



OVERWORKED WOMEN

The Suffering and Pain Endured by Many Working Women is Almost Beyond Belief.

How distressing to see a woman struggling to earn a livelihood, or perform her household duties when her back and head are aching! She is so tired she can hardly drag about, and every movement causes pain, the origin of which is quickly traced to some derangement of the female organism.

When the monthly periods are painful or irregular, when backaches and headaches drive out all ambition, when "I-can-hardly-drag-about" sensation attacks you, when you are "so-nervous-it-seems-as-if-you-would-fly," it is certain that some female derangement is fastening itself upon you. Do not let the disease make headway; write your symptoms to Mrs. Pinkham for her free advice, and begin at once the use of the medicine that has restored a million women to health—

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Profit by the Experience of the Women Whose Letters Follow:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Your medicine has done so much for me I want to tell everyone how it absolutely cured me. Three years ago, when my dear husband was sick in his last illness, I lifted him and hurt myself. I felt the strain, then I felt something give way inside. Afterwards I found it was my womb, and I suffered the most dreadful agonies from falling of the womb. I began dressmaking, but could not do my work for pain and nervousness. Trying to sit still and sew seemed to drive me nearly crazy, and I did not seem able to get any help from doctors or medicine. I was so unstrung and nervous I hardly dared to go out in the street, for fear I would not get home safely. It would make me scream to see a car coming even, and I was so terribly run down I did not know what would happen.

"A friend suggested I take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and on her advice I bought a bottle. It did me so much good I bought more and kept on taking it, and when I had taken eight bottles I was entirely cured.

"Whenever I hear of a woman suffering I tell her about my cure, for your medicine has helped me so much I knew it would help all suffering women. Women need not get so discouraged over their health, if they would take your advice and medicine."—Mrs. BERTHA HEMBERG, 234 East 96th St., New York, N.Y.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot tell you with pen and ink what good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for me, when suffering from the ills peculiar to the sex, extreme lassitude and that all-gone feeling. I would rise from my bed in the morning feeling more tired than when I went to bed, but before I had used two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, I began to feel the buoyancy of my younger days returning, became regular, could do more work and not feel tired than I had ever been able to do before, so I continued to use it until I was restored to perfect health. It is indeed a boon to sick women and I heartily recommend it. Yours very truly, MRS. ROSA ADAMS, 819 12th St., Louisville, Ky.—Niece of the late General Roger Hanson, C. S. A.

\$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.



THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF THE CUSTER FIGHT TELLS THE STORY TO A NEWS REPORTER

Ex. Sergeant Kanipe is Attending Federal Court—He is now a Deputy U. S. Marshall—Was in Custer's Command and in Tom Custer's Company—How he Escaped the General Massacre in the Performance of Duty.

There is now in Charlotte, attending Federal Court, ex-Sergeant Daniel Kanipe, formerly of the United States Cavalry. Mr. Kanipe has been in the service of Uncle Sam for nearly 33 years. He enlisted in the army in 1872 and served 10 years, after which he was deputy collector of revenue for a number of years, until recently when he was appointed deputy United States marshal. His home is in Marion, N. C., where he has lived ever since leaving the army. When a boy of eighteen he became anxious to be a soldier, and tried to enlist in the United States company of cavalry which was stationed near his home in McDowell county, but being under age his application was refused.

He says that he came by his desire to be a soldier naturally, as he had two brothers and his father in the Confederate army. About a year after his first attempt to enter the army he ran off from home and went down to Lincoln where, telling the officer in charge that he was twenty-one, he enlisted and began his career as a soldier. After four years of service during which he was in a number of expeditions against the Indians, his company, which was one of the twelve in the regiment of the Seventh Cavalry was sent under the command of General Terry into Dakota against the Sioux Indians. Gen. Custer was in command of the regiment and his brother, Tom Custer, was captain of "C" troop in which Kanipe was a sergeant. The following is the story of Gen. Custer's last fight as told by Mr. Kanipe. The story is worth walking many miles to hear in the original, and it is a pity that it could not be portrayed to our readers as our hero told it, but that would require many things not included in the English language. The story goes something like this: "We left our camp on the 17th day of May, 1876, and marched up the Yellowstone to the mouth of the Powder river, where we left our baggage train with six of the companies. The other six, which included my company, drew ten day's rations and went out on a ten day's scout. We went up the Powder river and then crossed over the divide and then across the Tongue river and then to the Rosebud river and then down this river to the mouth. We then went down the Yellowstone till we met the other companies and returned with them up to the mouth of the Rosebud. Here Gen. Custer divided his regiment. Major Reno took three companies and crossed the divide between the Rosebud and Big Horn rivers and went up the valley of the Big Horn. Captain McDougal took four companies and the wagon train and went up the Tongue Valley. This left five companies and Gen. Custer took these and went up the Rosebud,

being mutilated. That night the Indians had a pow-wow in honor of their victory. They shot at us until it got dark. They began shooting at us again early the next morning at day break. They would shoot and make us get down and then they would charge, yelling and giving orders in their language. They would ride up to us as close as they could, but you could not see them, for they rode with one leg across the horses' back with their rifles resting on the pony's neck. The only thing that you could hit was the pony and there were a lot of them left when we got done. The Indians were naked except for a breech cloth and a cartridge belt around their waists. We thought that we were doomed the next morning, when we saw several columns marching up the river valley, but we felt pretty good when we found that it was Gen. Gibbon hunting for the rest of his command. The Indians were then driven back into the hills.

