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T. P. EMERSON has a Narrow Escape. "I live on a farm. At school I learned an early habit, which weakened me physically, sexually and mentally. Family Doctors said I was going into 'decline' (Consumption). Finally, 'The Golden Monitor,' edited by Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, fell into my hands. I learned the truth and cause. Self abuse had sapped my vitality. I took the New Method Treatment and was cured. My friends think I was cured of Consumption. I have sent them many patients, all of whom were cured. Their New Method Treatment supplies vigor, vitality and manhood."

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All teas look alike in a newspaper advertisement, but put them in your teapot and the superiority of Blue Ribbon is at once apparent.

Put up Black Mixed & Ceylon Green

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We have received a special line of Carvers in Cases, Knives, Forks, Specially prepared for Christmas Presents at Lowest Prices.

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TO SEIZE COAL BEDS.

Purport of Resolutions Now Before Congress.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House introduced the following resolution:—

"Resolved, that the Committee on the Judiciary be and is hereby directed to investigate and report to this House with all convenient speed the opinion of that committee as to the power of Congress to declare that a necessity has arisen for taking possession of all coal beds, and all lines of transportation, agencies, instruments and vehicles of commerce necessary for the transportation of coal, and that if in the opinion of that committee the power exists, and a necessity for the exercise of such power has arisen, that committee forthwith report to this House a bill declaring the necessity, providing fully and in detail the conditions, modes, conditions and agencies for said appropriation, that will fully and completely exhaust the power of Congress in that regard."

Oxford Councillor Disqualified.

Ingersoll, Jan. 14. (Special).—A new election for Councillor is to take place in the Township of West Oxford, by reason of the fact that Mr. David Robinson, recently elected by acclamation, is disqualified from taking his seat. At the time of his election Mr. Robinson was filling the position of school trustee, but has since resigned.

THE MARKET REPORTS.

Wheat is Higher—Live Stock Markets Active.

Wednesday Evening, Jan. 14.
Toronto St. Lawrence Market.

Business was a little better at the market today. Receipts were larger and general trade was brisker than at any previous time during the week. The total grain receipts amounted to 1,700 bushels.

Wheat—Prices are steady at yesterday's advance. Two hundred bushels of white and 100 bushels of red sold at 70c per bushel; 300 bushels of goose sold at 85c.

Barley—The market is steady; 800 bushels sold at 50c per bushel.

Oats—Were a little firmer; 800 bushels selling at 35c to 35½c per bushel.

Hay—Traffic is opening up the country roads, and today about 20 loads of hay were offered at the market. Prices were firmer than yesterday, selling at \$15 per ton. Mixed or clover was steady at \$6 to \$6 per ton.

Straw—Trade was dull. There were no receipts and prices remain as quoted.

Dressed Hogs—Receipts are fair, but not large. Prices are firm but unchanged at \$7.15 to \$8 per cwt.

East Buffalo Cattle Market.

East Buffalo, Jan. 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 500 head; slow and 10c to 15c lower; real steady; tops, \$9 to \$9.75; common to good, \$5.50 to \$5.75. Hogs—Receipts, 6,400 head; active; light grades, \$5.50 to \$5.75; heavy, \$5.50 to \$5.75; mixed, \$5.50 to \$5.75; Yorkers, \$5.50 to \$5.75; pigs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; roughs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; stags, \$5 to \$5.25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 14,000 head; steady; top lambs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; culls to good, \$5.50 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.25; ewes, \$4.25 to \$4.50; sheep, top mixed, \$4 to \$4.25; culls to good, \$2 to \$3.50.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 25,000; slow and 10c to 15c lower; real steady; tops, \$9 to \$9.75; common to good, \$5.50 to \$5.75. Hogs—Receipts, 6,400 head; active; light grades, \$5.50 to \$5.75; heavy, \$5.50 to \$5.75; mixed, \$5.50 to \$5.75; Yorkers, \$5.50 to \$5.75; pigs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; roughs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; stags, \$5 to \$5.25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 14,000 head; steady; top lambs, \$5.50 to \$5.75; culls to good, \$5.50 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.25; ewes, \$4.25 to \$4.50; sheep, top mixed, \$4 to \$4.25; culls to good, \$2 to \$3.50.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Closing previous day. Closing today.

