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INSURANCE WAR AGAINST GREENSBORO COMPANIES.

The threatened contest between the Southeastern Tariff Association and the Greensboro, N. C. Fire Insurance Companies, has finally begun in earnest.

The contest against the North Carolina Companies is because of their refusal to arbitrarily raise the fire insurance rates 25 per cent.

The Southeastern Association people, since its raise of 25 per cent in rates, has gone about in the attempt to force the Greensboro Companies to come into the forced rate business, but has signally failed.

The Greensboro Companies refused to advance the fire insurance rate, simply upon business grounds. They say the rate is now high enough, and an advance is not justified.

The Southeastern people want the extra money out of North Carolina to make good their other losses, while the Greensboro Companies knowing the business done in this State, say from experience that North Carolina rates are sufficiently high, and any advance is unwarranted from a just or business standpoint.

While the war may be a fierce one between these insurance people, the Greensboro Companies have the promise from their policy holders, and this promise ought to be religiously kept, that no matter if the Southeastern Association cuts, they will not leave the Greensboro Companies.

The Southeastern people in their attempts to destroy the Greensboro Companies have forced agents to give up the Greensboro Companies business in order to keep in with the Southeasterns, and have also offered to take up the policies of the Greensboro Companies in exchange for Southeastern policies, without extra cost to the policy holders.

So far the Greensboro Companies have lost no policy, and their patrons are giving them full support.

This war ought to prove that the Southeastern Association cannot run out of business North Carolina insurance companies, and if North Carolinians will stand by their local companies the insurance trust will not be able to prevail, and dictate absolutely in this State, all insurance rate matters, regardless of the true business situation.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is a senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY, sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1894.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

BETWEEN HEATS. After playing two miles, 2:14 1/2, will be used again.

Green, 2:05 1/2, is in the Brooklyn stable of Charles Meyer.

A three-year-old filly by Combs, 2:11, showed a mile in 2:17 1/2 recently at the Los Angeles track.

Morning Star, 2:07 1/2, is now the property of George H. Ketchum and will be used in the coming season.

Lady Piper, 2:07 1/2, that was bred last fall, is now going perfectly sound and will be used this season.

Both the Chinese, 2:08 1/2, and Golden Path, 2:05 1/2, are now owned by J. W. Smith, East Buffalo, N. Y.

An Arabian colt has entered John S. McKeever in the race for the coming season.

CALLING A BLUFF.

Judge Jarrett's Story of His First Case Before Judge White.

Judge Jarrett tells the story to the Kansas City Star of the first time he came to Kansas City and tried a case before the late Judge White of the criminal bench.

"I was quite young then. In fact, I was what might be called a green country lawyer who had never been to the city before. I had been told that Judge White was a Tartar, so you can imagine that I was somewhat nervous when I appeared before him defending one of my own country boys who had come to the city and got into trouble.

"A panel of twenty-four jurors had been selected, and all of them had been qualified as being unprejudiced. As you know, after the state attorneys have made their challenges and turned the list over to the defendant's attorney a 'reasonable' time is allowed the defense to strike off the names of men it does not care to have on the jury.

"The panel had taken seats in the jury box, while the remainder occupied chairs nearby.

"Before the list was handed to me Judge White looked over his glasses and said:

"'Young man, he said, 'I don't want you to delay this court by taking two or three hours to make your challenges. By a 'reasonable' time I do not mean all forenoon.'

"Of course I was frightened, but I acted on a thought that came to me like a flash.

"'Your honor,' I said, 'I have no desire to delay the court. The twelve men who happen to occupy the jury box will be satisfactory to me. I don't know any of them, and they don't know me.'

"'But, your honor,' exclaimed the prosecutor, 'I want a few moments in which to make challenges.'

"'Can't he wait,' said the judge. 'If the defendant is willing to take his chances, the state surely should be equally willing.'

"The case was tried, and I won it. I cleared my man. Judge White came down from the bench and walked to where I was standing.

"'Young man,' he said, 'you're a poker player, aren't you?'

"'No, judge,' I answered humbly; 'I haven't played any poker since I became a man.'

"'Nonsense,' said Judge White. 'A man who calls a bluff like I made at you a little while ago is bound to be a poker player of the first water.'

"\$100—Dr. E. DeWitt's Anti-Bilious is worth to you more than \$100 if you have a child who rolls bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. \$1. Sold by C. D. Bradham, Druggist.

Bluff. The fisherman, with line and hook. Hears, as he idly hooks. The gurgle of the limpid brook. And eke the limpid brook. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Real Assurance. "Is her husband so very rich?" "Rich? Why, she can even afford to economize on her clothes!"—Brooklyn Life.

CASTORIA. The Kind you have always bought. Beware of cheap imitations.

Warded in a Dream. An instance in which a dream was useful in preventing an impending catastrophe is recorded of a daughter of Mrs. Rutherford, at Ederton, the granddaughter of Sir Walter Scott. This lady dreamed more than once that her mother had been murdered by a black servant. She was so much upset by this that she returned home, and to her great astonishment and not a little to her dismay, she met on entering the house the very black servant she had met in her dream. He had been engaged in her absence. She prevailed upon a gentleman to watch in an adjoining room during the following night.

