

An Invitation to Women

All the world knows of the wonderful cures which have been made by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, yet some women do not realize that all that is claimed for it is absolutely true.

If all suffering women could be made to believe that Mrs. Pinkham can do all she says she can, their suffering would be at an end, for they would at once profit by her advice and be cured.

There is no more puzzling thing than that women will suffer great pain month after month when every woman knows of some woman whom Mrs. Pinkham has helped, as the letters from grateful women are constantly being published at their own request.

The same derangements which make painful or irregular periods with dull backaches and headaches, and dragging-down sensations, presently develop into those serious inflammations of the feminine organs which completely wreck health.

Mrs. Pinkham invites women to write freely and confidentially to her about their health and get the benefit of her great experience with the sufferings of women. No living person can advise you so well. No remedy in the world has the magnificent record of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for absolute cures of female ills. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

Three Letters from One Woman, Showing how She Sought Mrs. Pinkham's Aid, and was cured of Suppression of the Menstrues and Inflammation of the Ovaries.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I have been in bed a year. Doctors say I have female weakness. I have a bad discharge and much soreness across my ovaries, bearing-down pains and have not menstruated for a year. Doctors say the meneses will never appear again. Hope to hear from you."—Mrs. J. F. BROWN, Holton, Kans., April 1, 1898.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I received your letter. I have taken one bottle and a half of your Vegetable Compound, and used two packages of your Wash, and feel stronger and better. I can walk a few steps, but could not before taking your Compound. I still have the discharge and am sore across the ovaries, but not so bad. Every one thinks I look better since taking your Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. J. F. BROWN, Holton, Kans., Aug. 13, 1898.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I think it is my duty to let you know the good that Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound has done me. After I took three bottles, my discharge appeared, and I began to feel better and all my pain was gone. It is the only medicine that ever cured me. I am able now to work in the house, something I did not do for a year."—Mrs. J. F. BROWN, Holton, Kans., Jan. 25, 1899.

See More Letters from One Woman, Relating how She was Cured of Irregular Menstruation, Leucorrhoea and Backache.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I am suffering and need your aid. I have pains in both sides of the womb and a dragging sensation in the groin. Menstruation irregular and painful; have leucorrhoea, bearing-down pains, soreness and swelling of the abdomen, headache, backache, nervousness, and can neither eat nor sleep."—Mrs. CARRIE PHILLIPS, Anna, Ill., July 19, 1897.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I want to thank you for what you have done for me. When I wrote to you I was a total wreck. Since taking your Vegetable Compound, Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, my nerves are stronger and my backache and those terrible pains are gone. Before I took your medicine I weighed less than one hundred and thirty pounds. I now weigh one hundred and fifty-five pounds. Your medicine is a godsend to poor weak women. I would like to ask you why I cannot have a child. I have been married nearly three years."—Mrs. CARRIE PHILLIPS, Anna, Ill., Dec. 1, 1897.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I did just as you advised me, and now I am the happy mother of a fine baby girl. I believe I never would have had her without your Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. CARRIE PHILLIPS, Anna, Ill., Jan. 27, 1899.

Proof that Falling of the Womb is Overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—When I wrote to you some time ago, I had been suffering for many years without obtaining relief. Was obliged to wear a bandage all the time; also had had headache and backache, felt tired and worn out. After taking six bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and four boxes of Liver Pills, I discarded my bandage and have not had to wear it since. I am entirely cured."—Mrs. J. P. THOUTMAN, Box 44, Hamilton, Ohio.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—For nearly two years I was unable to work. I was very weak and could not stand on my feet but a few minutes at a time. The doctors said I had falling and inflammation of the womb. I began to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after using five bottles I feel like a new woman."—Mrs. P. N. BLAKE, Confluence, W. Va.

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Write to NATHAN BICKFORD, Washington, D. C. He will receive quick replies. "Tastes Good." Use in time. Sold by druggists.

PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION

CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. "Tastes Good." Use in time. Sold by druggists.

A NEWSPAPER TRAGEDY.

Unpleasant Error in Connection with an Advertisement.

"This is an outrage!" exclaimed Daniel Brizleton as he rushed into the business office of the Pemberville Banner and slapped a copy of that paper down on the publisher's desk. "I will never give you another dollar's worth of advertising as long as I do business in this town! What's more, I want you to remove my name from your subscription list immediately!"

