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WHAT A COLD WAVE IS.

It is Not a Wave but an Avalanche of Cold Air.

The term "cold wave" applied to a sudden and great fall of temperature is a figure of speech. It is rather an avalanche of cold air that comes down upon the country, explains Prof. Russell in the Engineering Magazine. The essential idea in a wave is repetition. In the eastern part of the country there is a regular change in the temperature of air about 15 degrees from day to night. In the high and dry regions the range is 45 degrees in some places. The great irregular changes called cold waves have no definite period.

HOW LEO SPENDS HIS DAYS.

The Great Catholic Pontiff is busy from morning till night.

In summer, as in winter, Leo XIII. is awakened at six by a private servant, according to the North American Review. The pope gets up from bed undressed, and also performs his toilet undressed, except shaving. At seven he says his mass and hears a recited mass. He is dressed by one of the pontiffs. It happens sometimes that the pope, having been troubled with drowsiness, gets up with a piece of Latin or Italian poetry composed during the watchful hours. The breakfast of the pope consists of coffee, milk and bread with butter. Soon after the official reception begins, except Tuesdays and Fridays, which are set apart for the reception of the diplomatic body. Cardinals, heads of congregations, prelates of monastic orders, strangers of distinction are received later in the day. In winter, if the sun shines, the receptions are interrupted for awhile for a walk, or a drive of half an hour in the Vatican gardens. Leo XIII. dines at one of the three Roman styles. The dinner is composed of a soup, generally pot-au-feu, a roast, a vegetable, very often fried potatoes, and fruit. The only wine served is old Bordeaux.

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DOINGS OF A WOODOO.

A Negro Doctor in Louisiana Swallow Snakes for Patients.
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Only the Scars Remain.

"Among the many testimonials which I see in regard to certain medicines performing cures, cleansing the blood, etc.," writes Henry Hudson, of the James Smith & Co. Philadelphia, Pa., "none impress me more than my own case. Twenty years ago, at the age of 18 years, I had swellings come on my legs, which broke and became running sores. Our family physician could do me no good, and it was feared that the bones would be affected. At last, my good old mother urged me to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I took three bottles, the sores healed, and I have not been troubled since. Only the scars remain, and the memory of the part, to which I owe my recovery, is a permanent reminder of the good that it has done for me."

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THE PUSHER.

The pusher is a tool used with whose use the majority of bachelors may be unfamiliar, for it is used only by small children. Even the best ordered youngster is apt at first to help himself with the tools that nature provided—to push refractory bits of food upon his spoon with his fingers. The pusher has a handle like that of a small spoon. Instead of a bowl it has across the end a flat piece of silver with the ends curved slightly downward, so that the food can not slide off at the sides. It is a spoon in one hand and a pusher in the other, and some children can be won to use it.

"For Years,"

Says CARIE E. STOCKWELL, of Chesterfield, N. H., she was afflicted with an extremely severe pain in the lower part of the chest. The feeling was as if a ton weight was laid on a spot the size of my hand. During the attacks, the perspiration would stand in drops on my face, and it was agony for me to breathe. I tried all the efforts to relieve it. They came suddenly, at any hour of the day or night, lasting from thirty minutes to half a day, leaving as exhausted as if I had been several days after. I was quite prostrated and sore. Sometimes the attacks were almost daily, then less frequent. After about four years of this suffering, I was taken down with bilious typhoid fever, and when I began to recover, I had the worst case of old rheumatism I ever experienced. At the first of the fever, my mother gave me Ayer's Pills, my doctor recommending them as being better than anything he could prepare. I continued taking these Pills, and so great was the benefit derived that during nearly thirty years I have had but one attack of my former trouble, which yielded readily to the same remedy.

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