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INCURABLE DEFECT IN BRAIN

Color-Blindness Cannot Be Overcome, Though Word-Blindness May Be Alleviated.

Two defects in regard to sight—word-blindness and color-blindness—are described by an English writer. He points out that they are not defects of the eyes at all, but are really mental defects, and, curiously enough, are found very often in clever men, the discoverer of the defect—Dalton, the great scientist—being himself color-blind.

Color-blindness occurs in about three to four per cent of males and in a smaller number of females. It is frequently hereditary, but, strangely enough, though the males suffer from the defect, the females carry it on. Color-blindness is a defect in the registering apparatus in the brain and is incurable. It is of importance to recognize the defect early, and to turn the attention of the sufferer to work in which this defect will not be a handicap. Such children should learn early that there is no work for them on the railway.

Word-blindness is a much more serious defect, and may be the cause of the difficulty some children find in learning to read. They see correctly. Tested with figures or pictures, they may pass the standard, but the letters of the alphabet, when strung together to form words, convey no meaning to them. The effect is due to a want of association of the brain centers. The defect is usually mistaken at first to indicate defective eyesight, but this is not so. It is noteworthy that these same children may show considerable ease in reading figures, even money sums. To teach these children to read, words must not be taken letter by letter, but as a whole, the word "cat" must be taken not the "c-a-t," equal parts, but the whole thing must be the sign for cat. The method is known as the "look and say" plan, and by its aid it is possible to teach the child to read.

WORK ON CAMPAIGN BANNERS

Twelve Men Employed in Production of One of These Wonderful Objects of "Art."

The services of 12 men are required to produce one of the big campaign banners.

Two men prepare the strips on which the lettering is done. Two more look after the lettering of these strips, the painting of the names of clubs or societies ordering the banners, the captions for the portraits and the offices for which the nominees are to contend.

Two men work on the centerpieces, generally consisting of an eagle and a shield. One man devotes himself to the special portraits, and the others assemble the various parts, sew the strips together, and give the finishing touches to the banner.

The "portrait man" seems to do any other work than the main portrait. The rest he calls "filling in." By working on the same faces day after day this artist becomes so skillful that he can paint the portrait of a candidate (to use the words of one painter) "in the dark," and do it as true to life as the standard of the campaign banner industry requires.

Price of Roses.
A small flower shop in the humbler quarters of a Southern city. A young hospital nurse, still in training, is asking the price of roses, her rounded cheeks, itself a rose, half turned to the open door.

The daily tasks of the hospital training school are exhausting. But she has managed to embroider a workbag—a wedding present wrought by her own hands—and she seeks to adorn the package with a few buds. "To the question she puts there is no reply; only a thoughtful look! Such voice as is 'an excellent thing in woman'" repeats it. Then the woman of the shop, quietly:

"I heard you the first time, dear, and I've heard your voice before. You were good, no good, to my Alice at the hospital. How she suffered! And how patient to the end!"

Then, turning to the boy, she bids him give the lady all the flowers she may need. And she herself pins a white rose on the young nurse's bosom.—New York Independent.

Earthquake Caused Changes.
An effect of the Nevada earthquake of the last quarter of 1915 has been an increase to three or four times the former amount in the flow of streams and springs throughout the northern part of the state. Observers have pronounced this earthquake more violent than the one that caused such disaster in San Francisco in 1906, but in the thinly settled region the damage was small. Beginning October 2, there were more than 500 shocks within three months. The most notable mark of the disturbance has been left on the east side of Pleasant valley, where the alluvial detritus at the base of the Sonoma range has settled away for a vertical height of 5 to 12 feet and a horizontal width of 8 feet over a distance of nearly 25 miles.

Money No Object.
The judge was passing sentence on a very defiant-looking culprit. "This is a sad case," his honor said. "You, who remained honest until you were forty, have tarnished your name and dishonored your family, all for the sake of three miserable dollars."