"What's the matter?" the business manager asked when he could get a chance. "There must be some mistake. If the printers have made an error in setting up your 'ad,' we will, of course, be glad to correct it without any extra charge. I assure you there has been no intention to treat you unfairly."

"Oh, there hasn't he?" the angry old man replied. "Well, I want you to understand that I'm no fool, and that I can see things as well as the next one. Here, look at this!"

He spread out the paper containing his advertisement, which was prominently displayed in three half-columns, announcing a "grand clearance sale of clocks, ornate stands, silver tableware and fancy china by Daniel Brizleton, the old reliable."

The manager read the advertisement through very carefully. It was printed in big type and set up in artistic form. When he had finished he said: "I can't see anything the matter with this. It is printed just as you wrote it, and in the style you ordered, isn't it?"

"Yes, I don't dispute that," Mr. Brizleton answered. "But here"—he turned to another page of the paper—"look at this!"

The business manager of the Banner put on his glasses, saw that the old man's finger was pointed at an item in the "Society News," and read: "Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Brizleton have issued 400 invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Henrietta, with Mr. Alfred Wharton Dumbleford, which is to occur about the middle of next month. See ad. elsewhere in this paper."

The manager tried to explain that the last line was kept set up in the Banner office and that it had been placed by mistake below the announcement of the coming wedding, but it was useless. The die had been cast. Another tragedy of the types had to be added to the long list.—Chicago Times-Herald.

HUMAN HANDS.

Mysteriously Tell Time on a Clock's Face and Never Err.

In the window of a certain jeweler's shop in Philadelphia is a clock which tells the hour of the day by hands that are the shape of human hands. Miraculously, it seems to the observer, they are connected in no manner with the works or any other part of the clock. Yet they move round the face so as to always be in the proper place to tell the proper time.

These hands are made of aluminum, to take the place of the hour and minute hands of the clock. The minute hand is left the natural color of aluminum, but the hour hand is colored black so as to distinguish it.

The magical part of the clock is the power which causes these hands to move round the face of the dial so as to always tell the proper time. Although it does seem somewhat supernatural that two simple pieces of metal, having no connection whatever with any part of the clock, should always be in the proper position to tell the time of day, it is, nevertheless, a very simple matter.

This supposed feat is accomplished by having two imitations of hands lined with soft iron. The dial, which represents the face of the clock, is made of thin white pasteboard, outlined and numbered just as any ordinary clock face.

Underneath this dial, and lying on the floor by the window, are the works of a clock with very long ordinary hands attached to the usual manner. To the ends of these hands the jeweler has joined two small magnets, so that they will attract the soft iron on the backs of the aluminum hands, and then over all this he has placed the pasteboard dial. After arranging the under hands under the proper numerals, and placing the visible hands over their proper places, the jeweler winds the clock and sets it going.

Fishes Sleep While in Motion.

The sleeping of fishes, if they may properly be said to have such a habit, is as yet a puzzle. It is altogether probable that they do sleep, though they never close their eyes, simply for the reason that they have no eyelids. Probably many fishes slumber while swimming in the water, reducing the exercise of their fins to an automatic minimum. But it would be a mistake to suppose that a fish does its sleeping at night necessarily. On the contrary, many species are nocturnal in habit, feeding in the night time.

A Home for Horses.

With a sense of the debt we owe to these intelligent and patient servants, England has led the way in establishing a hospital for invalid and aged horses, where the less opulent among horse-owners may give their old favorites a peaceful autumn to their industrious lives, and where the poor man's beast is provided with rest, care and doctoring to bring him as comfortably as may be through the ailments of horseflesh and send him back to the shafts sound and well.

The man who does wrong intentionally always plans an excuse for doing it in advance.

An educated fool is more foolish than an ignorant one.

Stories of Boyhood Pets.

All readers who know Mr. G. W. Cable's delightful stories will find much entertainment in an account of some of his boyhood pets, which will appear in an early number of the Youth's Companion.

The Goat Was Hard to Ride.

The superior court at Tacoma has dismissed a case for \$25,000 against the great court of Washington Foresters of America, brought by a candidate who thought the goat was too unruly, and the poor candidate must now sue the local lodge officers, if he expects to get anything.

The Best Prescription for Malaria, Chills and Fever is a Bottle of Groves, Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form, No Cure, No Pay. Price 50c.

What is Heroism.

A notable feature of the 75th volume of the Youth's Companion will be an article on "The Essence of Heroism," by Governor Theodore Roosevelt.

Responsible male and female help free to employers. Acme Bureau, Box 369, Portland, Or.

