

"I did not sleep a night for seven long weeks."

That prolonged period of sleeplessness is most expressive of the pain and suffering caused by womanly disease.



Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription... I took one bottle of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription...

THE TOWN OF DREAM. A. B. DEMILLE.

By a beautiful stream lies the Town of Dream, On a beautiful summer plain...

The road lies straight through a golden gate— Men call it the Port of Sleep—

O, fair and bright in the broad sunlight, Her streets and her greenening bowers...

And never a care can enter there, Nor trouble to the soul or eye...

Now would you know the way to go? To the beautiful Town of Dream?

Ruler of things that seem, And drawing near with humble cheer...

O, near and far his people are, And he rules them, every one,

By a beautiful stream lies the Town of Dream— Weary are we and faint;

SUNDAY SELECTIONS. Quarrels would not last long if the fault was only one side.

Religion is using everything for God.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Everything is either a pusher or a puller.—All true religion must stand on true morality.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Men must read for amusement as well as for knowledge.—Henry Ward Beecher.

"He that will not reason is a fool, and he that does not reason is a slave."

"The idle man is the devil's urchin, whose lively is rage and whose diet and wages are famine and disease."

"The medicines for the cure of loneliness are portions of generosity, thoughtfulness for others, and self-sacrifice, taken in large doses."

"If we aspire to walk in the power of the new life, we must cast away all hindrances; and it must cost something we really value."—Charles G. Gordon, D. D.

"A man may see every figure on the sun-dial, but he cannot tell how the day goes unless the shines. We may read many truths in the Bible, but we cannot know them savingly until God shines into our hearts."

Persistent effort and infinite patience must be exercised in soul-winning. Because our first efforts have failed we should not be discouraged and desist from our endeavors.

"The man who will not stand in the power of the new life, we must cast away all hindrances; and it must cost something we really value."—Charles G. Gordon, D. D.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER. Young Woman Found Unconscious in an Isolated House Near Rome, Ga.

Rome, Ga., Feb. 15.—What is believed to be an attempt to murder a young white woman and burn her body, occurred here to-night.

The young woman, Estelle Wilson, is said to be related to policeman Reuben Wilson, and Jesse Wilson, of Atlanta. A man named Barnes, who says he is the woman's husband, has been arrested.

Just outside of this city this evening Barnes left the girl in an isolated cabin, saying he would go to town and get a carriage for her. The woman was found inside, badly burned and with knife wounds in her body. She was semi-conscious, but could give no details. It is believed she will die.

Trouble is a blessing in disguise. Some people wouldn't be happy at all unless they had something to growl over.—Atlanta Constitution.

CAVORTS. The Kind You Have Never Bought Before. Charles H. Johnson.

SENATE DEBATED THE CENSUS BILL.

Great Contest Over Transfer of Employees to the Classified Service.

MANY AMENDMENTS OFFERED

Senator Lodge Said It Was Evident That Census Office Employees Had a Good Deal of Political Influence—Bill Comes Up Again Monday.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, February 15.—During the entire session of to-day, the Senate had under consideration the bill establishing a permanent census office.

The bill was passed by the House on Monday next for the consideration of the Danish treaty.

The great contest of the day, of course, was over the transfer to the classified service of the employees of the census office who are to be retained in the permanent establishment.

It involves the entire civil service question and the debate covered much of the ground that heretofore has been gone over in Congressional debates.

The pending amendment to the bill was that of Mr. Lodge, to amend the paragraph relating to the retention of the employees so it would read, that all employees of the census office at the date of the passage of this act who are retained in the employ of the permanent census, above the grade of chief laborer shall be and they are hereby placed without further examination under the provisions of the civil service act.

In support of his amendment Mr. Lodge argued that if all the persons at present in the employ of the Census office should be placed arbitrarily within the classified service without further examination it would work hardship upon those who had taken civil service examinations and were on the eligible list.

In response to a suggestion, Senator Lodge said it was perfectly evident from the profound interest in this measure both in the Senate and in the House, that the census employees had a good deal of political influence.

During the discussion Senator Tillman said laughingly that Senators and Representatives would get their full share of the appointments. He was very sarcastic in his remarks.

Senator Gallinger gave notice of an amendment declaring that persons who had served as soldiers in any war in which the United States had engaged and the widows of such soldiers shall have preference in the matter of certification.

Senator Lodge declared he was opposed to the civil service system "from the start to finish" and that the whole system was wrong in operation and in principle.

Senator Lodge's amendment then was rejected without division.

Senator Gallinger then offered his amendment. It was accepted by Senator Quarles, in charge of the bill, and it was adopted.

