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Gray?

My hair was falling out and turning gray very fast. But your Hair Vigor stopped the falling and restored the natural color. — Mrs. E. Z. Benom, Cohoes, N. Y.

It's impossible for you not to look old, with the color of seventy years in your hair! Perhaps you are seventy, and you like your gray hair! If not, use Ayer's Hair Vigor. In less than a month your gray hair will have all the dark, rich color of youth.

50¢ a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

There's no reflection so faint, no light so dim, no glow so soft as the glow that comes from

CORDOVA Wax Candles

Prepared in Italy, under the supervision of the most skillful artists. They burn steadily, and give out a soft, warm, and pleasant light. They are made of the finest wax, and are entirely free from any impurities. They are the only candles that burn so long, and so brightly. They are the only candles that give out so much light, and so little heat. They are the only candles that are so easy to light, and so easy to burn. They are the only candles that are so cheap, and so good. They are the only candles that are so beautiful, and so useful. They are the only candles that are so perfect, and so complete. They are the only candles that are so good, and so beautiful. They are the only candles that are so perfect, and so complete. They are the only candles that are so good, and so beautiful. They are the only candles that are so perfect, and so complete.

Wood's Seeds

FOR FALL SOWING.

W. W. Wood & Sons Fall Catalogue, issued in August, tells all about GRASS AND CLOVER SEEDS, Vetches, Crimson Clover, Seed Wheat, Oats, Rye, Barley, Rape, etc. Also Vegetable and Flower Seeds, Hyacinths, Tulips, and all Balis, Seeds and Plants for Fall planting.

The information given in our Fall Catalogue about different crops is from the experience of our own practical horticulturists. We are constantly in receipt of the most reliable information as to the great value and the help that our Catalogue gives to Farmers and gardeners everywhere. Catalogue mailed on request. Write for it and receive any seeds desired.

T. W. WOOD & SONS,
Seed Growers & Merchants.
RICHMOND, VA.
LARGEST SEED HOUSE IN THE SOUTH.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM

Prevents and cures itching humors, itching scalp, itching eyes, itching nose, itching throat, itching skin, itching all over the body. It is the only balm that does this. It is the only balm that is so good, and so beautiful. It is the only balm that is so perfect, and so complete. It is the only balm that is so good, and so beautiful. It is the only balm that is so perfect, and so complete.

EVERY WOMAN

Should have a bottle of **MARVEL Whirling Spray** for her toilet. It is the only spray that does this. It is the only spray that is so good, and so beautiful. It is the only spray that is so perfect, and so complete. It is the only spray that is so good, and so beautiful. It is the only spray that is so perfect, and so complete.

NEW MEAT MARKET!

Under Arlington Hotel.

Have opened a Meat Market under the Arlington Hotel, where I will keep at all times choice Beef, Veal, Pork, Mutton, Lamb, and Sausage in Season.

Pay attention and quick delivery guaranteed. I solicit a share of your patronage.

I will pay the highest market price for fat cattle, and it will pay to call on me before selling.

Respectfully,
J. H. TRENT,
Under Arlington Hotel.
Phone 155.

TEETH! TEETH!

Best set of teeth \$10.00
Gold crowns, from \$5.00 to \$7.00
Porcelain crowns, \$3.50
Gold fillings, from \$1.50 to \$2.00
Silver fillings, 75c
Rubber filling, 50c
Dental X-ray, 50c
Dental plates, 50c
Dental bridges, 50c
Dental work, 50c

All work guaranteed first-class.
Give me a call.

Dr. Stockard, Dentist.
Office over Robinson's Drug Store,
No. 151, West Central St.,
Goldsboro, N. C.

Things That Cannot Fail.

When the anchors that faith has cast
Are dragging, and the gale,
I am quietly holding fast,
To things that cannot fail.

I know that right is right;
That it is not good to lie;
That love is better than spite,
And a neighbor than a spy.

