Royal Baking Powder

Imparts Healthfulness to the Food

Royal Baking Powder possesses peculiar qualities not found in other leavening agents, which arise from the superior fitness, purity and healthfulness of its ingredients.

Royal Baking Powder leavens the food perfectly by its own inherent power without changing or impairing any of the elements of the flour.

Thus the hot-breads, hot-rolls and muffins, and the delicious hot griddle-cakes raised by the Royal Baking Powder are wholesome and digestible, and may be eaten without distress, even by persons of delicate digestion.

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LOOKING GLASSES.

Backs of Most Modern Mirrors Are Covered with Silver.

"How is a looking-glass made?" was the question recently put by a writer for the Washington Star to a large manufacturer of mirrors in New York.

"Well," replied the manufacturer, "most of the glass used in this trade is prepared for us at a molding factory, and we merely cut, bevel and silver it in our works. All the bevels are cut in the same way, first with sand and water, then on an emery wheel and afterward put through several processes to bring back the polish.

"Great improvements have been made in this line of business in the last sixteen years. Formerly it took two or three days from the time work was begun on a mirror before it could be finished. Nowadays we can get the glass in the morning and make it into a looking-glass perfectly finished and ready for sale before night. We make all sizes, from the smallest hand-glass of 2 by 4 inches, to a mirror 10 by 20 feet, or even larger, and we have a capacity of turning out 3,000 feet a day.

"Not many years ago the backs of mirrors were coated with mercury; now sheets of pure silver are used instead. The old looking-glass reflected 60 or 65 per cent. of the light that fell upon it; the modern mirror reflects nearly 95 per cent. The mercury looking-glass was very liable to rub off; heat and cold also affected it; the quicksilver would crack or melt, and thus the beauty of the glass would be spoiled. None of these dangers threaten the silvered mirror. Besides, mirrors, those engaged in this line of business cut a great deal of beveled glass for doors and windows. In fine buildings this is largely taking the place of stained glass."

A Modern Instance.

The wonderful advance made in the science of farming during the last few years is one of the best examples of American progressiveness. A little incident recounted by the Ashtabula (Ohio) Sentinel is characteristic. One evening, a short time ago, a society in Jefferson needed a gallon of cream. The committee called up by telephone the proprietors of a milk farm two miles north of the town, and asked if they could furnish it. The reply was that they could as soon as milking was done. In 30 minutes from the time the call was made, the cream was delivered. The milk had been drawn from the cow, put into a separator, the cream extracted and sent to town by a man on a bicycle. A few years ago the committee would have had to send a boy in the afternoon. "yesterday's milk," would have had to be skimmed, and if the boy had not treed too many chipmuncks on the way, he might have got back in time for the festival.

A NEW FEATURE

In the Rock Island Personally Conducted Weekly Excursions.

Always mindful of the comfort of their patrons, the Great Rock Island route has again come to the front with a new feature in connection with their popular personally conducted weekly excursions. All through tourist cars on their personally conducted excursions are now provided with the illustrated weekly periodicals, viz.: Life, Puck, Judge, Leslie's, Harper's and Illustrated London News, fresh each week, for the free use of their patrons. They are placed in substanital binders, properly marked with name of periodical, etc.

This is a distinctive feature of the Rock Island tourist excursions, and will no doubt be much appreciated by the traveling public. The Rock Island excursions are up to date in every particular.

For full information in regard to Rock Island personally conducted excursions to all points East, write to A. E. Cooper, G. A. P. D., 246 Washington St., Portland, Oregon.

When Nineveh and Babylon were in the splendor of their might men in China were predicting eclipses making catalogues and giving names to the stars. But Nineveh and Babylon were mere mounds of earth and rubbish when China was great, and to this date the civilization and life of the empire is the wonder of the world.

Home demand absorbs almost all the street cars our builders can turn out, so that the export trade in this line has been temporarily abandoned. One or two export houses in New York, however have been doing a lively busines in second hand horse cars, a large number going to Mexico.

