

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 77 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

PEANUTS FOR HOGS.

Must be Mixed With Mast or Other Foods.

A good deal has appeared of late in papers about peanuts as a feed for hogs says the Washington Herald. Some of the more extravagant writers going so far as to assert that hogs can be finished profitably by being turned into a peanut patch in the fall and letting them root their living out of the ground with no other attention than a supply of water.

Hog raisers who have had practical experience will not be misled by the conclusions of such lead pencil experts, but beginners or inexperienced hog raisers may be fooled into making a serious mistake.

As a soft feed for hogs, peanuts are excellent, probably better than alfalfa, as the peanut hay is almost as good as alfalfa, while the goobers themselves are an added element of food. But peanuts fed alone will produce soft, oily pork, which will not kill out well, nor will it be satisfactory as bacon or ham.

A consignment of Agricultural and mechanical College hogs sent to market this year included a number which were fed almost entirely on peanuts, and these proved to be the poorest of the lot. So far the packers have shown no discrimination against the straight fed hogs, but sooner or later they will, just as they now will give much less for straight mast fed East Texas hogs than they will for any other kind.

On the other hand the cheapness of peanuts, and the ease with which they may be raised and harvested makes them too important and valuable hog feed to be overlooked. In connection with Indian maize, or even kaffir corn they are excellent, and when the ration is still better balanced with tankage the hogs will grow at an encouraging rate.

When some one talks of peanuts as the ideal hog feed, remember that there is no ideal feed for hogs. Even in the corn belt hogs must have an abundance of green stuff, preferably clover or rape, to put on frame before they are ready for finishing. As a frame builder peanuts, where they will grow, are excellent.

Rich Men's Gifts Are Poor

beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Bitters as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to woman, writes Mrs. O. Rhinevault, of Vestal Center, N. Y., "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body and jubilant health. It quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Headache, Backache, Fainting and Dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak, ailing and sickly. Try them. 50c. at W. S. Martin's, W. L. Boatright's, C. M. Shuford's.

CRYING FOR HELP.

Lots of it in Hickory But Daily Growing Less.

The kidneys cry for help. Not an organ in the whole body so delicately constructed.

Not one so important to health. The kidneys are the filters of the blood.

When they fail the blood becomes foul and poisonous.

There can be no health where there is poison-d blood.

Backache is one of the first indications of kidney trouble.

It is the kidneys' cry for help. Heed it.

Doan's Kidney Pills are what is wanted.

Are just what overworked kidneys need.

They strengthen and invigorate the kidneys; help them to do their work; never fail to cure any case of kidney disease.

Read the proof from a Hickory citizen.

Mrs. C. L. Harvin, W. Railroad St., Hickory, N. C., says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills and was well pleased with the results. For some time I suffered from a weakness of my kidneys and although I used a number of remedies, I was unsuccessful in finding relief. Doan's Kidney Pills however have greatly benefited me and in view of my experience, I gladly recommend them to other kidney sufferers."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

The University of Copenhagen decided that Dr. Cook had not made good his claim to the discovery of the North Pole. The consistory declared that he had not submitted any original observations. The decision caused great disappointment among Cook's friends in America. Commander Peary smiled with satisfaction, when he heard the news.



This is the trademark which is found on every bottle of the genuine

Scott's Emulsion

the standard Cod Liver Oil preparation of the world. Nothing equals it to build up the weak and wasted bodies of young and old.

FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS

Send 10c. name of paper and this ad. for our beautiful Savings Bank and Child's Sketch-Book. Each bank contains a Good Luck Penny.

SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.

14,974,448 Fighting Men.

There are 14,974,448 men in this country who are available for military duty, but who are "not organized," according to a report transmitted to the House today by the War Department, says a Washington dispatch to the Baltimore Sun. The report shows that the aggregate strength of the militia in all the States is 120,658.

International Convention Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions Rochester, N. Y., December 29, 1909-Jan. 5, 1910

For the above occasion Southern Railway announces very low rates for the round trip. Following round trip rate will apply from Hickory N. C., \$25.50. Approximately low rates from other points.

Dates of sale December 26th, 27th and 28th, 1909; good to leave Rochester returning up to and including but not later than midnight of January 6, 1910.

