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Bad for the Skin. Savoy's Magazine. An Episcopal clergyman of Cincinnati was being shaved by a barber who was addicted to occasional sproes. The razor manipulator cut the parson's face quite considerably. "You see, Jackson, that comes from taking too much drink," said the man of God. "Yes, sah," replied Jackson, "it makes de skin very tendah, sah. It do for a fack."

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A Married Man's Musings. Courtship is poetry; marriage, first year, blank verse; after that, prose. After a while every married man comes to be a firm believer in mind reading. Along about this time the new leaves we turned over recently begin to fly back. Where there's a will there's a way to break it—unless it's a woman's will. It was said of a certain great man that he could be silent in seven languages. It is rarely that a woman performs one-seventh of this feat.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

C. C. RICHARDS & CO. Dear Sirs,—For some years I have had only partial use of my arm, caused by a sudden strain. I have used every remedy without effect, until I got a sample bottle of MINARD'S LINIMENT. The benefit I received from it caused me to continue its use, and now I am happy to say my arm is completely restored. R. W. HARRISON, Glamis, Ont.

Sandals the Latest Fad! Sandals, designed for ladies' evening wear, says the Queen, have already appeared in the shop windows, and will doubtless ere long be seen in the drawing room. A west-end bootmaker recently exhibited a pair of sandals he had made for a customer, which would have graced the feet of a Roman empress. The boot expert believes that the sandals has come to stay, and that the shoe, which has held sway for over twelve centuries, is at last threatened with a rival.

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WHEN WARD ACTED CHEROKEE

Here is a story of Artemus Ward which has never been in print. It was told to me by one of the veterans, who years ago was sent as ambassador from the United States to a prominent country in Europe. Artemus was lecturing in a western city, and two prominent society young men invited him to a little supper after the discourse was over. It was nearly 2 o'clock in the morning when his hosts turned out into the silent and deserted streets to escort Artemus to the hotel where he was staying. The humorist was feeling pretty brisk and he stopped suddenly on the pavement and gravely said: "Did you ever hear me give the Cherokee war-whoop?" His companions admitted they had not that pleasure. "Well," said Artemus, "I think I can walk the whole town, although I am not sure of arousing the more distant suburbs," and with that he sent forth an ear-piercing yell that made the sleeping city in its immediate neighborhood think the Day of Judgment had come. As the echoes of the appalling war-whoop died away, shrill policemen's whistles were heard in various directions, whereupon Artemus turned, deserted his two comrades and ran like the warrior he had imitated. Before the two young men could gather their wits a policeman appeared out of the darkness and arrested them. "Drunk and disorderly and disturbing the peace," said the officer; "make no resistance or it will be the worse for you." And then he blew his whistle again to summon help in case the two should turn upon him, which they had not the slightest intention of doing, but they were thunderstruck at the prospect of spending the night in the cells and having their respectable names in the papers next morning. They swore to the policeman that they had not intended the shriek that had startled anybody as he seemed to suspect, and the lobby sarcastically advised them to try that story on the magistrate in the morning. As they perished there, a tall, dignified gentleman in evening dress strolled along. "What is the trouble, officer?" asked the newcomer in a most urbane tone of voice. "Drunk and disorderly," repeated the policeman. "Oh, I beg your pardon," said the stranger, "but I know these gentlemen and can vouch for their sobriety and respectability." "And who the deuce are you?" asked the officer, not too well pleased at the interruption, yet somewhat mollified by the politeness of his interlocutor. "I am Mr. Artemus Ward," replied the other. "I lectured last night before some two thousand of your best citizens at the Opera House, and among my audience I understand as your own chief of police, so if you wish me to accompany you to the station I shall be most happy to do so." The policeman dropped his hand from the shoulder of the future ambassador, for he had seen the name of Artemus Ward on the boardings in letters three feet long, and he had a deep respect for any man who could have his name printed in such gigantic form. "Oh, if you know the man, sir, I will let him go, and I won't run them in, but who is thundering out that blood-curdling screech? Did you hear it, sir?" "I did," admitted Artemus, suavely, and, furthermore, not five minutes since a man ran down in the direction from which I came as hard as he could go. I believe that he was the disturber of the peace." "Ah, well," said the official, with a sigh of relief, "what'll be the man, had luck to him, and he'll run right into the arms of Mulligan, for that's 'on Mulligan's beat. Good morning to you, gentlemen, and my best apologies to the three of you." "The mistake was quite pardonable," said Artemus, with his most distinguished bow, and he led his bewildered friends away.—Robert Barr in Saturday Evening Post.