Million Bushels of Wheat.

In one week, ending December 15, Portland exported 950,000 bushels of wheat.

GARFIELD TEA is the original herb tea for the cure of congestion and sick headache; it is a specific for all disorders of stomach and bowels.

Columbia River Improvements.

Common report has it that this Congress will appropriate only \$600,000 for improvements at the mouth of the Columbia river.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of *Dr. Wood*

See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

Very small and as easy to take as sugar.

FOR HEADACHE. FOR DIZZINESS. FOR BILIOUSNESS. FOR TORPID LIVER. FOR CONSTIPATION. FOR SALLOW SKIN. FOR THE COMPLEXION.

Small size. Price 25c. Fac-Simile Wrapper Below.

CURE SICK HEADACHE.

Primary Election Law.

A primary election law is being agitated in Washington as well as Oregon.

A Household Necessity.

Every home should have handy for use a little box of Cascarets Candy Cathartic, as a perfect guardian of the family health. All druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Pennsylvania's Forestry Preserve.

The state of Pennsylvania has purchased 100,000 acres of land for a forestry preserve.

900 Drops

A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN.

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. FLETCHER, Proprietor.

Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

Fac-Simile Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher*

NEW YORK.

At 6 months old 35 Drops—35 CENTS.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

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In Use For Over Thirty Years

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Disfigured Skin

wasted muscles and decaying bones. What havoc! Scrofula, let alone, is capable of all that, and more.

It is commonly marked by bunches in the neck, in junctions in the eyes, dyspepsia, catarrh, and general debility. It is always radically and permanently cured by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Which expels all humors, cures all eruptions, and builds up the whole system, whether young or old.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Oregon Property Valuation.

The value of Oregon property, for purposes of assessment and taxation, is \$77,000,000, very low indeed.

Ten Millions for the University.

Work on the new buildings for the University of California will be started soon, and Mrs. Hearst says she will spend about \$10,000,000 for improvements.

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

Greenland's Exports.

Greenland exports oil of seals and whales, fox, seal and reindeer skins, eiderdown, feathers and eryolite. Its chief trade is with Denmark.

Carter's Ink has a good deep color and it does not strain the eyes. Carter's doesn't fade.

Oregon State Fair.

The Oregon state fair is now on a paying basis. This year a cash prize of \$875 will be given for the best county exhibit.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

Buying Oats in the East.

Grain dealers in Seattle and Portland are obliged to bring oats from the East to supply the enormous demand in the Philippines.

HOW'S THIS.

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the past 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all his business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KINMAN & MATYIN, Wholesale Drugists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills—The Best.

Want State Code Revised.

Oregon attorneys are moving to have the state code revised at this winter's session of the legislature.

BEST FOR THE BOWELS

If you haven't a regular, healthy movement of the bowels every day, you're sick or will be. Keep your bowels open, and be well. Force, in the shape of violent physic or pill poison, is dangerous. The smoothest, easiest, most perfect way of keeping the bowels clear and clean is to take

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THE CENTRAL COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Washington Towns Show Progress

Nearly all the cities and towns of Washington show good increase in population. The most notable cases are Aberdeen, Ballard, Everett, North Yakima, Hoquiam, Whatcom and Walla Walla. The latter city advanced from 4,700 to over 10,000.

E. W. Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

Gambling for a Pastor.

A novel way of choosing a pastor was recently adopted by the Mennonites at Groffsdale, Pa. There were ten candidates, and ten bibles were placed on a table before them. In one was a slip of paper, and the candidate who chose this bible became the pastor.

Fire a Shot 20 Miles.

The United States will fire a shot twenty miles, which will be a record breaker for the distance. The gun from which it is to be fired will be a marvel of American ingenuity and workmanship. Another marvel of American ingenuity is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. For fifty years it has cured constipation, indigestion dyspepsia and biliousness.

New Town in Washington.

Darrington, 92 miles from Seattle, will be the new mining town of western Washington in the spring. The Great Northern and Northern Pacific are building there.

YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TAKING When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. 50c.

The Tiger's Great Strength.

The tiger's strength exceeds that of the lion. Five men can easily hold down a lion, but nine are required to subdue a tiger.

The Famous German Wood Preserver

..AVENARIUS CARBOLINEUM..

...Permanently Destroys...

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One application is all that is required. It lasts for years. If your dealer cannot supply you, write for circulars and information to the following distributing agents: Perfection Pile Preserving Co., Seattle, Wash.; Fisher, Thorsen & Co., Portland, Oregon; Whittier, Coburn & Co., San Francisco, Cal.