An ordinance has been passed in West Palm, Florida, forbidding females to enter saloons.

A sign of politeness in Thibet on meeting a person is to hold up the clasped hands and stick out the tongue.

Should Women Smoke.

I have no earthly objection to women smoking; only, if they do smoke, they should smoke seriously. Most of them just fool a little with a cigarette. Now, that scarcely amounts to smoking at all. If they really mean it, let them take to cigars and pipes. I know a dignified old lady, a Polish countess—what is her name?—oh, well, Thingamojisky—it ends in "isky," anyhow—and I respect that woman. She genuinely smokes, and no mistake about it. There is no playing there. She looks on it as a sacred duty. She has a long pipe with a wooden stem and the bark on, and a fine big bowl—a regular man's pipe. When she was visiting me, she just loaded up and smoked, and loaded up and smoked, and loaded up and smoked again. She meant business. I know another lady who has a long Turkish pipe, and she, too, means business. If women are ever to be genuine smokers, that is the way they must go to work.—Mark Twain.

In Germany the capital for carrying on the pawnshops by the municipal authorities is derived either from the city treasury or the city savings bank, which is usually operated in connection with the pawnshops. The articles offered in pawn are valued by sworn appraisers.

HOW TO TRAVEL.

Information for the Public.

In selecting your route to the East you cannot afford to overlook the advantages and comforts offered by the Rio Grande Western Railway in conection with the Denver & Rio Grande and Colorado Midland railroads. It is the only transcontinental line passing directly through Salt Lake City, and in addition to the glimpse it affords of the Temple city, the Great Salt Lake, the salt palace, and the picturesque Utah valley, it offers choice of six distinct routes to the East and the most magnificent scenery in the world. A double daily train service and through Pullman palace and ordinary sleeping cars, free reclining chair cars and a perfect dining car service are now in operation via these lines.

For pamphlets descriptive of the "Great Salt Lake Route," apply to J. D. Mansfield, general agent, 253 Washington street, Portland, Or.

Climate, Scenery and Nature's Sanitarium.

Scenery, altitude, sunshine and air, constitute the factors which are rapidly making Colorado the health and pleasure grounds of the world.

Here the sun shines 357 days of the average year, and it blends with the crisp, electric mountain air to produce a climate matchless in the known world. No pen can portray, no brush can picture the majestic grandeur of the scenery along the line of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad in Colorado. Parties going East should travel via this line which is known all over the world as the Scenic Line of the world. For any information regarding rates, time tables, etc., call on or address R. C. Nichol, general agent, 251 Washington street, Portland, Or., or any agent of the O. R. & N. Co., or Southern Pacific Company.

The Swedes are probably the tallest people in Europe, and have, on the whole, erect, handsome figures. To some extent this advantage is due to physical exercise, for Ling's Swedish gymnastics are compulsory in the elementary schools, and much used in other schools and colleges.

The United States silk flag offered by German Typographia No. 6, Cleveland, to the union securing the largest number of cash subscribers for the Citizen was won by the Granite Cutters' union.

The queen of Saxony possesses four sapphires equal in size and beauty to the one that glows in the crown of England. The favorite wives of the shah of Persia and sultan of Turkey wear turquoises the like of which no western queen can boast.

Every workman in the building trades of Scranton, Pa., is on a strike to enforce their wage scale and working rules. Every job is tied up, all work being stopped on fair and unfair work alike.

There are still four widows of revolutionary soldiers on the pension rolls of the government at Washington. At this rate the United States will be paying pensions to soldiers of the civil war or their widows well on in the last quarter of the coming century and to soldiers or their widows of the Spanish-American war nearly to the close of the first quarter of the twenty-first century.

The Boot and Shoe Workers' National Union will begin the publication on January 1, of a journal to be devoted to the interests of the craft.

Twin Chickens.

