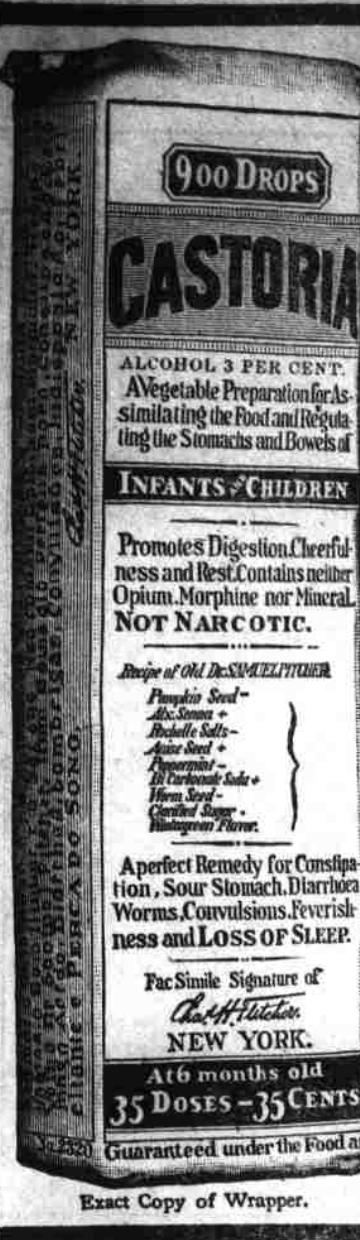


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THE SMALL NEWSPAPER—FAG.
 Those who have read old time English stories of school life, recall most vividly that poor unfortunate creature, the fag, the young boy who entering school is made a menial of some older boy, and must carry out to the utmost the demands of his superior. In some instances, the fag had a considerate master, but more often the fag had to suffer, with no chance to successfully rebel against any kind of treatment he might receive.

How many people in the smaller towns and cities ever stop to think that they make a fag of their local newspapers? It is not done like in the case of the English school boy fag, with the same intent and purpose to brow beat or terrorize. But the fag service is forced upon the newspaper, and it seldom escapes. What is this fag service? Ask any editor and he will enumerate a list of personal afflictions that he must submit to every week that the public will not recognize as fag services, yet are such, as much in degree as those the little school boy had to perform for his superior. Unfortunately this fag newspaper service has not, like the English school boy fag service, disappeared from all localities. There is yet the same domineering and harsh treatment, the demand for the newspaper to be bright, progressive and optimistic, and then abuse for it because it is not more so. The order to bold independent and then some kind of a blow, if this independent spirit is shown. How many editors have started out like the little English school boy, happy to perform fag service, but even with the best service possible, with even sacrifices made, have found their communities hard task masters, growing at the best, reviling if any slackness prevailed, and commanding a servility of expression from the newspaper, because any independence might take away from the leadership of some politician or church member. Few editors will tell, most of them have fought it and won against their would be masters.

HOW ONE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WORKED.
 The full community value of effective Chamber of Commerce work is too little realized or appreciated in most communities. The result is, that where this organization does get after things, most astonishing benefits follow.
 Detroit, Mich., is a city that has this effective Chamber of Commerce work, with a membership of 3,500 members. It does not give free sites or any bonus for outside inducement to come but it does afford and hold every help that will bring the outsider. It is given as a fact that Detroit has taken from St. Louis \$30,000,000 worth of manufactures, and as showing the methods of the two cities, the following tells the story:
 Among the factories taken from St. Louis was that of the Barroughs Adding Machine Company, which was refused by the St. Louis City Council the privilege of bridging an alley to connect sections of its factory, found itself hampered by regulations and moved to Detroit, where it has erected a factory covering two blocks of frontage and a plant comprising seven acres. In order to secure this enterprise Detroit created a street, cleared the way, and loaned the Barroughs company by having a boulevard for the concern.
 The Detroit Chamber of Commerce is a combination of all the



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ing in compactness every local interest, thus giving an irresistible force. A reporter from the St. Louis Republic sent to Detroit to find out how that city gained factories, wrote:
 "It is a lively place, this Board of Commerce office." "Detroiters are out for everything in sight. They hear of a factory, a business that can be moved and presto! they fly to it like hawks. They don't waste a moment." The board conducts a night school in railroad rates for business men, shippers and shipping clerks. It is in touch with every industry and merchant, and business activities centre there. Besides automobiles, Detroit manufactures drugs and medicines, builds boats and ships, makes boots and shoes, her freight car works employ 7,500 men, her stove works 2,500.
 The weakling will put up the plaint, "Detroit has 500,000 people and ought to do big things." But weakling, don't forget Detroit has made practically all her gains in the last ten years, when its people got together and went after things as one man.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured.
 with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.
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His Cue.
 The hotel guest had taken a kindly interest in the bright faced bellboy who had answered his summons so promptly.
 "What is your name, my boy?" he inquired.
 "They call me Billiard Cue," replied the youth.
 "Billiard Cue?" said the gentleman, with mingled surprise and curiosity.
 "And why is that?"
 "Because I walk so much better with a good tip," answered the knight of the corridor.—Judge.

