

### A Domain of Health and Candeur.

The SKYUKA HOTEL is built on a crest overlooking a vast area of the wild and wonderful scenery of "The Land of the Sky." It is sheltered on the north from billows of wind, and is open to the balmy breezes and sunshine of the Southland. Its location is **HIGHER THAN ASHEVILLE** (3,800 feet elevation), **MILDER THAN ASHEVILLE**, **GRANDER THAN ASHEVILLE**, **HEALTHIER THAN ASHEVILLE**. It has its own springs of absolutely pure water. It has a perfectly sanitary drainage system. It is thoroughly equipped with hot and cold water, toilet and bath, rooms, steam heat, electric lights and call bells. Long distance telephone and postoffice. Its guest chambers are comfortable, airy and afford charming outlooks. The telegraph and railway station is Tryon, N. C., 40 miles south of Asheville. For information and pamphlets address D. B. Stearns and Son, Skyuka, Polk County, North Carolina.

### A THIN DISGUISE.

The cuttle fish has a tricky habit of covering his tracks by exuding an inky fluid which discolors the water and keeps him out of view. There's a good deal of the cuttle fish about some advertisements, notably those purporting to offer medical advice by a woman to women. An examination of the advertisement will show that no offer of a doctor's advice is really made. And all the clamor about "writing to a woman" is merely raised to divert attention from the fact that a doctor's advice is not really offered and cannot be given. The real question is not of writing to a woman or a man but of writing to a doctor.

For the advice of an unqualified woman is just as dangerous as the advice of an unqualified man.

Every day adds to the number of women who take advantage of Dr. Pierce's genuine offer of a consultation by letter, free of cost. As chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. R. V. Pierce has, in a practice of over thirty years, treated more than half-a-million women for female troubles with the remarkable record of ninety-eight per cent. of cures. Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter, without fear and without fee. Every letter is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential, and all answers are mailed sealed in plain envelopes without printing of any kind upon them.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes Weak Women Strong and Sick Women Well.

### PEANUT TRUST.

Headquarters to be at Norfolk—Crop Value Estimated 6 to 9 Millions.

New York, May 2.—A consolidation of the peanut industry of the country under the control of a single company is about to be effected. The promoters of the consolidation several months ago secured options from many of the peanut growers. Some of the larger ones declined to give options, but it is said now since the plan of the consolidation is known, most of them are willing to sell and take stock in the company. The options expire on May 15 next, and the promoters express confidence that the new company, which is to be called the American Peanut Company, will be incorporated before then.

The main offices and warehouses of the company are to be in Norfolk, Va., and shipments will be made from that point to the large cities of the country, instead of being distributed from New York, as has been the custom of the past. The value of the peanut crop of the United States annually is estimated at between \$5,000,000 and \$9,000,000. One of the plans of the consolidation is to increase the product and export part of it. The peanut crop of the United States is raised almost entirely in Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

### STATE TELEPHONE LINES.

Raleigh, N. C., May 3.—The Inter-State Telephone company has bought out the Elmira Telephone company, which runs from here to Princeton and Clayton, and yesterday Goldsboro, via Selma, Smithfield, Dunn, and Clayton and yesterday that line was cut in on the Inter-State switchboard. Heretofore the line has been operated in connection with the Bell company's system.

In addition to this the Inter-State is building a line from Goldsboro to Wilmington, and soon the people of Raleigh can be hallooing to their friends in the city by the Cape Fear. This line is already about half completed. To the northward improvements are also going on. A line is in process of construction from here to Durham. From Durham it will be extended to Greensboro, where it will connect with the Winston line, thence to Danville.

### A CLEVER TRICK.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can carry it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and nervous exhaustion. It is pure vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle is guaranteed. Only one bottle at C. C. Smith's, W. C. Carmichael's, and Peitham's drug store.   
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### EMINATIONS FROM OLD BALD

Not Ramblings This Time, But a Queer Substance.

