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 Menses 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 menses 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, menses appeared, and I began to feel stronger and all my pain was gone. Yours is the only medicine that ever helped me. I am able now to work around the house, something I did not expect to do again."—MRS. J. F. BROWN, Holton, Kans., Jan. 25, 1899.

Three More Letters from One Woman, Relating how She was Cured of Irregular Menstruation, Leucorrhœa 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 leucorrhœa, 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 more steady than ever before, and the 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 from falling of the womb for many years without obtaining relief. Was obliged to wear a bandage all the time; also had bad 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.

At a request of the legislative committee of the Ohio Federation of Labor a bill has been introduced in the Ohio legislature providing for equal wages for men and women.

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 pay of the operatives in the employ of the Nonantum and Newton Worsted Companies was advanced 10 per cent. This means an actual increase and not a restoraton. It affects about 600 hands.

PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. 25 CTS.

the aged.—Coleridge.

TWELFTH CENSUS.

Duties and Requirements of the 50,000 Enumerators—Four Schedules Instead of Ten.

In the census building a great room is now the scene of bustling activity, the work of preparing portfolios for use by enumerators in the coming count of the population being fairly under way. These portfolios, of whitish-brown pasteboard, hinged together with black cloth, are 18 inches long and 10 wide and tied with four sets of tape. The tape used is not that "red tape" which to the ordinary mind signifies circumlocution and delay. The law requires speed in the census of 1900 and common every day white cotton tape will fasten the schedule-filled portfolios in their round from habitation to habitation. For convenient, accurate and rapid enumeration the United States has been divided into 300 supervisors' districts, and these in turn into about 50,000 enumeration districts, or E. D.'s, as they are called in the census office. Each of the 50,000 enumerators is yet to be appointed, so on the portfolios a blank space is left for his name.

The last census found the unhappy enumerator loaded down with from 10 to 13 schedules, each having voluminous instructions, to master which required considerable mental ability and power of memory. That census was taken under a law which required enumerators to ask many obnoxious questions. The census act of 1900 happily for all does not require these disagreeable queries.

Four schedules, not 10, cover enumerator's inquiries in 1900; schedules requiring information about population, vital statistics, manufactures and agriculture. In cities the enumerator will seldom need the agricultural, or in the rural districts the manufacturing schedule, so he will infrequently carry more than three.

A general realization by American citizens of their personal interest in a successful prosecution of the canvass by this white-tape army should arouse sentiments of local interest and pride in each enumeration district citizen would concern themselves about the selection of their registrar and local arbiter.

The white-tape army should be made up of men of a high standard. They should be quick, competent, courteous, tactful and truthful.

Cosmopolis Sawmill.

The Gray's Harbor, Wash., Commercial Company's sawmill plant at Cosmopolis, employes 500 men, with 100 men working on improvements; has a $31,000 monthly payroll; has a mess house that takes care of 400 men; scores of dwellings for rent to employes at a nominal sum, and which, in connection with the plant, presents nearly a mile of frontage on Chehalis river. The company is now constructing a new planing mill, a box factory, a tank factory, a finished lumber storing shed, new dry kilns, and making numerous other additions. During 1899 its output was 45,000,000 feet of lumber and 90,000,000 shingles.

Sea Lions Wanted.

J. E. W. Macfarland, superintendent of the new oil and guano factory, at Astoria, Or., is going to try an experiment this summer, that will meet the approval of the fishermen and the fishing interests generally. He will be willing to pay a good price to fishermen for all the sea lions that they may kill, as he believes that he can extract oil from them profitably, for they are always very fat when they come into the river. The matter will be brought up at the next meeting of the Fisherman's Union for discussion.

Northwest Notes.

Polk county, Or., has 2,508 voters of them, 1,156 have registered.

La Grande, Or., has a school population of 1,377 between the ages of 4 and 20.

Miss Oza Waldrop, actress, is the daughter of Rev. Joe Waldrop, of Prineville, Or.

Walter Benn, a Siletz Indian, is under bonds at Toledo, Or., to answer a charge of grand larceny.

A number of strangers are investigating the timber resources in the mountains west of Pedee.

Papers throughout Oregon are still urging voters to register. More than half of them are not yet on the books.

A. J. Smith is said to have given option to parties on his 32 acres of oyster land on Oyster bay, Wash., the price to be $15,000.

The Brownsville, Or., Times says the Calapoola river continues to make inroads on land in the eastern part of town, though the water is not high.

