.

One *Small* Bile Bean every night for a week arouse Torpid Livers. 25c. per bottle.

Chief of the Michigan League.

At the fifth annual convention of the Michigan League of Republican Clubs held recently in Grand Rapids, Philip T. Colgrove, of Hastings, was elected president of the organization by acclamation. The league is comprised of all the Republican clubs in the state, and is an important adjunct to the Republican state central committee. The president of the league must have the confidence alike of the party managers and of the rank and file, and above all must be a hustler.



P. T. COLGROVE.

Mr. Colgrove is thirty-four years old, was born in Indiana, was graduated from the Michigan university, and on his twenty first birthday was admitted to the bar. He practiced a year at Reed City and then moved to Hastings, where he has since lived, forming a partnerhip with Judge Clement Smith. He was elected prosecuting attorney of Barry county in 1882, and was twice re-elected, serving six years. In 1889 he was elected state senator, by a plurality of 1,700, and declined a second term. He is grand chancellor of the Michigan grand lodge of Knights of Pythias.

Plant Ferry's Seeds and reap a rich harvest. They are always reliable, always in demand, always the best.

FERRY'S SEED ANNUAL For 1893 is invaluable to every Planter. It is an encyclopedia of the latest farming information from the highest authorities. Mailed Free.

D. M. FERRY & CO. DETROIT, Mich.

Ex Governor Gracelon of Maine, now 85 years old, is rather spry for his age. He is passionately fond of horses.

The great vegetable substitute for pills is Simmon's Liver Regulator. Cures sick headache.

HOME DRESSMAKING.

SOME SUPPLEMENTARY POINTERS REGARDING EVENING COSTUMES.

Demitrains and Court Trains—The Modeling of Waist Lining—Riding Habits. The Making of Children's Garments. The Jacket and Covert Coat.

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There are a few more words to add with reference to evening dresses. If a train is desired, the four side breadths and the back breadths are tapered down so that the back breadths are 1½ yards long. A demitrain is 1¼ yards, though the train can be longer if desired. It is finished on the inside like any nice skirt and should have a balayeuse. A court train is made of two breadths of material lined with silk or satin, and plaited and fastened at the shoulders in the back, and then tacked to the sides of the skirt at the hips, and the rest left loose to fall over the other skirt.

A few words more regarding the modeling of a waist lining. If the wearer is short waisted and stout, an "impression" can be taken, as is done with other waists, but the proportion in drafting the model is to allow in width in proportion to what would be one inch to each seam and to eliminate one or more inches at the waist line, just as if a slice that wide had been cut out all the way around and the lining sewed up again.

Almost every lady, be she amateur or professional dressmaker, may wish to make a riding habit. Directions have already been given for making the basque, but it is almost as difficult to make the skirt now as the waist. It is cut to fit snugly around the hips in the same style as the skirt model as to the front breadths, but the back consists of a single breadth laid in flat plaits at the back. The skirt should be roomy over the knees and fall gracefully without straining. The model skirt will allow this, and the riding skirt should be a trifle more than walking length and simply hemmed at the bottom. If it is possible to have the lady sit on a saddle to try on the skirt it will be of great advantage, as it is easier to "hang" the skirt so that it shall fall just right.

The riding skirt should have a stout belt and fastening. It should open on the left side and button over with small silk buttons. The pocket is placed almost in front and has a flap, and is cut across instead of lengthwise. In sewing the skirt of a habit, which should be of serge or cloth, each seam should be carefully pressed and finished in the neatest manner.

A finish often adopted for the edges of basque, front, etc., is to baste a silk braid with the edge even with the edge and on the right side of the goods, lying backward; then stitch this down, and afterward turn the braid around to the wrong side and fell it down. This is flatly pressed and is the same as the braid on men's coats. Nothing could be neater.

MODEL FOR CHILD'S WAIST.
[Dotted lines show how to cut away for low neck for gimp.]

The making of children's garments is quite different from those of the mother's, and every dressmaker ought to know how whether they are ever called upon to practice or not.

In the first place, simplicity is to be studied, and the fact that they have no "form" taken into consideration. When new material is used, the dressmaker can cut to suit herself, but it is best to have the gowns, etc., designed so as to have the different pieces as large as possible, and have a hem deep enough to allow for a child's rapid growth.

The present styles have full sleeves, following those of their mothers in form, and the waists are draped in much the same manner.