Bat Cave, N. C., May 3.—I send you a specimen of something the like of which no one in our section has seen before. It verily seems to be something new under the sun. (The "specimen" enclosed appears at first sight like a handful of cobwebs, but on closer inspection looks more like pressed cotton or paper material.) As all know in 1874 the Bald mountain did shake and tremble and uttered thundering noises like that of a volcano for many weeks, at which time the rumbling cave was formed, also a very large crack or rent for many hundred feet in length and depth was made in the solid granite mountain at Chimney Rock.

Since that time the mountain has been very quiet until very recently I have discovered near the mouth of the rumbling cave in two places, where a very peculiar and strange substance has burst from the mountain and run, it seems, in liquid form, to the valley beneath in abundance. It looks somewhat like sulphur with copper stains while wet, but when dry it forms itself into a substance like the specimen I send you. It so resembles cotton or cotton padding that I tried to burn some of it but I find it will not burn any more than wool or leather.

This is wonder land. Nature has touched this section with many remarkable things and ways, such as the Bottomless pools, Chimney rock dome, Applan way, Bat cave, Cave of the winds, Rumbling cave, etc. I am to be at my home at Fruitland for a few days but hope to be there next week and would gladly join any one in further investigation at that time. At any rate I will keep the public posted if it proves to be of sufficient interest.   
J. B. FREEMAN.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. See M. A. Druggists. For sale by The Carolina Pharmacy College street and Court Square.

### WEAVERVILLE ITEMS.

Weaver, May 3.—In the election for the town council the following gentlemen received a majority of the vote cast: For mayor, Oscar Austin; aldermen, J. J. Reagan, Z. V. Robinson, Job Barnard, D. H. Reagan and D. C. Roberts.

Mrs. J. H. McDowell and Miss Grace Vandiver have returned from the Epworth league conference at Greensboro.

Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Weaver, of Asheville, spent Sunday in the village, where they have many relatives and friends.

The Woolen mills are being improved, a new dam constructed and other changes going forward. The products of the establishment are beginning to be prized by the people at their true worth. Goods equal to some of the best imported fabrics are being turned out, and the best informed citizens are largely patronizing the home industry, and at the same time saving money by buying the best goods that can be made.

### CASTORIA.

THE Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of *Wm. L. Child*.

### NOTES FROM ALTO.

Alto, N. C., May 3.—Mrs. Thomas Franklyn, who has been very sick, is slowly recovering. The Sunday school under the guidance of John Garmon, Esq., is doing some splendid work. Mrs. Minerva Robinson has been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. G. Garmon.

Mr. T. B. West, who has been store-keeping and gauging in North Iredell, is expected home today. Calvin Hill, of Sandy Mass, passed through this week with a lot of young cattle. He says there is more clear money to be made off of young cattle than anything you can handle on the farm.   
S. G. D.

### Developing and Finishing for Amateurs.

All developing next morning after it is left with us. For slight extra charge can develop and deliver films or plates in an hour or so. All amateur work ready for delivery next day after order is left. Finished in few hours for slight extra charge. We develop all films separately, cutting them before developing, thus saving lots of pictures. We use permanent papers exclusively and know exactly what to use to get best possible results. Buy, sell or rent Cameras and Kodaks, and sell all supplies needed by amateur or professional. Loan Kodaks free where we do developing and finishing. Free instruction in picture making. Todd's Exposure Tables, 25c tell you exactly how long to expose in making a picture. First Steps in Photography is worth others to you, but costs only 25c.

### RAY'S PHOTO SUPPLY HOUSE

NORTH COURT SQUARE. NEW PHONE 76

# Boils and Pimples Give Warning.

When Nature is overtaken, she has her own way of giving notice that assistance is needed. She does not ask for help until it is impossible to get along without it. Boils and pimples are an indication that the system is accumulating impurities which must be gotten rid of; they are an urgent appeal for assistance—a warning that can not safely be ignored.

To neglect to purify the blood at this unsightly pimples. If these impurities are allowed to remain, the system succumbs to any ordinary illness, and is unable to withstand the many ailments which are so prevalent during spring and summer.