It does not seem that this cured Mr. Kanipe of his determination to be a soldier for he re-enlisted twice afterwards and was honorably discharged, and later received his position as deputy collector of the revenue. In telling his story he did not boast nor did he seem diffident about telling it but went straight ahead in his simple way and seemed as much interested in his listener as his listener was in him. It is probable that he could also tell some good tales of moonshiners and broken stills for he said that he had broken up or helped to break up about 200 but they could hardly prove as interesting as this story which is an account of one of the most celebrated Indian fights from a noncommissioned officer's point of view.

VINDICATED BY DEATH. (By Associated Press.) Shreveport, La., Dec. 18.—The body of George Manuel, the negro who was thought to have killed his employer, P. T. Watkins of Bayou Pierre, in Red River, parish yesterday, was found today about 300 yards from the scene of the killing. His head had been almost shot away. It now develops that both Planter and his negro servant were shot from ambush by unknown men whose motive was robbery.

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Afternoon Papers Prosperous.

The Montgomery Journal says: "The Knoxville Sentinel, one of the prosperous afternoon papers of the south, has purchased a three-deck Goss press, and has a bright and tidy appearance in its new ten-page form. The Sentinel but gives another evidence of the prosperous condition of the afternoon newspapers in the south. The Chattanooga News some time since, put in a three-deck press; the Mobile Item has also installed within the past few weeks a new three-deck press; the Birmingham News has just put in a large color press, one of the finest in the south and the finest in the state; the Memphis Scimitar only a short time ago moved into a large and handsome new building of its own, and installed new machinery, and has long been regarded as one of the best paying newspaper properties in the south. The Mobile Herald has installed a perfecting press and gives every evidence of enjoying a full measure of the prosperity of the country. The Meridian Star outlines its morning contemporary, which after the expenditure of about forty thousand dollars by practical newspaper men to establish it, had to go to the wall, and the Star celebrated the occasion by installing a new perfecting press and a stereotyping outfit, and is now one of the best papers in Mississippi, morning or afternoon."

And the Charlotte News is with them.

FROM RALEIGH.

The report of Dr. McKee superintendent of the Central Hospital for the insane here submitted to the board of directors shows that there are 423 patients and that the average per capita cost of keeping them for the year was \$17. There are now on file urgent applications for the admission of 103 others, but every ward is crowded to its utmost capacity.

The argument of end of the docket cases in the Supreme Court was concluded today, the most notable being the appeal of Clarence Potter who is under sentence to be hanged in Watauga county. A new trial is asked on the ground of erroneous rulings and charge to the jury by the trial judge, this morning for Charlotte to appear in the Federal Court there tomorrow in defense of J. W. Simpson, the Rutherford county registrar of elections who was indicted after the last general election for refusing to register a number of negroes. It will be remembered that a mistrial was had at the last term of the court.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentonsville, Va., serves as an example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Burwell & Dunn Co., druggists. Trial bottle free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

THE SPICE OF VARIETY.

Since the war some of the privates have told with great relish of the old farmer near Appomattox who decided to give employment after the surrender to any of Lee's veterans who might wish to work a few days for food and small wages. He divided the Confederate employes into squads according to the respective ranks held by them in the army. He was uncharitable but entirely loyal to the Southern cause. A neighbor inquired of him as to the different squads. "Who are those men working there?" "Them is privates, sir, of Lee's army."

"Well, how do they work?" "Very fine, sir; first rate workers." "Who are those in the second group?" "Them is lieutenants and captains, and they works fairly well, but not as good as the privates."

"I see you have hired a third squad, who are they?" "Them is colonels."

The Grind.

Writing by day and by night-time, Thinking, and still to think; Labor and love; and labor— There is blood in the drops of ink.

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Irish Diplomacy.

Danny O'Brien worked on the section and was as tender-hearted a man as ever got drunk and cracked a pate with a shillelah. At the time of Pat Dumphy's great misfortune Danny was chosen by the section gang to break the news gently to Mrs. Dumphy.

"Good mornin', Mrs. Dumphy," said he. "Did ye hear about Pat?" "I heard nothing about him since breakfast," she answered. "Did he am to be all right then?" "Sue he did."

"Ye noticed nothin' wrong wid his mind?" "Nothin' at all. Phay do ye ask?" "Well, I hear that his mind do be wanderin' a little."

"An' phay do ye mean be that?" "I mean he have lost his reason, Mrs. Dumphy."

"Lest his reason, is it? An' how did he do that?" "Well, Mrs. Dumphy," said Danny, scratching his head. "I don't know exactly. Ye see, I wasn't close by when it happened. But I do be hearin' from the rest of the boys that he fell across the tracks an' a train cut his head off."

Pointed Paragraphs. It takes a lot of cold cash to melt a marble heart.

Vanity is the only intellectual enjoyment of some women.

Many a man who claims to be a gentleman doesn't work at it.

The experience a man buys is seldom up to the sample submitted.

Fault-finders are disgusted when they bump up against perfection.

It's the alimony that enables some men to figure in no divorce suit.

A woman cares not where a man hails from if she is permitted to reign.

Today a man is struggling for justice and tomorrow he will flee from it.

Jack Nerry—I'm going to kiss you when I leave this house tonight. My Little—Leave the house this instant, sir!—Philadelphia Press.

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