Twenty-five dollars for a pair of spring chickens is a liberal price, yet a Massachusetts farmer rejected it. His pair of chickens, he thinks, are quite unique, for they are twins, five weeks old, and it is said that two chickens born from a single egg have never before been proved to live beyond eight days. The buff brahma hen laid rather a large egg, but no one thought much about it until one morning the farmer saw two bills instead of one trying to break out of the shell. He quickly removed the egg to the kitchen, extricated the twin chicks, wrapped them in cotton batting and placed them in the oven. For three weeks the chickens were kept in docrs on a diet of malted milk and brandy dropped down their throats with a medicine dropper. The twins are now hale and hearty and run about the yard as vigorously as any of their comrades. One peculiarity, however, distinguishes them from their mates. They are exclusive little aristocrats and neither of them will associate with any other chicken except his twin.

Ald. Chase approves a suggestion recently made by Comptroller Wolf for a solution of the problem of the rate of fare to be charged by the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company. Mr. Wolf suggested that a 4-cent fare be charged for a single trip without transfer privileges, and that a 5-cent fare be charged when the passenger desired a transfer. This plan has been adopted in Cleveland.

The assessors of Montreal are having no little discussion with the street railway company, the Bell Telephone Company and other large companies, as to the machinery tax. The street railway company has now, through its lawyer, informed the assessors, that it does not consider any tax can be legally placed upon its poles, rails, etc.

$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.

The California state board of health urges a strict quarantine against consumptives, as being much more dangerous than those afflicted with smallpox or yellow fever.

Wood carvers are in demand in New York and the trade is booming. Members of the craft are coming from London to secure work.

The man who condemns all others condemns himself most.

Improved Train Equipment.

The O. R. & N. and Oregon Short Line have added a buffet, smoking and library car to their Portland-Chicago through train, and a dining car service has been inaugurated. The train is equipped with the latest chair cars, day coaches and luxurious first-class and ordinary sleepers. Direct connection made at Granger with Union Pacific, and at Ogden with Rio Grande line, from all points in Oregon, Washington and Idaho to all Eastern cities. For information, rates, etc., call on any O. R. & N. agent, or address W. H. Hurlburt, General Passenger Agent, Portland.

A trade paper mentions that another new molding machine has been perfected, by the operation of which three men can do the work of some 60 odd mechanics.

The Painters' and Decorators' union of San Francisco inaugurated a schedule providing for $3 per day of eight hours. The employers have accepted the union's terms.

The recent raise of 20 per cent of the wages of the employes of the Atlantic (Ga.) Railway & Power Company, without solicitation, is commendable.

Only commercial houses that have paid taxes for the privileges can do business through agents in Russia. Traveling men are also obliged to pay individual taxes for permission to sell goods as representatives of these houses, whether they are domestic or foreign enterprises.

It is averred by a famous Chinese doctor that nervousness is kept out of the Celestial Empire by the use of soft soled shoes. The hard soles worn by the Anglo-Saxon race are said to be the cause of their extreme nervous temperament.

CONCERNING PROPOSALS.

"IT'S jolly hard lines," Bailey Junior said, flinging himself down in Jack's armchair. "What's hard lines?" I asked, thinking at the same time that although he had been Jack's best man when we were married he need not be quite so familiar with Jack's own particular armchair. I never like to see any one at home in Jack's chair, because, if I am left a widow, I mean to keep it sacred to Jack's memory.

"A fellow isn't allowed to see Baby Jones alone for five minutes."

"Why do you want to see her alone?" I said, for the fifth Jones girl, in my mind, was still a child. Perhaps this was due to the fact that she is called "Baby," but Jack says it's because she's not allowed to have her 17th birthday until the two eldest girls are "off." Mamma Jones may be right; more than four girls out at one time is a great responsibility.

Bailey Junior, who had retained the suffix "Junior" ever since he went to school with his eldest brother, looked at me in surprise. "Why do I want to see her alone?" he replied; "because I want to propose, of course; a fellow can't propose with an audience."

"You propose!" I echoed. "Propose to Baby Jones!"