WOMEN
 Women of the highest type, women of superior education and refinement, whose discernment and judgment give weight and force to their opinions, highly prize the wonderful corrective and curative properties of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Throughout the many stages of woman's life, from girlhood, through the ordeals of motherhood to the declining years, there is no safer or more reliable medicine. Chamberlain's Tablets are sold everywhere for 25c a box.

The History of Interest.
 By "usury" the ancient teachers meant any interest that was exacted by the lender of money from the borrower solely as the price of the loan. Those who lent money at 3 per cent, or even 1 per cent, were committing usury quite as really as those who lent it at 40 per cent. The old time prejudice against interest was based on the theory, at one time quite universal, that "money is sterile by nature" and that, therefore, to exact profit from it is both absurd and unjust. For centuries pretty nearly all the authorities in church and state were committed to such idea, and it was not until quite recent times that the old error was exploded.—New York American.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA
 Life is a campaign, not a battle, and has its defeats as well as its victories.—Don Platt.
 J. M. Howell, a popular druggist of Greensburg, Ky., says, "We use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our own household and know it is excellent." For sale by all dealers.

Obeyed Directions.
 One of the small theaters in Pittsburgh at which moving pictures and vaudeville sketches alternate recently changed a sign which read: "Ladies that remove their hats will find mirrors and all conveniences on the room to the left as they pass out. Thank you for removing them." Some of their patrons acted too literally on the sign. Just before it was changed one of the employees saw a woman of rustic appearance and a happy expression leaving with several combs, a brush and two small hand mirrors.
 "Say, what do you think you're doing with those things?" he demanded.
 She was taking them home, she informed him.
 "Now, yer not," said the man; "we don't put them things in there for you to take away."
 "Well, of all things," exclaimed the indignant dame, "an' didn't I read with my own eyes that you would thank ladies to remove them. And ain't I a lady?"
 Then the sign was changed.—Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.

Blows His Own Horn.
 Two negro men came up to the outskirts of a crowd where a senator was making a campaign speech. After listening to the speech for about ten minutes one of them turned to his companion and asked:
 "Who am dat man, Sambo?"
 "Ah don' know what his name am." Sambo replied, "but he certainly do recommen' himself mos' highly."—Success Magazine.

The Pulse Beat.
 The readiest and roughest estimate of time is the pulse beat. It is sad to know that the human pulse beat is not exactly sixty to the minute. That is one of the faulty disarrangements of life. But it comes pretty close. And the rough and ready calculator of the time between the flash of lightning and the thunder depends on his pulse when he cannot see his watch. To the ordinary man a second is a pulse beat.—London Chronicle.

BULL ANTS OF AFRICA.
 Elephants, Lions and Even Man Himself Flee From Them in Terror.
 In the vast equatorial forests of Africa the most dreaded of animals is the great bull ant. Unlike other ants it carries nothing away; everything is eaten on the spot. Every kind of beast and reptile—elephants, lions, gorillas, snakes and man himself—flee before this terrible insect.
 These ants march through the forests in a long thin column, two inches wide and miles in length. If they come to an open space where there are no trees to shelter them from the sun they burrow underground and form tunnels, through which they march on. It often takes as long as twelve hours for one of these armies to pass.
 Any creature overtaken in an open space attacked with irresistible fury and instantly devoured. The strongest and the weakest, the most fierce and the most timid of creatures are alike their prey.
 Natives overtaken by them seek refuge in the nearest river or pond. Yet even when the ants themselves are drowned their strong placers refuse to relax their hold upon any flesh they may have attached themselves to, and though their bodies are torn forcibly away, their heads remain.
 Certain barbarous tribes, when a man is condemned for witchcraft, fasten him to a tree and leave him to the ants. When they have passed a skeleton alone is left to tell the tale.—Pearson's.

A FATHER'S VENGEANCE.
 would have fallen on any one who attacked the son of Peter Bondy, of South Rockwood, Mich., but he was powerless before attacks of kidney trouble. "Doctors could not help him," he wrote "so at last we gave him Electric Bitters and he improved wonderfully from taking six bottles. It is the best kidney medicine I ever saw." Backache, tired feeling, Nervousness, Loss of Appetite, warts of kidney trouble that may end in dropsy, diabetes or Bright's disease. Beware! Take Electric Bitters and be safe. Every bottle guaranteed. 50c at all druggists.

Jurors Craven County Court.
 The Criminal Court week beginning Monday, June 12th.
 No. 1 Township—D M Willis, E A Forrest, G A Whitford, Henry Morris, M D Gaskins, J M Simpkins, W S Lancaster, W H Adams.
 No. 2 Township—J W Everington, A J Holton, John Toler, Alexander Price, Edward Coward, D W Toler, E E Gaskins, A L Toler, W J Potter.
 No. 3 Township—L R Cannon, W J Tighman, R N West, H L Arnold, O H Rhein, C Marshburn, E F Higgins.
 No. 5 Township—Joshua Adams, M D Taylor, John H Carraway.
 No. 6 Township—A J Rowe, E W Bryan.
 No. 8—Township—J V Blades, R J Diosoay, Geo. T Winfield, L H Cutler, Jr., James A Bryan, L H Cannon.

