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"What is he doing now?"  
"He's in the insane asylum, Ruggles; in the insane asylum. A glimpse of the truth was too much for his modernized intellect."

#### Rocky.

Tenderfoot—I hear you have started up a new quartz mine. How are you doing with it?  
Mine Owner—Gneissily, thank you.

#### Opinion of a Connoisseur.

"Mr. Spoonsmore, don't you think a kiss 235 seconds in duration is a great deal too long to be agreeable?"  
"Well, that depends entirely on the er—desirability of the kisser."

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The new ten-dollar gold piece has arrived. And we got one in our clutches by a squeeze.  
Have you noticed that the breeches on the turkey on the coin  
Are considerably baggy at the knees?  
—Houston Post.

#### Probable Outcome.

Chronic Kicker—What do you suppose would happen to your boasted fleet if it should get into a real battle?  
Plegmatic Citizen—O, I suppose we'd get licked—same as we've always been.

#### Sprains.

Any sudden turn or twist which may throw a member out of its normal position is likely to cause a sprain, which is really a sudden and more or less serious wrench or twist of a ligament or of the muscles controlling the ligaments. Use hot water for bathing the sprain; dry the surface and apply St. Jacobs Oil as for soreness and stiffness.

#### Reduction.

The old nag was jogging up the hill with the elopers.  
"Yes," said the old nag, "it is rather tough pulling them up to the parsonage, but it will be easier coming back."  
"How so?" queried the friendly goose at the roadside.  
"Why, can't you see that after leaving the parsonage two will be made one?"—Chicago News.

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#### His Personal View of It.

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Senator Lottman—Yes, sir, and I suppose I have answered it hundreds of times. It's nobody's business how a man gets his currency.

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## DWINDLING OF ARMY GIVES CUE TO CRITICS

Military Men Say Force Is Reduced Beyond Point of Safety for the Nation.

### NEED OF REFORM IN SERVICE

Low Pay and Requirement of Hard Practice Marches Are Main Points of Attack.

The War and Navy Departments are trying to reach an agreement by which the marines are to be withdrawn from the Isthmus of Panama and two regiments of infantry are to be sent to take their places as guards. It is fully expected that before long two regiments or foot will be on their way to the canal zone. This diverting of army regulars to a new field will mean that the forces in the United States are to be depleted beyond that which officers believe to be the danger point.

The infantry problem is one of the most serious factors in the greater problem of the army's weakness. On paper we are supposed to have 30,000 infantrymen, but in truth we have nothing like that number, and unless the increase of pay bill pass Congress, it is perfectly evident that the ranks will be thinned still further. An army officer who knows conditions tells a Washington correspondent that in a case of emergency there would be less than 7,000 infantrymen who could be brought with anything like dispatch to any threatened point within the limits of the United States proper.

There are two chief army measures now before Congress, one dealing with the matter of the increase of pay and the other dealing with the matter of the increase of the infantry. A correspondent says there is precious little hope that both bills can pass. It probably would be folly to pass the second bill without passing the first, for it would be useless to provide for an increase in the ranks if no inducements were held out by which the increase could be effected.

#### Objections to Army Life.

Interviews with enlisted men disclose three chief objections to army life, and, in order of numerical precedent, they rank like this:

- Monthly practice marches.
- Poor pay.
- Non-military duty required of the enlisted men.

Some of the ranking officers of the army have inveighed constantly against what they call the folly of the frequent practice marches. The men are kept in fine physical condition and as hard as walnuts through the daily drills, the guard duty, the good food, and the regular living generally. Yet they are compelled at least once a month to hike out on the road under heavy burdens and trying conditions for the purpose of keeping in trim so that they will be ready for the field in case of hostilities. The practice march, fairly long continued and to come at long intervals, has its uses, and the men like it; but they don't like it coming as it does every three or four weeks.

#### COAL MINE EXPLOSION.

New Theory Advanced as to the Conditions Producing Them.

Experts who have made investigations of the recent mine disasters, notably those of Monongah and Jacob's Creek, have come to the conclusion that the explosions are caused by climatic conditions.

Supporting the position taken, it is a noticeable fact, they say, that the recent catastrophes have occurred at about the same hour in the day, in a zone of certain altitude, in about the same longitude and in places where climatic conditions are similar. The majority of the mines operated today are below the level of the streams in the same sections, and, owing to the moisture, the outside air forced into the mines by the fans has been laden with carbon dioxide moisture and other impurities.

It is suggested that if the air forced into the mines was gathered from a higher stratum and was heated sufficiently and otherwise treated to remove the impurities the accidents would be less numerous during the change of seasons. Proper ventilation with this purified air, it is believed, will remove to a great extent the coal dust and explosive gases which are found to a certain extent in every mine.

The Nation's Inventory.