For the accommodation of delegates through Pullman cars will be operated from Charlotte to Rochester, N. Y., leaving Charlotte at 11:30 p. m. on December 27th.

For further information, and Pullman reservation, call on your depot agent, or write

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the state, so call us up or write us and we will be glad to quote you prices, and in all your correspondence you will be advertising your business as well as the fast growing town of

HICKORY.

Poison in Jimson Weed Seed.

The family of Mr. James Peoples, who live seven miles from Yadkinville, were poisoned one day last week by Jimson weed seed. The family of seven were poisoned except two small children. One of the children dropped the seed into the coffee mill thinking it was coffee, and all who drank were poisoned. They will recover.

No Mother Will Ever

Regret this warning if she will heed it now and provide for use a jar of Vick's Croup and Pneumonia Salve. It saves more regrets and heartaches and expense than any remedy you could buy. It is criminal negligence not to have it ready.

Cheap at the Price.

Washington Herald.

A good deal of adverse criticism has been indulged in at Mr. Andrew Carnegie's expense because that gentleman recently suggested his willingness to provide a fund of \$20,000,000 for the possible preservation of South American peace. As yet, however, nobody has denied that it would be cheap at the price.

Stung For 15 Years

by indigestion's pangs—trying many doctors and \$200.00 worth of medicine in vain, B. F. Ayscue, of Ingleside, N. C., at last used Dr. King's New Life Pills, and writes they wholly cured him. They cure constipation, Biliousness, sick headache, stomach, liver, kidney and bowel troubles. 25c at C. M. Shuford, W. S. Martin's, W. L. Boatright's.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a brick dust sediment, or settling, stringy or milky appearance often indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back are also symptoms that tell you the kidneys and bladder are out of order and need attention.

What To Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills almost every wish in correcting rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. Corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest because of its remarkable health restoring properties. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes.

You may have a sample bottle sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Mention this paper and remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

From the Elk Times.

Cotton in North Iredell.

From the Elk Times.

Mr. W. J. Harmon who came here several years ago from Iredell county has been experimenting with cotton growing in this section. He is of the opinion that cotton grows as well and matures as well as in North Iredell, where considerable cotton is grown. As for himself, he is satisfied with the experiments he has made and expects to continue to grow some of the fleecy staple.

Don't let the baby suffer from eczema, sores or any itching of the skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, cures quickly. Perfect safe for children. All druggists.

\$825 A Square Foot.

A high record price for real estate in the financial district was established today by the sale of a 19 story building, at Nassau and Wall streets, to the Manhattan Trust Company, says a New York special to the Baltimore Sun.

It is general y understood the price paid was \$1,500,000.

The plot on which the building stands contains 1,825 square feet, thus the price was approximately \$825 a square foot.

How One Doctor Successfully Treats Pneumonia.

"In treating pneumonia" says Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., "the only remedy I use for the lungs is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. While, of course, I would treat other symptoms with different medicines, I have used this remedy many times in my medical practice and have yet failed to find a case where it has not controlled the trouble. I have used it myself, as has also my wife for colds and coughs repeatedly, and I most willingly and cheerfully recommend it as superior to any other cough remedy to my knowledge." For sale by W. S. Martin.

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Thought Chinaman Was a Devil.

Claiming that they thought he was a devil or wild beast of some sort, mountaineers near the Tennessee-North Carolina line, 16 years ago, killed an aged Chinaman, Ling Gun. He had been put on a train by a Chinaman relative at Asheville with a ticket to Knoxville. On account of a change of conductors he was put off at Paint Rock in the night in a cold rain. His body, beaten and bruised, and with a spike driven through his head, was found later, half eaten by wild hogs.

It is stated that P. C. Morris, of Cocke county, Tennessee, recently, believing himself dying, confessed to his physicians that his brother, Robert Morris, killed the Chinaman, Robert Lawson being with him at the time, and that he then hauled the body to a hiding place, from which it was moved to another place by Dick Miller and Frank Lamb.

Ill Health is More Expensive Than any Cure.

This country is now filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine-tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but under the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by W. S. Martin.