I know that passion needs
The lash of sobriety;
I know that generous deeds
Some sure reward will find.

That rulers must obey;
That the givers shall increase;
That duty lights the way
For the beautiful feet of Peace.

In the darkest night of the year,
When the stars have all gone out,
That courage is better than fear,
That faith is truer than doubt.

And hence though the fields may fight,
And long through the angels hide,
I know that Truth and Right
Have the universe on their side.

— WASHINGTON GLADEN.

Intolerance.

Although educated people sometimes exhibit intolerance by refusing to permit others to enjoy that freedom of opinion they claim for themselves, it is nevertheless a product of ignorance. There are many kinds of knowledge, but we have become so accustomed to associating knowledge with book learning that we are too apt to assume that those who have read much are intelligent and that those who have not read are ignorant. This is not always, nor even generally, true. There are many well-informed men who have little book learning, but have acquired knowledge of men and things by observation and the application of their reasoning faculties to their limited field of learning. There are others who read much, but never think, and they acquire little knowledge, even though they may remember what they have read.

Therefore, although the intolerant man is necessarily ignorant, he need not be uneducated. His intolerance, however, shuts to him the gates of learning. He usually starts with misinformation and then perversely refuses to listen to any explanation or to have his wrong views corrected. He sets up his own beliefs or opinions as unquestionably correct, not after fair examination of other beliefs and opinions, but in disregard of them. He is grossly unjust, for while demanding for himself the utmost freedom of opinion, he denies it to all who do not agree with him. The intolerance of opposing beliefs or opinions, bad as that may be, is not quite so inexcusable as intolerance of matters of fact, into which the man of strong prejudices may be led.

A great many stories and plays that are accounted good would not exist but for the intolerance of fact exhibited by the characters in a manner which is admitted to be natural. A word spoken at the right time or an explanation given at a critical moment would destroy the plot, but the intolerant man or woman refuses to listen or acts upon misinformation, or upon hearing half of a story, and so we have a novel or a five-act play to straighten out the situation. It is unfortunate that these stories and plays, though sometimes exaggerated, have in them a germ of truth. Intolerant men and women are responsible for a great deal of human distress, besides the novels and the plays. They refuse to be informed or taught, and are usually obstinate enough to compel some other people to follow their bad example.

In contrast with the intolerant man is the philosopher seeking information from every source, pleased to hear views contradicting his own because of the light thrown upon a subject by discussion, humbly acknowledging his fallibility and willing to allow all others the freedom he asks for himself. There are not many such philosophers, nor need we aspire to be of their number. But we should all of us endeavor to control whatever disposition we may have to become so intolerant of others as to deprive ourselves of the information they may have to impart. Our beliefs should be strongly held. The man who, to avoid intolerance, embraces any belief presented to him, holding his own opinions tentatively, awaiting further light, may be a philosopher, but lacks decision.

Holding our own beliefs strongly, we need not be intolerant of others, but may and should respect those who hold other beliefs. We shall be the better able to hold them when we know how others look upon them and what different views may be taken of the same subject. Intolerance is not founded upon but helps to perpetuate ignorance. The intolerant man is not infrequently found following a party name after the party has deserted it, as it does sometimes.

"For three days and nights I suffered agony untold from an attack of cholera morbus brought on by eating cucumbers," says M. E. Lowther, clerk of the district court, Centerville, Iowa. "I thought I should surely die, and tried a dozen different medicines, but all to no avail. The Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and three doses relieved me entirely." This remedy is for sale by M. E. Robinson & Bros., J. F. Miller's Drug Store, Goldsboro, J. R. Smith, Mt. Olive.

In one store of the world a Chinese laundryman is a man of iron.

IN AWAY FROM HOME.

Mrs. Arp Pays a Visit to a Daughter and Bill Rominate.