	Cash.	May.	Cash.	May.
Chicago	80½	71	81½	71½
New York	80½	71	81½	71½
Toledo	80½	71	81½	71½
Minneapolis	80½	71	81½	71½
Detroit	80½	71	81½	71½
Duluth	80½	71	81½	71½
Milwaukee	80½	71	81½	71½
St. Louis	80½	71	81½	71½

British Markets.

Liverpool, Jan. 14.—Opening—Wheat, spot firm; No. 1 standard California, per cental, 6s 8½d; Walla, no stock; No. 2 red winter, 6s 10½d to 6s 2d; No. 1 northern Manitoba, 6s 5½d to 6s 6d; futures steady; March, 6s 2d value; May, 6s 1½d value. Corn, spot steady; per cental, old nominal, new 4s 11d to 4s 12d; futures steady; March, 4s 4d value; May, 4s 2½d value. Flour, Minneapolis, 25s 3d to 25s 4d; standard California, per cental, 6s 8½d; Walla, no stock; No. 2 red winter, 6s 10½d to 6s 2d; No. 1 northern Manitoba, 6s 5½d to 6s 6d; futures steady; March, 6s 2d value; May, 6s 1½d value. Corn, spot steady; per cental, old nominal, new 4s 11d to 4s 12d; futures steady; March, 4s 4d value; May, 4s 2½d value. Flour, Minneapolis, 25s 3d to 25s 4d; standard California, per cental, 6s 8½d; Walla, no stock; No. 2 red winter, 6s 10½d to 6s 2d; No. 1 northern Manitoba, 6s 5½d to 6s 6d; futures steady; March, 6s 2d value; May, 6s 1½d value.

London, Jan. 14.—Opening—Wheat, on passage, firm for white, dull for red; cargoes about No. 1 California, iron, passage, 30s 8d paid net; Walla, iron, white, December, 25s 3d sellers; La Plata, f.o.t., steam, loading, 25s 3d sellers; No. 1 hard Manitoba, January, 30s 4½d paid; wheat parcels No. 1 hard Manitoba, on passage, 80s paid. Corn, on passage, rather easier; parcels mixed American, January, 21s 3d paid; February, 21s 3d paid. Corn, spot quotations, American mixed, 23s 6d new. Flour, spot quoted, Minneapolis, 25s 3d new. Wheat steady.

Mark Lane Market—Wheat, foreign and English quiet. Corn, American firm at an advance of 3d; Danubian, firm at an advance of 2d. Flour, American firm and rather dearer. Flour, English firm.

Paris, Jan. 14.—Wheat, tone firm; January, 22½ 30c; May and August, 22½ 30c. Flour, tone firm; January, 22½ 30c; May and August, 22½ 30c. French country markets firm.

Paris—Close—Wheat, tone quiet; January, 22½ 30c; May and August, 22½ 30c. Flour, tone quiet; January, 22½ 30c; May and August, 22½ 30c.

Mrs. Wedder has re-married her first husband after having been divorced and then buried two others. Well, the first shall be last, you know.

Yeast—I see a Philadelphia composer has written a quickstep.

Crimsonbeak—Yes, and I hear they are using it in Chicago for a funeral march.

AN OBJECT LESSON

In a Restaurant.

A physician puts the query: Have you never noticed in any large restaurant at lunch or dinner time the large number of hearty, vigorous old men at the tables; men whose ages run from 60 to 80 years; many of them bald and all perhaps grey, but none of them feeble or senile?

Perhaps the spectacle is so common as to have escaped your observation or comment, but nevertheless it is an object lesson which means something. If you will notice what these hearty old fellows are eating you will observe that they are not munching bran crackers nor gingerly picking their way through a menu card of new fangled health foods; on the contrary they seem to prefer a juicy roast of beef, a properly turned loin of mutton, and even the deadly broiled lobster is not altogether ignored.

The point of all this is that a vigorous old age depends upon good digestion and plenty of wholesome food and not upon dieting and an endeavor to live upon bran crackers.

There is a certain class of food cranks who seem to believe that meat, coffee and many other good things are rank poisons, but these cadaverous, sickly looking individuals are a walking condemnation of their own theories.

The matter, in a nutshell, is that if the stomach secretes the natural digestive juices in sufficient quantity any wholesome food will be promptly digested; if the stomach does not do so, and certain foods cause distress one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal will remove all difficulty because they supply just what every weak stomach lacks, pepsin, hydro-chloric acid, diastase and nux.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do not act upon the bowels and in fact are not strictly a medicine, as they act directly upon the food eaten, digesting it thoroughly and thus giving a much needed rest and giving an appetite for the next meal.