Tacoma druggists have organized a society which will join the Retail Druggists' Association of America. One of its objects is to prevent the sale of patent medicines and drugs in department stores.

A. F. Garr is a Toledo, Or., man who went to the residence of his wife, from whom he had separated, and "while she was absent at church, broke open the door with an ax, loaded a wagon with what he wanted and took it away." Mrs. Garr will take legal proceedings against him.

Claud Bullock, a young man of 20 years, of Wenatchee, Wash., accidentally shot himself in the left side. He died from the injuries.

Miss Roth, a Hoquiam, Wash., nurse, has entered the government service, and will leave at once for the Philippines.

Nineteen school teachers are employed by La Grande. The four male teachers are paid an average of $76 per month, but the female teachers get but $44.

A Seventh Day Adventist is giving Bible readings at Hilgard, Or. With the aid of a chart, he is endeavoring to illustrate and trace the prophecies of Daniel.

Referee L. R. Shepard sold the 394-acre Walling farm in Spring valley, Polk county, Or., to W. M. Toner, for $7,000. The other bidders were D. G. Henry and J. L. Purvine, the lowest bid being $4,000.

The city council of Pomeroy, Wash., has passed an ordinance that no gate opening on to a sidewalk in that city [illegible] the passing.

MINES AND MINING.

Rich Claims in the Klondike Country—Aestheticism in Mining Camps.

Some one said that man first works for bread, then for butter on his bread, and will exhaust himself to get sugar on the butter. There is a great deal of truth in the remark; at least as far as miners are concerned. They want the best when they have the price. They are not so exacting so far as flowers and perfumes go. They are not aesthic in their tastes and inclinations, but they want good clothing, good board, good magazines and books and good, comfortable homes or lodgings. They can rough it when necessary, take their bacon and beans as their every day diet, sleep where night overtakes them and never whimper, growl or grumble at their fare. They are miners and take life as they find it, not as they would wish it to be. Of course, they enjoy their bread, but will take butter on it if they can get it, and will have the sugar if it doesn't cost too much.

But a miner's life, and his custom and habits do not lead him in the direction of aestheticism. He is a gentleman, but not a dude. He may be a little rough in his ways and blunt in his language, at times, well-meaning and kind-hearted and disposed to do the right thing under all circumstances. He may appear stern and unyielding, but it should be borne in mind that the miner is forced to meet and overcome stern and apparently unyielding conditions in his daily avocations. These conditions often find expression in his demeanor.

Not Good for Poor Men.

Fred Smedeman, an old time Seattle man, who has spent the past 18 months in Atlin, B. C., and one of the pioneers who blazed the trail into that section, returned to Seattle a couple of days ago, en route to St. Paul. Mr. Smedeman will return to Seattle in a few weeks and go from here to the new gold fields in the Cape Nome district in April. In Atlin he has several mining properties, but speaks in very conservative terms of the district. He says:

"It is not a 'poor man's camp' in any sense of the word, but will take money to develop the country. Money will be made, generally speaking, only by large concerns who have secured and are securing strings of claims to be worked on a large scale with hydraulic plants."

Rich Mines in Southern Oregon.

The Kubli Bros., of Jacksonville, Or., who own the Golden Standard mine, situated on Gall's creek, near Gold Hill, have arranged to start work on their property the present week with a force of 12 men. For the present they will use the old and thrifty two-stamp mill, which has reduced so much rich ore for them in the past, but they have decided to replace it, and have secured a 10-stamp mill, with 500-pound stamps, which they will change to 800-pound stamps, and have in running order in the near future. Extensive development work has also been planned, and when it shall be carried out this mine is expected to enter the list of large producers in Southern Oregon.

Rich Klondike Claims.

Sections of Gold Run Gulch in the Klondike are yielding $1,000 per lineal foot of the claim. One claim in the twenties, for which the owners asked $600,000 some time ago, but did not sell, is yielding an exceptionally fine return. Not being able to sell it, the owners set to work with seven men and without thawers have shown up $75,000 and not over 100 feet of the 500-foot claim has been touched. A section of 45 feet of the claim yielded $7,000, $1,000 and over per lineal foot, and the owners claim that they will receive more than $300,000 from the ground included in the claim area.

Rains Benefit Mines.

The late heavy rains and the freshets following them in some of the sections of Southern Oregon and Northern California, especially along the Klamath river, have cleared away large bodies of tailings and rock piles and other debris that have accumulated in the past few months. This has been most beneficial to the miners along the whole length of the river. The mines along the Klamath river which have produced big in the past are receiving special attention now.