My wife went off to the country to spend the day with one of our daughters and her children. We expected her to return that evening, but got a message that she would spend the night and the next day and maybe longer. Thinks I to myself, she wants me to send her word to come home, and I won't. It has been a long time since she run away. We missed her, but made no sign. Her chair was vacant. Her familiar voice was no longer heard. The pantry keys hung silent on the nail. Nobody called me from the window to stop working in garden and rest while the sun was so hot. Nobody to say the flour is out or the hominy or the lard or something else, for something is always out at our house. Little grandchildren come to see us and don't stay long "cos gamma ain't here." Everything look like a funeral. Lonesome isn't the word for it. There isn't any word for the feeling when the maternal ancestor is not cruising around; when we can't here the rustle of her dress, nor the sound of her voice, nor see her stitching away on some infantile garment or reading over again the last letters from the far away boys.

But the girls gave me a hint and said now was a good time to paint the kitchen and surprise her, for she has been talking about those old dirty, dingy, smoky walls ever and anon once or twice in awhile. So I opened my big heart and little purse and sent for the painter to come early in the morning. He came and did a nice job of it in a day. The kitchen looks like a parlor. The cook woman caught on to the surprise party and scoured the tables and the tin ware and went home and put on a clean, new dress. My wife came home this morning. We gave her a kind welcome, but made no sign. She was glad to get home and indulged in more hilarity than usual. She cruised around looking at familiar things and places. Soon she wandered toward the kitchen and we kept in halting distance and watched her. Suddenly there was a scream of delight as she looked in at the open door. "Well, I do declare. Did I ever?" That is all she said just then, for she turned and came hastily to me and kissed me. She took me by surprise, for she quit kissing me years ago. That kiss more than paid for the paint and the painting. These little sweet surprises are the best part of domestic life. They beat wealth and high life and political honor and fame and are the next thing to religion, for they are founded in love.

"All thoughts, all passions, all delights,
Whatever stirs this mortal frame,
All are but ministers of love,
And feed its sacred flame."

These are the songs of birds in the trees—the flowers by the wayside that comfort in the journey of life. Song birds and flowers! There is nothing in the wide world that gives such emphasis to the love of God for His creatures. We need food and raiment and, of course, the human family would perish without them. But birds and flowers are extra gifts to minister to our senses, our emotions. How fortunate for us that as we grow older we love them better. When I was a very busy man and had ambition to rise in the world and advance my wife and children I cared little for birds or flowers, but now they are my special pleasure. Now I understand the meaning of that beautiful verse, "Consider the lilies how they grow. They toil not, neither do they spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these." He who provideth food for the ravens and takes notice of every sparrow that falls to the ground will surely take care of us if we trust Him. I believe there is but two kinds of flowers named in the Bible—the rose of Sharon and the lily of the valley—and these two stand pre-eminent to-day for beauty and fragrance. Of late I have been watching the rosebuds as they unfold their leaves and open into beauty. How wonderfully they are folded upon the little cone and every layer waiting for its time and turn to come forth and breathe the air and take on colors from God's sunlight. No human fingers could unfold them and make a bud again.

The birth of a beautiful rose is a miracle. It passeth comprehension and excites our wonder only. Just so is the feather of a bird. The microscope shows the most wonderful mechanism in its delicately woven fabric—its strength and gossamer lightness. Then look carefully at the frame work of the seed pods that shoot up from the dandelion. Human fingers cannot approach them in structure. They are exquisite and must come from the hand of God. There is a limit to the perfection of everything that is made by man, but there is none to the works of nature. The finest cambric needle looks like a blunt-pointed file under the microscope, but the point of a bee's sting is invisible. I wish that the young folks would sometime stop and think and study nature. It would refine them in thought and feeling and excite a reverence for their Creator.

Afraid to Ride on Train.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Oct. 22.—David Boland, living near Chicago, walked all the way from that city to Plymouth, this county. When a young man he was in a railroad wreck, in which several of his companions were killed. He then said he would never ride on a railroad train again, and he has kept his vow. Plymouth was his former home, and he came on to visit old friends. He was 41 days making the trip.

