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### THE SECRET OF SUCCESS.

Genuine Merit Required to Win the People's Confidence.

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the product did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies particularly to medicine. A medicine that does not cure, but only makes a patient feel better, is almost worthless. It is recommended by those who have been cured, to those who are not cured.

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### AN ARCTIC DAWN.

The Scene as the Sun Comes Up After Six Months of Darkness.

The return of the sun after the six months' night of the polar regions is a moment not to be forgotten. Einar Mikkelsen, in his book, "Lost in the Arctic," describes the scene and the emotions it aroused.

"The loneliness is so immense everything seems dead or in a trance, waiting, as we, for the advent of the life giving sun. At last the day arrives when it should appear, but we do not see it, for the weather is cloudy, stormy and foggy. Not until the following day, Feb. 13, do we see its red disk once more. We stand outside the house waiting. At the end of half an hour we begin to grow impatient.

"At last it comes. The glow to the southward deepens until it almost blinds the eyes; the mountain tops are tinged with rose, slowly extending downward toward us; then suddenly a red gold ray is flung out over the ice, and we give a mighty shout of welcome—a cheer for the herald of summer—summer that is to bring us our deliverance.

"And we are not the only beings that rejoice. Far up above us sounds the astonished cry of a raven. It was flying eastward, but on seeing the sun it changes its course and steers right for it, with mighty strokes of its great heavy wings, and calling, glad as we to see the sun, a fire worshiper, as also we have grown to be. We follow it with our eyes until it disappears in the eye of the sun. Happy raven! If we had but wings!"

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### A LETTER TO THE JUDGE.

He Ignored the Death Threat, but One Word Caught His Fancy.

Whenever a judge presiding over a New York criminal court is conducting the trial of some notorious murderer he is sure to receive letters, postal cards and even prop. id telegrams written by cranks breathing denunciation and threatening him with death in some horrible form.

The late Recorder Frederick Smyth, presiding over a murder trial, one day beckoned a reporter friend up to the bench and handed him a letter that ran like this:

"You cruel and bloody minded old tyrant, you are trying to send this innocent man to the Chair as you sent —, but you will never live to do it for I will lay in wait for you and punish you and give you death. Penalty a friend of justice."

The reporter wanted to publish it. "Oh, no," said Recorder Smyth. "I showed it to you only to call your attention to that beautiful new word, 'punish,' which I suppose means to crouch and to pounce. If you should publish it hundreds of other cranks would be inspired to write. It's bad enough now, for your letters take up so much time in going through the morning's mail. The writers are not dangerous—merely nuisances."—Harper's Weekly.

His "Right" Name. From queer names and descriptions of things there follow as a natural sequence queer names and descriptions of people. Among a number of instances is one quoted by Mr. Fox-Darley, the well known authority on nomenclature, from Blackwood's Magazine of April, 1842: "In one of the Dutch fishing villages a stranger had occasion to call on a fisherman of the name of Alexander White. Meeting a girl, he asked, 'Can ye tell me far Sunny Fite lives?' 'Fik Sunny Fite?' quoth she. 'Muckle Sunny Fite?' said he. 'Fik muckle Sunny Fite?' 'Muckle lang Sunny Fite?' 'Fik muckle lang Sunny Fite?' shouted the exasperated man. 'Oh, it's Goup-the-Lift ye're seeking,' answered the girl, 'and fat the de'il for dinna ye speer for the mon by his richt name at aince?'"

A Wonderful Memory. "You boast of your memory, Rivers! I'll bet you a cigar you can't quote on the spur of the moment, a single stanza of any hymn you sang in Sunday school when you were a boy."

"I'll take you up on that, Brooks. In fact, I'll sing you one: 'Kind words never die, Never die, never die, Kind words can never die, No, never-e-e-e-r die!'"

"You win, old chap. I didn't think you could do it!"—Chicago Tribune.

An Art Authority. They were newshyds and had strayed into the art museum. At the moment they were standing before the "Winged Victory of Samothrace."

"Say, Bill, what's that?" asked one of them in an awed whisper. "Aw, I dunno," replied the other. "Some saint wid his block knocked off."—Argonaut.

Like Father. "I never saw a boy so much like his father—your husband's hair and eyes and even his manner of speech. But why does he jump when you speak to him?"

"Because he is so much like his father."—Houston Post.

A WOMAN'S WORK sometimes reduces her strength to the depths of weakness—her devotion to household cares prevents sufficient rest and recreation. Thousands of women in this condition find Scott's Emulsion exactly what they need; it is predigestible body-food so medically perfected that every drop yields direct returns in strengthening the organs and tissues and in making healthy, life-sustaining blood. Scott's Emulsion is devoid of alcohol or any harmful drugs, and overcomes tiredness and nervousness in a marvelous way.

