

# A Woman's Mistake

It is a well-known fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured more women than any other remedy. It therefore must be the best possible medicine for female ills. But some women make the mistake of thinking that they will try something else, simply because it is new. That mistake is often a fatal one—fatal to the health and happiness of the sufferer.

Is it not foolish to risk the possible results of such experiments? Is it not better to depend upon a medicine which has been tried successfully for thirty years, and which has never been found wanting? Do not therefore let any one persuade you to try something which they say is just as good. It cannot be just as good. Mrs. Pinkham's Compound is the best, and there can be only one best. This is not a mere assertion, but is a positive fact, admitted by hundreds of regular physicians.

Rely on your own common sense, and Mrs. Pinkham's life-long experience, and you will make no mistake. Don't experiment with your health, but take a medicine that you know is good, and is backed by such letters as these to Mrs. Pinkham:

## Ovarian Troubles Always Yield to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I had been in poor health for twenty years, having inflammation of ovaries and womb trouble. Although treated by physicians, I could not gain strength nor do my work, and was so low-spirited and tired of life. A friend advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. The first bottle strengthened me, and I wrote you. After taking six bottles can say that I am well and can even do my own washing."—Mrs. M. W. MILLER, No. 103 Canal Street, New Orleans, La.

"For three years I suffered with ovarian trouble, having inflammation and an abscess on right ovary. Had such pain in my back and head, and at times was unable to walk. Had several doctors, but they did not do me much good. One doctor said that I would have to have an operation and have the ovary removed. I became discouraged and gave up all hopes of getting well. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and wrote to Mrs. Pinkham and followed her directions faithfully, and am better than I have been for three years. I have taken ten bottles, and my blood is surprised at my rapid improvement."—Mrs. W. H. WALTERS, Old Spring Harbor, L. I., N. Y.

## Suppressed and Painful Periods Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I was thin, sallow and nervous. I did not had my menses for over a year and a half. Doctored with several physicians in town and one specialist, but did not get any better. I finally decided to try your medicine, and wrote to you. After I had taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's vegetable Compound and three of Hood's Purifier, my menses returned, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did, and am gaining flesh."—Miss ANNA GAINES, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

"Before taking the Vegetable Compound I was troubled with irregular menstruation, and suffered great pain. My physician gave me morphine, and I remained in bed. I doctored eight years and got no relief, and the doctors told me there was no relief for my trouble. Finally I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. While taking the first bottle I felt that I was improving. I have taken seven or eight bottles, and never had anything to do me so much good. Every month my troubles have grown less and less, and now at this time I am cured."—ELLA QUINCY, No. 29 Stage Street, Haverhill, Mass.

## Backache and Womb Troubles Succumb to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I have been for ten years an invalid with female weakness, and the torture and pain I suffered no tongue can tell. I never spent one week in the ten years that I was free from pain. My trouble was inflammation and congestion of womb. When I commenced to take your remedy I had been bedfast for some time under the treatment of two of our best physicians without receiving any benefit. You can imagine the benefit I derived from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound when I tell you that I have gained forty pounds and am well—a thing I never dared to expect."—Miss C. E. FOLAND, Monett, Mo.

"For a number of years I was troubled with backache and leucorrhoea. I became so weak and miserable that I could not attend to my work or studies. The least effort would completely exhaust me. Physicians failed to help me. I felt that my youth was blighted, and the life before me would be one of suffering and misery. Then a friend insisted on my taking your medicine. Before I had used one bottle I was greatly relieved. I had not known a well day for four years, but now I feel better than I have since a child, and it is all due to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Miss MAY B. STEVENSON, Alliance, O.

## Mrs. Pinkham has Fifty Thousand such Letters.

When a man's acres are on his heart he will be sure to have heartache.

**PISO'S CURE FOR GOUTS WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.** Most Gouty Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

## WHEN TO MARRY.

Depends Upon People, Time, Kind, Taste and Circumstances.

