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## MIRACLE IN MISSOURI

### THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF MEDICAL SCIENCE FAR MORE WONDERFUL THAN THE MAGIC OF THE EAST.

#### The Remarkable Experience of Postmaster Woodson of Panama, Mo.—For Ten Years a Cripple—To-day a Well and Hearty Man.

From the Kansas City Times.]  
The people of Rich Hill, Mo., and vicinity have recently been startled by a seeming miracle of healing. For years one of the best known men in Bates and Vernon counties has been Mark M. Woodson, now postmaster at Panama and brother of ex-State Inspector of Mines C. C. Woodson of this city. The people of Rich Hill, where he formerly resided, and of his present home remember well the bent form, misshapen almost from the semblance of man, which has painfully bowed its head half to earth and labored snail-like across the walks season after season, and when one day last month it straightened to its full height, threw away the heavy butt of cane which for years had been its only support from total helplessness, and walked erect, firmly, unhesitatingly about the two cities, people looked and wondered. The story of the remarkable case has become the marvel of the two counties. Exactly as Mr. Woodson told it to a *Times* reporter, it is here published:  
"For ten years I have suffered the tortments of the damned and have been a useless invalid; to-day I am a well and hearty man, free from almost every touch of pain. I don't think man ever suffered more acute and constant agony than I have since 1884. The rheumatism started then in my right knee, and after weeks of suffering in bed I was at last relieved sufficiently to arise, but it was only to get about on crutches for five years, the ailment having settled in the joint. Despite constant treatment of the most eminent physicians the rheumatism grew worse, and for the last four years I have been compelled to go about bent half toward the ground. In the winter of 1890-91, after the rheumatism had settled into its most chronic form, I went to Kansas City upon advice of my brother, and for six weeks I was treated in one of the largest and best known dispensaries of that city, but without the slightest improvement. Before I came home I secured a strong galvanic battery; this I used for months with the same result. In August, 1892, I went to St. Louis, and there conferred with the widely known Dr. Mudd of hospital practice fame and Dr. Kale of the city hospital. None of them would take my case with any hope of affording me more than temporary relief, and so I came home, weak, doubled with pain, helpless and despondent.  
"About this time my attention was called to the account of a remarkable cure by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People of locomotor ataxia, rheumatism and paralysis. I ordered some of the pills as an experiment. When I began to take them the rheumatism had developed into a phase of paralysis; my leg from the thigh down was cold all the time and could not be kept warm. In a short time the pills were gone, and so was the cane. I was able to attend to the duties of my office, to get about as a well and strong man, I was free from pain and I could enjoy a sound and restful night's sleep, something I had not known for ten years. To-day am practically cured, and I firmly believe, permanently cured of my terrible and agonizing ailment. No magician of the far East ever wrought the miracle with his wand that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for me.  
"To verify the story beyond all question of doubt Mr. Woodson made the following affidavit:  
STATE OF MISSOURI,  
COUNTY OF BATES), ss.  
I, M. M. Woodson, being duly sworn on my oath, state that the following statements are true and correct as I verily believe. M. M. Woodson.  
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Lord Crewe's Collection.  
Lord Crewe once, on the occasion of some charitable entertainment, leaned up against a corridor wall, fast asleep, with his hat in his hand. Some wild young men started dropping coppers and half crowns into the hat until the chinking awakened him, when, with gay humor, he pocketed all the silver and pelted his impertinent benefactors with the pence.—*London Million.*

### Relieving Snowbound Passengers.

"I was snowbound in Michigan a few years ago, between Coopersville and Nunica," said a traveling salesman. "The snow was four feet deep on a level and still falling. The passengers had eaten up everything the train boy had, including even mixed candies, and children were crying for food. A grocery salesman offered his samples of tea and coffee, and these were boiled at the engine. Then I started, accompanied by another passenger, to go to a farmhouse to get some bread and butter. We waded through the snow, and by the time we got there were nearly frozen, but we could detect the odor of cooking victuals and felt that our mission would be successful.  
"In answer to our knock a woman came to the door and flatly refused to let us have bread at any price. Five large loaves, just baked, were on a table and a jar of butter near it. I told my friend to go to the front door and argue with them while I stole the food. This programme was carried out, and I started back through the snow with the bread and butter. I had not gone far before I could hear the farmer behind swearing at me. Then came a race through the snow. Twice I fell down and soaked the bread in the snow, but I hung on to it and reached the train at the same time the farmer did. There a hundred passengers were ready to help me, and we had one square meal. I had offered \$1 a loaf for the bread and started to make the promise good, but the passengers insisted that the man should get nothing except the empty butter jar."  
—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### Latter Day Etiquette.