### Fourth-Class Postmasters.

Washington, May 26.—The mail of nearly every member of Congress is being clogged with requests for information relative to the filing of fourth-class postoffices. Here is the information most sought:

Q. What was the Taft order pertaining to 4th class postmasters? A. It was an executive order made on Oct. 15, 1912, placing all fourth-class postmasters under Civil Service without an examination.

Q. What was the effect of this order? A. It meant each 4th Class Postmaster in the U. S. then in office would hold the office indefinitely regardless of his fitness or qualifications, vacancies of course to be filled based on a competitive examination.

Q. Wherein is this order unfair? A. It put postmasters under Civil Service who had received their appointment by virtue of political considerations and took no account of merit whatsoever.

Q. What is the "Wilson Way?" A. President Wilson, on May 7, 1913, issued an executive order, amending the Taft order, which provides that in all 4th class post offices where the compensation is \$180 per year or over, there shall be held an open competitive examination by the Civil Service Commission, the result of which shall be certified by the Commission to the Postmaster General. The Postmaster General shall appoint one of the three receiving the highest rating.

Q. How are they appointed when the compensation is under \$180? A. By the Postmaster General based upon a report made by a post office inspector.

Q. Who holds these examinations? A. Local examining boards are appointed by the Civil Service Commission to conduct the examination.

Q. When will these examinations be held? A. It is impossible to tell at this time; but they will be held as soon as the Department can take care of the work and as the needs of the service require.

Q. Where are examinations held? A. At the most convenient point.

Q. How does one make application for examination? A. After an examination is announced the applicant secures upon request, at the local post office, form 1753, which is the proper blank to be filled out and which contains full information pertaining to the examination.

What is the nature of the examination? A. It covers elementary arithmetic, penmanship, letter writing, copying tests, together with statement as to facilities for transacting the business of the office.

Q. How can one get more complete information pertaining to this matter? A. By writing to the "Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.," asking for copies of form 1752 and 1759, which contain instructions to applicants and rules and regulations governing appointments, or by writing your member of Congress.

Obeying the Law. A small town in Mississippi passed a law that no wheelbarrows should be allowed on the sidewalks in the business portion of the city. Soon after the law was passed, one Saturday, which is the busiest day of the week, while the streets were crowded, a negro came along the main street trundling a wheelbarrow filled with groceries. The city marshal stopped him, telling him he was under arrest for pushing his wheelbarrow on the street. The negro looked at the officer for a moment, and then picked up his little girl, who was walking by his side, he placed her upon the top of the groceries and, turning to the officer, said: "Go on, white man. Dis is a baby carriage."—New York Times.

The White House Ladies. The women folks of the Wilson White House circle have made a most pleasing impression upon the Washingtonians. They are entertaining frequently and graciously, and Mrs. Wilson is leading in manifesting interest in the social problems of the national capital. She has been much about the city and has marked the spots on the sun of its beauty. Washington has long been marred by the huddlings of pauper humanity here and there, under conditions that menace the health as well as disfigure the comeliness of the neighborhoods. Mrs. Wilson with a number of other sensitively humane women, is earnestly studying the situation with a view to some measure of practical relief.

### Just Freight Rates Association.

On the 15th instant more than three hundred shippers and leading business men of the State met in the Hall of the House of Representatives in Raleigh and organized by the election of Mr. Fred N. Tate, of High Point, president; Mr. W. R. Foreman, first vice-president, Mr. W. P. Gibson, of Statesville, second vice-president; Gen. J. S. Carr, third vice-president, and Mr. B. Noah Barefoot, of Elizabeth City, fourth vice-president. The chairman appointed Mr. Leake Carraway, of Charlotte, corresponding secretary, and Mr. Herbert Ramsour, of Fayetteville, organizing secretary; and Mr. J. T. Ryan, of High Point, traffic secretary. A resolution was adopted urging the Governor to call an extra session of the Legislature to deal with the freight rate situation. The meeting was addressed by Governor Craig, Corporation Commissioner E. L. Travis and Attorney General T. W. Bickett. In addition to the above officers President Tate has appointed an advisory board of seven, composed of the following gentlemen: Col. J. L. Ludlow, of Winston-Salem; J. C. Forester, of Greensboro; W. K. Holt, of Burlington; J. B. Pierce, of Raleigh; W. P. Gibson, of Statesville; B. Noah Barefoot, of Elizabeth City.—The State Journal.