Wall Built Around Stubborn Woman.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 22.—Around the property of Mrs. Laura B. Vail, situated directly in the path of the avenue between the old and new campus, Yale University is building a high stone wall. The University purchased the surrounding property at reasonable prices. Mrs. Vail demands \$25,000. This was refused. The change of grade has left her house five feet in the air.

Horses Stung To Death By Bees.

Mishawaka, Ind., Oct. 22.—The 10-year-old son of John Hells accidentally backed a team of horses into an apiary, upsetting the hives. Thousands of bees attacked the boy and horses. The boy lost the sight of both eyes as the result of stings and may die. Both horses were stung to death.

For sprains, swellings and lameness there is nothing so good as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Try it. When you cannot sleep for coughing, it is hardly necessary that any one should tell you that you need a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to allay the irritation of the throat, and make sleep possible. It is good. Try it. For sale by M. E. Robinson & Bros.; J. F. Miller's Drug Store, Goldsboro; J. R. Smith, Mt. Olive.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The News From Everywhere Gathered and Condensed.

A fall of the roof caused the death of four men in the Klunk mine at Archbald, Pa., Tuesday night.

Mathias Thorssen and his son were asphyxiated by escaping gas in their rooms at Chicago, Monday night.

Four men were killed by a boiler explosion in the Detroit Copper Company's plant, at Clifton, Ariz., Friday.

The Secretary of the Treasury, at Washington, received from Danville, Va., a conscience contribution of \$100, Saturday.

President Roosevelt has decided, on the recommendation of General Chaffee, to retain the present forces in the Philippines.

In a fight over cards at Carr's, York, Ky., Thursday, Andrew Sloan was killed and Alexander Martin and William Sloan fatally shot.

Burglars raiding dwellings in Mendota, Ill., Monday night, had a fight with citizens during which Special Policeman J. H. Farrow was killed.

Fire, which originated in a wholesale grocery at Omaha, Neb., Saturday night, did \$100,000 damage to that concern and adjoining wholesale houses.

A double-header freight train on the Central Railroad of Georgia went through a trestle forty feet high near Leeds, Ala., killing one man and injuring four others.

By the overturning of a lamp, the residence of Julius Hatcher, near Ashburn, Ga., took fire and burned early Sunday morning, and two sons and a daughter perished.

Burglars blew open a safe in the office of the Bluffton Milling Company, at Bluffton, O., Monday night, set fire to the building and destroyed the plant, worth \$25,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGregor were found murdered Sunday at their home about ten miles from Many, La. Robbery is believed to have been the object of the murder.

While returning to their home in a carriage, Thursday night, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Pateman, of Watervliet, N. Y., were struck by a train at a crossing and both were instantly killed.

The vault of the Farmers' and Citizens' Bank at Tiro, O., was wrecked with nitro-glycerine by six robbers early Tuesday morning. The vault contained \$40,000, which the robbers secured.

Frederick Buggelin, a timekeeper on a rapid transit contract in New York, killed himself with carbolic acid Sunday after an unsuccessful attempt to slay his wife and three children.

Nathaniel Tate, a farmer, was fatally stabbed by his nephew, John Tate, near Kingsport, Tenn., Saturday. It is stated the elder Tate had accused the young man, with a man named Smith Hall, of stealing.

Harry C. Wesson, an engineer on the Plant system, was waylaid, murdered and robbed at an early hour Tuesday morning at Palatka, Fla. He had drawn \$150 salary the previous night before making the run.

Five men were killed and two injured at New York, Friday morning, when an enormous mass of rock caved from the side and roof of the Rapid Transit tunnel, in course of construction on Broadway, near 164th street.

Calvin M. Smith, a prominent planter of Pickens county, S. C., was found murdered Tuesday night in the road about four miles from his home. The position of a gunshot wound on the left side indicates that Smith was shot from ambush.