Rich Strike in Josephine County.

L. Brownin, who at one time owned the Greenback mine, in Josephine county, has struck a very rich ledge near Leland, for which he has been made a very large offer, but declines to dispose of the property. The rock is rich in gold, and the farther he goes into the earth the richer the ledge, which is two feet wide.

A good preparation for the toilet is made by grating two teaspoonsful of white Castile soap, three or four of orris root, powdered, and a handful of oatmeal. Let all soak together in a cupful of warm water for a couple of hours; then add a few teaspoonsful of this preparation to the water in which you bathe. It is cheap, and good for the skin.

Silver spoons and forks may be kept bright when used daily by soaking them in strong borax water for a few hours. The water should be at a boiling heat when the silver is put in it.

A beautiful natural park has been offered San Antonio, Texas. One condition attached is that "no beer or intoxicating liquor of any kind shall be sold, given away or drank on or upon any part of said premises." If this condition is violated, then the property returns to the state university. The city council hesitates to accept it on these conditions, and the Liquor Dealer observes that "it would have been more in keeping with propriety to have given it to the W. C. T. U."

Ice in Royal Residences.

The stores of ice at Windsor, Osborne and Balmoral are very large. At Windsor there is storage room for about 500 tons. There the supply is obtained from the lake beneath the north terrace, from Frogmore, and from the lake between Frogmore and Virginia water. Ice is not only used lavishly in the royal kitchen, but also for reducing the temperature of her majesty's apartments in hot weather. Then it is packed in pretty wooden buckets and stood in the fireplaces.—[illegible] pounds.

BRADSTREET'S REPORT.

General Trade Distribution Has Shown Tendency to Expand.

Bradstreet's says:

Relieved from the hampering effects of stormy weather, general trade distribution has shown a tendency to expand this week, prices of many staples are firmer and higher, and generally there is a better tone than noted for some weeks. Easily holding first rank in the matter of speculative activity, cotton early in the week touched the highest level, not only for the present season, but for at least six years past.

Wool is rather weaker, following the drop in prices at the London sale, and the rather slower demand from American manufacturers.

By another of the short swings which have distinguished wheat prices for a long time past, quotations have been advanced this week to the level touched some time ago.

Boot and shoe manufacturers are actively employed, and leather is firm, but hides are weaker or lower at most markets.

Building materials are firm, except at cities where labor troubles are apprehended.

The industrial situation is rather irregular, owing partly to the combined strike and lock-out of 50,000 building hands, building material workers and machinists at Chicago, and partly to isolated strikes of small numbers of men throughout the country.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 4,208,758 bushels, against 3,863,387 bushels last week, 4,398,821 bushels the corresponding week of 1899, and 4,844,761 bushels in 1898.

Business failures in the United States for the week number 189, against 173 last week, 177 in this week a year ago, 247 in 1898, 227 in 1897 and 282 in 1896.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, new, $2.25@2.50 per sack.
Lettuce, hot house, 40c per doz.
Potatoes, new, $18@20.
Beets, per sack, 75@85c.
Turnips, per sack, 60c.
Carrots, per sack, 50c.
Parsnips, per sack, 75@85c.
Cauliflower, 75c@$1 per dozen.
Cabbage, native and California, $1.00@1.25 per 100 pounds.
Apples, $1.25@1.50 per box.
Prunes, 60c per box.
Butter—Creamery, 31c per pound; dairy, 17@22c; ranch, 20c per pound.
Eggs—15½@16c.
Cheese—Native, 16c.
Poultry—13@14c; dressed, 14@15c.
Hay—Puget Sound timothy, $12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, $18.00@19.00
Corn—Whole, $23.00; cracked, $23; feed meal, $23.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $20;
Flour—Patent, per barrel, $3.25; blended straights, $3.00; California, $3.25; buckwheat flour, $6.00; graham, per barrel, $3.00; whole wheat flour, $3.00; rye flour, $3.80@4.00.
Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $13.00; shorts, per ton, $15.00.
Feed—Chopped feed, $20.00 per ton; middlings, per ton, $20; oil cake meal, per ton, $30.00.
Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, 7½@8c; cows, 7c; mutton 8c; pork, 7½c; trimmed, 9c; veal, 8½@10c.
Hams—Large, 13c; small, 13¼; breakfast bacon, 12½c; dry salt sides, 8c.

Portland Market.