Of people who travel, nine out of ten use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, knowing them to be perfectly safe to use at any time and also having found out by experience that they are a safeguard against indigestion in any form, and eating as they have to, at all hours and all kinds of food, the traveling public for years have pinned their faith to Stuart's Tablets.

All druggists sell them at 50 cents for full sized packages and any druggist from Maine to California, if this opinion we asked, will say that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the most popular and successful remedy for any stomach trouble.

You think my play won't be popular because it has only two acts, do you? M'm—not with the men. You see there aren't enough acts for them to go out between.

To Increase Your Appetite.

Nothing will stimulate a keen, healthy relish for food, insure good digestion and perfect assimilation like Ferrozene, which is the most successful tonic and health renewer known to medical science. Ferrozene is a positive cure for Anemia, Impure Blood, Boils, Pimples, Indigestion, Dyspepsia and all Stomach and Bowel troubles. Ferrozene cleanses, strengthens and purifies the blood, it invigorates the nerves, banishes sickness and pain, and makes ailing people well. Try a box or two of Ferrozene, the result will be a surprise. Price 50c. at Druggists, or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Hamilton's Pills Cure Constipation.

He (at a swell restaurant) — You may have anything on the bill of fare, dearest. Shall I read it to you?

She—No, darling. Just read it to the waiter.

Stomach and Bowel Troubles

A promptly satisfactory cure for Cramps, Colic, Indigestion, Heartburn, Biliousness, Sick Stomach and Summer Complaint, is a few drops of Nerviline in sweetened water. Nerviline at once relieves pain and suffering, eradicates the cause of the trouble and cures permanently. Polson's Nerviline is the best general purpose remedy for internal pains known; it acts so quickly that no household should be without it. Buy a 25c. bottle of Nerviline to-day, it's all right.

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KING EDWARD OF ENGLAND.

In that eclipse of noon when joy was hushed,
Like the birds' song beneath unnatural night,
And terror's footfall in the darkness crushed
The rose imperial of our delight,
Then, even then, tho' no man cried, "He comes,"
And no man turneth to greet him passing there,
With phantom heralds challenging renown
And silent-throbbing drums,
I saw the King of England, hale and fair,
Ride out with a great train through London town.

Unarmed he rode, but in his ruddy shield
The lions bore the dint of many a lance,
And up and down his mantle's azure field
Were strewn the lilies plucked in famous France.
Before him went with banner floating wide
The women breed that served his bonnet or best,
And mixed with these knights of noble blood,
But in the place of pride,
His admirals in billowy lines close abreast
Conveyed him close like galleons on the flood.

Full of a strength unbroken showed his
And his brow calm with youth's unclouded dawn,
But round his lips were lines of tenderer grace
Such as no hand but Time's bath ever drawn.
Surely he knew his glory had no part
In dull decay, nor unto Death must bend,
Yet surely too of lengthening shadows
With sunset in his heart,
So brief his beauty now, so near the end,
And now so old and so immortal seemed.

O King of men that dies, tho' we must fall
O King of men that lie, tho' we must fall
Thy life is breathed from thy triumphant sea.
O man that servest men by right of birth,
Our heart's content thy heart shall also keep,
Thine too, with us shall one day lay thee down
In our dear native earth.
Full sure the King of England, while we sleep,
Forever rides abroad through London town.
—Henry Newbolt, in Independent.

JOKES OF THE DAY.

Some Rather Good Ones From Britain and Australia.

Hard of Hearing—Curate (for third time to very deaf parishioner).—I say what induced you to send for me? Deaf Parishioner—What's he say, Margaret?—He says, why the deuce did you send for him?—Moonshine.

First Hunting Man. — So I hear you're engaged to three girls at once, Tomson. You'll find it rather difficult to get out of it. Second Hunting Man—No-o-o, I shan't. The real difficulty will be how to keep it going!—Pick-Me-Up.

Violet—I never had such a streak of luck. He fell in love in Rome, proposed in Naples, and bought the ring in Paris. Daisy—Did your luck end there? Violet—Oh! no. While we were at Monte Carlo he won enough from papa for us to get married on—Illustrated Bits.

Profession Again.—Patient—I can't possibly put any flesh on what do you recommend? Doctor—What are you? Patient—An actor. Doctor—Here's sixpence, go and get a meal.—Moonshine.