Mrs. L. Gentile, 2004 Second Avenue, Seattle, Wash. says: "I was afflicted for a long time with pimples, which were very annoying, as they disfigured my face fearfully. After using many other remedies in vain, S. S. S. promptly and thoroughly cleansed my blood, and now I rejoice in a good complexion, which I never had before."

Dr. W. H. Dunlap, of the A. G. S. R. R. Chattanooga, Tenn., writes: "Several boils and carbuncles broke out upon me, causing great pain and annoyance. My blood seemed to be in a riotous condition, and nothing I took seemed to do any good. Six bottles of S. S. S. cured me completely and my blood has been perfectly pure ever since."

### S. S. S. FOR THE BLOOD

is the best blood remedy, because it is purely vegetable and is the only one that is absolutely free from potash and mercury. It promptly purifies the blood and thoroughly cleanses the system, builds up the general health and strength. It cures Scrofula, Eczema, Cancer, Rheumatism, Tetter, Boils, Sores, etc., by going direct to the cause of the trouble and forcing out all impure blood. Books free to any address by the Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.

**Babies Thrive On It.**

**Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk.**

**LITTLE BOOK "INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE. Should be in Every House.**

WY. CONDENSED MILK CO. NEW YORK.

**WINE OF CARDUI**

**MONTHLY SUFFERING.**

Thousands of women are troubled at monthly intervals with pains in the head, back, breasts, shoulders, sides hips and limbs. But they need not suffer. These pains are symptoms of dangerous derangements that can be corrected. The menstrual function should operate painlessly.

**McELREE'S Wine of Cardui**

makes menstruation painless, and regular. It puts the delicate menstrual organs in condition to do their work properly. And that stops all this pain. Why will any woman suffer month after month when Wine of Cardui will relieve her? It costs \$1.00 at the drug store. Why don't you get a bottle to-day?

For advice, in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. ROZENA LEWIS, of Denaville, Texas, says: "I was troubled at monthly intervals with terrible pains in my head and back, but have been entirely relieved by Wine of Cardui."

**QUISISHANH WATER CURE SANITARIUM.**

Asheville, N. C. 167 French Broad Ave.

**LAGES GERMAN METHOD. No Medicine! No Operations!**

Massage, Baths, Diet, Sweedish Movements, etc. All diseases treated.

Head Physician: C. Schulze, M. D., of Leipzig University, formerly of Driesoldort Orthopaedic Institute. Assistant Physician: Minna Kuepper, formerly assistant physician of M. Kochan Sanitarium, Friedrichsdorf, Germany. For prices and references address Miss Lina Kuepper.