Wheat — Walla Walla, 51@52c; Valley, 52c; Bluestem, 54c per bushel.
Flour—Best grades, $3.00; graham, $2.50; superfine, $2.10 per barrel.
Oats—Choice white, 35@36c; choice gray, 34c per bushel.
Barley—Feed barley, $14@15.00; brewing, $17.00@17.50 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, $13 per ton; middlings, $19; shorts, $15; chop, $14 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, $9@10; clover, $7@7.50; Oregon wild hay, $6@7 per ton.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 50@55c; seconds, 42½@45c; dairy, 30@37½c; store, 25½@32½c.
Eggs—11c per dozen.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3.50@4.50 per dozen; hens, $5.00; springs, $2.50@3.50; geese, $6.50@7.50 for old; $4.50@6.50; ducks, $5.00@5.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@11c per pound.
Potatoes—50@65c per sack; sweets, 2@2¼c per pound.
Vegetables—Beets, $1; turnips, 90c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, 1½c per pound; parsnips, $1; onions, $1.50@2.25; carrots, $1.
Hops—3@8c per pound
Wool—Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@14c; mohair, 27@30c per pound.
Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 4¼c; dressed mutton, 7@7½c per pound; lambs, 7½c per pound.
Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $5.00; light and feeders, $4.50; dressed, $6.00@6.50 per 100 pounds.
Beef—Gross, top steers, $4.00@4.50; cows, $3.50@4.00; dressed beef, 6½@7¾c per pound.
Veal—Large, 6½@7½c; small, 8@9c per pound.
Tallow—5@5½c; No. 2 and grease, 3½@4c per pound.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 12@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c.
Hops—1899 crop, 11@13c per pound.
Butter — Fancy creamery 21c; do seconds, 19@20c; fancy dairy, 17@18c; do seconds, 15@16c per pound.
Eggs—Store, 13½c; fancy ranch, 16c.
Millstuffs — Middlings, $17.00 @20.00; bran, $12.00@13.00.
Hay—Wheat $7.00@9.50; wheat and oat $7.00@9.00; best barley $5.50@7.50; alfalfa, $6.00@7.50 per ton; straw, 30@45c per bale.
Potatoes—Early Rose, 75@85c; Oregon Burbanks, 65c@1.00; river Burbanks, 40@70c; Salinas Burbanks, 80c@1.10 per sack.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, $2.75@3.25; Mexican limes, $4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@$1.50; do choice $1.75@2.00 per box.
Tropical Fruits—Bananas, $1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 6@6½c per pound.

Killing Locusts by Inoculation.

Dr. Alexander Edington, a distinguished graduate of Edinburgh university, now director of the Bacteriological institute at Grahamstown, South Africa, has cultivated a fungus which, when administered in a liquid form to locusts, produces a fatal disease, rapidly destroying the pests in enormous swarms. Three great swarms of locusts ravaging the fields were recently entirely destroyed in this manner within a week.

Our Nation's Wealth.

The material wealth and strength of our nation is in iron, the most useful of all metals, just as the wealth of a human being lies in a useful stomach. If you have overworked yours, try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It will relieve the clogged bowels, improve the appetite and cure constipation, dyspepsia and biliousness.

Bridge Burned With Electricity.

A novel method of destoying a wooden bridge has recently been tried with complete success. Weighted wires are placed across certain beams and heated by means of electricity; the wires burn their way through the wood, aided by the weights, and the bridge falls.

Two thousand plumbers and 6,000 laborers in Chicago are either on a strike or under orders to strike against the new rules of the Building Contractors' Council.

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 tight shoes, 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 pain and is a certain cure for Chilblains, Sweating, damp or frosted 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.

Employes of the American Hide and Leather Company's tanneries at Lowell, Mass., who have been on a strike, returned to work, the differences having been settled by arbitration.

CATARRH CANNOT BE CURED

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, price 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

In Genneral Kobbe's expedition in the islands of Luzon, Leyte and Samar, troops from the two regiments have occupied nine towns and placed 180,000 bales of hemp on the market.

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

A SIGNIFICANT LETTER.

New York City, Feb. 15, 1900.

My Dear Carlton:—I know it will please you to learn that my homeward journey from San Francisco was more than pleasant. One striking feature that added very much to my comfort was the dining car service on the Rio Grande Western and the Denver & Rio Grande. This is the finest service of this description I have ever seen anywhere, either in this country or abroad; the food and cooking was all that could be desired, and at very moderate prices. If you happen to know the Rio Grande Western people, I wish you would say to them that it will afford me the greatest pleasure at all times to bear testimony anywhere to the above facts.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. ADDISON BAKER, 2nd.

