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Not long ago Dr. J. N. Hirsch, of Chicago, said: "The most delicate perfume upon the hands is not a sign of freedom from germs, and the most refined are not free from disease of lungs or throat, and the germs are rapidly spread by touching the hand that has handled the handkerchief of one afflicted with a cold, catarrh or consumption. The breath one inhales from the lungs of another may contain germs of disease." You will not only be able to resist the germs of consumption, but many thousands of cases have been known where persons who were suffering from incipient phthisis, or the early stages of consumption were absolutely cured by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It maintains a person's nutrition by enabling him to eat, retain, digest and assimilate food. It overcomes the gastric irritability and symptoms of indigestion, and thus the person is saved from those symptoms of fever, night sweats, headache, etc., which are so common.

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Choosing a Drag Saw.

In choosing a saw hold it up clear of everything with one hand and ring the blade with the other, says American Cultivator. It will hum where your knuckles hit it, according to the temper and quality of carbon in the blade. The longer it hums or vibrates the better the quality of the steel. Then look down the teeth from end to end and see that the blade is straight and look along on the flat of both sides to see that it is not "bumpy"—that is, hollow in some places and full in others. This is a great drawback to a saw, as it pulls hard through the full spots or bumps, knocking against the cut ends as it runs through the log. It is a fault very hard to detect in a new saw; in an old one very easy, as the bumps show bright and polished from knocking and the hollows dull from escaping the friction. See that the saw is not too thick or it wastes too much strength to saw with it.

The Work Horse in Spring.

When first beginning to work the horse after a protracted period of rest it is far better to use him carefully and not exhaust his ambition. If a long pull is necessary give him a chance to "take breath" occasionally. If he is sweating profusely raise the collar and other places where he is likely to be galled, and do not let there be a "scalded" place under the harness anywhere. When standing cover well with blankets, and do not allow a horse to stand where there is a draft of wind. Handle carefully, clean thoroughly, feed judiciously, and there will be but little cause for complaint on account of lack of ambition or depreciation in value or a necessity for condition powders.—Farm and Livestock Journal.

Pure Bred Poultry.

The farmer who does not give the same attention to his poultry that he does to the other live stock on his farm is away behind the times. The progressive farmer, while he may not have pure bred poultry, has at least added pure blood to his flock by the introduction of pure bred males and has found that it was a good investment. Having taken the first step on the road of progress, it is only a matter of a short time when he will discard the mongrel and semipure stuff and keep only pure bred stock. In fact, on many farms it would be hard even now to find a mongrel fowl.—Commercial Poultry.

Hog Notes.

Clean pens for pigs and clean bedding will do much to ward off lice and disease.

A boar or sow that is kept excessively fat on corn alone will rarely give satisfaction as a breeder.

The sow that has nothing to recommend her but a good pedigree should be fattened and marketed as soon as possible.

Better bring in one or two young sows at a time than to discard all of the old sows at one time.

It is a mistake to delay the regular and liberal feeding of the growing pigs.

When the Horse Runs Away.

When a horse is running away it is then that the driver usually becomes as scared as the horse, and the runaway is not helped much. The driver needs to keep his head at a time like this even though he should lose it at other times. What the driver needs to do is to pull vigorously on one line and then on the other with such rapid succession as to confuse the animal so that his fear may be removed. A known runaway horse should be driven with care.—Farm Visitor.

LAUGHTER A DISEASE.

An Actual Case of a Man Who Began Laughing from His Toes Upward.

Do you laugh? Then you have been attacked by a disease, for laughter is a disease. This has been proven by numerous cases which have come under the notice of eminent neurologists. They have declared even moderate laughter a symptom of nervous hysteria.

People have died of laughter. From Austria comes a curious account of a man suffering from a nervous disease that manifested itself in paroxysms of laughter. The patient was 30 years of age and had been subject for three years to fits of laughter, which occurred at first every two or three months, gradually increasing in frequency to a dozen or more a day. The attacks occurred especially between nine o'clock in the evening and 6:30 o'clock in the morning, and in greatest frequency between five and 6:30 o'clock. In the intervals between the attacks, and immediately before and afterward, the man was perfectly well. The attacks commenced from a tickling sensation arising from the toes of the left foot. The patient would fall to the ground, where he could lie down. At the height of the attack the patient first smiled and then laughed aloud without any apparent cause for the excessive merriment. The entire act occupied about two minutes.

SHE WAS THRIFTY.

One Woman Made \$2,200 with a Thrashing Machine.

A woman thrasher is a novelty—that is, outside of the schoolhouse or home. And the one in question is a genuine thrasher of the golden grain of the northwest, says the Minneapolis Journal. She came into one of the Minneapolis farm machinery houses the other day to make her final payment on her machine. This was startling and marked her as a woman of business capacity; for the man who makes a full payment on a thrasher this season is regarded as an exceptionally good man. That the lady in question had a business head is further evidenced by the fact that she succeeded in "working" the manager of the establishment for \$2.50, the amount of her fare home.