**HOTE FLEMING** Marion, N. C. GRUBER CONCERT CO., Proprietors.

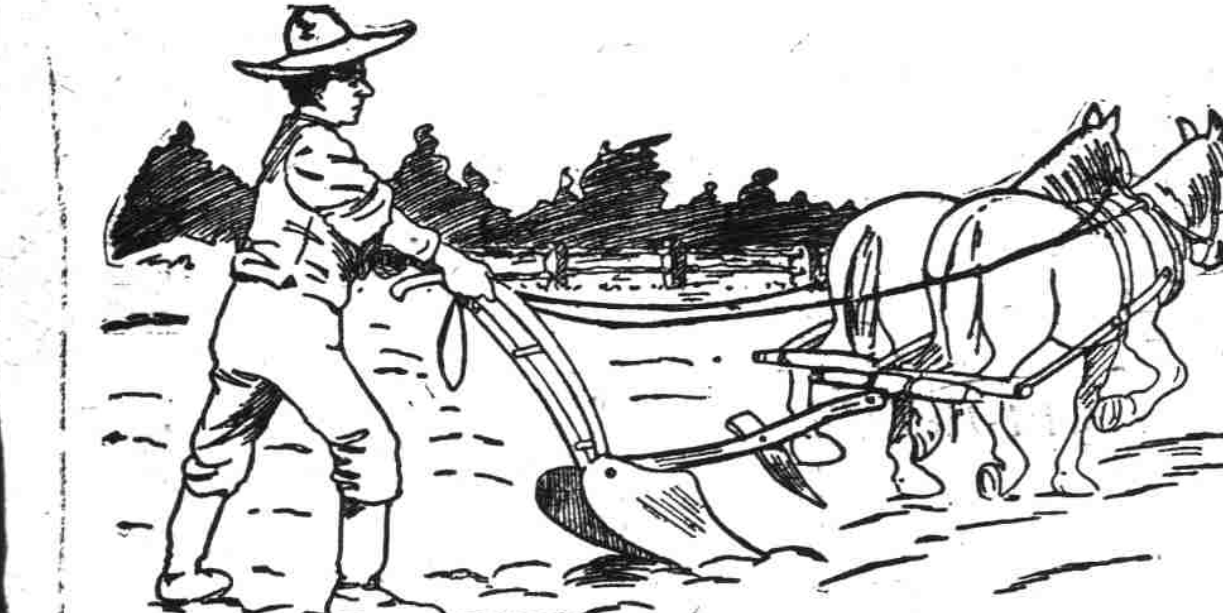
**Kenilworth Park Villa**  
One mile from the court house; three minutes' walk from Baltimore car line; one of the healthiest locations in Asheville. New house, with extensive grounds; open fire; every home comfort. No advanced tuberculosis patients taken. First-class board for only \$5.00 and \$6.00 per week. Mrs. A. Z. Cooley.

**THE GROVE HOUSE.** MRS. KOPPELBERGER, 11 Grove street, Asheville, N. C. House nicely papered and furnished throughout. Halls well heated. Baths, hot and cold water. Modern conveniences. Near street car line.

**PRIVATE BOARD.** House in suburbs in large shady grove, good table with abundance of fresh milk, butter, eggs, etc. Mile from court house on electric car line. Telephone 295. Rates low. Information at Mrs. J. M. Ray's, on Lookout Mountain car line or at Ray's book store.

**BOARDING.** The Tuxedo 76-78 Haywood street. Strictly first-class. New modern house near postoffice and business section. \$5 and \$6 per week. Good table board reasonable.

**At Tryon North Carolina**  
Sunny rooms and excellent table. "Kennonoth Cottage" on Melrose avenue. Rates six to eight dollars per week. Address MISS MARY A. GRAY, 55 South Main street. Phone 206



I am a farmer located near Stony Brook, one of the most malarious districts in this State, and was bothered with malaria for years, at times so I could not work, and was always very constipated as well. For years I had malaria so bad in the spring, when engaged in plowing, that I could do nothing but shake. I must have taken about a barrel of quinine pills besides dozens of other remedies, but never obtained any permanent benefit. Last fall, in peach time, I had a most serious attack of chills and then commenced to take Ripans Tabules, upon a friend's advice, and the first box made me all right and I have never been without them since. I take one Tabule each morning and night and sometimes when I feel more than usually exhausted I take three in a day. They have kept my stomach sweet, my bowels regular and I have not had the least touch of malaria nor splitting headache since I commenced using them. I know also that I sleep better and wake up more refreshed than formerly. I don't know how many complaints Ripans Tabules will help, but I do know they will cure any one in the condition I was and I would not be without them at any price. I honestly consider them the cheapest-priced medicine in the world, as they are also the most beneficial and the most convenient to take. I am twenty-seven years of age and have worked hard all my life, the same as most farmers, both early and late and in all kinds of weather, and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last fall; in fact, my neighbors have all remarked my improved condition and have said, "Say, John, what are you doing to look so healthy?"

**WANTED**—A case of bad health that R.I.P.A.N'S will not benefit. They banish pain and prolong life. One gives relief. Note the word R.I.P.A.N'S on the package and accept no substitute. R.I.P.A.N'S, 10 cents for five packets for 25 cents, may be had at any drug store. Ten samples and one testimonial will be mailed to any address for 5 cents, forwarded to the Ripans Chemical Co., No. 25 Spruce St., New York.

**DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure.** DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Quickly cures Dysentery and Diarrhea. The famous little pills.