"Please be fair," said the prisoner. "Was it my fault there were so few?"

GODDESS OF LIBERTY FLOODED WITH LIGHT

The Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor to Be Lighted Nightly.



The Statue of Liberty was illuminated from porch to base Saturday night at the dedication of a permanent lighting system. President Wilson gave the signal for turning on the lights. The French ambassador, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Secretary Redfield and other distinguished men were present.

The illumination which hereafter will be a nightly feature of the historic Liberty was paid for by popular subscription by the New York World.

After the ceremony the President and other officials rode in brightly lighted automobiles through lower New York and up Fifth avenue.

A dinner followed at which Mayor Mitchell presided and the President was among the speakers.

A Good Friend

A good friend stands by you in need. Salisbury people tell how Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test. Mr Glover endorsed Doan's over eight years ago and again confirms the story. Could you ask for more convincing testimony?

John W Glover, shoe repairer 130 N Main St., Salisbury says: "I suffered severely from backache and pains across my loins. I couldn't get out of bed. Doan's Kidney Pills had greatly relieved one of the family of kidney trouble and I began using them. The pain in my back stopped and I was soon well" (Statement given January 6, 1908.)

On March 10, 1915 Mr Glover said "I haven't had to take Doan's Kidney Pills for a long time. I still consider them the best medicine for kidney troubles."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy, get Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Glover had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Rowan Minister Resigns Pastorate.

Rev. M. L. Ridenhour, pastor of the Bethel Lutheran church, including Bethel and St. Paul churches near Salisbury, has resigned his pastorate, his resignation to take effect January 1. Rev Ridenhour has not yet decided where he will go but he has several calls under consideration.

Sloan's Lintment Eases Pain.

Sloan's Lintment is first thought of Mothers for bumps, bruises and sprains that are continually happening to children. It quickly penetrates and soothes with-out rubbing. Cleaner and more effective than mussy plasters or ointments. For rheumatic aches, neuralgia pain and that grippy soreness after colds, Sloan's Lintment gives prompt relief. Have a bottle handy for bruises, strains, sprains and all external pain. For the thousands whose work calls them outdoors, the pains and aches following exposure are relieved by Sloan's Lintment. At all Druggists, 25c.

RUMANIANS FAIL TO HALT TEUTONS.

Encircling Movement Continues With Invaders Knocking at Doors of Bucharest.

London, Dec. 5.—The political crisis in Great Britain has resulted in the downfall of the coalition Cabinet headed by Herbert H. Asquith as Prime Minister. This resignation of Mr. Asquith has been accepted by King George, who has tendered the portfolio to Andrew Bomer, Unionist leader in the House of Commons. Should Mr. Bomer Law decline the appointment the feeling in London is that David Lloyd-George will receive the tender.

In Rumania the forces of the central powers are continuing their drive toward Bucharest. Already almost encompassed on the south and southwest by the invaders, the capital apparently is being rapidly approached from the west and the northwest, with the Rumanians and Russians nowhere able to stem the tide. The encircling movement to the northwest from the regions of Tergovistea and Petrosita is dangerous threatening the town of Ploesti and the only railroad running from Bucharest except to the east. If the pressure of the Teutons is maintained, the indications are that they soon will be at the doors of the capital.

In the northwest, from the Carpathians to the Moldavian frontier region, the Russian offensive is making little if any progress. While Petrograd announces the capture of another range of heights on the Moldavian front, the Russian war office admits the recapture by the Teutons in the wooded Carpathian sector of a height south of Voroneshka. Berlin says the Russian attacks everywhere have been without avail.

On the Macedonian front east of the Cerna river the Serbians north of Granishte and Budimirtsa have taken an additional fortified position from the Bulgarians. The Bulgarians in this region are said to be retreating. Artillery duels and various small attacks by infantry continue on the western front in France and Belgium.

The Austro-Italian and Russian war theaters have been barren of important events.

