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Doctors Said He Had Dropsy.

Some time ago I had an attack of dropsy which finally settled in my kidneys and bladder. I doctored with the doctors and they claimed I had dropsy. I tried other remedies and got no relief from any of them. My condition was such that I was unable to work for about two months and the annoying symptoms caused me a great deal of pain. I was hardly able to turn over in bed. Seeing one of your Almanacs, I decided to give Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root a trial and after taking several bottles was able to resume my work again. I cannot say too much in praise of your Swamp-Root as the results in my case were truly wonderful.

Yours very truly,
ROBERT BALLARD,
Mansfield, Pa.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 7th day of May, 1912.
RAY C. LONGBOATUM,
Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co.,
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Send to Dr. Kilmer & Company, Bangor, N. Y., for a sample bottle. It will convince any one. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling all about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention The Commonwealth. Regular fifty-cent and one dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

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This is to notify all persons having any claim or claims against the estate of J. H. Lewis, deceased, late of Halifax county, North Carolina, to present them to the undersigned for payment.

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LIFE AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Geol. Methods of the Chief Hostess of the Nation.

Mrs. Wilson is usually at home, by appointment, to her intimate friends at 5 o'clock, when tea is served in the red room. These functions are identical with those in any private home and are informal. Once or twice a week and sometimes more often Mrs. Wilson will issue cards for a small tea, at which she frequently has the wives of cabinet members to assist her.

One of the most gracious acts of Mrs. Wilson since she came into the White House and one which has endeared her very much to the circle of clever women who write the social news of the capital was to give a special afternoon reception in compliment to the newspaper women of Washington. The affair was most charming, and Mrs. Wilson and her daughters graciously gave a few minutes individually to each of the women writers.

There are three cooks who prepare the meals for the presidential family and for small dinner parties. All three are women and are widely experienced. There is a regular corps of laundresses and cleaners. The laundry and kitchens are located in the basement of the White House, far removed from the state and private apartments.

There is also a "flower room," where the cut flowers are kept. These flowers are supplied to the White House fresh every day. This is one of the most interesting features of the history of the White House and its maintenance and has proved particularly so to Mrs. Wilson, whose great love of nature, and particularly flowers, is widely known.—Isabel Joyce in National Monthly.

SOUTH AMERICAN HEROES.

Vacant Pedestals Stand Awaiting Their Butts in Washington.

Only thirteen of the twenty-one republics on the western hemisphere which form the Pan-American union have raised statues of their national heroes in the magnificent marble building at Washington devoted to advancing the interests of pan-Americanism. In the main hall of the building stand twenty-one marble pedestals. Out of them are busts of chosen national heroes, while three other Latin-American countries have selected the subjects to be thus honored.

George Washington is this country's contribution to the hall of American republics fame. Bolivar, who achieved the independence of Colombia, Peru and Bolivia, as well as Venezuela, is the representative of the last named country. Monuments to him stand also in the capitals of Venezuela, Peru and Colombia. San Martin, father of the Argentine independence, is that country's hero.

Brazil has the priest hero, Bonifacio; Mexico its two time president, Benito Juarez; Cuba, Martí; Honduras, Morazan; Costa Rica, Mora; Panama, Herrera, and Haiti, Dessalines. Uruguay has chosen Artigas; Guatemala, Barrios, and the Dominican Republic, Duarte, although these three last statues have not yet been made.—Washington Post.

Argentine's Frozen Hares.
To such extent has Argentina's frozen hare industry developed that the government has been asked to lend assistance with respect to obtaining a greater quantity of supplies, and announcement is made that the principal difficulty is the lack of trappers. France is a ready market, having taken 300,000 frozen hares this season. The preserved hares have taken premiums at the exhibitions in Paris, Naples, Liege, London and Rome. Great Britain alone imports over 50,000,000 pounds of frozen rabbits annually.—Argonaut.

Made It Complete.
When Lubbache, the famous operatic singer, was presented to Queen Victoria, her majesty, who had heard of the artist's hobby, asked if it was true that he had a large collection of snuffboxes. He replied that it was correct. He had one for every day in the year.—365.

"Nevertheless your collection is not quite complete," was the queen's response. "Here is another for leap year."—Pearson's Weekly.

Spoiling a Compliment.
Jagson—I tried to pay the new woman a compliment last night in my speech, but it didn't seem to be appreciated. Bagson—What did you say? Jagson—I said that the new woman would leave large footprints on the sands of time.—London Answers.

A New Vegetable Ivory.
M. Gaston Boudier has submitted to the National Agricultural society of Paris samples of a new vegetable ivory made from the albumen of the fruit of a certain small palm (of the genus hypherna, tribe of borassus) growing in the forests of French Sudan. The albumen hardens on exposure to the air, and it resembles natural ivory in color and texture. This product is said to resemble the vegetable ivory from another palm (Phytelasma macrocarpa) found in equatorial South America.

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EAST CAROLINA STORM SWEEP

Great Loss of Property in New Berne, Washington and Other Points.

TWO PERSONS KILLED AT FARMVILLE.

A storm of equinoctial suddenness and terrific fury broke on Eastern North Carolina Tuesday night and raged through Wednesday with fearful results. The damage is untold.

At Farmville the front end of the large tobacco warehouse was crushed in and two boys, Walter Bynum, aged 16, and McKinley Walker, aged 12, of Durham, were instantly killed. Others were badly hurt.

The storm was very severe in Tarboro and Edgecombe county. Telephone lines were badly damaged and the young corn crop and the cotton crop suffered much. An estimate places Edgecombe's loss at over \$250,000.

Greenville suffered heavily. The brick building of the Daily Reflector was unroofed and the plant seriously damaged. Train service cut off. Crops damaged one-third is the story from Pitt.

Wilson and Wilson county suffered heavily, the loss probably reaching half a million.

The estimated loss in Washington, N. C., and Beaufort county is over a million dollars. The mile-long bridge of the Norfolk-Southern across Pamlico river is swept away. The town is practically put out of business temporarily. But few business houses escaped damage. All the bridges of the Coast Line around Washington are swept away. Nearly all the boats in the harbor were sunk.

Belhaven is practically wiped off the map and Aurora considerably damaged. Fifteen houses swept away at Vandemere.

The wind is said to have reached a velocity of 90 miles an hour.

The storm and flood at New Berne were the worst in the history of the town. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars. The county bridge across the Neuse was swept away. Many of the streets were flooded.

The storm was not so severe at Beaufort and Morehead.

It is feared that not a soul is left on the island of Ocracoke. There is a population of 400 or more. The high tides may have swept away hundreds on the low lying banks.—Wilson Times.

Later advices say that the people on Ocracoke island are safe.

For New Nash County Road.

It is reported that Battleboro and that section are greatly interested in the proposed new road in Nash county that will parallel the railroad and that will make Whitakers, Battleboro and in fact the Halifax county line several miles nearer from point of accessibility with a vehicle than is now the case. There has been some little talk in the nearby town and there are many who are in hearty accord with the move and that desire an opportunity to contribute when subscriptions are started. The project has been fostered by the local Chamber of Commerce and it now appears that in the not far distant future we will see some work along this line.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

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