About 8 o'clock in the morning the gentleman heard footstep on the stairs, came out and met the servant carrying a quantity of coal. Being questioned as to where he was going, he answered correctly that he was going to mend the mistress's fire, which at 8 o'clock in the morning in the middle of summer was suddenly impossible. On further investigation a strong belief was formed hidden in the coal. The lady awoke, but the man was subsequently hanged for murder, and before his execution he confessed that he intended to have assassinated Mrs. Rutherford.

Ready to Yield. "I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for piles and found it a certain cure," says R. E. Meredith, Willow Grove, Ind. Operations necessary to cure piles. They always yield to DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve. Cures skin diseases, all kinds of wounds. Accept no counterfeits. F. S. Duffy.

Ugliness as a Premium. In the town of Hanchman, Germany, prizes are offered yearly for the man who will marry the ugliest or the most crippled and to the woman over forty who have been fitted at least twice. The money was left by a big financier, and he, realizing that beauty is an attraction hard to overcome, made a provision in his will that out of the income of his estate not less than \$100,000 should be paid to any man and woman who should receive the prize.

Happy Time in Old Town. "We felt very happy," writes R. N. Bevil, Old Town, Va., "when Beckley's Arnica Salve wholly cured our daughter of a bad case of scald head." It delights all who use it for Cuts, Corns, Burns, Blisters, Bolls, Ulcers, Eruptions. Infallible for Piles. Only 25c at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

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Philly Temples in India. Saved once often debts Indian temples, but worse yet is a body that is paralyzed by constipation. Don't permit it. Cleanse your system with Dr. King's New Life Pills and avoid untold misery. They give lively liver, active bowels, good digestion, bad appetite. Only 25c at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

NURSERY MANNERS.

Some Ways in Which Children Are Battered Without Reason.

Few mothers seem to realize that they owe their children in early life in the way of guarding them from unnecessary wear and tear upon their nerves. In these days we think so much of sunlight, fresh air, pure food and hygienic methods generally that the least advanced of mothers must pay some heed to these matters.

This awakened modern conscience makes it all the stranger to find the rule of thumb and the slavery of custom still prevailing in so many families. The other day the writer was privileged to watch the toilet of a thoroughly up-to-date baby.

All the appointments were of the best, and both mother and nurse were well informed. All went well till the moment came to remove the little day shirt. This garment was skin tight and was stripped backward over the baby's head, rubbing all his tiny features the wrong way, ruffling his temper and causing him to protest vigorously, as any sensible human being would.

The mother and nurse smiled and said, "It always has been so." "The same thing was repeated when the alphabet went on, only the baby's face was rubbed down instead of up. By this time the thoroughly outraged child yelled with anger. Think of the grobble wear and tear to nerves and temper in this unnecessary annoyance repeated several times in the twenty-four hours!

Then take the matter of hair. It was a sensible father who took his four-year-old son and had his curls cut close to his head in spite of feminine protest. It is true that the little boy who came home was not so picturesque as the one who started for the barber's. When the mother remonstrated, the father said, "Yesterday Willie cried all day because the other children pulled his hair. This morning he cried in the nursery because the nurse pulled his hair. He will need all the steadiness of nerve control that we can help him to be a man by and by, and it is our duty to stand between him and unnecessary friction."

These are only hints of the ways in which children are battered without reason. There ought to be a more imaginative insight on the part of the adults.—Youth's Companion.

Violent Cancer Cured. Startling proof of a wonderful advance in medicine is given by Druggist G. W. Roberts of Elizabeth, N. J. An old man there had long suffered with what good doctors pronounced incurable cancer. They believed his case hopeless till he used Electric Bitters and applied Beckley's Arnica Salve, which treatment completely cured him. When Electric Bitters are used to expel biliousness and microbe poisons at the same time this salve exerts its matchless healing power, blood diseases, skin eruptions, ulcers and sores vanish. Bitters 50c, Salve 25c, at C. D. Bradham's.

Leap Year Children. The members of the Berlin Society of Leap Year's Children—to which none is admissible unless born on Feb. 29—will keep their common birthday in great style in 1904. They have had no opportunity for eight years, as in 1900, the extra February day, according to the rules of the reformed calendar, was omitted. Herr Monteur, the president of the society, is a septuagenarian, but in the seventy years of his life he has only had seventeen birthdays. He hopes to celebrate his eightieth birthday, and seventy-second year of his life in the midst of his colleagues on Feb. 29, 1904.—Philadelphia Record.

Spring Fever. Spring fever is another name for biliousness. It is more serious than most people think. A torpid liver and inactive bowels mean a poisoned system. If neglected, serious illness may follow such symptoms. DeWitt's Little Early Riser removes all danger by stimulating the liver, opening the bowels and cleansing the system of impurities. Safe pills. Never gripes. "I have taken DeWitt's Little Early Riser for torpid liver every spring for years," writes R. M. Eversly, Monteville, W. Va. "They do me more good than anything I have ever tried." F. S. Duffy.