At what age should a man marry? That depends upon the man. Some men are more fitted for the responsibilities of matrimony at 25 than others are at 45, said a man in discussing this important subject recently. If marriage, however, be postponed after what last figure a man is likely to get into what may be called the habit of celibacy, from which as from other bad habits, it is hard to break away. In this habit of celibacy he will continue till he is about sixty years of age, when a great desire will come over him to try what matrimony is like just before he dies, and he will propose, right and left to everything in petticoats, until at last he is plucked up, not for himself, but for his money or for his position, or because some one is tired of being called "Miss" and wants the novel sensation of writing "Mrs." before her name.

An old man told a friend that he wanted to marry before he died if only to have some one to close his eyes. "Perhaps," suggested the friend, "you will get some one who will open them." It is not natural for a young girl to wish to marry an old man. A father said to his daughter, "Now, when it is time for you to marry I won't allow you to throw yourself away on one of the frivolous young fellows I see around. I shall select for you a staid, sensible, middle-aged man. What do you say to one of about 50 years of age?"

"Well, father," replied the girl, "if it is just the same to you, I should prefer two of twenty-five."

Perhaps the best advice one could give a young man in this matter is to say: "Wait until you cannot wait any longer." Wait, that is to say, until she—that not impossible she—comes with smiles so sweet and manners so gracious that you cannot wait any longer, then marry, and may you be happy ever after! As to the age at which women should marry, I am afraid of burning my fingers with that question. All I shall say is that if some women are not worth looking at after thirty years of age, there are quite as many not worth speaking to before it. Let a man please himself, but let him not marry either a child or an old woman."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

## OVER STORIES

There are 20,000 different kinds of butterflies.

A statistician of small things figures it out that the posterity of one English sparrow amounts in ten years to something like 276,000,000,000 birds.

There are 1,200,000 miles of copper wire used in the telephone service in the United States, and 4,000,000 calls are received daily in the telephone exchanges of the country. The wire would girdle the earth at the equator forty-eight times, or reach from the earth to the moon five times.

Although Queen Victoria does not permit smoking in her immediate neighborhood, yet she keeps on hand a stock of the most superb cigars for her guests, and the consumption thereof is about three thousand a year. They are specially made for her majesty, of the most carefully collected tobacco leaves, and when finished are hermetically sealed in glass tubes in order to guard against deterioration, connoisseurs insisting that the leaf is affected by a change of climate.

A new lightship of novel design is soon to be moored in the stormy waters of the dreaded Diamond Shoals off Cape Hatteras. It has been found impossible to place a lighthouse there, and the lightships moored on the spot have, one after another, been torn from their fastenings. The new ship is to be propelled by steam, and furnished with electric flashlights to be displayed from her masts, fifty feet above water. She will be anchored on the shoals with strong tackles, and in case she is torn loose by a gale, can take care of herself with the aid of her powerful engine.

The ingenuity of architects and builders is sometimes severely taxed to provide for the comfort of the dwellers in lofty apartment houses. In New York City plans have been filed for a gigantic building of this kind to stand on Fifth avenue, and to be connected with a well-known restaurant across the street by a tunnel, finely fitted up and lighted, whereby the occupants of the apartment house can go out to their meals in all kinds of weather without the necessity of putting on hats. The only drawback appears to be that they are limited in their choice of a restaurant.

William W. Evans of Deal's Island, Delaware, has a horse which has proved a remarkable investment and has over-ridden the ideas and records of the average useful life of horses. Twenty-seven years ago Mr. Evans purchased the horse from Scott Covington, who guaranteed at that time that the animal was six years old. Mr. Evans proved to be a good master, and the horse returned the kind treatment by retaining its full activity and energy, and now, at thirty-three years, the horse works nearly every day, see and hears well, and has an excellent appetite.

Illiteracy in Russia. The illiteracy of Russia exceeds that of any other country claiming to have a civilized government. In 10,000 villages of the vast empire there is not a school, and it is estimated that not 20 per cent of the population of the empire has acquired even the rudiments of a common school education. It has been figured out that if the Czar would disband 100,000 men of the vast army he would thereby save money enough to provide a school for each of these villages.

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The Spirit of Christ, when it enters the mind, destroys selfishness and makes us feel that every human being has a claim upon us.

