

FREE SILVER.

The coinage of silver might have been too free, but the free use of it in a small sum may be a very big investment with very sure and large profits.

Power of Thought.

Miss Alice Berry, a boarding house keeper on State street, Bridgeport, Conn., called a doctor one morning, stating that she was in terrible agony, having swallowed her false teeth, plate and all.

A Good Showing.

What a Reporter Learned About a Certain Medicine.

From the Journal, Minneapolis, Minn. There is one proprietary medicine in use in this city, the name of which has become a household word and that is the preparation known as "Pink Pills for Pale People."

A representative of the Minneapolis Journal started out the other day to investigate the merits of this popular and widely-sold household medicine.

"Do I know the efficacy of Pink Pills?" he reiterated. "I should rather think I do, they have been a blessing to me. I am not in the habit of prais- ing proprietary medicine, but I must say that Pink Pills as far as my case goes have no equal in the world."

"I know of a young lady living in this city, whose condition was even worse than mine, she took Pink Pills and is one of society's gayest young ladies now. I wish I were at liberty to give her name, as I am sure she would only be too delighted to give them a hearty send off. I believe Pink Pills cannot be too highly recommended. They are gems, indeed."

Mr. Merrill is a young man of 22 or 23 years of age and today is the pink of health. He has a splendid complexion and would be the last person to be taken for one who has been so seriously ill only a few months ago.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effect of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions, all forms of weakness either in male or female.

No Choice.

Young Man—Ah! How do, Dick? Is your sister at home? Little Dick—Which sister? The homely one what's goin' to have all pa's money, because she's likely to be an old maid, or the pretty one what ain't goin' to have anythin'?

Young Man—Um—er—both of them.—Woonsan—Um—er—both of them.

No one would drink poor tea if he or she knew the difference in tea.

Good tea is not costly.

Your grocer will sell you Schilling's Best, and return your money in full if you don't like it.

A. Schilling & Company San Francisco

LONDON "TOSHERS."

Go Through the Sewers to Search for Articles of Value.

Shoremen, or shoreworkers, they sometimes call themselves, but their most familiar appellation is "toshers," and the articles they pick up "tosh."

They really belong to another well-known class, the mudlarks, but consider themselves a grade or two above these latter, for the genuine tosher does not confine himself as they do, traveling through the Thames mud and picking up odd pieces of coal or wood, copper, nails, bolts, iron and old rope.

The toshers generally go in gangs of three or four, both for the sake of company and to be able to defend themselves from the rats with which the sewers swarm. When they come near a street grating they close their lanterns and watch an opportunity to slip past unnoticed, for otherwise a crowd of people might collect at the grating, whose presence would put the police on the alert.

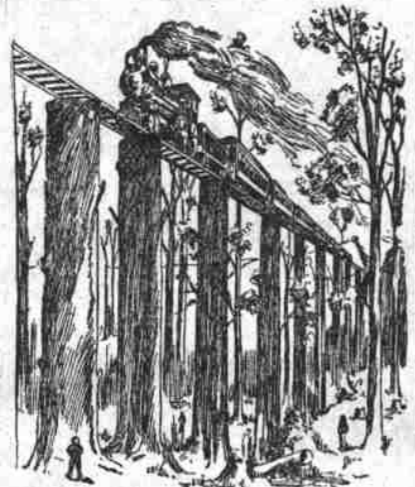
When "in luck" they find many articles of plate, spoons, ladies, silver-handled knives and forks, mugs and drinking cups, and now and then articles of jewelry. They generally also manage to fill their bags with the more bulky articles found in the search, such as old metal, bones and ropes.

London Mail.

RAILROAD ON TREE-TOPS.

A Curious Sight Can Be Seen in Sonoma County.

In the upper part of Sonoma County, California, near the coast, may be seen an actual railroad bed in the tree tops. Between the Clipper mills and Stuart Point, where the railroad crosses a deep ravine, the trees are sawed off on a level with the surrounding hills and timbers and ties laid on the stumps.



CALIFORNIA RAILROAD ON TREE-TOPS.

Near the center of the ravine are two huge red-wood trees which form a substantial support. These giants have been sawed off seventy-five feet above the level of the creek. This natural tree bridge is considered one of the wonders of the Golden State, and for security far exceeds a bridge framed in the most modern manner.

Cutting a Figure.

