

Easily Gotten Over.
A cripple from a sprain is one who neglects to use St. Jacobs Oil to cure it. Prompt use of it brings prompt cure, and the trouble is gotten over easily.

Woman's Weapon and Tool Box.
Keeper—Then she picked the catch on her handcuffs, dug through a two-foot wall of stone, took out a pane of plate glass by removing the putty, and then opened the big lock on the gate. What tools had she?
Matron—None whatever. Stay. Good gracious, I forgot to take away her hairpins!
Keeper—Then pursuit is useless. She still has them.—Stray Stories.

Pains and Aches
Of Rheumatism Make Countless Thousands Suffer.
But this disease is cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which neutralizes the acid in the blood. If you have any symptoms of rheumatism take Hood's Sarsaparilla at once and do not waste time and money on unknown preparations. The merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla is unquestioned and its record of cures unequalled.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is America's Greatest Medicine for Rheumatism
Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

No Mystery to Him.
"Have you paid any attention to the race problem?" asked the thoughtful man, as he laid down his paper.
"Have I?" answered the very small man with the massive diamond. "I'm the fellow who taught Tom Sloan how to ride."—Washington Star.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED
By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube, when this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; it causes out of ear noises, ringing, roaring, etc., which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

J. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Bamboo pens still retain their hold in India, where they have been in use for more than 1,000 years.

If you want the best wind mill, pumps, tanks, plows, wagons, belts of all sizes, boilers, engines, or general machinery, see or write JOHN POOLE, foot of Morrison street, Portland, Oregon.

A New Invention—Flying Top.
The latest invention of considerable merit is the "Flying Top," invented by a Western boy. It is so easy to operate, that a boy six years of age can manage it without any difficulty. The top is constructed on the principle of a flying machine and by simply pulling a cord, ascends from 50 to 800 feet, or until its momentum ceases, when it gradually descends like a parachute, still spinning when it strikes the ground.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. King's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE 84-00 (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 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Ownership of Wedding Presents.
A recent decision in Springfield, Mass., as to the ownership of wedding presents is that where such presents are sent to the bride before marriage, as is the custom, the presents are her property, and remain so even if a separation takes place after marriage.

View of a Layman.
Bill—What do you reckon that doctor tumps me all over the chest for?
Jake—Try'n' to see how much dough you had in your inside pocket, of course.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

He Knew Not All.
He—You think you know it all, don't you?
Him—No I have never been able to figure out any reason for you being alive.—Indianapolis Journal.

Samples of merchandise carried by a traveling salesman are held, in Kansas City, P. & G. R. company vs. state (Ark.), 41 L. R. A. 835, not to be baggage within a statute regulating charges on excess baggage.

Weasels and skunks are enemies of the careless poultry keeper. All poultry should be kept in quarters made secure at night from these depredators. Openings for ventilation should be covered with wire screens.

REGAINED HEALTH.
Gratifying Letters to Mrs. Pinkham From Happy Women.

"I Owe You My Life."
Mrs. E. WOOLSEY, Mills, Neb., writes:
"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I owe my life to your Vegetable Compound. The doctors said I had consumption and nothing could be done for me. My menstruation had stopped and they said my blood was turning to water. I had several doctors. They all said I could not live. I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it helped me right away; menses returned and I have gained in weight. I have better health than I have had for years. It is wonderful what your Compound has done for me."

"I Feel Like a New Person."
Mrs. GEO. LEACH, 1009 Belle St., Alton, Ill., writes:
"Before I began to take your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer from womb trouble. Menses would appear two and three times in a month, causing me to be so weak I could not stand. I could neither sleep or eat, and looked so badly my friends hardly knew me.
"I took doctor's medicine but did not derive much benefit from it. My druggist gave me one of your little books, and after reading it I decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I feel like a new person. I would not give your Compound for all the doctors' medicine in the world. I can not praise it enough."

The Tibetans have a week of five days, named after iron, wood, water, feathers and earth.

I never used so quick a cure as Pisco's Cure for Consumption.—J. B. Palmer, Box 1171, Seattle, Wash., Nov. 25, 1895.