"And pray why shouldn't I?" he asked. "Anything the matter with me?" He pulled down his coat and stuck out his brown riding boots on my new hearth rug. Bailey Junior prided himself on his bootmaker. "I can afford to keep a wife; Jack's married."

"O, but Jack's quite different," I said. "Any one can see in a moment that Jack's different. Besides, you'll never get the chance," I continued, remembering Mamma Jones' theory.

"Why the deuce not?"

"Because the four others have to go off first, and they must go in proper order. Jack says so."

"What's Jack got to do with it?"

"O, nothing," I answered; "but Jack's so clever; he always sees through things."

"Why have the others got to go 'off' first?" Bailey Junior asked. "Baby's marriage hasn't anything to do with the others."

"Oh, yes, it has; you don't understand."

"No, I don't; and I'm hanged if any one else does. Why can't they begin marrying from the other end?"

"Because if the county knows that Baby's old enough to marry, that would make the others just too old, don't you see? It's a point of honor with the Baby to remain under 17 till the eldest girl's off."

"Phew!" said Bailey Junior, "now I see; that's why she's so closely guarded and why the eldest girl is always thrown in my way; but I won't have her, I will tell you. No Mamma Jones in the world will make me marry the eldest; none of your serving for Rachel business for me."

"That's right," I said, "but you'll have to wait for Baby until some other fellow does want the others."

"O, Lord!" he exclaimed, in a tone of voice which was scarcely complimentary to the eldest Miss Jones; "and I sail for India this day week."

"I'm awfully sorry," I said; "but that's the principle and code of honor in the Jones family. You can't pick out the best and leave Mamma Jones saddled for life with the plain ones."

Bailey Junior was silent, and I tried my best to think of some plan to help him out of his difficulty. It was of no use to suggest asking Baby Jones to spend the day with me and letting Bailey Junior meet her here, for the Jones girls never went about singly; they hadn't enough friends to go all round, so that if you asked one to tea two always came. They were such a devoted family.

"Dear little girl," he said, "sacrificed to her elder sisters. She'll be thirty before she gets her hair up at that rate. I wonder what her age really is?"

"She's probably got mixed herself," I said; "but isn't it up yet? It will be getting quite worn out."

"It's in a sort of maidenly plait," Bailey Junior said, reflectively, "awfully becoming, don't you know, but——"

"But it's time she wore quite long dresses, and put it right up, isn't it? A big girl old enough to be married in short skirts. Jack thinks it horrid."

"I think they're lovely," Bailey Junior answered, "so arched and slender; just think of the eldest girl's."

"O, no one does," I said; "she was put into long skirts before she left the nursery, and she was never allowed to play lawn tennis."

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Bailey Junior's furlough was up, and he went back to India without having proposed to Baby Jones. I met her six weeks later, and she told me she had had a letter from him asking her to marry him. She seemed much astonished that he should want to marry her and not her eldest sister. The Joneses are not an imaginative family, and such an unconventional proceeding had not suggested itself to the youngest of the family.

"Poor old Bailey!" I said. "He sat for an hour and a half talking to Bella,"—that is the eldest girl's name—"the day he went to say good-by, hoping that you would come in; he was determined to propose to you before he sailed."

Baby Jones opened her eyes wide. "Did he really? But he ought to have known that mamma said he was to marry Bella. I was sent out to do some shopping, and the others staid in their rooms and said they were out. I wonder why he didn't propose to Bella?"

"Because he was in love with you," I said. "Don't you like him, Baby?"

"O, yes," she said slowly; he's nicely sunburned, and" (with a little sigh) "I do like his boots. But it's Bella's turn first."

She took Bailey Junior's letter and opened it.

"I must ask mamma," she said, "for the poor fellow seems quite anxious, and he's in such a hurry. He wants me to wire back yes or no. He needn't be so impatient when it's only me he wants."

"Baby," I said coaxingly, "don't ask your mother until you have sent the wire. Mothers don't always understand these things."

Then I turned and left her reading the letter slowly to herself.

