



The letters of Miss Merkley, whose picture is printed above, and Miss Claussen, prove beyond question that thousands of cases of inflammation of the ovaries and womb are annually cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Gradual loss of strength and nerve force told me something was radically wrong with me. I had severe shooting pains through the pelvic organs, cramps and extreme irritation compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor said that I had ovarian trouble and ulceration, and advised an operation. I strongly objected to this and decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I soon found that my judgment was correct, and that all the good things said about this medicine were true, and day by day I felt less pain and increased appetite. The ulceration soon healed, and the other complications disappeared and in eleven weeks I was once more strong and vigorous and perfectly well.

"My heartiest thanks are sent to you for the great good you have done me."—Sincerely yours, Miss MARGARET MERKLEY, 275 Third St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Miss Claussen Saved from a Surgical Operation.



"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It seems to me that all the endorsements that I have read of the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound do not express one-half of the virtue the great medicine really possesses. I know that it saved my life and I want to give the credit where it belongs. I suffered with ovarian trouble for five years, had three operations and spent hundreds of dollars on doctors and medicines but this did not cure me after all.

"However, what doctors and medicines failed to do, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did. Twenty bottles restored me to perfect health and I feel sure that had I known of its value before, and let the doctors alone, I would have been spared all the pain and expense that fruitless operations cost me. If the women who are suffering, and the doctors do not help them, will try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, they will not be disappointed with the results."

MISS CLARA M. CLAUSSEN, 1307 Penn St., Kansas City, Mo.

\$5000 FORFEIT If we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

Eugene Field's Bank Account.
Bankbook No. 13 of the Windham county savings bank at Newfane, Vt., is in the name of the late Eugene Field. It contains a deposit of \$5 made by his grandmother, Esther Field, with the proviso "not to be paid until said Eugene is 21 years of age." The book has never been taken to the bank since its issue, and the amount now due to the estate of Eugene Field of Chicago is \$62.85.

In proportion as wickedness is common the Commonwealth is turned to common use.

A warm heart has something in it beside spice. So. 19.

FITs permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Ely's Great Nerve Restorer. 42 trial bottles and treatise free. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 331 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

An infatuation is a novelty, and, like all novelties, is short lived.

Washing Machine Only \$2.75. Save your wife's health and daughter's beauty by using our great Star Washing Machine. Worth its weight in gold. Price only \$2.75; with wringer, \$3.95. John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis.

The man who carries a gun isn't hunting for work.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c. a bottle.

When actors ride it's a sign the ghost has walked.

Pico's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1922.

A bride with a sour disposition is apt to spoil the honeymoon.

If you want creamery prices do as the creameries do, use JUNE BIRD BUTTER COLOR.

If a friend asks your opinion get his, in case it and he will go away happy.

As Fitz-Green Halleck wrote years ago: "The Turk was dreaming of the hour. . . . As wild his thoughts and gay of wing as Eden's garden bird." Possibly the Ottoman on the Hellespont is now indulging his roaming fancies with similar iridescent visions because Russia is busy far afield. Yet, he might possibly have a rude awakening.

WOMEN'S WOES.

Much of women's daily woe is due to kidney trouble. Sick kidneys cause backache, languor, blind headaches, dizziness, insomnia and urinary troubles. To cure yourself you must cure the kidneys. Profit by the experiences of others who have been cured.

Mrs. William W. Brown, professional nurse, of 16 Jane St., Paterson, N. J., says: "I have not only seen much suffering and many deaths from kidney trouble, but I have suffered myself. At one time I thought I could not live. My back ached, there were frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were disordered. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first, and soon relieved me entirely of all the distressing and painful symptoms."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Brown will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price 50 cents per box.

Dr. Crum Named for Fifth Time. Congress had been adjourned scarcely an hour when President Roosevelt made a recess appointment of Dr. William D. Crum, a negro, as Collector of Customs in Charleston, S. C. This is the fifth time this appointment has been made, the Senate having failed to take action one way or the other on each previous nomination.

CONGRESS ENDS SESSION

Shortest "Long" Meeting Since 1860 and Most Expensive.

NEARLY \$800,000,000 SPENT

While the Session Was Unusually Brief, Much Important Work Was Accomplished, the Principal Achievements Being the Passage of Panama Canal and Cuban Reciprocity Legislation.

Washington, D. C.—In the presence of the President of the United States, members of his cabinet, Justices of the Supreme Court, representatives of the diplomatic corps and a throng that crowded the galleries to the doors and blocked the corridors the second session of the Fifty-eighth Congress ended with the distinction of having been the shortest "long" session of Congress since 1860 and of having spent more money in that time than any previous session, barring war times.

