

Dragged-Down Feeling

In the loins.
Nervousness, unrefreshing sleep, despondency.
It is time you were doing something.
The kidneys were anciently called the reins—in your case they are holding the reins and driving you into serious trouble.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Acts with the most direct, beneficial effect on the kidneys. It contains the best and safest substances for correcting and toning these organs.

Made a Difference.

Miss Mainchance—I suppose you've heard of my engagement to Mr. Jenks? Her Friend—Yes, and I confess I was surprised. You told me once that you wouldn't marry him for ten thousand pounds.

Miss Mainchance—I know, dear, but I discovered later that he had fifty thousand.—Cassell's Journal.

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Equally Divided.

"You allow no beer in the house?"
"No; my wife and I never drink anything but wine and water."

"In what proportion do you take it?"
"I drink the wine and my wife drinks the water."—Lippincott's Magazine.

Thoughtful.

Doctor—I think you understand fully now the directions for these medicines and this is for your dyspepsia.

Patient—Why, I haven't dyspepsia, doctor.

Doctor—Oh, I know; but you will have it when you have taken those other medicines.—Tit-Bits.

\$100 REWARD \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Misplaced Affection.

She kissed him and caressed him,
But 'twas not what he desired;
He only looked at her and growled—
For she made the poor pug tired.

Human Nature.

Some people practice what they preach,
But it's a lead-pipe cinch
They preach to others by the yard
And practice by the inch.

Then and Now.

"When I was courting my wife," said the sad-faced man, "we were two souls with but a single thought."
"How about you at the present writing?" asked the inquisitive youth.
"We still have but a single thought," replied the proprietor of the sad visage.
"We both think we made fools of ourselves."

Contemporary.

May told a joke to Flo one day,
"Oh, my! that's old," said Flo.
"Oh, is it, really, dear?" said May,
"Of course, you ought to know."
—Philadelphia Press.

Most Essential.

"What do you consider most necessary for a literary aspirant?"
"Unfailing optimism."—Chicago Post.

The Unexpected Happens.

"Why that look of surprise?" asked Biowell, who had just finished relating a remarkable story. "Don't you believe it?"

"Yes; that's the peculiar part of it," replied his friend Naggebv. "I happen to know that it is true."

Hair Splits

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for thirty years. It is elegant for a hair dressing and for keeping the hair from splitting at the ends."—J. A. Gruenfelder, Granitfork, Ill.

Hair-splitting splits friendships. If the hair-splitting is done on your own head, it loses friends for you, for every hair of your head is a friend.

Ayer's Hair Vigor in advance will prevent the splitting. If the splitting has begun, it will stop it.

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If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address: J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

HABITS OF THE SEAL

AN INTERESTING CREATURE OF COMMERCE.

For the Fur and Oil Thousands of Men Every Year Imperil Their Lives—The Romance of an Unfortunate Seal.

Not the least interesting sight witnessed by the visitor to San Francisco are the rocks covered with seals, which lie not far out in the bay and are easily discernible from the Cliff House. At times the piles of stone and earth projecting above the water are so filled with the smooth-furred creatures that none of the rock is visible. The bay itself swarms with the animals, which assemble on these Seal Rocks, as they are called, to bask in the sunshine. Should the visitor attempt to study the animals at close range he would find them extremely interesting. Of American animals there is none more valuable or sought after than the fur-seal and no creature of the numerous American animal family is more interesting or intelligent. They live in the sea, but always in the neighborhood of the coasts, where they wage an incessant warfare on the fishes, which constitute their principal food. They enjoy climbing upon rocks and beaches along the shore. When out of the water they are exceedingly watchful, and appear to have sentinels to give notice of the approach of an enemy, plunging into the water the moment any danger approaches them. On land they are very awkward. Their movements are performed by the actions of the strong muscles of the back. The creatures take hold by their forepaws, while they curve the back strongly and thus draw forward the hind feet.



SEALS SUNNING THEMSELVES IN SAN FRANCISCO BAY.

The latter then form the point of support and the head and forepaws are pushed on by the straightening of the body. The mode of progression is plainly laborious, and the seals never travel any great distance on land. Is only one genus is an external ear present and that genus inhabits the southern ocean. Yet the northern seals hear well when under water and are easily attracted to the surface by a noise. They generally travel in shoals and are often seen in such numbers in the northern seas as to appear like a continuous mass. For the sake of



COMMON SEALS.

respiration they appear now and then on the surface, springing up with their whole bodies out of water. Fishes, crabs and aquatic birds disappear when the seal gets hungry. Before a gale of wind the seals are full of frolic, jumping and tumbling about, sometimes throwing themselves entirely out of water and performing many awkward gambols. At last they retire to their wonted rocks or caverns and there remain till the storm is over. They are extremely curious; if people are passing in boats they often come up very close, stare at them and follow them a considerable time. When a church bell rings for divine service at some point on the coast, all the seals within hearing swim directly for the shore and remain while the bells continue ringing, look about wonderingly, but never alarmed.

In appearance the seal is unique. Its skin is clothed with thick, downy wool. But as this would impede swift motion, it is covered with an outer coat of close, strong, shining hair. The nostrils are closed at will. The orifice of the ear can also be closed and the eye is furnished with a third eyelid, which can be drawn across it as a

defense. The limbs are short and almost enclosed within the body, little more than the feet projecting.

A Creature of Commerce.

