

The Weekly Star.

We are again sending bills to our subscribers. In the aggregate they amount to a very large sum.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure.

A cream of tartar baking powder. Highest all in leavening strength. Latest United States Government Food Report.

LOVERS STILL. His hair as wintry snow is white. Her trembling steps are slow.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS. Those who can live without work generally find it a labor to live.

TWINKLINGS. There is no philosophy in the world that will keep a man good natured if he lives in a steam-heated house where the furnace is managed by a fool.

MANLY VIGOR. ONE MORE in harmony with the health-giving, strength-giving, happy-making, and life-giving properties of this tonic.

NEW CROP CUBA MOLASSES. 100 bbls. New Crop Cuba Molasses, 50 boxes Good Luck Baking Powder, 50 boxes Candy, 50 buckets Candy, 100 boxes Tobacco, 50 cases Star Line, 50 cases Mendelson's Lye, 50 bbls. Early Rose Seed Potatoes, 25 bbls. Rice, 50 cases Rice. All at prices to suit the times.

W. B. COCKER, 223 N. Washington St., Wilmington, N. C.

HE SLEW CHIEF TECUMSEH.

Richard M. Johnson of Kentucky the Hero of many a fight. One has heard of the famous Indian leader Tecumseh, there are many who are not aware of the fact that his death was due to the bravery of a man who afterward became the vice president of the United States.

Such continued to be the state of affairs for some years, and when Johnson was in congress in 1812, and the English and Indians had combined to attack the new republic, Johnson went home to Kentucky and raised a battalion of three companies, and after they had been consolidated into a regiment was made the colonel and served for ten months.

The English forces were posted between the river and the marsh, while the Indians were on a high ground in the swampy land. Colonel Johnson ordered his men forward, and the English let them get within a few yards before the command to fire was given.

Johnson returned to congress, he was still too sick to walk, and his way up the street was a triumphal procession, while a joint resolution of thanks was passed by the body.

Johnson was chosen by the senate to be the elector college. Thus, falling in an election by this means, Johnson was chosen by the senate to that high position.

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At the Play—George—How those lovers coo—just like turtle doves, Mame—Yes, but in this case it's just mock turtle, you know.

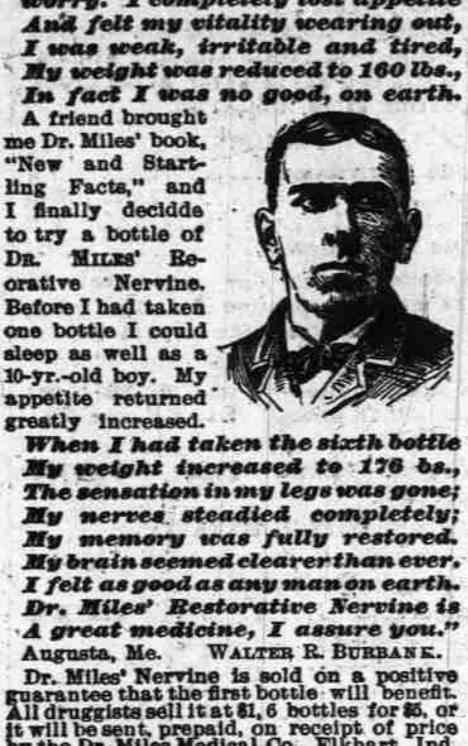
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Dr. Miles' Nervine Restores Health. Monthly Pills cured by Dr. Miles' Pain Killer.

HALF PRICE! ORIENTAL WARES in every conceivable shape.

We had a thousand pieces when the season began. We have a hundred pieces now. They are worth the first price. Will you take them at a SACRIFICE? Remember that you take them at just HALF the marked price.

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These pretty Dolls will be sold for half the marked price. These Dolls will not last long at these prices.

Lace Curtains. CURTAINS THAT SOLD FOR \$7.00 this week \$4.75

Mattings. NEW MATTINGS. Twenty-five pieces Matting just arrived. This lot of Mattings represent a portion of a large import order given by us during the Fall.

SPECIAL PRICES ON Carpet Departments. Comforts, Blankets, Damask Portiers, Trunks.

Dress Goods. Gloves, Underwear. A. D. BROWN, Successor to BROWN & BODDIE!

No. 29 North Front St. P. S.—On the 1st January BILLS will be rendered for all accounts on my Books, and I will appreciate an early settlement of same.

Perhaps YOU, READER, have been running around—merely all for years, trying to get some one to ship you to PROSPERITY.

"Savings Bank." If you have no more than a dollar, that will start you on the way to fortune.

Wilmington Savings and Trust Co. J. W. NORWOOD, H. WALTERS, G. SLOAN.