Including the twenty-six days of the extra session, that which terminated was shorter by three weeks than the shortest preceding it. It appropriated nearly \$700,000,000, which will be increased by the permanent annual appropriations to nearly \$800,000,000.

The final session was marked by the usual scenes and ceremonies that attend such occasions. The galleries of both chambers were filled with spectators. During the last hour Mrs. Roosevelt and two of her sons, Theodore and Kermit, together with a few women friends, occupied a seat reserved for the President's family in the Senate gallery.

All matters in dispute between the House and Senate were reconciled the night before and much of the time of the final session was occupied in the passage of messages between the two houses and in securing the signatures of the respective presiding officers to the measures agreed upon.

Including the extra session of this Congress, which began November 9, there were introduced in the Senate 6000 bills and in the House 16,000. The bulk of these were private bills, mainly to grant pensions or increased grants already made. The Statchood bill was passed by the House and remains for consideration by the Senate next winter.

According to the figures given out by Chairman Hemenway, of the Appropriations Committee, the regular and permanent annual appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, made by the present session of Congress amount to \$781,574,629. The total estimated revenue for the fiscal year 1905 is \$704,472,060.

Mr. Hemenway gives out this detailed statement of the session's appropriations:

| Title of Bill. | Amount. |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Agriculture | \$5,992,949.66 |
| Army | 77,979,396.88 |
| Diplomatic and Consular | 2,929,160.69 |
| District of Columbia | 11,021,740.03 |
| Fortifications | 7,518,192.00 |
| Indian | 9,447,961.40 |
| Legislative, etc. | 28,556,913.22 |
| Military Academy | 975,966.84 |
| Navy | 98,005,140.94 |
| Pension | 138,263,700.00 |
| Postoffice | 172,574,998.75 |
| River and Harbor | 3,000,000.00 |
| Sundry Civil | 57,846,911.34 |
| Total | \$612,300,966.06 |

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| Deficit deficiency, 1904 and prior years | \$16,139,111.39 |
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| Total | \$639,102,809.99 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,000,000.00 |

Total regular annual appropriations \$640,102,809.99

Permanent annual appropriations 141,471,829.63

Grand total appropriations \$781,574,629.99

Total estimated revenues for fiscal year 1905 \$704,472,060.72

Some of the Things Congress Did.

Passed a bill putting into effect the Cuban reciprocity treaty.

Ratified the Panama Canal treaty.

Passed a bill providing for the government of the Panama Canal zone.

Ratified the Chinese commercial treaty providing for two open ports in Manchuria.

Ratified a treaty with Cuba to carry out the terms of the Platt amendment.

Re-enacted Chinese exclusion by a rider on the Sundry Civil bill.

Provided for a joint commission of the two houses to investigate the ship subsidy question.

Appropriated \$1,700,000 to purchase a site at the Pennsylvania Railroad terminal in New York for a branch postoffice.

Authorized the lease of a postoffice building at the New York Central terminal.

Provided a pension of \$100 a month for those who lost their sight in military or naval service.

Loaned the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company \$4,600,000.

Grand total of appropriations, \$781,574,629.

Number of bills introduced in the House, 15,398; in the Senate, 5645.

More than 1400 bills passed; less than 150 of a public nature.

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FRUITCROP WILL BE GREAT

Prospects Are For the Largest Yield Ever Known.

The South Will Ship North a Better Grade of Strawberries and Peaches Than She Has Ever Sent Before.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—A special to the Daily Eagle says: From all territory in this country south of parallel forty-two north latitude come accounts of prospects of the most extraordinarily large yield ever known of the fruits which are especially popular with the people generally.

The explanation of such great expectation lies in the fact that the weather of this spring has been steadily cold and preventive of the unduly promotive temperature which in many past years has advanced and rendered sensitive fruit blossoms, which were afterward blighted by late frosts. As the season has progressed, this year, the weather has remained cold enough to retard sap circulation, until the fruit germs were safe from harm under respective climatic conditions. Consequently, unless some disaster not possible to foresee should fall upon the crops the expectation now entertained is fully justified by circumstances.

The first among the highly palatable fruits to ripen, strawberries, are already coming to this market freely from South Carolina and North Carolina. In the Chattanooga district of Tennessee the crop is about ready to ship. It will greatly exceed last year's yield, which was 100,000 crates, or upward of 6,000,000 quarts. Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey and New York, from which this city receives its heaviest supplies, are all backward on account of the late spring, but conditions of the strawberry plants in each are most satisfactory. A few early blossoms in the two States first named have been nipped by the frost, as has ever been the case, but the bloom for the crops is regarded as safe beyond peradventure in known comprehension.