To make a dress for a little girl, begin by drafting the lining, which try on, as with the others, and take the impression with pins, but loosely; then baste the outside on following the same general plan as for the mother's gowns in the making and finishing of the seams, but of course no bones are required. The waists close in the back, and the skirt is usually gathered and sewn on with a piping.

The skirts of children's dresses now are cut in straight breadths and require very little trimming, but considerable can be and is frequently put on the waists.

It is not considered necessary to finish off and line a child's dress with the same care employed on fine gowns for grown people, with the exception of their cloaks, which require tailor finish.

If a jacket is to have pockets, the best way for an amateur to do is to take a gentleman's vest and study the manner in which they are made and sewn in. If she cannot do this, let her cut the slit for the pocket with the front part half an inch higher than the back. Cut the lining for the pocket an inch wider than the slit and cut two pieces of the material of the jacket 1½ inches wide and an inch longer than the slit, the nape running the long way. These two strips should be basted to the pocket lining and stitched on tightly, after which basted to the outside of the jacket in such a manner as to insure their being turned to bring the pocket inside, leaving these strips for facings. When the pocket is sewn in, stay the corners with arrowheads and stitch the edge of the lower side. The pocket can then have the sides sewn and stoutly overcast.

The difference between a jacket and covert coat is that the jacket is sewn on the inside, the seams laid apart and pressed, while the covert coat has the seams lapped and double stitched. Only thick, fine cloth will bear this without fraying. Covert coats have no front darts. Jackets may have them or not. Blazers have no darts and usually are shorter in the back than front, though this season they are quite long.

The collars to covert coats are standing, and the coat buttons are in a double line down the front of white bone or pearl.

The collars to the jackets are according to taste, either Medici or Stuart style, or the plain rolling or the long rolling collar, which may be lined with fur, and which extends down the front. These collars are very troublesome, but by getting a special pattern they can be achieved.

OLIVE HARPER.

LOOK AT OTHER SIDE TOO

Put up in neat watch-shaped bottles, sugar coated, *Small* Bile Beans. 25c. per bottle.

Four ex-Presidents of Venezuela are now living in Paris in exile—General Guzman Blanco, Dr. Palacio, Dr. Pulido and General Urdaneta.

They increase appetite, purify the whole system and act on the liver, Bile Beans *Small*.

Osman Pasha's daughter is said to be the only poetess in Turkey, and she does not write for the papers.

Guaranteed to cure Billious Attacks and Constipation, *Small* Bile Beans.

General "Pat" Collins of Boston says he wants no office, and is recommending no one for a place.

To aid Digestion, take one *Small* Bile Bean after eating. 25c. per bottle.

Senator Proctor of Vermont proposes to erect an elegant marble mansion in Washington.

Prevent and cure Constipation and Sick-Headache, *Small* Bile Beans.

Rosa Bonheur will receive $60,000 for her "Horses Thrashing Corn" from an American dealer.

Cure for Colds, Fevers and General Debility, *Small* Bile Beans. 25c. per bottle.

MISFIT GOWNS.

A SHOP IN NEW YORK CITY WHERE THEY CAN BE PURCHASED.

How They Fall Into the Hands of the Shopkeeper—Dresses Ordered and Not Paid For—Women Who Come Home from Abroad Financially Short.

New York women cannot vote, more's the pity, but it is the sole remaining prerogative that men have a cinch on. Women do and have everything else that back in the Dark Ages was considered the exclusive privilege of the lords of creation. Here is an instance:

Until recently men had a monopoly of misfit clothing. Not so now, for very lately a person—whether male or female does not appear on the otherwise explicit sign, but manifestly a progressive person who keeps up with the procession—has started a ladies' misfit clothing store. This shop is situated, appropriately enough, in the heart of the Tenderloin precinct. Everything new or bizarre finds its way instinctively to the Tenderloin district. In the window is an alluring blue and gold ball dress, with slippers to match, and a gold bouquet holder, which is, as the clerk tells you, "not absolutely indispensable for a ball costume, but considered tasty and stylish."

The clerk is a small girl with a persuasive smile and a cold in her head. She has the useful knack of adaptability, for when I declined to examine the ball dress she called my attention to a mink muff and boa quite good naturedly, and declared that they would make me look very jaunty.

All around the walls are hung dresses of every kind and description, while piled on the counters are jackets, ulsters and that species of meal bag known as "wrap."

But these goods are secondhand, and can be bought at any good secondhand shop. It is necessary to carry such a line of goods, since there is a demand for them, but this is merely a side issue. If you scorn to wear the castoff garments of your fellow women and desire something new you can pass behind the portieres which divide the outer shop from the inner one and repose yourself on a plush sofa while the clerk spreads before you garments of every variety, all new and in the latest style.