No fewer than 2,401 patents have been taken out on processes for making sugar and salt.

Hogs are fattened on oranges in Paraguay, and orange-fed pork is said to be very good.

Warmth and Strength.
The cold of winter certainly aggravates rheumatism, and at all seasons St. Jacobs Oil is its master cure. It imparts warmth and strength to the muscles, and cures.

Among the industrial novelties are aluminum carpets and steel billiard balls.

When coming to San Francisco go to Brooklyn Hotel, 208-212 Bush street, American or European plan. Room and board \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day; rooms 50 cents to \$1.00 per day; single meals 25 cents. Free coach. Chas. Montgomery.

Mrs. Richard King, of Texas, owns 2,000 square miles of land in that state.

TRY ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE.
A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen, nervous and uncomfortable. If you have smarting feet or light sores, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It rests and comforts; makes walking easy. Cures swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pains and in a certain cure for chilblains, sweating, damp or frost-bitten feet. We have over thirty thousand testimonials. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

In 1860 the highest house in New York city had only five stories.

No household is complete without a bottle of the famous Jesse Moore Whiskey. It is a pure and wholesome stimulant recommended by all physicians. Don't neglect this necessity.

Taxes on beards are levied in Japanese cities.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

DON'T DELAY....
In securing the COLUMBIA AGENCY for 1897, one day's delay may result in your competitor getting it. We are the only bicycle house having a delivery point in the Northwest. Prompt delivery of all orders assured. Dealers who handle the COLUMBIA and HARTFORD line will have a double advantage over others who do not. We have improved the quality of our products, while our increased output enables us to reduce our prices, as follows:

Columbia Challengers	\$75.00
Columbia Models 57-58	50.00
Columbia Models 45-49, 50 patterns, 79 in. improvements	40.00

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Controlling Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho 132-34 Sixth St., Portland, Or.

A SWORN STATEMENT.
I, C. R. Rollins, M. D., of Swain Valley, Or., voluntarily make the following statement:
After having my teeth extracted I have had five sets made at intervals of about nine months, three in Portland, one in San Francisco and one in Spokane. With neither of these have I been able to eat a meal's victuals or even an apple or ripe peach. On December 10, 1895, I had my sixth set made by Dr. Stricker, O. O., E. Temple, First and Alder, Portland, Or., and within twenty minutes after the time they were put into my mouth I was able to eat a common hard winter apple and a piece of dried venison, and at this time, December 10th, have eaten every meal since with the greatest comfort and with no trouble at all. They are a perfect fit and satisfactory in every respect.
C. R. ROLLINS, M. D.
References: Fremont Bank, The Dalles, Or.; Sherman Co. Bank, Wasco, Or.; Wm. Holder, Sheriff of Sherman Co.; Drs. A. S. Nichols and Brother, Portland, Or.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of December, 1896.
[SEAL] JOHN OGLEBEE, Notary Public for Oregon.

TEETH WITHOUT PLATES
Roots Crowned, Bridges Made, Painless Billing and Extraction.
Dr. T. H. White, Portland, Or.

Relief at Last
Frustrated by thousands of satisfied ladies as safe, reliable and without an equal. Ask druggist for Dr. Martell's French Female Pills. Each box contains 25 pills. Put on top of tongue, and melt in mouth. "Relief for Women," mailed FREE in plain sealed letter with testimonials and particulars. Address, FRENCH DRUG CO., 381 and 393 Pearl St., N. Y.

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THE FLYING TOP.
The greatest invention of the age. We will send sample, prepaid, on receipt of 25c. We give special prices to agents. Thousands of men and women can make \$5 to \$5 a day selling our novelties. PACIFIC COAST NOVELTY CO., 121 First street, Portland, Or.

PISCO'S CURE FOR
CURE FOR ALL LUNG ILLS
Best Cough Syrup. Cures Croup. Use in time. Sold by druggists.



FARM AND GARDEN
Roof Thatching.
Good, straight rye straw is probably as desirable material as can be secured for thatching. To get rid of the grain, hold the bundle, without cutting the band, so that the cylinder of the shearer will strike the heads. When the grain is all removed throw the bundle to one side and do not let it go through the machine. The straw will then be straight and in good condition for thatching.