Government Recipe for Whitewash. Half a bushel of unslaked lime; slak with warm water; cover during the process to keep in the steam; strain the liquid through a sieve or strainer; add a peck of salt, previously well dissolved in warm water, three pounds of ground rice boiled to a thin paste, and stir in boiling hot, half a pound of powdered Spanish whiting and a pound of glue that has been previously dissolved over a slow fire, and add five gallons of hot water to the mixture; stir well and let it stand for a few days, covered up from the dirt. It should be put on hot. One pint of the mixture properly applied will cover a square yard. Small brushes are best. There is nothing that can compare with it for outside or inside work, and it retains its brilliancy for many years. Coloring matter may be put in and made of any shade—Spanish brown, yellow ochre, or common clay.—The Progressive Farmer.

The average calf or colt gets little grain until weaned, but no animal on the farm will make a better use of a little grain during the summer than a calf or colt after it is a month old. Oats is an excellent feed, bran is also good and corn is all right while these young things are getting milk. They will begin eating hay and grain at a month old, give them a chance. Do not put corn meal and bran in the milk for the calf, but feed them dry.—The Progressive Farmer.

A few years ago I saw a farmer plowing his corn with a bull-tongue plow. It was running about as deep as his horse could pull it. At each end of the rows he would kick off quite a bunch of corn roots from his plow. I tried to tell him he was cultivating wrong, but he said he wanted to go down and bring the moist soil up on top. He was really robbing his corn of plant food and destroying the roots.—T. J. Davis, in The Progressive Farmer.

Groom the horses and mules at least once a day these times of hard work. The animal that works hard all day and sweats freely would be most benefited by a good rubbing each night, but if that is not done a good brushing in the morning will pay. Try it regularly for a month and be convinced.—The Progressive Farmer.

A SURE REMEDY FOR LAZY LIVER. Go to E. T. Whitehead Company for this Safe, Reliable Remedy and Get Your Money Back if it Fails. There are very few remedies that gain the confidence of druggists as Dodson's Liver Tonic does. E. T. Whitehead Co. sells it and backs up the sale of every bottle with the money back guarantee that the price will be refunded if it fails to give complete satisfaction. Dodson's Liver Tonic costs 50 cents a bottle. It is the safest and best remedy for torpid liver, constipation, biliousness, etc., that has ever been in this city. It takes the place of dangerous calomel and does not lay you up as a dose of calomel often does. A bottle in the house is as good as fifty cents in the bank. If you or your family need a liver tonic you have the medicine ready. If it fails you get your money back. Be sure you get Dodson's Liver Tonic when you ask for it. There are imitations of it that may disappoint you.

### MUSICAL MOUNTAINS.

Deep Gullies That Enact the Role of Organ Pipes.

Rather uncanny it would be to walk unsuspectingly along some quiet valley path and suddenly hear, from some mountain or cliff overhead, weird, strange sounds that resemble both the tone of a human voice and the note of a stringed instrument. Yet there are certain parts of the world which boast mountains and hills and cliffs that make these queer noises. In the Pyrenees, for instance, there are points which seem to throw out wild musical notes when the wind is blowing from certain directions. The natives, of course, are terribly superstitious regarding them. They imagine they possess superhuman powers and that they are listening to the voices of the gods when they hear them.

The scientific explanation of the phenomenon is simple enough. If it is a cliff from which noises emerge the fact can be seen to be crossed with deep gullies. These might be compared, in the purpose, they serve, to the pipes of an organ. On certain occasions a layer of air seems to get caught between the cliff and the trees which border it, closing up the opening so that when the wind blows into the gullies music comes forth. So pronounced and continued are the sounds in some of the parts that two of the cliffs have been named "singers." It is interesting to note from this how man makes use of the principles adopted through the ages by nature in the creating of his musical instruments.—San Francisco Chronicle.

CHARMS AS CURES. Curious Remedies That Were Once Popular in England. Many and varied are the charms that man has used for the cure of diseases. In Northamptonshire, England, a few hairs from a sick child's head are rolled in a piece of meat and given to a dog in the belief that the disease becomes thereby transferred to the animal. In Cornwall the child is fed with the bread and butter of a family whose heads bear the names of John and Joan. Gypsies swear by roast dormouse as a cure for whooping cough, and in Lancashire it is believed that no child will contract that disease who has ridden upon a bear.

Another "cure" was a snake slung round the neck for gopher. This was an old Sussex charm. The Rev. Coker Egerton, in "Sussex Folk and Sussex Ways," tells the story from personal observation. "I have known a person," he wrote, "who went a long distance to have a live snake applied to the throat for gopher, and I have known of a servant girl who tried the virtue of a dead one for the same ailment. It was discovered, and being obliged to throw it away, she said she would go somewhere to get a 'dead man's hand' put to her neck."