[Salt Lake Tribune.]

The Rio Grande Western Railway now operates through Pullman sleeping cars between San Francisco and Chicago, without change. The route via Salt Lake City is unequalled in attractiveness and wealth of novel interest. Three through trains daily. Write for information, rates, etc., to J. D. Mansfield, General Agent, 253 Washington street, Portland, Ore., or Geo. W. Heintz, General Passenger agent, Salt Lake City.

A Bag Full of Breath.

The "pneumatopher," an Austrian invention for enabling miners, firemen etc., to breathe when surrounded by after damp, smoke or noxious fumes of any kind, consists of an air tight rubber bag containing a steel bottle of pure oxygen at a pressure of 100 liters, and a metal protected glass bottle containing a 25 per cent solution of caustic soda. The oxygen can be admitted by a hand screw into the bag and drawn into the mouth through a rubber tube, the nose being closed by a clip. The turn of another handscrew breaks the glass bottle, allowing the caustic soda to flow out and be absorbed by a knitted network in the bag to absorb the carbonic acid exhaled, allowing the oxygen to be rebreathed, the apparatus being capable of furnishing oxygen enough to last from thirty to ninety minutes, as has been attested by numerous experiments.

Hazardous Business.

Life Insurance Agent (filling out application)—Your general health is good, is it not?

Applicant—Never had a sick day in my life.

Agent—Um! You do not contemplate entering upon any hazardous undertaking, I suppose?

Applicant—Well, yes, I am afraid I do. I am going to get married next Wednesday.—London Answers.

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

CANDY CATHARTIC Cascarets TRADE MARK REGISTERED REGULATE THE LIVER

Pleasant. Palatable. Potent. Taste Good. Do Good. Never Sicken, Weaken, or Gripe. 10c., 25c., 50c. Write for free sample, and booklet on health. Address Sterling Remedy Company, Chicago, Montreal, New York. 320a

KEEP YOUR BLOOD CLEAN

A NOTED JUDGE SAVED BY PERUNA.

Had Catarrh Nine Years---All Doctors Failed.

HON. GEORGE KERSTEN, OF CHICAGO.

Hon. George Kersten, a well-known Justice of the Peace, of Chicago says:

"I was afflicted with catarrh for nine years. My catarrh was located chiefly in my head. I tried many remedies without avail. I applied to several doctors, but they were not able to cure me. I learned of the remedy, Peruna, through the daily newspapers. After taking the remedy for 18 weeks I was entirely cured. I consider my cure permanent, as it has been two and a half years since I was cured."

Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-nigh universal; almost omnipresent. Peruna is the only absolute safeguard known. A cold is the beginning of catarrh. To prevent colds, to cure colds, is to cheat catarrh out of its victims. Peruna not only cures catarrh, but prevents it.

All families should provide themselves with a copy of Dr. Hartman's free book entitled "Winter Catarrh." This book consists of seven lectures on catarrh and la grippe delivered at The Hartman Sanitarium. It contains the latest information on the treatment of catarrh diseases. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio.

AN APPEAL TO HUMANITY GENERALLY

We need your assistance **in announcing to the world the GREATEST REMEDY that Science has ever produced**, and you need our assistance to secure **relief for yourself and friends through SWANSON'S "5 DROPS."**

A REMEDY SUPREME As surely as the American Navy has conquered and will conquer all that oppose it, so will "5 DROPS" unfailingly conquer all diseases like **Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Catarrh of all kinds, ASTHMA, Dyspepsia, Backache, Sleeplessness, Nervousness, Heart Weakness, Toothache, Earache, Creeping Numbness, Bronchitis, Liver and Kidney Troubles, etc., etc.,** or any disease for which we recommend it. **"5 DROPS" is the name and the dose.** "5 DROPS" is perfectly harmless. It does not contain Salicylate of Soda nor Opiates in any form. The Child can use it as well as the Adult.

5 DROPS [TRADE MARK]

Read carefully what Mr. L. R. Smith, of El Dorado Springs, Mo., writes us under date of Nov. 27, 1899, also Martan Bowers, of Caraghar, Ohio, under date of Dec. 16th, 1899:

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L. R. SMITH

El Dorado Springs, Mo., Nov. 27, 1899.

RHEUMATISM

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MARTAN BOWERS, Box 83, Caraghar, Ohio. Dec. 16, 1899.

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