Arrange the rafters for a shingle roof. Use for sheathing 4-inch boards placed about a foot apart. In thatching, the work is done on exactly the same principle as shingling. A course of small bundles (a) is first put on all the way across the lower edge of the roof. Take a small bunch of the straight rye straw, even the butts by standing the straw perpendicularly and lifting several inches from the floor, then letting fall suddenly. Tie the end of a ball of strong string to the lower pieces of sheathing next to the cornice. Place the bunch of straw against it and pass the string over the straw down under the sheathing, back to the left and



being it up over the bundle the second time. Put in another bundle of straw and repeat the operation until the first course is completed.

Put on the second course in the same way, having the bundles in this cover the cracks of the first course and the butts extending to the edge of the roof. The third and remaining layers are put on in the same way, except that the butts of these are always about a foot above the butts of the layer below, just as the lower edge of one row of shingles is several inches above the one just below it. In the engraving b, c and d show the relative positions of the third, fourth and fifth courses. Always cover completely the twine which holds on one course with the lower part of the next above it, just as the nails in one course of shingles are covered by the next layer. If the work is carefully done, the roof will be waterproof and will last for many years.

Portable Swill Barrel.
I have not seen any device that beats mine for lightening the labor of swilling the hogs or transporting slop. I made mine of an old cultivator, with a pickle barrel that cost 25 cents. I first bend the iron B, as shown in the first illustration, at the spindle, then fit it around the barrel, then bend for the other spindle, using the grip shown at 1 for the hub, and the grip shown at 2 for fasten on the barrel. With this, a boy can carry 25 gallons of slop as easily as I can carry a bucketful. This device is left at the kitchen door, and the whole day's slop is put in it, and is all hauled away at once, at the same hour each day, so that the pigs are not squealing around the trough all the time. The trough projects through the fence, so I can dump the slop in to sixty head of hogs and not get my clothes

Making Neatsfoot Oil.
Every farmer who kills a beef should save all the feet and get the oil out of them. This is called neatsfoot oil, and is valuable for many purposes. Almost everybody understands how it is made. All that is needed after thoroughly washing the hoofs to remove dirt is to put them in water and keep the water boiling several hours, until all the oil rises. The four feet of a full-grown beef will yield about a pint of neatsfoot oil. Of course it is much trouble to boil a few hoofs as it is to care for a great many, but neatsfoot oil is valuable enough to be worth saving, even if the feet of only one animal can be procured to extract it from.

Storing Apples and Grapes.
If apples are kept in the cellar they should be placed in the coolest and most airy part. It is best to keep them in a shed or garret until there is danger of freezing and then put in the cellar. To keep well, apples should be kept in receptacles as air-tight as possible. The barrel should never be left uncovered. Open the barrel and take out a sufficient quantity to last a few days and then nail the cover on again.

Do You Know Your Farm?
We want to ask you, farmer friend, if you are perfectly familiar with your whole farm? Have explored all its acres and know what is on the under side as well as on top? Do you know just how deep certain land should be plowed and what crops are best adapted to same? If you do, then you are on the high road to prosperity. Just keep right on, and you'll get there.—Farmers' Guide

only oats or peas. A mixture of both these grains would probably make a better winter protection to the soil than either alone. These will not live after heavy freezing, but their leaves will make a mulch that will protect the surface from being beaten down by rains. When this mulch is plowed under, it should not be buried more than three or four inches. The cutaway harrow will do it deeply enough.

Pruning Peach Trees.
Peach growers are gradually learning that the peach tree will not only stand very severe pruning, but that it does best under such treatment. Where this is not practiced, long, slender branches form, and these produce fruit mainly at their outer extremities. This overloads the branches and causes them to break down even when the tree is producing no more fruit than it could easily carry if properly distributed. If the branches were cut back to within two feet of the trunk they would throw out numerous fruit spurs and produce fruit close to the trunk and main branches where it could easily be supported. Trees handled in this way will also produce more perfect fruit. Such severe cutting back may be done without any injury whatever if performed while the tree is dormant. Although peaches are reckoned an uncertain crop, it is still one of the most profitable fruits that can be grown in localities adapted to it. Select the finest varieties and give high culture and it will require but little fruit to give you a good money return.—American Farm News.