ROMANCE OF A MINE.

The Key to its Site Was Revealed by a Grateful Indian. A bit of romance will often help the sale of a mining property.

"Craig is dead," continued Colonel Noon. "That the most ingenious story to account for the discovery of a mine was told by Colonel J. W. Craig."

"These fires celebrate the revolt against the Spaniards in 1860, said the Indian. 'They are lighted every year. To the white men they mean little or nothing. To us they mean a great deal. You have heard that when the Pueblo Indians arose, drove out the Spaniards, destroyed the churches and restored freedom they filled up and destroyed all traces of the Spaniards who had worked under Spanish dominion.'

"Colonel Craig told me that he noted in his mind as carefully as he could the location of one of these fires and then went back to Taos. Some time afterward he set out on a prospecting tour in the direction where he had seen the signal fire. He discovered what he believed was the place, although most of the ashes had been blown away. On that spot Craig opened a prospecting shaft and sold the mine for \$15,000."

Oyster Shell House. "Houses built of oyster shells can be seen in a large number of Texas towns," said G. A. Holland, a well known newspaper man of Dallas recently.

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Grim Highlanders. My father had no end of anecdotes about our ancestors, parts of which I recall very clearly, though I was only a schoolroom child of under 14 when I heard him relating them.

Another story which I heard my father tell relates to the bloody hand which appears in our coat of arms. A doubt having arisen as to which of two brothers a certain estate belonged to, it was agreed that he whose flesh and blood should first touch the property was to be regarded as the rightful owner.

The Storage. "What is that place down there?" asked she (on her voyage). "Why, that is the storeroom," answered he.

Time Is Money. Johnnie Fewsadds—I tell you frankly that I shall not be able to pay for this suit until next year.

A French physician reports a case of hiccough successfully treated by taking snuff until sneezing was provoked.

EVERY FAMILY SHOULD KNOW THAT



Pain-Killer. In a very remarkable remedy, both for RHEUMATISM and EXHAUSTION, and for NEURALGIA in its various forms.

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BURGULAR TOOL MAKERS.

They Manufacture the Finest Implements of Their Trade. When Dutch Gus, one of the most expert and dangerous bank burglars, was captured a few years ago, the most complete set of burglars' tools ever made was found in his possession.

Dutch Gus said he made his tools himself and could rival any toolmaker in the country. In following up the suggestion given by him when he was put through the third degree, made famous by former Chief of Police Byrnes, the police learned that all the cracksmen of the higher class depend entirely upon themselves for tools they require in cracking safes.

The police were for many years at a loss to learn where burglars secured the tools so necessary to their trade. Although complete sets of tools were repeatedly captured when a noted safe worker was arrested, the next arrest would be followed by the discovery of an equally valuable set of tools. It was not long before Steve O'Brien, Phil Reilly, Jake Von Gerolt and Charles Heidebreck discovered, quite by accident, a small cellar shop in Blocker street, wherein an old German toolmaker ground out the finest implements of the burglars' stock in trade.

Down in a basement near the corner of Mot street, and within a stone's throw of police headquarters, this German toolmaker conducted a small and apparently unprofitable business. Finally the headquarters detectives, whose duties took them down around headquarters at night, noticed that the old German had many customers after the tenement house dwellers had forsaken the sidewalks and sought their hard and uncomfortable couches for the night.

George McCluskey said, when I asked him where the burglars of the higher class secured their tools, a few days ago: "The burglars who carry their tools now, although formerly they were made by various toolmakers about the city. The tools in use today are far different from those which were used to crack a safe 20 years ago. Then it would almost take a truck to carry the assortment of tools, but now the bank burglar can stow away in a corner of his pocket tools enough to crack any safe in the country."

Of course, when they require some tool of intricate design, they go to a toolmaker, but the general run of tools they are thoroughly capable of making themselves. Most of the fine work on safes now is done with the diamond drill and dynamite. A hole is drilled in the safe door, just above the combination lock, a charge of dynamite is inserted and then the combination is blown apart and the door opens.

The true mission of France among the nations is high enough if she would but see it. She should lead the world in the arts of peace. We remember Remon expressing it once in conversation in those rooms of his in the College of France.

Mr. Wm. Goat—"I had a very narrow escape from death to-day, my dear. I ate one of those lawn mower signs and in process of digestion it cut me several times."

Nanny Goat—"Gracious! William, you always were careless and imprudent in eating. What did you do for it?" Mr. Wm. Goat—"Just swallowed a Pond's Extract sign. You know Pond's Extract is the best thing for cuts and lacerations."

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Photographs—Big Photographs, Little Photographs, Fine Photographs, Good Photographs, Pretty Photographs.

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