The Glided Man. At the headquarters of the Orinoco Spanish traditions located the land of El Dorado, "the glided man," a potentate whose country was so rich in gold that he had his body anointed with oil and decorated with gold jewelry, so that he shone like a sun in the sky as though glided. It is a curious fact that the country in which tradition located this marvelous being has never been explored by a white man.

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"Did your first cigar make you sick?" "Oo, kid, it's so long ago I've done forgot."—New York Journal.

Not Miff. The milk wagon was upset. The lad who was in charge stood by the roadside, weeping bitterly.

"Tut, tut, little boy," said a sympathetic stranger, "there is no use in crying over spilt milk."

"I'm not miffed," answered the honest youth between sobs. "I guess you don't know much about this business if you think that."—Baltimore American.

Innocent. Rev. Dr. Thirdly—Yes, sister, I noticed your servant as I came in reading a novel on the back porch, and it grieves me that she should thus break the Sabbath.

Mrs. Simple—Dear me! I don't see what I am going to do with that girl. She breaks everything in the house.—New York Journal.

A Real Friend. "I suffered from dyspepsia and indigestion for fifteen years," says W. T. Sturdevant of Merry Oaks, N. C. "After I had tried many doctors and medicines to no avail one of my friends persuaded me to try Kodol. It gave immediate relief. I can eat almost anything I want now and my digestion is good. I cheerfully recommend Kodol." Don't try to cure stomach trouble by dieting. That only further weakens the system. You need wholesome, strengthening food. Kodol enables you to assimilate what you eat by digesting it without the stomach's aid. F. S. Duffy.

SICK MADE WELL WEAK MADE STRONG

Marvelous Elixir of Life Discovered by Famous Doctor—Scientist That Cures Every Known Ailment

Wonderful Cures are Effected That Seem Like Miracles Performed—The Secret of Long Life of Olden Times Revived.

This Elixir is Free to All Who Suffer from Sickness and Weakness.

After years of patient study, and delving into the dusty records of the past, as well as following modern experiments in the realm of medical science, Dr. James W. Kidd, 2891 Baltes Building, Fort Wayne, Indiana, makes the startling announcement that he has

surely discovered the elixir of life. That he is able with the aid of a mysterious compound, known only to himself, produced as a result of his years of his spent in searching for this precious life-giving tonic, to cure any and every disease that is known to the human body.

There is no doubt of the doctor's earnestness in making his claims, and the remarkable cures that he is daily effecting seem to bear him out very strongly. His theory which he advances is one of reason and based on sound experience in a medical practice of many years. It costs nothing to try his remedy in "Elixir of Life" as he calls it, for he sends it free, in anyone who is a sufferer in sufficient quantities to convince of its ability to cure, so there is absolutely no risk to run. Some of the ailments cured very remarkably, and but for reliable witnesses would hardly be credited. The lame have thrown away crutches and walked about after two or three trials of the remedy. The sick, given up by home doctors, have been restored to their families and friends in perfect health. Rheumatism, neuralgia, stomach, heart, liver, kidney, blood and skin diseases and bladder troubles disappear as by magic. Headaches, backaches, nervousness, fevers, consumption, coughs, colds, asthma, catarrhs, bronchitis and all affections of the throat, head, or any vital organs are easily overcome in a space of time that is simply marvelous.

Partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, dropsy, neuralgia and all other ailments of a chronic nature, are cured by the Elixir of Life. It is free to all who are afflicted with any of the above ailments, and will be sent free by return mail.

Call at F. S. Duffy & Co's drug store and get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are an elegant physic. They also improve the appetite, strengthen the digestion and regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect.

Mr. Pay in Salt Lake City. The Salt Lake City Telegram says that in that city there are some electrical workers who earn \$500 a month. Two expert electrician painters are credited with receiving \$20 a day and finding employment whenever they desire to work. A few plasterers can get \$4.50 a day, while plumbers, tinners, carpenters and stonecutters all get \$4.50 a day. Machinists earn from \$3.50 to \$4.50. Restaurant cooks get from \$25 to \$30 a week.

Mr. W. S. Wheldon, Cashier of the First National Bank of Winterport, Iowa in a recent letter gives some experience of a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says: "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with dyspepsia. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled, and that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the druggist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

SCROFULA

I bequeath to my children Scrofula with all its attendant horrors, humiliation and suffering. This is a strange legacy to leave to posterity, a heavy burden to place upon the shoulders of the young.

This treacherous disease dwells in the body and hinders the growth and development of the faculties, and the child born of blood poison, or scrofula-tainted parentage, is poorly equipped for life's duties.

Scrofula is a disease with numerous and varied symptoms; enlarged glands or tumors about the neck and armpits, catarrh of the head, weak eyes and dreadful skin eruptions upon different parts of the body show the presence of tubercular or scrofulous matter in the blood. This dangerous and stealthy disease enters itself secretly in the system and attacks the bones and tissues, destroys the red corpuscles of the blood, resulting in white swelling, a pallid, waxy appearance of the skin, loss of strength and a gradual wasting away of the body.