Heathen religions give us a view of men seeking after God, but the Christian religion gives us a view of God seeking after men.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 74c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

An enormous mushroom was found in the neighborhood of Rickmansworth, England, recently. It was perfectly round in shape and measured nine inches in diameter and 27 in circumference. Without the stem the mushroom weighed 10 ounces.

If we could conquer our inmost enemies, we could stand thousands of our outward ones.

According to the Sioux Indian weather prophets it's going to be a hard winter. These predictions are based on the fact that the buffalo grass shows a heavy crop of seeds which the redskins declare is a sure sign of a severe winter and deep snow.

**Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold.** Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

Do not compel a child to eat that against which its palate protests; it is an unkindness, and may produce evil results.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—W. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Byron Brennan, the English consul at Shanghai, has spent 84 years in China, where as long ago as 1866 he was appointed a student interpreter.

Carter's Ink has the endorsement of the United States government and of all the leading railroads. Want any more evidence?

Historical Erasmus hall, in its day a famous school of Brooklyn, which was erected in 1786, is to be torn down. Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr contributed \$10 each toward the construction of the building.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

We have it from a certain Eastern authority that the very strongest drinkers are often not able to raise the price of a drink.

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Small spiders play havoc with the telegraph wires in the Argentine Republic. They build long cobwebs on the wires, and as soon as dew or rain falls the fine threads operate as conductors of the electric current. The effect is to practically stop the operation of some of the lines.

Vegetables that have been slightly touched by the frost may often be restored by soaking in cold water.

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**Stop, Look and Listen!** The words quoted will recall to country residents and visitors the familiar signpost planted at many a railroad crossing. One may smile at the explicitness of the warning words, yet doubtless to many an incautious traveler they have been as words of destiny. There are promptings of the human conscience as persistent and continuous when the danger line is carelessly approached. The signal system of the moral nature did not happen. Its orders cannot be safely disregarded.

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The German government has set aside 20,000,000 marks (\$4,700,000), for providing small homes for its railroad officials. It is reckoned that at least 5,000 more of these homes will be built at once.

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**Novelty in Millinery.** A new adornment is finding favor among milliners. This consists of skeleton leaves preserved exactly as they fall from the tree and retaining their natural color. The leaves of the walnut, chestnut and plane trees are preferred for the purpose; large ivy leaves and oak leaves are also used. The longest leaves are formed into a large paillette, one side being composed of a stiff painted feather, the other of the skeleton leaf, thus forming a broad garniture. A fine invisible wire fixed to the edge of the leaf prevents its crumpling. The smaller leaves are made into garlands mounted on an artificial or natural branch. The leaves have to be perfectly preserved as their beauty naturally lies in the delicacy and transparency of the fiber.—St. Louis Republic.

**Pickled Peppers.** Cut out the stem of the peppers in a circle, remove the seeds and wash out in cold water; then fill each with a mixture of finely-chopped cabbage, horseradish, mustard seed, tiny cucumbers, button onions and nasturtiums. Replace the pieces cut from the top and sew around with coarse thread. Place in stone jars and cover with cold vinegar.

In Sweden, in 2,200 out of 2,400 rural parishes, the saloon has been suppressed. But under the "Gothenberg" system, according to which the government takes the management of all sales of intoxicants, the cities of Sweden are said to be the most drunken in Europe.

**New Ocean Greyhound.** The famous Deutschland cost \$3,332,000; displacement 23,200 tons; accommodation 1,067 passengers. She established a new record. Among the great remedies of the world Hostetter's Stomach Bitters holds the record with its fifty years of cures of constipation, indigestion and biliousness. Our Private Revenue Stamp is over the neck of the bottle.

A complete set of Mafeking siege postage stamps was sold at a London auction recently for \$180, and two sets of Mafeking paper money brought \$110 each.

## The Stimulus of Pure Blood

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W. P. Keeton, Woodstock, Ala., took Hood's Sarsaparilla to make his blood pure. He writes that he had not felt well but tired for some time. Before he had finished the first bottle of this medicine he felt better and when he had taken the second was like another man—free from that tired feeling and able to do his work.

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