The Italian steamer Palermo has been torpedoed and sunk off the Spanish coast, according to dispatches from Madrid. The steamer is said to have had 25 Americans on board. One sailor reported to have been an American died as a result of wounds.

After December 18, under an order of the British Board of Trade, no meal in the evening exceeding three courses, or two courses at any other time, may be served in hotels, restaurants or public places. Meatless days in the British Isles also are in prospect.

Supplies of coal in Great Britain to vessels other than British or Entente Allied craft and neutrals "who have undertaken to use their vessels in such a way that British or Allied interests are benefited," can no longer be guaranteed, according to an announcement by the British embassy in Washington. The shortage and increasing scarcity of tonnage is given as the reason for this action.

Weather Forecast for December, 1916.

From 1 to 9, fair with slight threening along, some cool.

From 9 to 17, wind, rains and slightly stormy, near snow.

From 17 to 24, rain with slight snow, but heavy north.

From 24 to 31, snow north, changeable here and mild with some cool along.

From 31 to Jan. 7, rain and wind, some stormy along, some snow.

Not so much rain till about the 17th to 28th and first week in January.

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Spencer Boy Second in Declamation Contest

It is refreshing to learn that our colleges and schools are really doing something more than playing foot ball and basket ball so the Watchman takes pleasure in publishing the following:

Trinity college, December 1.—The annual 9019 declamation contest, in which about sixty high schools of North Carolina and Virginia were represented, came to close tonight. William Bobbitt of Charlotte won out in the final contest over eleven other contestants and received the handsome gold medal provided by the 9019 the local scholarship fraternity under whose auspices the contest was held.

Erwin Brooks representing the Siler City High School, but whose home is at Spencer, made an exceptionally good appearance, making second place in final contest.

In the afternoon the contestants were taken on a sight-seeing trip through the city and, in particular through the mammoth "Bull Durham" factories. After the final contest, a banquet was given in honor of the sixty contestants.

The judges for the final contest were Hon. A. L. Brooks, Greensboro; Col. Jno D. Langston, Goldsboro; and H. B. Craven, Esq., Ridgecrest.

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 is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is completely 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; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh which is nothing but an inflamed condition at 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.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Preaches Last Sermon Before Leaving.

Dr. T. E. Marr preached his last sermon to the First Methodist congregation here Sunday and will leave one day this week for Charlotte to take up his new work as residing elder of the Charlotte district. Rev. W. A. Lambeth, who succeeds Dr. Marr here, is no stranger in Salisbury. His first charge after leaving college was at Holmes Memorial church, now Park avenue, in this city 11 years ago.

An Old Man's Stomach.

As we grow older and less active, less and less food is required to meet the demands of our bodies. If too much is habitually taken, the stomach will rebel. When a man reaches the advanced age of 85 or 90, you will find that he is a light eater. Be as careful as you will, however, you will occasionally eat more than you should and will feel the need of Chamberlain's Tablets to correct the disorder. These tablets do not contain pepsin, but strengthen the stomach and enable it to perform its functions normally. They also cause a gentle movement of the bowels.

Body of Thos. Osborne Taken to Statesville.

Statesville Dec. 5.—The body of Thomas Osborne, who died yesterday at Richmond, Va., was brought to Statesville today for burial, interment taking place at Oakwood cemetery this afternoon. Mr. Osborne years ago resided at Olin in north Iredell, being in the revenue service. A man 80 years he is survived by no wife or children. Mrs. Sam Hobson of Cleveland is a sister of the deceased.

RIDICULE MINISTERS IN MOVIES.

Something That Ought to Be Headed off by Patrons Who Do the Paying.