Mrs. de Science—Hereafter when visitors call you are not to take their cards. You must ask them their names. My husband has discovered 900 different kinds of bacteria on visiting cards.  
Servant—Yes, ma'am.  
Mrs. de Science—And when they mention their names you are particularly to notice if their voices are hoarse. Colds are catching.—*New York Weekly.*

John H. Bryant.  
John H. Bryant of Princeton, Ill., is the only surviving brother of William Cullen Bryant. He was born at Cunningham in 1807, and removed to Illinois in 1831, where he became Justice of the Peace of Patnam county in 1834. He has been twice a member of the Illinois Legislature, and has held other most modest offices. Until his sixtieth year Mr. Bryant was an enthusiastic farmer. He has published two volumes of verse, which have won him modest fame as a poet. The centennial of the birth of William Cullen Bryant will be celebrated by a festival of poets in the Berkshire Hills of Massachusetts on August 16, which his aged brother will attend, if his health permits.

### Vowels in the Hawaiian Tongue.

The Hawaiian language is composed mainly of vowels and a few consonants put in to vary the monotony. And the beauty of the system is that there is no waste. Every vowel is pronounced. For instance, when the American eye winks at the appearance of the simple word "naanao," the glib native rolls out the five syllables with neatness and dispatch. This means "enlighten." Double vowels are very frequent, but never a diphthong. Three vowels are not uncommon, and, as above, four and sometimes more are found unseparated by consonants. In the mouth of the uneducated native the language is apt to be explosive, but the higher classes speak it with a fluent grace that surpasses the French or the Italian. In sound it somewhat resembles the general flow of the continental European languages, for the vowels all have the French quality, and the accents are not dissimilar.—*Washington Star.*

### No Chances.

Featherstone (nervously)—Whose overcoat is that in the hall, Willie, your father's or your brother's?  
Willie—It isn't my brother's. Sister told him you were coming, and he said he wouldn't trust it to the—Clothing and Furnisher.

### A Crank's Fate.

Friend—That old crank Whitehair, who always refused to have a doctor, died last night.  
Dr. Dorem—I knew it. I knew it would happen. I prophesied 40 years ago that he would die some time.—*New York Weekly.*

### THE GAME OF WHIST.

American and English Systems and the Chances in Holding Hands.  
There are two recognized systems, the English and the American. In English whist the game is five points and honors—ace, king, queen and knave of the trump suit—are counted. In American whist the game is still five points, but honors are not counted. The old English game—long whist—consisted of 10 points, with honors counted. American whist is not the same as American leads. These leads can be played by individual players, whatever the game may be.  
Richard A. Proctor has written a good book on "How to Play Whist." He has also contributed articles to various magazines on the subject of chances in card games. He calculated that there are no less than 355,013,559,600 ways of making a whist hand, and that there is only one chance in 158,753,389,000—and then, of course, the dealer's trumps must be taken—of holding 13 trumps. Out of 1,587,533,899 hands dealt 342,132,219 hands will contain four cards of two suits, three cards of one and two cards of one suit. There are 98,534,079,073 ways of making a hand that shall contain one five card suit, two three card suits and one two card suit and 82,000,000,000 ways of making a hand containing five cards of one suit, four of another, three of a third and two of a fourth. Fourth in the order of frequency comes the hand containing one five card suit, one four card suit and two two card suits. There are 67,182,336,640 ways of making this hand.  
"Only fifth in order of frequency," says Proctor, "comes the hand which many suppose the most frequent, that of greatest uniformity of distribution," one four card suit and three three card suits. There are 66,905,856,160 ways of making this hand. The sixth hand, in point of frequency, is that which contains six cards of one suit, three of another and two cards from each of two suits. Speaking of whist chances, Mr. Proctor discusses the "Yarborough hand," which contains no card over a nine. It was so called because Lord Yarborough used to wager £1,000 to £1 that a hand of the sort would not be dealt in one in 1825 chances, so that his lordship's bet was pretty safe.—*Baltimore American.*