Earthenware have been used by Nottingham people for rheumatism. It was necessary to put the worms into a bottle and upon them pour a quantity of powdered quicklime. The resultant compound well rubbed into the affected parts was guaranteed by the prescriber to be a certain cure for rheumatism.

Health a Factor in Success. The largest factor contributing to a man's success is undoubtedly health. It has been observed that a man is seldom sick when his bowels are regular—he is never well when they are constipated. For constipation you will find nothing quite so good as Chamberlain's Tablets. They not only move the bowels but improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion. They are sold by all dealers.

## HOT BISCUIT,

hot cakes, made with ROYAL Baking Powder are delicious, healthful and easily made.

### THE FIRST WINDOW.

What is Supposed to Have Happened After It Was Made.

A window is an aperture in an otherwise unbroken wall. It, the said aperture, was invented for at least two reasons—one to provide air and the other to enable the light to penetrate the cell, thus saving candles, coal oil, gas or electricity, as the case and community and time may be.

No hotel proprietor ever invented the window. No record exists of the age or origin of the window, but common sense teaches us that some cave man started the custom of windowing habitations by poking a hole through the clay wall of his residence and finding the resultant light and air good to see and to feel.

Whereupon Mrs. Cavedweller sniffed contemptuously and fastened the branch of a fig tree over the newly invented window in such a way as to keep out as much light as possible.

"What's that?" inquired the head of the cave.

"That's a curtain," was the not uncertain answer.—Pearson's Weekly.

He Wanted to Know. Henry, aged five, had two younger brothers. Henry's father had just moved and was busy laying the kitchen linoleum. In order to facilitate the work he gave Henry the task of furnishing him with tacks. The little fellow worked faithfully for half an hour. Suddenly, however, he turned to his father and said:

"Papa, you like me best, don't you?" "Oh, I like all my boys," said the father.

"But don't you like me a little bit better than the others?" queried Henry.

"I like all my boys equally well," answered the father.

"Well, papa," said the lad, after a moment's reflection, "what's the use of my handing you these tacks then?"—Indianapolis News.

Hard Worker. First Employer—How long has Gotrox's boy worked in your office? Second Employer—About half an hour. He has been with us six months now.—Judge.

Proof Positive. Harold—You don't believe I love you? Susie—No; you don't leave your chest like the lovers do in the moving pictures.—Puck.

Truth never lost ground by inquiry, because she is most of all reasonable.

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Will cure your Rheumatism Neuralgia, Headaches, Cramps, Colic, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts and Burns, Old Sores, Stings of Insects Etc. Antiseptic Anodyne, used internally and externally. Price 25c.

### "Back Stamping" is Discontinued.

Washington, D. C., May 17.—The "back stamping" of all mail except registered and special delivery letters was ordered discontinued by the post office department. Postmaster General Burleson believes the time saved will expedite delivery, often as much as the time between two deliveries. A similar order some years ago was rescinded because of many complaints by the business interests.—News and Observer.

### Woman 118 Years Old.

There is an old colored woman living about three miles north of Sanford who has lived in three centuries. She was born in August, 1795, and has reached the age of 118 years. She has a good memory and is remarkably well preserved for a person of her age. She remembers as far back as the war of 1812 and can tell of many things connected with the early part of the last century. This centenarian is still able to do her own washing provided the water is brought to her.—Sanford Express.

### ANGER FROM GRIPPE

Lies in That Cough and Weak, Worn-out Condition. Grippe, pleurisy, pneumonia, these are greatly to be feared at this time of the year.

To prevent grippe from being followed by either pleurisy or pneumonia, it is important to drive the last traces of it out of the system quickly.

Our advice is to take Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron preparation without oil, and get your strength and vitality back quickly.

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Try Vinol with the certainty that if it does not benefit you we will give back your money. P. S. For children's Eczema, Saxe Salve is guaranteed truly wonderful. E. T. Whitehead Company Scotland Neck, N. C.

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This is the one Ice Cream that you needn't be afraid to give to the youngsters. For our cream comes from Government inspected cows. It is pasteurized to insure its healthfulness. It is made in a plant immaculately clean—white enamelled inside. Human hands never touch it. Go to the nearest dealer and try the Velvet Kind Pure Ice Cream. Let the kiddies eat it. Take it home to the family. You can buy it in pints and quarts, wrapped in parchment paper, and put up in an air-tight carton.

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Now is the time to set out Flowering Bulbs to bloom next spring also to pot or box some of them for forcing in the house. I have received a large collection of Imported Hyacinths, Daffodils, Narcissus and many other varieties at reasonable prices. Place also four color other Choice Cut Flowers, Floral Designs, Palms and Ferns. Send for price list.

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