Some weeks ago a valued correspondent, E. W. Stahl, called attention in these columns to the persistent attempt through the movies to advertise the Roman Catholic church through introduction of priests and nuns, presented in the most flattering manner possible, and often lugged into the play for the palpable purpose of advertising the Roman Catholic faith; a faith that is represented by less than 15,000,000 of the 100,000,000 people who constitute our republic. The criticism by Mr. Stahl was thoroughly warranted. Numbers of complaints have come to us from all parts of the country, many of our readers having declared that they have ceased attending certain plays, or plays produced by certain firms, because of this offensive attempt to advertise the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Stahl, in the following contribution touches upon another fact which many thoughtful people have noted in regard to the way Protestant ministers are frequently held up to ridicule in the movies. On this subject he says:

"Talking with a lady some time after the article appeared in the Menace I got from her a thought that had never come to me before. She agreed with me that the priests were exalted in the movies and further expressed herself by calling my attention to the fact that when a Protestant minister appears in a moving picture representation, it is usually in some ridiculous aspect. Often he is pictured as a fool or an idiot. His dress is gotten up in such a way as to excite laughter. Even the manner of his walk, the cut of his whiskers, the expression of his face, all these seem to betoken a conspiracy to cover him with ridicule. Disgraceful practical jokes are perpetrated upon him. In every way he is exhibited so as to compromise his ministerial dignity.

Is it not about time for the non-Catholic millions among our patrons of the movies to unitedly and insistently demand of the moving picture corporation that they eliminate this offensive papal advertising? Is it not time that we protest to the management of the different moving picture theaters every time one of these advertisements for the Roman Catholic political machine is put on the screens? If our people will take a firm stand in this regard, the theater managers will soon heed the protest and demand that this offensive feature be eliminated from pictures that are sent to their theaters, and the movie managers also will be quick to heed the combined protest of millions of patrons of the movies."—The Menace.

Constipation Causes Bad Skin.

A dull and pimpy skin is due to a sluggish bowel movement. Correct this condition and clear your complexion with Dr. King's New Life Pills. This mild laxative taken at bedtime will assure you a full, free, non-gripping movement in the morning. Drive out the dull, listless feeling resulting from overloaded intestines and sluggish liver. Get a bottle today. At all Druggists, 25c.

Death of Mr. Carrigan, Mooresville Farmer.

Mooresville, Dec. 5.—W. P. Carrigan, a prominent and influential farmer, died at his home near town after an illness of many months. Funeral services were held at Prospect Presbyterian church of which he was a member, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by his pastor, Rev. W. E. West, the active pallbearers were the officers of the church and the honorary pallbearers were the directors of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of this city of which he was a director. He is survived by his wife, six children and two brothers.

WILL BUILD AT ASHEVILLE.

Mr. Bryan Spoke in Raleigh Monday to Spend Summers There.



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

Don. W. J. Bryan announces that hereafter he expects to spend his summer in Asheville and that next spring he will build a home there which he will call "Mount Palm." He stated that he will continue to call Lincoln Neb., his home and will spend part of each year there, including election day. "By spending the summer in Asheville," Mr. Bryan said, "I can remain home more and yet be near enough to go to Washington whenever it may be desirable to do so."

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan were the guests of Raleigh at a dinner at the Yarrowood Hotel Monday afternoon. The dinner was under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce and not only prominent men of Raleigh were at the dinner but a large number of men from other towns and cities of this section of the State.

Mr. Bryan, accompanied by his wife, went to Raleigh for the purpose of visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. L. Hargreaves, who with her husband, a national bank examiner, reside there. Mr. Bryan left at night for Washington where he will be the guest of President Wilson at a luncheon at the White House today.

Neglected Colds Grow Worse.

A cough that racks and irritates the throat may lead to a serious chronic cough, if neglected. The healing pine balsams in Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey—Nature's own remedy—will soothe and relieve the irritation, breathing will be easier, and the antiseptic properties will kill the germ which retarded healing. Have it handy for croup, sore throat and chronic bronchial affections. Get a bottle today. Pleasant to take. At all Druggists, 25c.

