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## SGROFULA AND ITS AWFUL HORRORS CURED BY Johnston's Sarsaparilla

QUART BOTTLES.  
A MOST WONDERFUL CURE.  
A Grand Old Lady Gives Her Experience.  
Mrs. Thankful Orella Hurd lives in the beautiful village of Brighton, Livingston Co., Mich. This venerable and highly respected lady was born in the year 1812, the year of the great war, in Hebron, Washington Co., New York. She came to Michigan in 1840, the year of "Tippecanoe and Tyler too." All her faculties are excellently preserved, and possessing a very retentive memory, her mind is full of interesting reminiscences of her early remarkable people she has met, and the stirring events of which she was a witness. But nothing in her varied and manifold recollections are more remarkable than her recollection of the terrible disease of scrofula, which she contracted in her childhood, and which she has since cured. She has since cured many others, and she is now a well-to-do and comfortable old lady. She has since cured many others, and she is now a well-to-do and comfortable old lady. She has since cured many others, and she is now a well-to-do and comfortable old lady.

Spring is Here  
and how about that new Spring Suit.  
Our stock is complete consisting of the newest and  
Most up-to-date  
Things  
In Flannel, Farcy Worsted, &c. We sell the kind that gives satisfaction and remember we will save you money. It will pay you to see our line of Hats, Shirts, & Something new to show you in a collar. Come to see us. Thanking you, we are  
Very truly,  
Sloan Clothing Co.

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Best Material,  
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and Lowest Prices  
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With simultaneous racket setting, lead blocks and cable rope feed, the most sensitive feed ever put on a saw mill, also Frick Company's  
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Portable on wheels or sills. Stationary engines and boilers, any size and the great hill climbing Eclipse traction engine. A 7 H.P. Cotton Gins at low prices.  
W. E. Turner  
Over Poston Bros  
Statesville, N. C.

## Let's Talk It Over.

EVERY business man who expects to increase his business and in the push must have printing done and he wants the best—printing that is attractive  
YOU WILL FIND US prepared to do your printing in the latest, up-to-date styles and at prices too low to mention. We do printing that will help your business and you will be pleased with our work and prices:  
Skin troubles, cuts, burns, scalds and chafing quickly heal by the use of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is limited. Be sure you get DeWitt's.—W. F. Hall, Jr.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

#### Surface Gold in Union.

Monroe Journal.  
Messrs. J. T. Bivins and J. G. Tomberlin live on adjoining farms in east Monroe township. There is surface gold on their lands and they occasionally pick up nuggets and finer gold about the orchards. Some years ago Mr. Tomberlin found a lump worth \$176. Recently he found a \$10 lump and a considerable amount of gold dust. Mr. Bivins also recently picked up a \$7 lump.

#### A Dice Throat.

Tarboro Southerner.  
This was Sheriff Harris' first court and likewise was it the first of the crier who was appointed. The crier naturally was not familiar with the form of "calling out" an absent witness. A day or two ago he was ordered to call out one and an attorney was prompting him. He misunderstood "or you'll forfeit your subpoena" and rendered it thusly; "or you'll forfeit the dispensary."

#### Buying Worthless State Bonds.

London Dispatch, 26th.  
A London firm is promoting the old plan of buying up bonds which the Southern States issued in the reconstruction period and which later were repudiated by the State governments. The papers exploit the enterprise, urging bondholders to come forward. There is considerable local interest in the repudiated bonds, which are largely held here. One bank is reputed to hold a majority of the Arkansas issue.

#### Bad "Kids" in Lenoir.

The Lenoir Topic complains that there is a gang of "kids" growing up in the county, which, if not attended to, will be a serious menace to the community. It says: "They fight chickens, which they have stolen from neighbors, curse, drink and lounge about the streets to a late hour at night." The Topic trusts that if the parents of the children do not take some steps toward the reformation of these youthful criminals the town authorities will take them in charge, and at least enact a curfew law and enforce it.

#### What Good Roads do for a County.

Charlotte News.  
The average tax value of land in North Carolina is four dollars and ten cents. Mecklenburg county's average tax value of land is eight dollars and seventy cents, or one hundred per cent greater than the average for the State. This enhanced valuation is due to Mecklenburg's good roads more than to any other cause. Should not these facts open the eyes of land owners of the entire State to the advantage of good roads?

#### Women Who Ride Astride.

Charlotte, S. C., Post.  
The smart women of Boston have taken to riding astride and the custom is causing no end of discussion. But it is by no means a new thing in this part of the country. Not only is the custom practiced in the gray set at Aiken and Asheville, but some conservative and very sensible women of Charleston have followed it for several years past at their summer homes in the mountains of North Carolina. It is a very wholesome practice and is generally endorsed by physicians as being preferable to the unnatural side-saddled method of riding.