Peter C. Colgan, paymaster of the Virginia iron furnaces at Middlesboro, Ky., was waylaid, shot and robbed of \$2,000 Saturday evening. The robbers hid in a clump of trees, which Colgan had to pass after drawing the money from the bank.

While ascending Bull Hill, on the road from Central Valley to West Point, N. Y., Saturday, 1,800-pound automobile in which F. H. Benedict and a party of friends were traveling, was overturned and Mr. Benedict was instantly killed. He is a son of E. C. Benedict, the intimate friend of former President Cleveland.

Financial and Commercial.

Commercial and industrial affairs continue in favorable condition. No slackening of activity is apparent in any branch of the manufacturing trade, and the distributing movement still taxes the facilities of the transportation companies. Merchants and shippers in many lines complain that their business is handicapped by the scarcity of cars, which is in itself an evidence of the great activity of general business—the growth of trade in various directions having outstripped even the increased car equipment of many of the roads. Values, generally, show well sustained firmness, and most of the price changes of the week have been in an upward direction. Business failures during the week, according to R. G. Dun & Co., numbered 229 in the United States and 31 in Canada, against 209 in this country and 29 in Canada during the corresponding week last year.

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A company has been organized in Winston-Salem to manufacture iron bedsteads. The capital is \$11,000.

Saunders Westmoreland, colored, aged 55, was shot and killed in his yard, in North Wilkesboro, Monday morning. J. M. Hyde, colored, was arrested on the charge of being the murderer. There is strong evidence against him.

The last payment of claims the State had against the United States, growing out of the mobilization of troops at Raleigh in the war with Spain, was made Friday by the government. The total of all the claims filed was \$31,231, but \$826 was disallowed.

A young Davidson county woman who attended Robinson's circus at Salisbury Saturday was approached by a man bearing a young baby in his arms who asked her to hold the baby for a few minutes. The woman consented and the man left her and has not been seen since then.

Jerre Ramsey, a 15-year-old boy, who lived about two miles from Marshall, Madison county, last week exploded four dynamite caps in his hands. The left hand was blown off, the right hand badly mangled and one shell penetrated the boy's abdomen. The boy got the dynamite shells from a force of hands and applied a match to one and all four ignited. The boy is fatally injured.

While William Harris was cleaning out the garret at the Mose Wagoner place, near Jerusalem, Davie county, Saturday, he discovered a middling of meat which was supposed to have been stored there by Wagoner at the close of the civil war to keep the Union soldiers from finding it and it had been forgotten. The meat was in a fairly good state of preservation except that it was almost consumed by the rats.

The 10-year-old son of E. E. Wollett, who lives four miles from Littleton, was killed in a peculiar manner Tuesday evening. Mr. Wollett runs a gin, and had a large quantity of cotton seed, holes being dug every few feet in the pile to keep the seed from heating. His little son while playing in the seed fell into one of these holes, about four feet deep, going down head foremost. The seed closed in on him, and he smothered to death before he could be found.

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Remarkable Case of Fasting.

One of the most remarkable instances of fasting has recently occurred and ended about two weeks ago in Edgecombe county. Rosa Dawes, 14-year-old daughter of Gray Dawes, near Sharpesburg, was strangely affected, and the physicians pronounced at first her ailment as hysteria. Later on it was thought that the maldigestion might be something else, but what it was no one could learn. From the time she became affected she could not eat. For eighty-four days taking no food whatever except what might have been contained in lemonade. The poor girl slowly wasted away, evidently starving because her stomach would not take food, and died on the eighty-fourth day. Barring the skin, she was a veritable skeleton, weighing only about 16 pounds.

Foreign Affairs.

The Russian naval budget of 1902 calls for \$44,575,000.

Famine prevails in the region of China recently devastated by the Yangtze floods.

Turkish emissaries are planning a rising in Algeria if France declares war on the Sultan.

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