"If No One Ever Marries Me." (By a Bachelor. With Apologies.) If no one ever marries me— And they don't seem very keen, For I can't pretend I'm handsome, And my purse is rather lean— No one ever marries me. I'll get along all right— I shall play at golf the whole day through, And at bridge the livelong night. I shall have a little sailing yacht, And a motor all my own, And I shan't be plagued with children's bills For things that they've outgrown. And when I'm sick of everything, And dull as dull can be, I shall think how glad I've made some girl Who didn't marry me. —Punch.

Good Sense and God's Grace. I have peered into quiet parlors, where the carpet is clean and not old, and the furniture polished and bright into rooms where the chairs are neat and the floor carpetless; into kitchens where the family live and the meals are cooked and eaten, and the boys and girls are as little as the sparrows in the thatch overhead, and see that it is not so much wealth and learning, nor clothing, nor servants, nor toil, nor idleness, nor town, nor country, nor station, as tone and temper, that render homes happy or wretched. And I see, too, that in town or country good sense and God's grace make life what no teachers, or accomplished men, or means or society, can make it—the opening stars of an everlasting path to the fair beginning of an endless existence; the godly, modest, well-proportioned vestibule to a temple of God's building that shall never decay, wax old, or vanish away.—Dr. John Hall.

Never get between a dog and his bone or between a man and his hobby.

SOFT CORE

Like the running brook, the red blood that flows through the veins has to come from somewhere. The springs of red blood are found in the soft core of the bones called the marrow and some say red blood-also comes from the spleen. Healthy bone marrow and healthy spleen are full of fat. Scott's Emulsion makes new blood by feeding the bone marrow and the spleen with the richest of all fats, the pure cod liver oil. For pale school girls and invalids and for all whose blood is thin and pale, Scott's Emulsion is a pleasant and rich blood food. It not only feeds the blood-making organs but gives them strength to do their proper work. Send for free sample. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto, Ont. and 400; all druggists.

A Woman of Forty-five is young and lovable nowadays, but she is at the threshold of the time of rheumatism, lumbago and neuralgia. SHE SHOULD KNOW that there is one sure and true relief for her, giving relief almost the instant the first spasm is taken, and driving out the last of the disease in one to three days. The Great South American Rheumatic Cure does it. Miss M. C. Kennedy, Toronto, writes: "Before taking South American Rheumatic Cure, I was unable to put my feet on the floor and could not obtain relief from the doctor who attended me, 'til after taking it I recovered completely." THE GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE is invaluable to women especially. Relieves pain in urinary organs in six hours, and effects a cure, a permanent cure, very quickly. 12

The Lesson Comes Too Late. Pearson's Weekly. Helene—Mamma says we shouldn't eat too much. Archibald—But it doesn't feel like too much until afterward.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contains Mercury as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold for the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by druggists. Price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

French Dried Beef. Put into a saucupan full enough cold water to cover it, one quarter-pound of finely shaved dried beef. Let come to a boil, then drain off and add one level tablespoonful of butter and two smokes of paprika. Have ready on a hot platter a half dozen nicely broiled mushrooms. Put on each of these a smudge of paprika, and a few drops of lemon juice. Sprinkle over these the beef and gravy.

Tired of the Bishop. "Mother, I am tired; can't the Little go to heaven now?" said a little girl, during one of Dr. Wainwright Ingham's sermons. The authority for this beautiful legend is the Bishop of London himself. If Bishops are allowed such anecdotal license, remarks the London News, the more hymn can hardly resist the temptation to report—or even to invent—stories of the kind. For instance, there is the story of the little boy who desired in his soul to be devoured by a lion. When asked why he desired this, he declared to his mother, the lion would think he had me in his belly, while really I should be in heaven." The excited notion of becoming the king of beasts was quite sufficient to allure to counter-balance the trifling reward of martyrdom by mastication.