A Secret of the Sea.—Passenger—Look here, Steward, if this is coffee, I want tea; but if this is tea, then I wish for coffee.—Punch.

Bobby—What's a despot, pa? Pa—A despot, my boy? Oh, a ruler whose authority is unlimited, and who does just as he likes without consulting anybody. Bobby—Is mamma a despot, then?—Judy.

Spectator—Well, a man needs patience when the fish ain't biting. Angler—Yes, but if this is tea, then I wish for coffee.—Punch.

Mother—No, Johnny, you have had pie enough. Johnny—Mother, it is impossible to have enough of your pie! (He got another piece.)—Sydney Town and Country Journal.

Did the sermon produce much effect? Well, it was followed by what you might call "a great religious awakening." — Melbourne Weekly Times.

Swindler—I've embezzled ten thousand pounds. Can you clear me if I'm prosecuted? Lawyer—Yes, if you haven't spent the money.—Melbourne Weekly Times.

"What is heredity, mamma?" asked the little girl, spelling the word out through her falling tears, and waiting to write down the meaning. "It is, my dear, how shall I explain it?—Oh," said the mother, "something you get from your father or me." And the small child wrote down on her paper of home lessons: "Heredity—spanking." — Sydney Town and Country Journal.

"Why should victory always be represented by a female figure?" you don't see the appropriateness now, but you aren't married yet." — Melbourne Weekly Times.

She—He thinks she could learn to love him. He—And she does not? She—Well, she thinks it will be easier for him to learn that she can't.—Melbourne Weekly Times.

Pigeon Flies 1,100 Miles.

The exhibition of racing pigeons at the Royal Aquarium, London, included 113 homers, the largest number ever shown at a single exhibition in England. The birds that completed in the recent Trans-Alpine race from Rome attracted much attention; the difficulties of their long flight may be appreciated by the fact that only 10 per cent. of the pigeons entered in the race succeeded in reaching home. The world's champion, which has flown from Lisbon to Brussels, a distance of 1,100 miles, was on view, as well as the double-breasted champion, who has won the 600 mile race from the Shetland Islands two years in succession. This bird holds the record for a speed of fifty miles an hour.

The Subtle East Indian.

It is told of an East Indian law student that he once threw his examiners into confusion by declaring matrimony to be an illegal state. "How so? How so?" he was asked by the perturbed examiners, many of them married men. The student smiled beatifically. "Marriages," quoth he, "is a lottery, and lotteries are forbidden by law."

SHE FOUND RELIEF

When She Tried Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets—Hamilton Woman's Pleasant Experience.

Have you the blues? Does your head ache, and have you a presentiment that the whole world is against you? Does everything seem to be going wrong and life generally appear to be a fight that is entirely too hard for you?

It's all your stomach! It needs to be rested and toned up and put in condition to do its work properly. Once it is right everything else will be right.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets will put it right. Here's the testimony of one who knows, because she has tested them. Listen to the story of Juliana Sandburg, of 221 John St. North, Hamilton.

"For over six years," she says, "I had been troubled with Dyspepsia and Headaches. Nothing I ate would agree with me. I tried several medicines and I could not get any cure. I was advised to try Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets and I did so. Almost as soon as I started using them I found relief and I was soon completely cured."

Thousands of others tell the same story. Why be blue when cheerfulness is within your reach?

I have seen many opportunities to get rich, but see me, still poor. Why did you not grasp them? The people who had them would not let go, sir.

Putting food into diseased stomach is like putting money into a pocket with holes. The money is lost. All its value goes for nothing. When the stomach is diseased, with the allied organs of digestion and nutrition, the food which is put into it is largely lost. The nutriment is not extracted from it. The body is weak and the blood impoverished.

The pockets can be mended. The stomach can be cured. That sterling medicine for the stomach and blood, Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, acts with peculiar promptness and power on the organs of digestion and nutrition. It is a positive cure for almost all disorders of these organs, and cures also such diseases of the heart, blood, liver and other organs, as have their cause in a weak or diseased condition of the stomach.

A man cannot live a broad life if he runs only in one groove.

INWARD AND OUTWARD.

The inward effects of humors are worse than the outward. They weaken all the organs, inflame the mucous membrane, cause catarrhal troubles, and endanger the whole system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla eradicates all humors and cures all their effects. It's the great alternative and tonic medicine whose merit has everywhere been established.

Accept no substitute.

Do you think the gals oughter propose, Sally?

No; but I tink dey oughter accept.

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