National assets, \$1,500,000,000,000.
Farm wealth, \$7,412,000,000.
Mineral production, annually, \$3,000,000,000.
Export domestic merchandise, annual by, \$1,853,718,000.
Manufacturing products, annually, \$14,802,147,000.
Live stock, total value, \$4,875,000,000.
Seven cereal crops, 1907, \$2,378,000,000.
Wheat crop, 1907, \$500,000,000.
Cotton crop, 1907, \$675,000,000.
Corn, 1907, \$1,350,000,000.
Hay, 1907, \$999,000,000.
Dairy products, 1907, \$173,705,000.
Poultry and eggs, 1907, \$600,000,000.
Money in circulation, \$3,250,000,000.
Money in federal treasury, \$345,245,500.
Lumber production, 1907, \$550,000,000.

## SKIN DISEASES HUMORS IN THE BLOOD

When the blood is pure, fresh and healthy, the skin will be soft, smooth and free from blemishes, but when some acid humor takes root in the circulation its presence is manifested by a skin eruption or disease. These humors get into the blood, generally because of an inactive or sluggish condition of the members of the body whose duty it is to collect and carry off the waste and refuse matter of the system. This unhealthy matter is left to sour and ferment and soon the circulation becomes charged with the acid poison. The blood begins to throw off the humors and acids through the pores and glands of the skin, producing Eczema, Acne, Tetter, Psoriasis, Salt Rheum and skin eruptions of various kinds. Eczema appears, usually with a slight redness of the skin followed by pustules from which there flows a sticky fluid that dries and forms a crust, and the itching is intense. It is generally on the back, breast, face, arms and legs, though other parts of the body may be affected. In Tetter the skin dries, cracks and bleeds; the acid in the blood dries up the natural oils of the skin, which are intended to keep it soft and pliant, causing a dry, feverish condition and giving it a hard, leathery appearance. Acne makes its appearance on the face in the form of pimples and black heads, while Psoriasis comes in scaly patches on different parts of the body. One of the worst forms of skin trouble is Salt Rheum; its favorite point of attack is the scalp, sometimes causing baldness. Poison Oak and Ivy are also disagreeable types of skin disease. The humor producing the trouble lies dormant in the blood through the winter to break out and torment the sufferer with the return of Spring. The best treatment for all skin diseases is S. S. S. It neutralizes the acids and removes the humors so that the skin instead of being irritated and diseased, is nourished by a supply of fresh, healthy blood. External applications of salves, washes, lotions, etc., while they soothe the itching caused by skin affections, can never cure the trouble because they do not reach the blood. S. S. S. goes down into the circulation and forces out every particle of foreign matter and restores the blood to its normal, pure condition, thereby permanently curing every form of skin affection. Book on Skin Diseases and any medical advice desired sent free to all who write. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores.

I suffered with Eczema for forty years and could find nothing to cure me until I tried S. S. S. I suffered intensely with the itching and burning; pustules would form from which there flowed a sticky fluid; crusts would come on the skin and when scratched, the skin was left as raw as a piece of beef. I suffered agony in the long years I was afflicted, but when I used S. S. S. I found a perfect cure. There has never been any return of the trouble.  
C. H. EVANS, Stockman, Neb.

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Mrs. Chillico-Keary—Yes; I think it has been my turn for the last five or six times, hasn't it?—Chicago Tribune.

Berlin authorities have passed a law putting a tax on cats, and now when one of them is found without the metal tag which shows that the tax has been paid it is chloroformed.

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The rebuilding of San Francisco has been hampered greatly by the exorbitant wage schedule. The rates exceed by a dollar per day the maximum scale in New York.

Couldn't Take the Job.  
An inland graduate came to New York to seek employment. Through a friend he received an offer of a place as shipping clerk to a certain firm. In reply he wrote as follows: "I regret that I cannot accept your kind offer of a position as shipping clerk, but the fact is that I am always sick when on the water."—Success Magazine.

### Masculine Brutality.

Mrs. Jenner Lee Ondego had been compelled to abandon a contemplated trip up the Nile, in consequence of the financial stringency, and was weeping softly.  
"Crocodile tears," commented her unfeeling husband.

The French government has adopted a method of treating macadamized roads with hot coal tar thinned with about 10 per cent of oil. The cost is said to work out at about eight-tenths of a cent a square yard.

Korea is probably more responsive to missionary effort than any oriental country. A Methodist missionary writes: "It is my honest conviction that had we the proper missionary force Korea would be a Christian nation in five or ten years."

Red seems to be the most popular of national colors, if flags may be used as a criterion. Of the twenty-five leading national flags nineteen have red in them. No other color is so much used.

Experiments made by German scientists show that butter keeps best when preserved with from 3 to 5 per cent of salt. If the proportion of salt is higher than that the results are less satisfactory.

What It Is For.  
Wife—Must you go to the club to-night, dear?  
Husband—It isn't absolutely necessary, but I need the rest.—Life.

The Queen of Italy offered an international cup to be presented to the first aeronaut who succeeds in crossing the Alps by balloon.

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