"How is it you get these dresses?" I ask the clerk. "I thought a woman would undergo any amount of standing and fitting to get a dress right at last."

"So they will," she replies, "we do not get dresses because the people who throw them back on the dressmaker's hands are not pleased with the set of the dress. It is because they cannot pay for them. You see, a woman goes to the dressmaker and orders a dress—quite an expensive one. She furnishes nothing whatever. The dressmaker furnishes everything and takes the risk of her paying for it. In some places it is customary to make a deposit, but not everywhere. Well, the dress is finished. Milady finds that she has not as much money as she had the day she ordered the gown, and so she can't pay for it. She throws it back on the modiste's hands, forfeiting the deposit, if there has been one. Well, the dressmaker has to do the best she can. In order to prevent the gown being a dead loss she sells it to us. And here it is, just as good as if you had ordered it yourself, and much cheaper.

"Then there is another way in which we get dresses. Lots of women buy a quantity of clothes abroad, a great many at a time, because they get them cheap. Then, and when they get back that they don't want some of them, or they are a little hard up after the expenses of traveling, and they sell them to us."

"Do you buy many things from actresses?"

"Oh, no, indeed, hardly any. You see, they always need the clothes they order, and so there is little chance of their throwing them back on the dressmaker's hands."

Then the little clerk begins to haul down the dresses from the hooks. There is one of exquisite lace made over an underskirt of ashes of roses silk. The waist is an elaborate affair with jet butterflies on the shoulders, a jet bodice and a heavy fringe of jet and ribbons to finish the bottom of the waist. The waistband is stamped with the name of a fashionable modiste. You can buy this dress for twenty-five dollars. The jet on the waist alone never cost a penny less than forty dollars.

Here is a smart brown dress of heavy broadcloth made with a severely stylish cut, its only ornamentation being the large buttons which secure it. There is an English look about the dress, and you are not surprised to find inside the name of a well known tailor in Regent street.

Hanging next to it is a confection in dark green velvet and bengaline silk, lightened by judicious touches of a beautiful pink and green brocade. This dress was made in Paris, and was sold to the misfit clothing people for reasons of a pecuniary nature.

You can buy a gown of rough gray and blue cloth trimmed with plain blue for twelve dollars. A gray bedford cord with smart black braid trimmings comes at fourteen dollars. And so on through the department. You can buy a buttercup gauze dinner dress or a blue flannel yachting suit. You can get a gown for church or a peignoir to say your prayers at home in.

And whatever you buy you can do it with the gratifying feeling that no man living can ever look down upon you from the misfit clothing standpoint again.—New York Recorder.

World's Fair Restaurants.

Provided they do not have to pay fabulous prices for their supplies, those who are fortunate enough to get concessions for operating the World's fair restaurants will doubtless regard themselves as decidedly lucky. They will take in as much money as the exposition management will itself for admissions. Competent authorities express the opinion that there will be days when fully a third of a million dollars will be expended on the grounds for food alone. At first glance this looks like stretching things a little too far. And yet one meal apiece for a half a million of visitors and three square meals for 50,000 employees, all at a half dollar a head, would do the work.

A Warrior's Definition of War.

Another volume of Marshal Von Moltke's correspondence has been published in Berlin. One of the most interesting passages is the great general's definition of war as "the supreme and perfectly legitimate means of defending the existence, honor and independence of the state."

"August Flower"

How does he feel?—He feels cranky, and is constantly experimenting, dieting himself, adopting strange notions, and changing the cooking, the dishes, the hours, and manner of his eating—**August Flower the Remedy.**

How does he feel?—He feels at times a gnawing, voracious, insatiable appetite, wholly unaccountable, unnatural and unhealthy.—**August Flower the Remedy.**

How does he feel?—He feels no desire to go to the table and a grumbling, fault-finding, over-nicety about what is set before him when he is there—**August Flower the Remedy.**

How does he feel?—He feels after a spell of this abnormal appetite an utter abhorrence, loathing, and detestation of food; as if a mouthful would kill him—**August Flower the Remedy.**

How does he feel?—He has irregular bowels and peculiar stools—**August Flower the Remedy.** ®

THE BADGE OF WHITE RIBBON.

How a Drunkard Was Reclaimed by the Magic of Its Influence.

"Fo' de land's sakes!" Cinthy cried next day when the twins, hand in hand as usual, sauntered into the hot little kitchen, "what am yo' chilluns done got pinned onto dem ole gingham aperns o yourn?"