The Car Had No Lights.

H. E. Nail, 67 years old, whose home is at Coolemeek, is at Dr. Long's Sanatorium with a broken leg, the result of being run over by an automobile in the vicinity of Barber Junction, Wednesday night. Mr. Nail's right leg is shattered below the knee. The doctors hope amputation may not be necessary.

Mr. Nail says he had gone to a corn shucking in his old home community, in the vicinity of Barber Junction. After the shucking he left for Barber and was walking along the road when an automobile, running without lights, struck him and knocked him down, breaking his leg. The machine made no stop and Mr. Nail was so badly hurt that he soon lost consciousness. He was found lying in the road in this condition by a Mr. Barber, who summoned help and a physician Dr. Burns of Cleveland took charge of Mr. Nail and brought him to the Sanatorium reaching Statesville about 11:30 Wednesday night.

The unlighted machine was traveling in the direction of Statesville and is supposed to have come here. Whether it was a Statesville car or who the occupants were is not known at this time.—Statesville Landmark.

PASSENGER TRAIN IS WRECKED AT ELMWOOD

Crashed into Freight Train No. 88, Eastbound, As It Stood at the Station.

Statesville, Nov. 30.—The Southern railway had a serious wreck at Elmwood, eight miles east of Statesville, this morning shortly after 7 o'clock when passenger train No. 15 crashed into eastbound freight No. 88 as the latter stood at the station. Three trainmen were injured and a number of passengers received minor bruises.

The blame for the wreck it is said falls on Engineer Boone of No. 88 who, it is alleged, read the time incorrectly. It is reported Boone thought this watch registered 6:8 when the time was really 7:08 No. 15 is due in Elmwood at 7:10 a. m. The train was running on time. There were no orders out on No. 15 Boone had stopped 88 at the station and it is alleged glancing at his watch and reading the time as hour before the passenger was due, was preparing to pass her futher down the road. Then 15 pulling through the station exactly on time and running at the rate of 15 miles per hour struck the freight. The engineer on No. 15 applying the emergency brakes, did all possible to stop his train, and then leaped from the cab with the fireman.

Others on No. 15 were not aware of the danger until the collision had occurred. The two engines were badly torn up, pilots being smashed and cabs knocked in. No. 15's mail car was crashed in at each end. Although the passenger train was carrying a rather large Thanksgiving crowd fortunately there were but few passengers toward the damaged ends of the coaches.

W. T. Abernathy and wife and baby of Spencer who were seated near the end of one of the shattered coaches, were taken from a pile of debris after the crash only slightly injured and their escape was miraculous.

Three cars of the freight were wrecked. The track was soon cleared and trains were passing within three hours after wreck.

Engineer Cline and Fireman Allison were taken to Statesville for medical treatment. The remaining cars and two Pullmans of No. 15 were brought here this afternoon by No. 11.

Stop That Cough.

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and grows worse if neglected. Your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sure you are getting that cold and fever with Dr. King's New Discovery, the soothing pine balsam, the antiseptic and laxative qualities kill the germs and break up your cold. Don't let a cold linger. Get Dr. King's New Discovery today at your Druggist, 25c.

The New School Board Meets.

Rowan new Board of Education consisting of J. M. Furr of Atwell township; J. W. Peckle of Rockwell; and J. M. McForkle, of Salisbury, met Monday and organized by electing Mr. McCorkle chairman, then proceeded with the usual matters that came before the board. These gentlemen are all interested in the advancement of the educational interests of the county are progressive and will continue and probably increase the good heretofore done by the board. Prof. R. G. Kizer, the genial county superintendent of public instruction, is secretary of the board.

Mrs. P. O. Stuchell Tells How She Cured Her Son of a Cold.

"When my son Willie was sick with a cold last winter I gave him Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold," writes Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa. This remedy has been in use for many years. Its good qualities have been fully proven by many thousands of people. It is pleasant and safe to take.