Many ineffectual efforts were made to amend the bill, but the confusion arising from the attempts becoming so amusing that Mr. Tillman facetiously suggested the point of order to the chair.

Finally, on motion of Senator McCanton the bill was passed by a vote of 55 yeas and 33 nays.

The amendment was rejected—17 to 31—the vote being along strict party lines, except in the case of Senator McGovern, Democrat, Louisiana, voted against the amendment.

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SPRINKLING WAGONS.

The Modern One a Big Improvement on the Old Style.

The modern sprinkling wagon is very different from the old timer. The chief improvement is in the spray head, which enables the driver to control the flow of water much better than the old style.

The spray head on each side has its own valve rod running to the driver's seat, with a step for the foot.

The driver can operate both heads at once, or he can run only one head. He can shut off one or open either one at pleasure.

With this sort of wagon the crosswalks with perfectly defined limits, and when he comes to a carriage or a street car upon which he doesn't want to throw water he shuts off the flow on that side and keeps the other going.

Sprinkling wagons are made in various sizes, ranging from 150 gallons to 1,000 gallons capacity. There are 20 sprinkling wagons sold in this country nowadays where there were only a few only a few years ago.

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ONE WOMAN'S ADVICE TO ANOTHER.

Immediate Relief from the Use of Paine's Celery Compound.



BOSTON, Jan. 13, 1902. TO THE SUFFERING PUBLIC: It is with a feeling of extreme gratitude and thankfulness and a humane desire to benefit others that I write out my own experience in the use of Prof. Edward E. Phelps' wonderful preparation, called "Paine's Celery Compound."

Owing to a fall from a horse several years ago, I became a nervous invalid, and last year I entered a hospital as a patient, where I was operated on by a famous New York surgeon.

The surgical operation was successful, but nervous prostration followed. A summer in Newport, with the best medical attendance, failed to restore my nerves to their normal condition.

I was absolutely unable to digest any solid food, and this weak condition of my digestive organs, combined with insomnia, caused the deepest depression. A constant tenderness and soreness in the region of my stomach, with a dull headache and extreme weakness, created a feeling of hopelessness, from which I was unable to rise.

It was in this melancholy frame of mind that I chanced to meet a Boston lawyer, who said to me, "I was in almost the condition that you are now in, and after spending hundreds of dollars without receiving any benefit I was induced by a friend to give Paine's Celery Compound a trial, which I did, and it cured me completely when everything else had failed."

I was rather skeptical about trying a prepared medicine, but I ordered a bottle from my druggist and began to take it according to directions. Much to my surprise I slept soundly at night and did not wake in the morning with the usual dull headache. Then, too, I developed an appetite for solid food and soon I was able to digest a coarse dinner without any unpleasant sensations. I am now completely restored to health after about two months' use of the Compound.

Sympathizing deeply with all who may be suffering as I did, I take this method of reaching strangers, after writing personal letters to my particular friends. With the sincere hope that others may be benefited as I have been by the use of Paine's Celery Compound, I am, Very truly yours, MRS. FRANCES L. BERNHARDT.

Cheating the Cat. The meanest man is found town in many guises and in considerable numbers, but the meanest woman is a recent discovery.

The Bishop's Pun. A few years ago a committee of angry low church men visited the bishop of Oxford, the late Dr. Stukis, to complain of various ritualistic excesses of their rector.

Three men entered the cabin of Bell Dooly, a negro section railroad hand at Pullman, Kan., placed a rope around his neck, dragged him out of the house into the snow and shot him to death.

The directors of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company have declared a dividend of one per cent on its common stock.

Wonderful Stones. The brain of the tortoise was supposed to contain a wonderful stone which was efficacious in extinguishing fire and when placed under the tongue would produce prophetic inspiration.

Another stone possessing the latter property was to be found in the eye of the hyena. The head of the cat, however, was thought to contain what would undoubtedly have been the most wonderful and most desirable treasure of all.

As we neared the street corner a man in a buggy drove up impatiently. In spite of the driver's evident haste my handsome acquaintance got in leisurely and, lifting his glass to me, he said, "I have a very pleasing recollection of your face and figure as the buggy disappeared down the empty street. I never saw him again. It was not until a week later that I knew he was lying dead in a little hollow behind the Mission Dolores, shot through the heart in a duel for which he had arisen so early.—Bet Hart's 'Under the Redwoods.'"

Wood's Seeds. BEST FOR THE SOUTH. SEED POTATOES. ONE OF OUR LEADING SPECIALTIES.

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DIED IN CHICAGO.

Billy West, the Minstrel—Left an Estate Estimated at \$500,000.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—William H. West, known to theatre-goers for the past quarter of a century as "Billy West the minstrel," died here to-day of cancer, aged 45.