Though little known to science, the seals have been long known to commerce and the pursuit of the animals for their oils and skins forms no inconsiderable source of national wealth. Fleets of vessels of various sizes, manned by expert and hardy seamen, annually leave the shores of Europe and America, bound either for the Arctic regions, the coast of Newfoundland, or the desolate shores of extreme South America, whence they return, after long voyages attended with incredible hardships, loaded with the valuable products of the seal. The sealing craft generally start out about the first of March. From 16 to 35 hands usually compose a crew, many of whom are provided with large guns, and the rest with stout clubs or bats. Each man has also a pole or gaff, provided with a hook at the end, to assist him in leaping from place to place when among loose ice. Often it is necessary to cut, with ice saws, a broad channel through the midst of the harbor to the open sea; and as the united crews of a sealing fleet sometimes number 2,000 men, it may properly be supposed that the broad, icy plain displays a scene of no ordinary animation and excitement. Once the vessels are in the open sea, a day's run will bring them to the edge of an ice field, where myriads of seals are discovered with their new-born young. The young produce an oil that is both valuable and abundant and, as it takes but a slight blow with a bat to kill them, they are easily made captive. The gun is used to shoot the old seals. As soon as a seal is killed—and sometimes even before—a circular cut is made with a sharp knife around the neck and a longitudinal one down the belly to the tail. The skin with the

FOR TWENTY YEARS MAJOR MARS SUFFERED FROM CATARRH OF THE KIDNEYS



DANGEROUS KIDNEY DISEASES CURED

Pe-ru-na Creating a National Sensation in the Cure of Chronic Ailments of the Kidneys.

Major T. H. Mars, of the first Wisconsin cavalry regiment, writes from 1425 Dunning street, Chicago, Ill., the following letter:

"For years I suffered with catarrh of the kidneys contracted in the army. Medicine did not help me any until a comrade who had been helped by Peruna advised me to try it. I bought some at once, and soon found blessed relief. I kept taking it four months, and am now well and strong and feel better than I have done for the past twenty years, thanks to Peruna."—T. H. Mars.

At the appearance of the first symptom of kidney trouble, Peruna should be taken. This remedy strikes at once the very roots of the disease. It at once relieves the catarrhal kidneys of the stagnant blood, preventing the escape of serum from the blood. Peruna stimulates the kidneys to excrete from the blood the accumulating poison, and thus prevents the convulsions which are sure to follow if the poisons are allowed

to remain. It gives great vigor to the heart's action and digestive system, both of which are apt to fail rapidly in this disease.

Peruna cures catarrh of the kidneys simply because it cures catarrh wherever located.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

The Will and the Way.

Grieved Sister—Oh, Edgar, you don't know how it would please me if you would only settle down and go to work with a will.

Wayward Brother—Never mind, sister; just wait till the old man shuffles off this mortal coil and you'll see me go to work with a will, if that document doesn't suit me.

To Break in New Shoes.

Always shake in Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures hot, sweating, aching, swollen feet. Cures corns, ingrowing nails and bunions. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Frogs Are Not Fishes.

The French court of cassation, the highest tribunal in France, solemnly decided that frogs are not fishes. The case concerned fishing privileges in certain streams and went through three courts before the question was finally decided.

Envious.

"Yes," said the nervous man, "I have a habit of talking in my sleep." And the eminent citizen who is expected to respond to an ovation in every town that the train goes through murmured:

"What a valuable accomplishment."

For bronchial troubles try Piso's Cure for Consumption. It is a good cough medicine. At druggists, price 25 cents.

Foibles of Long Ago.

Bibbs—No man knows himself. Gibbs—That's true. I have just been reading over some letters I wrote to my wife before we were married.—Phi adelphia Ledger.

In a Quiver of Rage.

First Actress—I was entirely beside myself with rage. Second Actress—You certainly were. Why, you quivered even in the places you were upholstered.—Life.

The Innocent Suffer With The Guilty

The world to-day is full of innocent sufferers from that most loathsome disease, Contagious Blood Poison. People know in a general way that it is a bad disease, but if all its horrors could be brought before them they would shun it as they do the Leprosy. Not only the person who contracts it suffers, but the awful taint is transmitted to children, and the fearful sores and eruptions, weak eyes, Catarrh, and other evidences of poisoned blood show these little innocents are suffering the awful consequences of some body's sin. So highly contagious is this form of blood poison that one may be contaminated by handling the clothing or other articles in use by a person afflicted with this miserable disease. There is danger even in drinking from the same vessel or eating out of the same tableware, as many pure and innocent men and women have found to their sorrow. The virus of Contagious Blood Poison is so powerful and penetrating that within a short time after the first little sore appears the whole system is infected and every drop of blood in the body is tainted with the poison, and the skin is soon covered with a red rash, ulcers break out in the mouth and throat, swellings appear in the groins, the hair and eyebrows fall out, and unless the ravages of the disease are checked at this stage, more violent and dangerous symptoms appear in the form of deep and offensive sores, copper colored spots, terrible pains in bones and muscles, and general breaking down of the system.

S. S. S. is a specific for Contagious Blood Poison and the only remedy that antidotes this peculiar virus and makes a radical and complete cure of the disease. Mercury and Potash hold it in check so long as the system is under their influence, but when the medicine is left off the poison breaks out again as bad or worse than ever. Besides, the use of these minerals bring on Rheumatism and stomach troubles of the worst kind, and frequently produce bleeding and sponginess of the gums and decay of the teeth. S. S. S. cures Blood Poison in all stages and even reaches down to hereditary taints and removes all traces of the poison and saves the victim from the pitiable consequences of this monster scourge. As long as a drop of the virus is left in the blood it is liable to break out, and there is danger of transmitting the disease to others. S. S. S. is guaranteed purely vegetable and has nearly fifty years proves beyond doubt that it cures Contagious Blood Poison completely and permanently. Write for our "Home Treatment Book," which describes fully the different stages and symptoms of the disease.

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