In recent years, says a Western paper, we have heard a great deal about the millions of tramps, the millions out of work, and the starving millions or paperized millions. Heaven knows the number is large enough without exaggerating it.

Olympian Games Will Be Repeated. The Greek government will introduce in the Legislative Assembly during the coming session a bill providing for the holding of Olympic games in the Stadium every four years. If this bill becomes a law it will assure the repetition of the games which so many were interested in this year.

OUT WITH OLD NOSTRUMS.

Try Paine's Celery Compound, the Most Advanced Remedy That Science Can Give.



MRS. R. R. PRATT.

There are very intelligent men and women who still prefer open fires to steam pipes and furnaces.

But only a very shallow-minded person would deliberately choose an old-fashioned remedy in case of sickness.

Sufferers from neuralgia, rheumatism and kidney trouble want the surest and most advanced remedy science can give them. Getting well is not a matter of sentiment, but the most seriously practical matter.

That Paine's Celery Compound certainly cures such diseases as neuralgia, sleeplessness and dyspepsia does not admit of a doubt. It builds up the entire

nervous system, plumps out the tissues, starts the blood into healthy circulation and regulates the action of the nerves.

It makes people well, strong and energetic. Mrs. R. R. Pratt of Center Brook, Conn., whose portrait is given here, says plainly:

"I find Paine's celery compound a perfect medicine. I took several bottles for general debility, and it did for me all I could ask. It made me well. I have recommended it to my friends, and they all speak in its praise."

Paine's celery compound is the most assured and direct means of getting back a full store of vitality. It is a true nerve regulator. It exterminates all vicious humors that linger in the blood. It cures rheumatism, and is used by physicians as a specific for this disease. Says Mrs. W. R. Johnson of Cape Rozier, Me.:

"I was attacked with rheumatic fever in its worst form. I employed the best physicians, but received no permanent relief. When I commenced to take Paine's celery compound my feet and hands were swollen so badly that they were useless. I could not walk a step, and was suffering very much. When I had taken four bottles of Paine's celery compound I could walk well, and I continued until I took six bottles. It made me perfectly well, and I have been so ever since. I wish the whole world might know of its great value."

Paine's celery compound makes people well!

Winter searches out the weak parts in the body; colds settle in the de-ranged organs and develop disease. Make every part of the body sound; build up the strength and be ready for the shock of cold weather by taking Paine's celery compound.



MRS. W. R. JOHNSON.

Bill of Particulars.

Good Minister (to a man wishing to be married)—Do you wish to marry this woman?

Man—No. Minister—Do you wish to marry this man?

Woman—No. Minister—Do you like the city as a place of residence?

Man—No; I prefer the suburbs. Minister—Do you like the suburbs?

Woman—No, indeed; I prefer the city. Minister—Are you a vegetarian in diet?

Man—No; I hate vegetables. I live on beef. Woman—I can't bear young meat. I am a vegetarian.

Minister—Do you like a sleeping-room well ventilated?

Man—Yes; I want the window away down, summer and winter. Minister—Do you like so much fresh air?

Woman—No; it would kill me. I want all windows closed. Minister—Do you like a light in the room?

Man—No; can't sleep with a light; want the room dark. Minister—Are you afraid in the dark?

Woman—Indeed I am. I always have a bright light in the room. Minister—Do you like many bed-closets?

Man—All I can pile on. Minister—Do you?

Woman—No; they suffocate me. Minister—I hereby pronounce you man and wife, and may the Lord have mercy on your souls.—New York Weekly.

There is a little girl in Columbus, O., whose mother is in the habit of using the phrase, "Oh, don't mention it!" when any one apologizes to her. This little girl was naughty one day and her mother said to her: "Elsie, what will God think when you tell him tonight how bad you have been to-day?" "My mamma," said Elsie, "he will say: 'Elsie, don't mention it!'"

AN APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE.

The man who is charitable to himself will listen to the mute appeal for assistance made by his stomach, or his liver, in the shape of divers dyspeptic quins and uneasy sensations in the regions of the gland that secretes his bile. Hostetters Stomach Bitters, my dear sir, or madam—as the case may be—is what you require. Hasten to use it if you are troubled with heartburn, wind in the stomach, or note that your skin or the whites of your eyes are taking a sallow hue.

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Piso's Cure for Consumption is the only cough medicine used in my house.—D. C. Albright, Millington, Pa., Dec. 11, '95.

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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896.

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