YOU NEED NOT SUFFER

With Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia or Backache. "5 Drops" Will Relieve All Pain and Cure You.

SWANSON'S "5 DROPS" is quick and positive. It prevents and absolutely cures disease. It kills the germs. It acts with marvellous effect on the stomach, liver and kidneys; purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves, and places the entire system in a healthy condition. It is the cheapest and best medicine in the world, 200 doses for \$1. It is for you who are crippled and helpless; bed ridden and hopeless. Here is Life and Hope; a positive cure. "5 DROPS" is for man, woman and child; the best remedy on earth to have in the home, ready for every sudden sickness or pain. BUY A BOTTLE TODAY. It gives instantaneous relief and absolutely the only certain cure for RHEUMATISM in all its forms. It is also used with unfailing effect in Sciatica, Backache, Neuralgia, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Nervous and Neuritic Headaches, Nervous Dyspepsia, and nervous affections of every description, Asthma, Hay Fever, Catarrh of the Bronchitis, Heart Weakness, Toothache, Earache, La Grippe, Malaria, Creeping Numbness and kindred diseases.

WOULD NOT BE WITHOUT IT.

"I wish to lift my voice in behalf of your '5 DROPS,' the only medicine that has ever given me relief from my dreadful malady, RHEUMATISM. I have used one bottle, and have had but one attack since I commenced using it. I have been a great sufferer from RHEUMATISM for twenty long years. Every winter and spring I would think would lay me out for a month or more. I would not be without it. You can use this as you please. Send them to me."

Thomas T. Resdick, Kingsland, Ga.

"IT HAS SAVED MY LIFE."

"I do not know how to express how wonderful I think your '5 DROPS' is. I was suffering intensely with NEURALGIA, and thought for a month that I would have to die. One day a lady called to see me and brought me an advertisement of your Swanston's '5 DROPS.' I resolved to try it and sent for a bottle. I have not had an attack of suffering since I took the first dose. I believe it has saved my life. This statement is positively true. I shall always take pleasure in recommending your '5 DROPS' for the cure of NEURALGIA. Yours very truly,

L. R. Smith, El Dorado Springs, Mo.

SWANSON'S "5 DROPS" is sold by us and agents. In some places the Druggists are our agents. If the remedy is not obtainable in your town, order us direct. Large size bottle, 50 doses, \$1.00, sent prepaid by express or mail, or for the next 30 days, to enable all who are suffering, to at least have an opportunity to try the most wonderful of all remedies, we will send a SAMPLE FREE upon receipt of 4c. to pay postage. Agents wanted in new territory. Write Now. SWANSON'S RHEUMATIC CURE CO., 164 Lake Street, Chicago.

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Then you'll want beautiful things in your home. The first things you think of are: Maps of all kinds, Andirons of every sort, Gas, Electric and Oil Lights in endless variety. A Christmas present that beautifies your home is the best present. Call or write for photographs and catalogues. THE JOHN BARLETT COMPANY, 91 First Street, Portland Oregon.

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THE BEST NEW YEAR RESOLUTION.

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Send for reading matter to the Keeley Institute, 314 Sixth St., Portland, Or.

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Northwest Mining News.

The Northwest Mining News is the name of a 16-page weekly paper to be started in Spokane the first week in January. The name tells the paper's mission.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Wants Right of Way in Rainier Park.

Dr. Goebel, of Tacoma, is trying to obtain right of way for a wagon road to his mines the other side of the Rainier Park reserve, to connect with the Northern Pacific railroad at Buckley, Wash.

It is well to remember that GARFIELD TEA cleanses the system, purifies the blood, regulates the liver and kidneys, and cures chronic constipation.

Two Big Lumber Companies.

At Tacoma last week were organized two big lumber companies, each with \$500,000 capital. The names are the Clearwater Timber Company and Humbird Lumber Company.

Young Hoodlum Nuisance.

The young hoodlum nuisance has become so intolerable in Portland that steps have been publicly taken to stop it, and the reign of burglary has evidently been transferred from Seattle to Portland.

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.

A Neighborhood Catastrophe.

"Dicky, did Mrs. Dibbs ask you why we weren't coming over to spend the evening?"

"Yes, ma, an' I told her y' had a nuther invitation 'at y' liked better.'"

—Indianapolis Press.

The "Cyclone" Thresher

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