She innocently told him that to pay her bill in full would take every cent she had and she must take out enough to get home. While the manager gently demurred at receiving the bill in full with this discount off, she ingeniously hinted that it would cost more than \$2.50 to send a collector after the balance, and he tumbled to the situation as gracefully as possible. Mrs. Thrasher (or perhaps it is Miss) said that she had made \$2,200 out of her machine and had 187 stacks of grain to finish this winter, which she proposed to do if the snow was hub deep. Considering the fact that many machines are being taken back on mortgages this year, no one can successfully maintain that a woman is not adapted to this new field for woman's activity.

Spiked.

"Got a sore throat, eh? I know just the thing to take for it."
"There is one thing I have decided not to take for it."
"What's that?"
"Advice."
"Oh, h-m-m, looks some like rain, don't it?"—Houston Post.

Umbrella Never Came Back.

"He's very improvident; spends his money in the most foolish way."
"Is that so?"
"Yes; why only the other day he spent 50 cents to advertise for an umbrella he had lost."—Philadelphia Ledger.

WATER THAT EXPLODED.

A Bartender's Experience Under Fire of a Fusillade of Seltzer.

"Do you know," said Billy Clark, of the Grand hotel, to a Cincinnati Times-Star reporter, as a big seltzer bottle fizzed and two or three men on the outside elevated a foot each on the railing and looked on, "that these seltzer water bottles will explode easily?" And the three men each put a foot down on the floor and moved slightly away. "Sometimes just the temperature of the hand will do it, the warm hand, placed against it while bringing it from a cold room, or sometimes while lifting it one will strike it against the counter and it will explode and the metal top will be driven with great force by the gas. One time, while at the Gibson, I refused to give a man a drink. He took it very much to heart and went away vowing he would get even with me. I had turned about as he went out and had my back to him. Suddenly there came a sound like a pistol shot. I tried to turn around and couldn't, and I was sure the man had carried his threat into effect and had shot me. Directly following that explosion came another and another, and there was a rapid succession of explosions. Then I knew the man had opened a regular fusillade on me, and yet I was riveted to the spot. I could not stir. I thought I had been paralyzed by a bullet. Come to find out one of these seltzer water bottles in the far end of the counter had exploded and the concussion had started the others, until all had exploded that were on that shelf. And the man had gone away and I never saw him again. But I never will forget my experience of that night, when I was sure I had been shot."

Heppner Gazette—Weekly Oregonian.

The Locomotive Must Go.

It was a decidedly interesting though one could hardly say a startling prediction which Senator Depew made in a speech the other night at a dinner of the Transportation club in regard to future of electricity as a motive power. "Within ten years," said Mr. Depew, "the steam locomotive of today will be seen in the museum for the inspection of the antiquarian, and we will be able to proceed over the rails by means of electricity at a rate of seventy-five miles an hour." As a railroad official of large experience Senator Depew undoubtedly knows whereof he speaks. The time set for the relegation of the steam engine to the antiquarian museum seems brief, but when we remember the progress made during the last ten years in electrical propulsion who shall say that the senator's prophecy may not be literally fulfilled?—Llewellyn's Weekly.

British Military Genius.

New forts are being erected and guns mounted at Singapore, and the British authorities, with their usual sagacity, are boldly advertising what ought to be hidden. Both the forts and the guns mounted on them are surmounted with immense pinnacles, which have been painted white. Thus every position has been earmarked, as though to give a possible enemy every facility to destroy the fortifications should occasion arise. At Aden the military authorities have painted the railings upon their forts scarlet, but the white rails round the gun positions at Singapore are even more striking and are visible at sea for a distance of five miles.—London Chronicle.

Greater Pittsburg.

The consolidation of Pittsburg and Allegheny will create a municipality having a population of 451,512, according to the census of 1900. The consolidated city will rank next to Baltimore, which in the census year had a population of 508,057. Greater Pittsburg will be the sixth in rank among American municipalities. The order in the census year are New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Boston and Baltimore.

Bacilli Are Scarce In Egypt.

A German physician has discovered that the air of the Egyptian desert is about as free from bacterial life as the polar regions or the high seas. Tubercle bacilli are killed when exposed six hours in the sunlight. He considers the desert especially suitable for rheumatics and patients suffering from kidney diseases and tuberculosis.

A fourth-rate cyclone tackled McPherson, Kan., doing considerable damage, but injuring nobody.

A Creeping Death.

Blood poison creeps up towards the heart, causing death. J. E. Stearns, Belle Plaine, Minn., writes that a friend dreadfully injured his hand, which swelled up like blood poisoning. Bucklen's Arnica Salve drew out the poison, healed the wound, and saved his life. Best in the world for burns and sores. 55c at Slocum Drug Co.'s drug store.

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An Editor's Opinion of the Royal Gorge.

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