He had been sick for two months. Early in the week a cancer growth which his physicians ascribed to excessive smoking, was removed from his throat, but he never recovered from the effects of the operation. Mr. West's home was in Utica, N. Y. His friends in Chicago estimate his estate at \$500,000.

Hard Boiled Eggs For Poets. I notice in some of the poultry papers a sharp criticism on feeding hard boiled eggs to turkey poulters. Now, I feed a certain per cent of hard boiled eggs with most excellent results.

Years ago, before I adopted my present way of feeding, I lost fully half that hatched. Since adopting my present plan I have 95 per cent hatching accidents. Last year I had fifty or more killed on the railroad or by dogs.

This year I have been fortunate enough to prevent any being killed and have a large drove. I have lost some, I hardly know how. There were no sick ones. It was after they were turned on the range, and they just came up missing.

As I turned them out to run before the hay and I think that they probably got tangled in the long grass. Only a few from each flock were missing.

I think persons who condemn the hard boiled egg imagine that it is made an exclusive diet, when it only makes perhaps one-third of a diet twice a day, green food one-third, oatmeal or millet the other third. Eggs put in cold water and boiled a long time are very different to digest than eggs put in boiling water.—Mrs. Charles Jones in Poultry Keeper.

Good Things to Know. We notice in an old journal the following words: "A few raw eggs mixed with the food about once a week will check any tendency to looseness of the bowels."

This is a simple remedy if it will do the work, and it is so very easy of trial, for it is pleasant in the mixed food and always at hand for use.

We doubt very much the propriety of continually giving our fowls some kind of powders or nostrums to stimulate them unnaturally. For this reason we select and publish the above as a good, simple remedy that all can try, with full assurance of no injury coming by its use.

The Best Seed Pays Largest Profits. VAUGHN'S IMPROVED EARLY OHIO. WHITE, BLISS, EARLY ROSE, Seed Potatoes. White and Rust Proof Oats. Got in your orders. Dried and Evaporated Apples and a full line of Groceries and Provisions.

HALL & PEARSALL. (INCORPORATED.) Wholesale Grocers. JAN 28 17

DON'T LOOK In Our Window Unless you are prepared to be astonished!

For we have prices and quality in our SHOES that will amaze you. Even greater astonishment awaits you inside our Shoe Store.

Prepare yourselves and try the experiment. Same Old Place. Mercer & Evans Co. Feb 9 17

Flour. Jack Frost, Patent. Also, the following straight Flours: Lucile, Queen of the Kitchen, Electric Light and Home Comfort.

We also carry a full line of Canned Goods, in connection with our Stock of Cakes, Candies, Cheese, Sardines, Starch, Salt, Snuff, Tobacco—Smoking and Chewing, Coffee and Mulletts.

Which we offer to the trade at living prices. Williams Bros. Feb 2 17

Esquimaux. Don't have much use for stoves. A fire in the middle of a snow hut, with an infinitesimal hole for a chimney, is good enough for them.

But such an arrangement wouldn't be considered "just the thing" in this latitude. Here people need stoves and we keep them for sale—Parlor Stoves, Kitchen Stoves, Small Bedroom Stoves, and many odd sorts. The prices are adapted to persons with non-millionsaire purses, too.

We have, too, a complete stock of Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Ammunition, &c. J. W. Murchison & Co., ORTON BUILDING. Feb 4 17

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company, 108 Princess Street. Four per cent. interest allowed on deposits of \$5.00 to \$50,000. Authorized by law to act as Administrator, Executor, Guardian or Trustee. Safety deposit boxes for rent at reasonable rates. Your patronage is solicited. J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President. C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier. Feb 4 17

Atlantic National Bank, WILMINGTON, N. C. Organized 1892. Capital \$125,000. Deposits \$1,500,000. Resources \$2,000,000. Paid to Stockholders in Dividends \$135,000. LIBERAL IN TREATMENT. MODERN IN METHODS. ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier. J. W. YATTS, Asst. Cashier. Feb 4 17

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PUZZLE PICTURE.



FIND THE PHOTOGRAPHER.

Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

On Front Street, near Postoffice. Has been the scene of constant activity this week. We have been receiving thousands of dollars worth of New Goods for the Spring trade, while our salespeople, who number about twenty-five, have had a successful and busy week.

In our Dress Goods Department, which is a strong department in our store, we are showing a handsome line of new weaves in 54 inch goods that are beautiful, stylish and serviceable.

We are selling the sharkskin Ladies Dress Goods, very substantial, 48 inches wide, for 98c per yard. Our 54 inch Pan Cloth, in all Spring shades for suits, regular price \$1.25, our price 98c.

Venetian cloths,