### Only a Printer.

"He is only a printer." Such was the sneering remark of a leader in a circle of aristocracy—the codfish quality. Who was the Earl of Stanhope? He was only a printer. What were Prince Edward William and Prince Napoleon? Proud to call themselves printers. The present czar of Russia, the crown prince of Prussia and the Duke of Battenberg are printers, and the emperor of China works in a private printing office almost every day.  
William Caxton, the father of English literature, was a practical printer. What were G. P. Morris, N. P. Willis, James Gale, Charles Richardson, James Parker, Horace Greeley, Charles Dickens, James Buchanan, Simon Cameron and Schuyler Colfax? Printers, all, and practical ones.  
Mark Twain, Amos Cummings, Bret Harte and Opie Reid are plain, practical printers, as were Artemus Ward, Petroleum V. Nasby and Sut Lovingsood. Senator Plumb was a printer, and so is James S. Hogg of Texas, and the leader of science and philosophy in his day made it his boast that he was a printer.  
In fact, thousands of the most brilliant minds in this country are to be found tending in the publishing houses of large cities and towns. It is not every one that can be a printer—brains are absolutely necessary.—*Century.*

### Not That Mr. Sax.

The death of Adolph Sax, the famous but unlucky instrument maker, recalls an amusing anecdote of Xavier Marner, a good natured old Academician, who was constantly being victimized by literary impostors. His housekeeper, who did all she could to guard him from these importunate visitors, informed him one day that a stranger wanted to see him, on which the following dialogue ensued:  
"Who is it?"  
"Well, he's a newcomer—that I'm sure of, for I've never seen him before. Shall I send him away?"  
"Did he give his name?"  
"Yes. A Mr. Sax—something or other."  
"Well, Annette, I don't want any trombones, but I'll tell him so myself. Show him in."  
Accordingly the good Annette reluctantly ushered in the stranger, who turned out to be no other than the reigning Duke of Saxe-Weimar.—*London Globe.*

### Handmade.

A Glasgow man during a business trip had the misfortune accidentally to burst one of his shoes. Entering the first shoemaker's shop he saw in order to purchase a new pair, he asked the son of St. Crispin if he had any hand sewed shoes in stock.  
"Plenty o' them," replied the tradesman, and after taking the customer's measure he went into an inner apartment and soon returned with an awful of footwear. The gentleman selected a pair that fitted him best, and examining them with a critical eye remarked:  
"You're sure these shoes are hand sewed?"  
"Look here, my friend," exclaimed the indignant shoeman, "ye shairly dinna think that I made these shoon wi' my feet?"—*Family Herald.*

### What He Gave Up.

Apropos of the fascination of golf, I heard of a Scotchman, a retired minister of the kirk, who was deploring the tendency of the game to become a ruling passion and also to induce bad language. "In fact," he said, "I had to give it up for that reason." "Give up golf?" exclaimed his friend. "No," said his reverence, "the ministry."—*London Truth.*

### INTERESTING TO LADIES.

It has been generally remarked that no class of articles at the Midwinter Exposition received more attention than the various indispensable, and to the masculine mind, mysterious adjuncts to the toilettes of our fair ladies. Manufacturers from every part of the globe were represented, and the products of America, France, England and Germany competed for the honor of the first award at the great Exposition. The points of competition were: freedom from all injurious or deleterious substances, efficiency in producing the desired results expected in a preservative of the complexion, chemical skill in preparing and compounding, and finally, elegance of appearance and general style. Upon all these points "Camelline" was awarded highest position, and received the unusual distinction of a special honorary diploma of merit, a result not only eminently gratifying to the manufacturers, Messrs. Wakelee & Co., the manufacturing chemists of San Francisco, but an endorsement of the good judgment of the ladies of the Pacific Coast, who, long ago, pronounced in favor of the superior excellence of "Camelline," which may be obtained at any drug store on the Pacific Coast.  
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