#### A Marriage in South Iredeell—The Pipe Man in Mooresville.

Mooreville Enterprise.  
At 3 o'clock on last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr. A. R. Moore, in Barringer township, his daughter, Miss Bobbie Lou Moore and Mr. C. Jason Deaton were married. Rev. W. P. McGehee, of this place, officiating. The groom is the son of Mr. Robert A. Deaton, of the Amity neighborhood. This popular young couple have the very best wishes of The Enterprise for a prosperous and happy life.

#### Fire at Danville.

Danville, Va., Dispatch, 26th.  
Five today destroyed five buildings and burned out six business houses with an aggregate loss of \$67,500, insurance \$44,000. It started in the paint and oil department of the Dan Valley Hardware Company, at 3:30 p. m., and cleared out the entire corner bounded by that firm, whose stores on Main and Union streets join at the rear. The fire departments at Greensboro and Lynchburg were called, but were not needed. Thick black smoke, lying like a pall on the streets and in all the buildings made the department's work very difficult, but the firemen did excellent work. One man was injured by a fall from a ladder, but not seriously.

#### Killed in the Mill Race.

Shelby Special to Raleigh News and Observer, 26th.  
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### A HORRIBLE EXECUTION.

#### A Train Robber's Head Jerked From his Body on a Gallows Near Mexico.

Clayton, N. M., Dispatch, 26th.  
Thomas E. Ketchum, alias "Black Jack," the notorious outlaw who had terrorized the people of the Southwest for the past 15 years, was hanged here this afternoon for train robbery. His head was severed from the body by the rope, as if by a guillotine. The headless trunk pitched forward toward the spectators and blood spattered upon those nearest the scaffold. The execution took place inside a stockade built for the occasion. One hundred and fifty witnesses saw the execution. When Ketchum mounted the scaffold at 1:17 p. m. his face was pale, but he showed no fear. A priest stood at his side as the rope was being adjusted. The condemned man had consented to a spiritual attendance at the last moment. Ketchum declined to make a speech. He muttered "good bye," and then said: "Please dig my grave very deep." As the cap was drawn over his face, he shouted, "Let her go!"

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### STATE NEWS.

#### The State Tax Commission to Visit the Counties.

Raleigh News and Observer, 26th.  
The State Tax Commission, composed of the members of the Corporation Commission, is now preparing a pamphlet of instructions to the tax-listers of the State touching the performance of their duty. The Commission has been at work on these instructions for several days, but they are not yet completed. Under the new Machinery Act, section 6, it is provided that the Board of State Tax Commissioners shall have and exercise general supervision over the tax listers and assessing officers of this State, and take such measures as will secure the enforcement of the provisions of this act. "To the end that the properties of this State liable to assessment for taxation shall be placed upon the assessment rolls and assessed at their actual cash value." This is the principal duty prescribed for the Commission, in fact its reason for being. Section 17 tells how this purpose of the law shall be carried out and the end aimed at attained. It is as follows: "It shall be the duty of the Tax Commissioners at least thirty days previous to the date fixed for listing taxes to prepare a pamphlet for the instruction of tax assessors. Said pamphlet shall, in as plain terms as possible, explain the proper working of the tax laws of the State, and shall call particular attention to any changes in the administration of the laws which have seemed to be overlooked or neglected. They shall advise the assessors of the practical working of the laws, and explain any points which seem to be intricate and upon which assessors may differ particularly calling the attention to the requirement that all property shall be assessed at its fair market value, and the penalties upon assessors for failure to observe this provision. Copies of said pamphlet shall be sent to the register of deeds of each county, whose duty it shall be to see that each assessor and tax-lister is furnished with a copy." But the commissioners are not to stop with preparing and sending out this pamphlet. They must visit every county in the State and this they will try to do between May 1st and June 1st. To do this, they will divide out the counties of the State, and beginning on May 1st each commissioner will visit one county-seat a day, if possible, notice having first been given to the tax-listers of the meeting. That this may be done, the names of all the tax-listers in the State, by counties, has been obtained and is now on file. A regular schedule of these tax-listers' meetings will be made out this week before the commissioners start upon their tour of the counties. It is not yet known in just what counties they will start, or what counties will be apportioned to the different members of the Commission.