"Bella will be awfully cross," I heard her murmur; "perhaps he has an elder brother who wouldn't mind marrying Bella."

By the same post next evening I received two letters. The one was from Bailey Junior, asking me to plead his cause with Baby Jones. It was an ardent, romantic letter, showing a vast imagination and a limited understanding of the character of his future wife, and the other was from Baby Jones. It was not so romantic, but, Jack says, it is full of common sense, and characteristic of the Jones family. It ran thus: "Wired back yes. But it cost me thirty shillings!"—Westminster Budget.

"JACK, WHERE BE YE?"

Cruel Game Played in the Camps of the Lumbermen.

So full of peril is the lumberman's life that even his sports must be spiced with danger or they pall on his tastes. On the long winter nights a cruel game called "Jack, Where Be Ye?" is sometimes played. The middle of the largest room in the camp is cleared. Two men are securely blindfolded, and having previously drawn lots for the first "whack," they kneel on the floor. In his right hand each man holds a stout leather strap, at the end of which is a heavy iron buckle. In the left hand of each man is held, by the end, another leather strap or rope. The left hands must either be kept on or very near the floor, and the strap that is held between them kept taut. This guarantees a uniform distance between the combatants. They are quite near enough to hurt each other severely, sometimes fatally.

Now the man who has been lucky enough to draw the first call sings out: "Jack, where be ye?" to which his opponent must immediately answer, "Here I be." Then the first man strikes where he imagines his opponent to be, with the heavy leather strap. If he hits his man he is entitled to another blow; may call out again, "Jack, where be ye?" and the other must answer, "Here I be." This may be continued until the first man misses, when he must take his turn at being struck.

The others form a ring around the two fighters, bets are made and each faction encourages and applauds its chosen fighter. There are regular rounds, and the game is usually kept up until one or the other is carried off the scene seriously wounded.

Hard hands can stand hard knocks and volunteers for the cruel sport are easily found. At the beginning there is usually no malice. A hard blow is struck—it is expected, because it is the game. But it not infrequently happens that the game develops into a fierce duel.—New York Sun.

LAW AS INTERPRETED.

Land bought by a judgment creditor in good faith on execution sale is held, in Pugh vs. Highley (Ind.), 44, L. R. A. 332, to be free from secret equities.

An ordinance granting the exclusive privilege to maintain waterworks in a town for thirty years is held, in Thrift vs. Elizabeth City (N. C.), 44 L. R. A. 427, to be in conflict with the constitutional provision against perpetuities and monopolies.

The ineligibility of a person who receives a majority of the votes cast for an office is held in State ex rel. Goodell vs. McGeary (Vt.), 44 L. R. A. 496, to give the minority candidate no right to the office, at least when those who voted for the other person did not know that he was ineligible.

An increase in the value of a homestead is held, in Gowdy vs. Johnson (Ky.) 44 L. R. A. 400, to be insufficient to authorize a revaluation and reassignment—at least if the increase was not rapid or extraordinary and no unreasonable outlay had been made on the premises.

The failure to furnish automatic car couplers in common use for freight cars is held, in Troxler vs. Southern Railroad company (N. C.), 44 L. R. A. 313, reaffirming the decision in Greenlee vs. Southern Railroad Company, 41 L. R. A. 399, to constitute negligence per se, for which a railroad company is liable to an employe who is injured in attempting to couple cars having skeleton drawheads of unequal height.

White Lies in Society.

A man of doubtful veracity is responsible for this, according to Polly Pry in the New York Herald:

"Nothing amuses me so much," he writes to me, "as to notice the efforts of two women who have just been introduced to impress each other with their importance.

"It generally takes some such shape as this:

"'I am delighted to meet you. I heard Mr. Smith say such sweet things about you.'

"'Awfully nice of you to say so. Which Mr. Smith was it? The cousin of the Vanderbilts?'