In the matter of peaches the outlook in Georgia is phenomenal. The bulk of the early peaches is produced in that State and the accounts concerning its probable extent are all that could be desired by the great mass of peach appreciators. The Fruit Trade Journal has kept up during the season knowledge of the Georgia prospect, from which it appears that though there have been vicissitudes of weather in that State as well as elsewhere over the country, their severity has been insufficient to work injury, and that perhaps the effect, whatever it is, will prove beneficial rather than the reverse. The latest report of a cold snap in Georgia was when the temperature fell to thirty-eight degrees. There was, however, immediate return to warmer weather, and last week's accounts reported the crop uninjured in both South and North Georgia. If present indications are borne out to conclusion of shipment it would seem that the entire Georgia yield must approximate to 5000 car loads.

Perhaps the most satisfactory account upon the two fruits mentioned herein was rendered by Wallabout Merchant Samuel Lippmann, who had just returned from a ten days' investigation of fruit conditions on the Delaware and Maryland peninsular and southern New Jersey. He said: "Tell the Eagle readers that they are going to have the most strawberries and peaches this year they ever had. The peach trees are full of the plumpest and soundest fruit buds that any orchardist on the peninsular can remember. Beyond what I could see for myself the growers told me that there never was so favorable a spring for fruit bud safety as this, and that they could not imagine what could prevent them having the greatest crop this year of any in the history of their famous peach producing territory."

Asked about the strawberry prospects in the districts he visited, Mr. Lippmann said they were equally good with those of peaches, but that the ripening period will be somewhat later than usual unless the weather should suddenly warm up and become especially promotive.

General reports on plums and other fruits are highly encouraging of expectation of plenty in them as well, but it is rather early for such conclusion to be determinate.

CRUISER CALIFORNIA LAUNCHED

Vessel Embodies the Latest and Best in Design For Warships.

San Francisco, Cal.—The armored cruiser California was launched at the shipyards of the Union Iron Works in this city. The electric button which started the vessel on her way to the water was touched by Mrs. Walter S. Martin, daughter of Henry T. Scott, President of the Union Iron Works, and the cruiser was christened the California by Miss Florence May Pardee, daughter of Governor Pardee, of the State of California.

The cruiser California is supposed to embody the latest and best designs in vessels of her class. She will cost, complete, \$5,000,000, her hull and machinery footing up \$3,800,000 of that sum, and her equipment and armament the remainder. The vessel is 503 feet long.

Held For Filibustering.

The British Steamship Antilean of the Leyland Line arrived at New Orleans, La., from Vera Cruz under command of her second officer. The Antilean was detained seven days at Vera Cruz, and her captain, Westcott, is still under detention there on a charge of landing a filibustering expedition in Mexico.

American Known by His French.

When Judge Ashman of Philadelphia was last in Paris, he determined to try life in a pension. He had been told of a nice house, but had also been told that the hostess spoke very little English. Consequently, as he walked there from the hotel where he was temporarily stopping the judge carefully prepared a neat little speech of introduction, composed in what he presumed was classic French. He arrived, he rang the bell, the hostess appeared, and the judge began, "Je suis un American" (I am an American), and so down to a graceful close.

The lady had listened politely to every syllable, and then she said in the purest English, "Pardon me, sir, but will you please tell me again just what sort of lodgings you are looking for?"

"My own opinion is," adds the judge, as he tells the story, "that she doubted, from that ambitious effort of mine, whether I could talk any language so as to make myself understood."—Philadelphia Press.

THE WINTER RESORTS SOUTH REACHED BY SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

The Southern Railway announces the sale of round-trip Winter Excursion tickets to all the principal resorts of the South, beginning October 15, 1903.

The winter resorts of North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida are especially inviting to those in search of health or pleasure. In these States are such noted resorts as Pinehurst, N. C., Camden, Aiken, Summerville, S. C., Charleston, S. C., Augusta, Savannah, Brunswick, Jacksonville and Thomasville, Ga., Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Ormond, Daytona, Palm Beach, Rockledge, Miami and Tampa, Fla.; also the resorts of Nassau and Cuba, best reached via Southern Railway.

Tickets on sale up to and including April 30, 1904, limited to return until May 31, 1904.

Southern Railway affords elegant train service, with the latest Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Cars, operated through between principal cities and resorts, elegant Dining Car service, and everything for the comfort and pleasure of the traveler.

Ask nearest Ticket Agent for further information and descriptive literature.

The "Land of the Sky" and "Sapphire Country."

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The Southern Railway reaches the ideal winter resorts of the "Land of the Sky" and "Sapphire Country," including Asheville, N. C., Hot Springs, N. C., Hendersonville, N. C., Tryon, N. C., Brevard and Lake Toxaway. The climate of this section is unparalleled, suitable for invalid, athlete or sportsman, and offers every charm of an ideal Winter Resort. Elegant tourist hotels. Through Sleeping Cars from principal cities.

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