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Diarrhoea

When you want a quick cure without any loss of time, and one that is followed by no bad results, use

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It never fails and is pleasant to take. It is equally valuable for children. It is famous for its cures over a large part of the civilized world.

For Weak Kidneys

Inflammation of the bladder, urinary troubles and backache use

DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills

A Week's Treatment 25c

W. S. DEWITT & CO., Chicago, Ill.

HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets

A Busy Medicine for Busy People. Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor. A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. This Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by Hollister Drug Company, Chicago, Ill.

ManZan

Pile Remedy

ManZan is Prepared Especially for the Treatment of Piles in all of the Various Forms of This Distressing and Painful Affliction.

This preparation is antiseptic, astringent and healing. It is a jelly-like preparation put up in a tube with perforated nozzle attached, thus enabling sufferers of Pile diseases in any form to apply ManZan to the affected parts readily. ManZan draws out inflammation and heals the affected parts. Every man, woman and child who is afflicted with piles in any form should use ManZan and avoid a painful, serious operation.

CURES PILES

We guarantee ManZan to give satisfactory results or refund your money. Why? Because we believe it to be the best pile cure on the market today. It will be a pleasure to us to mail free to anyone suffering from Piles or any rectal diseases a sample of the marvelous ManZan Pile Cure. Don't wait. Delays are dangerous. Send us your name and address to-day and we will gladly send you a free trial package of this wonderful preparation, admitted by thousands to be one of the best remedies of its kind for the relief and cure of Piles in any form ever known. Purchase a 50 cent tin of ManZan from your druggist or dealer and if the preparation does not do all we claim your money will be refunded. Take no substitute, but insist on ManZan.

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THE REASON WHY

Vinol

IS THE BEST STRENGTHENING TONIC

for Feeble Old People, Delicate Children, Weak, Run-down Persons, and to Counteract Chronic Coughs, Colds and Bronchitis, is because it combines the two most world-famed tonics—the medicinal, strengthening, body-building elements of Cod Liver Oil and Tonic Iron, without oil or grease, tastes good, and agrees with every one.

We return your money without question if Vinol does not accomplish all we claim for it.

MOSER & LUTZ, Druggists, Hickory.

Women Suffer Agonies from Diseased Kidneys

And Most Women Do This Not Knowing the Real Cause of their Condition

These poor, suffering women have been led to believe that their misery of mind and body is entirely due to "ills of their sex." Usually the kidneys and bladder are responsible—or largely so. And in such cases, the kidneys and bladder are the organs, that need and must have attention. Those torturing, enervating sick headaches, dragging pains in back, groin and limbs, bloating and swelling of the extremities, extreme nervousness or hysteria, listlessness and constant tired, worn-out feeling—are almost certain symptoms of disordered and diseased kidneys, bladder and liver.



DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills have, in thousands of cases, been demonstrated as remarkably beneficial in all such conditions of female organism—affording the most prompt relief and permanent benefit.

As an illustration of what these Pills will do, Mrs. P. M. Bray of Columbus, Ga., writes that she was very ill with kidney trouble, and that she is now well—and that these Pills are what cured her. They are very pleasant to take, and can in no case, produce any deleterious effects upon the system—as syrupy, alcoholic, liquid preparations are apt to do.

E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago, Ill., want every man and woman who have the least suspicion that they are afflicted with kidney and bladder diseases to at once write them, and a trial box of these Pills will be sent free by return mail post-paid. Do it to-day.

C. M. Shuford - W.S. Martin.

Low Fares

On the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, very low fare round trip tickets will be sold via the Cotton Belt Route to points in Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma. Take advantage of these low fares and investigate the wonderful opportunities now open in the Southwest. The 25 day return limit gives you ample time, and you can stop over both going and returning.

The Direct Line to Texas

The Cotton Belt is the direct line from Memphis to the Southwest, through Arkansas. It is the only direct route to the Southwest, and the direct route to the Southwest. It is the only direct route to the Southwest, and the direct route to the Southwest.

Send for a copy of the Cotton Belt Guide, which contains a full description of the route, and a map of the Southwest. It is free of charge. Write to the Cotton Belt Route, Memphis, Tenn.