"'Not exactly—It was——'

"'We know the Vanderbilts very well. And——'

"'No, it wasn't that Mr. Smith. It was the one that we met at George Gould's. He is——'

"'Did you go to the Bradley Martins' great dinner?'

"'No; it was awfully provoking, but we had an engagement that night at the Waldorf to meet Prince——'

"'Indeed! That's the great trouble in society; so many dates clashing, don't you know! Why, the night we made up a box party for the opera—that wonderful performance of "Faust," you know—we had to give up attending a muiscale that——'

"And so on and so on, until the two fair frauds retire to their respective corners—I mean rooms—each satisfied that the victory is hers."

Steam Machinery in Old Egypt.

Twenty centuries before the birth of Watt Nero of Alexandria described machines whose motive power was steam. He also invented a double force pump, used as a fire engine, and anticipated the modern turbine wheel by a machine he called "neolpile."

Women have a way of talking about "cleaning up after a party" as if the guests threw the chairs at each other for pastime, and did cake walks on the beds and tables.

MENACE TO PASTURE LANDS.

New Weed that Destroys Other Vegetation Brought from Europe.

The orange hawkweed has made its appearance in and around Chicago during the past season. It is a comparatively new plant, having been introduced recently from Europe, and although not regarded in its native land as particularly noxious has become a great nuisance here and threatens to destroy other vegetation highly prized by gardeners and arboriculturists.

The first American appearance of the hawkweed was in Vermont. The seeds were distributed as a premium by one of the leading agricultural journals of New York State. Within the last decade the plant has been spreading as a weed in an alarming manner. Investigations at the Vermont experiment station have shown that it is already the worst weed known and is continuing each year to invade new areas. It is easily recognized by its flame-red flowers and spreading hairy leaves. The first blossoms open in June. If these are mowed it continues to send up scattering flower stalks during the rest of the summer.

Fortunately clean cultivation will kill it wherever it is practiced. One of the serious difficulties is that the weed is allowed to spread along many roadsides to the menace of the adjacent land. The really great danger, however, is that it rapidly invades the pastures, and when once fully established in such places it is practically impossible to exterminate it. The owners of such fields should carefully guard them against it. Every plant found should be promptly uprooted, or, better still, killed out by salt. The weed is very sensitive to salt, which should be scattered broadcast so as to reach the leaves of all plants. If not too much salt is used it may serve as a fertilizer to the grass. The salt does not act as a poison, but kills the weeds by drawing the water out of the leaves. In order to act most thoroughly, therefore, dry salt (not brine) should be applied, and this should be done during dry, hot weather.—Chicago Chronicle.

INDIANA'S BIG MAN.

George Washington Walker, Who Weighed 565 Pounds.

George Washington Walker, who died a few days ago at Wawaka, Ind., was the largest and heaviest man in the State. He was 38 years of age, and ten years ago began to grow corpulent. His weight increased from 150 pounds to 565 at the time of his death. A special coffin had to be constructed for him, and much difficulty was experienced in conveying the body from the house to the cemetery. Mr. Walker had received numerous offers from museum and circus managers, but refused to travel or place himself on exhibition as a curiosity.

GEORGE WALKER.

An Old-Fashioned Maiden.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I go for a walk, good sir," she said;
"Fresh air, they tell me, 's the road to health,
And that I must keep on my way to wealth."

"What is your fortune, my sensible maid?"
"My fortune's my molding-board, sir," she said;
"I fashion the choicest of pies and cakes—
And better ones, people say, nobody makes!"

"And what is your faith, my rich young maid?"
"The faith of my fathers, sir," she said;
"The creed that made them loving and true
Is the creed I shall hold my whole life through."

"Ah, well, I will marry you, wise young maid!"
"Indeed, you will not, good sir," she said.
"Of wealth and religion I've none to spare—
Since 'tis those you seek you must look elsewhere!

"The man I shall marry, for love will wed!—
So I bid you a very good day!" she said.
—New York Sun.

A Vegetarian Monarch.