"Dem's our badges, mammy," Pheny answered with dignity. "Me'n Phosy b'longs ter Miss Dor'thy's temp'rance s'ciety, and dees yere little ribbins is our badges. Badges is signs, mammy, o what folks b'longs to."

"We don't want daddy to drink no mo'," wailed Phosy; "'tain't right tc smash up de stove an tear round de way he do. Daddy'll see our white ribbins an mebby quit. Miss Dor'thy, she said so, didn't she, Pheny?"

"Land sakes, yo' po' chilluns! Nothin gwine help yer po' pa. Nothin gwine save 'im from dat drink! Didn't I done cry an weep an pray an beg 'im time an agin, hopin an hopin an hopin? 'Tain't no use, 'tain't no use!" Cinthy threw her apron over her head and rocked herself back and forth in the rickety old chair into which she had fallen.

"Tis use, mammy; don't cry, don't cry, mammy! Daddy's awful good when he ain't drunk, and we'll cure him, we will, Phosy'n me."

And they did. Three months after Dorothy's society of three was organized Dorothy's papa, Dr. Leigh, said to his wife:

"It's wonderful, Helen, what an amount of good two diminutive, unbleached citizens of the United States can do! There's Jim Tuttle, now, a notable illustration of the power of influence and"—Dr. Leigh laughed—"the little white ribbon! He told me today that he had not touched a drop for over two months; that he had taken the pledge, had found steady work at good wages, and was putting in all his spare time fixing up that miserable little house they call home. And what's more, it's those two little trys, scripturally named, I believe, Tryphena and Tryphosa, and our dear little Dot that have worked the marvel. It seems Dot—bless her kind little heart—took it into her head to put on the white ribbon, and make those little darkies put it on too. The power of influence again, you see, my dear. If you were not so stanch a white ribboner, Helen, surely Dot would not have started her temperance society and been the means of saving Tuttle, who is quite a man after all."

Dr. Leigh never would call his little daughter anything but Dot; but Mrs. Leigh smiled and said: "Yes, dear, I'm proud of Dorothy. Cinthy told me all about it this very morning when she came to wash. 'Deed dese am proud an happy days, Mis' Leigh,' she said. 'De good Lawd bless Miss Dor'thy fer what she done! Jim, he's sober's anybody now, an jest as 'spectable a co'panion as I could ever ask fer. He's workin ebery day right along, an he's fixin up de old house, Jim is, an bime by we'm gwine be real high up cullud pussons, shore 'nough!'"

Dr. Leigh laughed. "Well, wife, that's a great little ribbon, I can tell you! I didn't use to take much stock in it, you know, but as Cinthy would say, 'I'm done gone b'en converted!' Wear it always, Helen, my dear, and have Dot wear it too. I believe the smile of God rests upon it."

"And I believe so too."—Union Signal.

The Offspring of Drunkards.

Demme studied ten families of drinkers and ten families of sober persons. The direct posterity of the ten families of drinkers included fifty-seven children. Of these twenty-five died in the first weeks or months of their life; six were idiots; in five children a striking backwardness of their longitudinal growth was observed; five were affected with epilepsy; five with inborn diseases; one boy was taken with chorea and became idiotic. Thus of the fifty-seven children of drinkers only ten, or 17.5 per cent., showed a normal constitution and development.

The ten sober families had sixty-one children, five only dying in the first weeks; four were affected with incurable diseases of the nervous system; two only presented inborn defects. The remaining fifty (81.9 per cent.) were normal in their constitution and development. From this series of investigations we derive the sad truth that among the children of drinkers the prevailing mortality is so fearful that the survivors represent a pitiful crowd afflicted with unsoundness of mind, idiocy, epilepsy and other disorders of their nervous system, and that only a very small proportion of the descendants grow up useful members of society.—Catholic Review.

His Love and Care.

I know not where his islands lift
Their fronded palms in air:
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond his love and care.

O brothers! if my faith is vain,
If hopes like these betray,
Pray for me that my feet may gain
The sure and safer way.

And thou, O Lord! by whom are seen
Thy creatures as they be,
Forgive me if too close I lean
My human heart on thee!

—John G. Whittier.

Telephone Companies.

According to statistics furnished by the census bureau there is a marked increase of operating telephone companies in the last ten years. The total invested capital has increased from $14,605,787 to $72,341,736. The number of exchanges is now 1,241, against 437 ten years ago. The number of subscribers has increased from 48,414 to 227,357.