#### GENERAL NEWS.

John Kelly & Co., New York stock brokers, have failed.  
There were 136 missionaries killed during the recent troubles in China.  
Three bodies were found in a burning building at Seneca Falls, S. C., Saturday.  
President McKinley has appointed Wm. M. Jenkins, of Oklahoma, to be Governor of that Territory.  
It is estimated that the recent flood and storm damage at Pittsburgh, Pa., and vicinity amounts to \$2,000,000.  
The Catholic mission at Moragone, Brazil, was attacked recently by hostile Indians and more than 100 persons were killed.  
Twenty-seven school girls were poisoned Tuesday at Hollaysburg, Pa., by eating rhubarb pie. Several of them almost died.  
Fifty persons were killed in a boiler explosion in a electro-chemical factory in Frankfurt, Germany, last Thursday, and 140 injured.  
In a railroad wreck last Thursday near Johnson's Station, Ohio, the engineer and fireman were killed and three other persons badly injured.  
Three men were drowned in the Ohio river at Marietta, Ohio, Tuesday night. Their boat was carried under a wharf by the swift current.  
General Miles is being mentioned as a candidate for the next Democratic nomination for president. The rumor must be meant for an April fool.  
A mob broke into the jail at Springdale, Tenn., Tuesday night, took Watt Mallory, a negro, out and lynched him. The negro had killed a white man.  
Joseph H. Shepherd, a clerk to the State Auditor of Virginia, has been arrested in Richmond charged with embezzling \$30,000 of State money. There is said to be more stealing.

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### Good Acts.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint. More than seventy-five per cent. of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects; such as Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, Habitual Constipation, Palpitation of the Heart, Heart-burn, Water-brash, Grawing and Burning Pains at the Pit of the Stomach, Yellow Skin, Conted Tongue and Disagreeable Taste in the Mouth, Coming up of Food after Eating, Low Spirits, etc. Go to your Druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Prizes Almanac. W. F. Hall, Jr.

The Empress Dowager of China has appointed a board of national administration to relieve her of public functions. This news is important, indicating the relinquishment by her of the arbitrary powers she has heretofore exercised.  
"I have been troubled with indigestion for ten years, have tried many things and spent much money to no purpose until I tried Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I have taken two bottles and gotten more relief from them than all other medicines taken. I feel more like a boy than I have felt in twenty years."—Anderson Riggs, Sunny Lane, Tex. Those sands have testified as did Mr. Riggs.—W. F. Hall, Jr.

President McKinley has restored to Gen. G. W. C. Lee the relief of the Smithsonian Institution. Gen. Lee is a son of Gen. Robt. E. Lee and his mother was a kinswoman of Washington.

Joseph Marthion, of Union county, accidentally shot and killed his brother Thomas while hunting last Thursday. The load entered the young man's head and death was instantaneous. The brother is almost crazed by grief.

Mr. John B. Harty and Miss Adele Wittkowski, both of Charlotte, were married in New York last Thursday. He is a Gentle and she is a Jewess, a daughter of Mr. S. Wittkowski, of Charlotte, who once lived in Statesville.

Captain N. O'Berry, of Goldsboro, one of the penitentiary board, has completed an inventory of the penitentiary effects. According to his report to the Governor, he finds the assets \$76,000; liabilities \$40,000; available net assets \$36,000.

Governor Aycock and the State board of education extended the time until May 1st, when the sub-commission on text books will make its report. The time fixed was on the 25th, but it was found impossible to have the report ready then.

The skeleton of a child was found Thursday between the roof and boarding and plastering of a house occupied by Reed Reich, near Salem. The skeleton was buried. It is not known how long it had been there. It was found, or who put it there.

Miss Lida Converse, the actress, and her husband, a wealthy society man of San Francisco, Calif., are announced to be engaged to be married. Miss Converse is a daughter of Col H. C. Jones, of Charlotte, and has been on the stage two or three years.

### SAW HER OWN HEART.

#### Miss Dora B. Peters, of 34 Walton place, saw her own heart beat to-day, and was convinced she was not suffering from a fatal ailment. Miss Peters is 18 years old and has a strong constitution, according to her physician. She was afflicted with sinking attacks and felt sure that at such times her heart ceased to beat. She visited Dr. J. G. Messey, who said that her heart acted regularly. The difficulty was to convince the girl.

#### Finally, the physician adjusted an X ray tube, darkened by a cloth he hid her back. The fluoroscope was placed over her heart and a heavy blanket thrown over her head to shut out any light that might find its way into the room. The girl then held a mirror in front of her heart. As her eyes became accustomed to the darkness, she began to discern the outlines of her heart. Gradually it developed until she saw it clearly. For several minutes the girl watched the pulsating organ and then turning to Dr. Messey, she said: "I guess after all, it is not my heart that bothers me."

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### LANGUID

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Hundreds of thousands of schoolgirls have taken it during the past 50 years. Many of these girls now have homes of their own. They remember what cured them, and now they give the same medicine to their own children. You can afford to trust a Sarsaparilla that has been tested for half a century.

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