BALKED AT COLD STEEL.
 "I wouldn't let a doctor cut my foot off," said H. D. Ely, Bantam, Ohio, "although a horrible ulcer had been the plague of my life for four years. Instead I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and my foot was soon completely cured." Heals Burns, Bolls, Sores, Bruises, Eczema, Pimples, Corns, Sore Feet, etc. 25c at all druggists.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA
 Attracts Attention.
 A man may sing to himself, whistle to himself and cuss to himself, and nobody pauses long enough to give him a second glance. But let him talk to himself, says the Philadelphia Telegraph, and the whole town thinks that he is whizky around the brim and wonders why some kindly disposed relative doesn't stack him up against a lunacy commission.

STARTS MUCH TROUBLE.
 If all people knew that neglect of constipation, yellow jaundice or virulent liver trouble they would soon take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end it. It is the only safe way. Best for biliousness, headache, dyspepsia, chills and debility. 25c at all druggists.

KILL THE COUGH AND CURE THE LUNGS
 Tests of Patience.
 "Pa, was Job the most patient man in the world?"
 "No. We haven't any evidence that he ever trained a dog to walk up a ladder on his hind feet or that he ever succeeded in balancing a feather on his nose."—Chicago Record-Herald.

BUFFALO TONGUES.
 The Blackfoot Indians Used to Turn Them into Hairbrushes.
 "Walrus whisker toothpicks and buffalo tongue hairbrushes!" the explorer cried.
 And he displayed a packet of black toothpicks tied with a strip of red rawhide and a flat black hairbrush that seemed molded out of rubber.
 "These two articles," said the explorer, "are of strictly native manufacture—native American manufacture. Take the toothpicks first. They are made by the Indians of Alaska. The Indians, whenever they kill a walrus, pluck from his face his long and stiff whiskers, cure them and ship them to the Chinese. At every fashionable Chinese dinner you will see the stately mandarins between each course picking their teeth with these walrus whisker toothpicks.
 "It's the Blackfoot Indians who use buffalo tongue hairbrushes. A buffalo's tongue is rough. The spines on it make very good hairbrush bristles. And these bristles in a Blackfoot brush don't come out, for the Blackfoot simply skins his buffalo tongue, cuts it in hairbrush shape, cures it, and there you are.
 Every Blackfoot in the past had his buffalo hairbrush. But those days are gone—gone with the buffalo herds—and where in the fifties you could buy a good buffalo tongue brush on the plains for a ladle of puppy dog stew I doubt if you could get one now for a keg of firewater."—Washington Post.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA
 in Tune.
 "What a rasping voice that lawyer has!"
 "No wonder. He's filing charges."—Baltimore American.
WARNING TO RAILROAD MEN.
 E. S. Bacon, 11 East St., Bath, Me., sends out this warning to railroaders: "A conductor on the railroad my work caused a chronic inflammation of the kidneys, and I was miserable and all played out. A friend advised Foley Kidney Pills, and from the day I commenced taking them I began to regain strength. The inflammation cleared and I am far better than I have been for twenty years. The weakness and dizzy spells are a thing of the past and I highly recommend Foley Kidney Pills."—F. S. Duffy.

Flattery.
 "How does that stupid fellow happen to make such a bit with the girls? Why, he looks like an ape."
 "That's just it. Notice how long his arms are? Well, he makes each girl think that her waist is about three sizes smaller than it really is."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY REMEDY ACTED QUICKLY.
 M. N. George, Irondeau, Ala., was bothered with kidney trouble for many years. "I was persuaded to try Foley's Kidney Remedy, and before taking it 3 days I could feel its beneficial effects. The pain left my back, my kidney action cleared up, and I am so much better. I do not hesitate to recommend Foley Kidney Remedy."—F. S. Duffy.

A Different Brand.
 "I'm troubled with insomnia."
 "So am I. I've had it for a year. The doctor calls it neural insomnia paralytica."
 "Geel! I've only had mine six months, and its mother calls it Arthur."—Cleveland Leader.

Giving an Example.
 "Pa, what's a metrical romance?"
 "Well, this month's gas bill is one."—Blue Bull.
FOLEY'S KIDNEY PILLS FOR RACHAQUE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER
 Cautious.
 Dentist—Will you take gas?
 Mr. Tightwad—Yes—what are your meter rates here?—Judge.

DO YOU HAVE THE RIGHT KIND OF HELP?
 Foley Kidney Pills furnish you the right kind of help to naturalize and re-vent the poisons that cause backache, headache, nervousness and other kidney and bladder ailments."—F. S. Duffy.
 A Change of Venue.
 "I never was so surprised in my life as when I heard that County Treasurer Billies had succeeded with \$50,000 of the county money," said Billies.
 "When he was nominated it struck me it was a perfect case of the office seeking the man."
 "It is yet," said Debbish, "only the case of the double attorney's office that's seeking him."—Humorous World.

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