CHIMMIE GETS A JOB.

And Uses Strange Language to the Gentleman Who Hires Him.

"Say, I knowed ye'd be paralyzed w'en ye seed me in dis harness. It's up in G, ain't it? Dat's right. Say, remember me tellin ye 'bout de mug I t'umped fer de loidy on de Bow'ry—de loidy wot give me de five and squared me wid der perlice? Dat's right. Well, say, she is a torrorbred an dat goes. See? Dat evenin wot d'ye tink she done? She brought 'is whiskers ter see me.

"Naw, I ain't stringin ye. 'Is whiskers is de loidy's fadder. Sure.

"'E comes ter me room wid der loidy, 'is whiskers does, an he says, says 'e, 'Is dis Chimmie Fadden?' says 'e.

"'Yer dead on,' says I.

"'Wot does de young man say?' he says.

"Den de loidy, she kinder smiled—say, yer otter seed 'er smile. Say, it's outer sight. Dat's right. Well, she says, 'I tink I understand Chimmie's langwuge,' she says. ''E means 'e is de kid yuse lookin fer. 'E's de very mug.'

"Dat's wot she says; somet'in like dat, only a felly can't just remember her langwuge.

"Den 'is whiskers gives me a song an dance 'bout me bein a brave young man fer t'umpin der mug wot insulted 'is daughter, an 'bout 'is h'art bein all broke dat 'is daughter should be doin missioner work in der slums.

"Den der loidy, she says, 'Chimmie,' says she, 'me fadder needs a footman,' she says, 'an I taut you'd be de very mug fer der job,' says she. See?

"Say, I was all broke up, an couldn't say nottin, fer 'is whiskers was so solemn. See?

"'Wot's yer lay now?' says 'is whiskers, or somet'in like dat.

"Say, I could 'ave give 'im a string 'bout me bein a hardworkin boy, but I knowed der loidy was dead on ter me.

"Den 'is whiskers was kinder paralyzed like, an 'e turns to 'is daughter an 'e says—dese is 'is very words—'e says:

"'Really, Fannie,' 'e says, "really, Fannie, you must interpert dis young man's langwuge,' 'e says. See?

"Den she laffs an says, says she:

"'Chimmie is a good boy if 'e only had a chance,' she says.

"Den 'is whiskers, 'e says, 'I dare say,' like dat. See? 'I dare say.' See? Say, did ye ever 'ear words like dem? Say, I was fer tellin 'is whiskers ter git outer dat, only fer der loidy. See?

"Well, den, we all give each odder a song an dance, an de end was I was took fer a footman. See? Tiger, ye say? Naw, dey don't call me no tiger.

"Say, wouldn't my gang on der Bow'ry be paralyzed if dey seen me in dis harness? Ain't it great? Sure! Wot am I doin? Well, I'm doin pretty well. I had ter t'ump a felly dey calls de butler de first night I was dere for callin me a heathen. See? Say, dere's a kid in der house wot opens der front door w'en youse ring de bell, an I win all 'is boodle de second night I was dere, showin 'im how ter play crusoe. Say, it's a dead easy game, but der loidy, she axed me not to bunko de farmers—deys all farmers up in dat house—dead farmers—so I leaves 'em alone. 'Scuse me now, dats me loidy comin outer de shop. I opens de door of de carriage an she says, 'Home, James.' Den I jumps on de box an strings de driver. Say, 'e's a farmer too. I'll tell you some more 'bout de game next time. So long."—New York Sun.

One's Age.

The unwillingness of women who have passed a certain age—and of men, too, for that matter—to avow frankly the number of birthdays they have had is proverbial the world over. In France, which is reputed the most courteous country in the world, the sensitiveness of persons who are no longer young is almost universally respected. Even in the courts of justice a way is sometimes found to escape the necessity of a frank avowal.

A lady whose appearance indicated that she had left her fortieth year behind her was not long ago ordered by the president or judge of a court where she was a witness to tell how old she was.

"Ty-two years, monsieur le president," she murmured.

The judge merely smiled at this very indefinite reply and pressed her no further.

A witty lady not long ago remarked in company when the delicate question of age was under discussion:

"Oh, you know I have a way of making myself out younger than I am without telling a lie at all."

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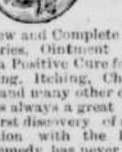
Perdita—Did you kiss him?
Penelope—Not much.—Life.



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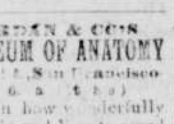

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