Made Poultry Pay.
A writer in a Western paper says: I often read in the poultry journals that it is not much work to take care of poultry. I have always found it just the reverse. Still I like it for the outdoor exercise and natural love I have for pets. I also found it very remunerative, but I find there is as great a demand for that article called common sense in poultry raising as in everything else. The third year I gave poultry my attention I kept a strict account with the biddies. I had thirty-two Light Brahma hens and forty half-bloods for sitters. In the early spring I sold ninety-two sittings of eggs, twenty-two half-bloods for sitters, and raised nearly 700 chicks. I sold some for broilers and some for breeding purposes, and packed over 150 dozen eggs during the summer. I sold all the culs Thanksgiving, and at the end of the year the books showed a balance in my favor of \$701.34. Since that time I have kept no accurate account, but am satisfied to continue until I find something better.—Farmer's Review.

A Cow for Every Acre.
We do not hear so much as we used to do about the importance of producing enough feed on an acre to keep a cow through the year. It can be done by growing corn as the main feed. But that is not always, nor generally, economy, for if all the land is kept in corn it must require more manure than where it can be every three or four years seeded with clover, and after all the soil would be less fertile than after a clover seeding. Besides, more depends on the milking character of the cows than on their number. The best dairymen prefer rather to reduce their herds in number, and will get as much milk and butter as formerly. This makes the labor much less, and if the lessened number of cows leaves more land not needed to keep them, it can probably be given to other uses that will pay much better.—American Cultivator.

Guessing Weight of Stock.
One of the best ways of training the eye to judge both of live and dressed weights of animals is offered at "butchering time." If the farmer has some barn scales it is easy to secure the live weight of animals at any time. But there is great difference in the amount of waste in killing and dressing, even among animals of the same breed. It is this kind of knowledge that the buyer learns by long practice, and unless farmers want to be cheated in selling live stock they must learn also. The boy on the farm should be encouraged to make his guess as to how much each hog or beef would weigh, both alive and after it was dressed for marketing. It is knowledge that every boy on the farm should try to gain.

FERRYS SEEDS
In buying seeds "economy is extravagance," because the cost of cultivation wasted on inferior seeds always largely exceeds the original cost of the best seeds to be had. The best is always the cheapest. Pay a little more for THE FERRY SEEDS. They are guaranteed to give you the best results. Sold by all druggists and seed stores. Address, FERRY'S SEEDS, Detroit, Mich.

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Baker City Republican.
Those who are disposed to doubt Dr. Darrin's cures will have their doubts shaken on reading the following card from Mr. John Martin, of Cove, Or. Mr. Martin is a man well and favorably known to all our readers, and a man of 20 years' residence in Union county. His case will go far to establish the skill of Dr. Darrin:
For the benefit of the afflicted as well as Dr. Darrin, I will state I had been afflicted 10 years with hydrocele and other troubles before being treated and cured by Dr. Darrin, five years ago, in Portland. I am happy to say the cure was perfect and permanent, and I am now a well man. I reside at Cove, Or., and will gladly answer any inquiries.
JOHN MARTIN.
Dr. Darrin's Place of Business.
Dr. Darrin gives free examination to all, and when necessary gives medicines in connection with electricity. The poor treated free from 10 to 11 daily, except medicines. Those willing to pay, 10 to 15; evening, 7 to 8; Sundays, 10 to 12.
Deafness, catarrh, eye, nose and throat, heart, liver, stomach, lung troubles, errors of youth, blood taints, gleet, impotency, varicocelus, hydrocele, stricture, gonorrhoea and syphilis a specialty. Cross eyes and hydrocele operated on until January 12. All chronic male and female and private diseases treated at reasonable rates. No cases published except by permission of the patient. All business relations with Dr. Darrin strictly confidential. Letters of inquiry answered. Circulars and question blanks sent free. Batteries and belts furnished when necessary. Office, 355 Morrison street, Portland.

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