The King of Italy is a vegetarian, and lives entirely a vegetables and fruits. The doctors have also forbidden him to drink coffee, so his beverage is Bordeaux and plenty of water. The King never feels so well as when his fare is bread, potatoes, and oranges, although peaches are his favorite edible. The Queen has made repeated attempts to become a vegeterian, but finally has given up in despair, being fond of a generous diet. The Royal meals are served on gold plates.

Lord Wolsely's Rise.

No other living British soldier has gained promotion more rapidly than Lord Wolseley. The following are his various steps, with dates: Ensign, 1852; Captain, 1855; Major, 1858; Lieutenant-Colonel, 1859; Colonel, 1865; Deputy Quartermaster-General, 1867; Assistant Adjutant-General, 1871; Major-General, 1873; Quarter-master-General, 1880; Adjutant-General, 1882; General, 1883. He received £25,000 for his services in Ashanti, and £20,000 for his conduct of the Egyptian Campaign. He was the youngest captain in the army, having reached that rank after only three years' service.

Resting Place of the Czars.

It is not generally known that the remains of all the Czars of Russia since Peter the Great lie in a memorial chapel built on one of the islands of the Neva. All the cenotaphs are exactly alike, each being a block of white marble, without any decoration whatever. The only distinction by which one is marked is the name of the deceased Emperor.

Salt to Clean Sponges.

To clean sponges thoroughly dissolve a handful of coarse salt in a pint of water. Soak and knead the sponges in this mixture for some little time, then rinse under a water faucet and they will be as good as new.

Don't let a fool annoy you; laugh at him.

Missourian's Contempt for a Surf Bath.

A Missourian at Manhattan beach looked with contempt at the men lolling in the sand. "Shucks," said he, "they think they are having fun. Have to come ashore to get in the sand. They ought to live in old Missoury, on the river. You get the sand and water mixed there. Sometimes a man gets more sand than water and has to go home and be washed off. Them mud baths in the northwest that you hear so much about ain't in it with a wash in the old Missoury."

Thorite, the New Explosive,

Distinguished itself by passing through a 4½ inch steel plate. If its success continues, it will make as great a record in the military world as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters in the medical world. Nothing has appeared which can equal this wonderful medicine for all diseases of the stomach, liver or kidneys.

Panama canal construction employes over 3,000 men.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me large doctor bills.—C. L. Baker, 4228 Regent Sq., Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8, '95.

Hartford plumbers get $3 for eight hours.

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

Comfort depends on thinking, not on things.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

The king's business requires haste, but not hurry.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE $2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. KLINE, Ld., 931 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The National Consumers' League have adopted a label to distinguish ladies' garments which are made in sweatshops or under unfair conditions as to wages and hours. It is not a rival of the regular trades union label, but will be used on goods produced by working men and women who get just treatment from employers, even if they do not belong to labor organizations.

The Walter Steel Company's plant in Reading has been absorbed by the Walter Steel Company of Jersey City, N. J., recently organized with a capital of $100,000.

The agricultural department, Washington, D. C., has a machine for taking continuous photographs of growing plants. It works automatically, taking a picture each hour, and during the night an electric light is thrown into circuit as the exposures are made.

"Duly Feed Man and Steed."

Feed your nerves, also, on pure blood if you would have them strong. Men and women who are nervous are so because their nerves are starved. When they make their blood rich and pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla their nervousness disappears because the nerves are properly fed.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints

When Doctors Disagree

Herbert M. Fish, a progressive and respected resident of Cape Vincent, N. Y., said: "The doctors disagreed in my case, one said I had the grip, another that it was jaundice, and so on. I tried many remedies but did not receive the slightest benefit. I was low spirited and nervous and had become reduced in weight from 155 pounds to less than 122. One day a friend recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I tried them and the result was indeed marvelous. My appetite returned and I began to feel rested and restored. At the end of the tenth box my physical condition was better than it had been for years and I was a well man.

"HERBERT M. FISH."

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of November, 1898.

LLOYD O. WOODRUFF, Notary Public.

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