Don't Monkey with a Cough. Just a little tickling cough may not suggest any trouble but it is often the forerunner of very serious lung disease. Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum soothes and heals the irritated membrane and the cough passes away. Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum is a carefully compounded preparation and is a specific remedy for all throat and lung affections. 25 cents a bottle. One bottle will demonstrate its virtue. Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum of Philadelphia Record. Mrs. Muggins—How did you break your husband of swearing? Mrs. Buggins—I gave the alarm clock away and had the telephone taken out.

WATCH THE ORCHARDS.

Official Instructions for Spraying for the San Jose Scale. Trees must be thoroughly pruned, and all rough bark and lichen removed. Have a sufficient supply of materials on hand, and a proper pump for applying it. Do not spray the trees while wet. Thoroughness in preparation and treating are imperative. Soap must be used white hot, 2 1/2 pounds to the gallon, and applied very thoroughly after the insects are over and before the buds open. Fish oil will emulsify with 1/2 pound of soap to the gallon of oil, and will take the place of soap. Crude petroleum, undiluted, should be applied with a very fine Vermorel nozzle, and every part of the tree covered with the least possible quantity of oil. Crude petroleum, diluted, must be applied with a reliable combination pump and a medium sized nozzle, in the proportions indicated by the size of the air chambers which must be tight, and the plungers packed so hard that the pump works stiffly. Crude petroleum will emulsify with 2 1/2 pounds of soap to the gallon of oil. Use 1 in 5 in winter, and 1 in 10 in summer. The nozzle should not be too fine. Kerosene will emulsify with 1/2 pound of soap to the gallon of oil, and is recommended only for summer work. 1 in 5 to 1 in 8, say 1 in 6 for apple, pear, plum, and 1 in 7 for peach trees. Apply with a rather coarse nozzle in bright, dry, sunny weather. In preparing emulsion, the soap and water must be thoroughly mixed, added to the oil, and the agitation continued slowly while the cold water is being added. Soft water is always best for emulsions. Any good force pump is suitable except for mechanical mixtures. While in use the pumps should be cleaned each night to prevent corroding and clogging of the attachments. The valves should be provided with a first-class equipment is necessary. The valves should act promptly, and hold all they get. The hose should be heavy enough to give sufficient pressure to the nozzle, and be long enough to allow the operator privilege in reaching every part of the tree. The extension pipe should be in sections, 15, 30 and 60 inches, joined with couplings. This will give seven convenient lengths, suitable for any work, and when all are in use makes a pipe nine feet long. Every extension pipe should be provided with a stop-cock. The nozzle may have direct oblique or lateral discharge, according to the work in hand. An oblique discharge may be secured by attaching an ordinary nozzle to a short piece of pipe which has been bent to an angle of 45 degrees, and a lateral discharge by attaching an elbow and nipple to a straight pipe. The advantage of direct discharge in treating all sides of a limb and every portion of the tree will be better understood when tried.

LAUNDRESS' LAMENT.

Bless my heart! Why was I ever born? Telling and mending from morning till night, and never a rest! If man was made to mourn, what was a laundress made for—certainly not to sing. My hands are nearly charred off working in filthy suds, washing other people's clothes, and other people's floors. No wonder soapmakers give prizes with their soaps. Those who use some of the soaps deserve prizes. I would rather do without the prizes and have a whole skin. And as to the mites' part of the bargain—imagine rubbing ten dollars' worth into the value of five dollars, and then getting a fifty-cent prize for doing it? It makes one laugh—that is, if you haven't to pay for it. But I cannot laugh at my sore hands. Well, well, I suppose what cannot be cured must be endured. "Hello, Mary! what's the matter, you seem out of sorts?" "Out of sorts, Margaret, I should think I am. Life is a burden." "Oh, nonsense, Mary, you have a fit of the blues—it will soon pass off." "The blues might pass off, Margaret, if that were all; but my poor sore hands and aching back remain." "Why, sakes alive, Mary, what has put your hands in that state? What hard thick knuckles you've got, and how ragged your nails are, too!" "Hard knuckles and ragged nails! Bah! What is that to me, I wish you heard the grumbling I have to stand about hard knuckles and ragged clothes after I have washed them. Hard knuckles and ragged nails are not my only troubles." "Yes, but why should the flames or your knuckles be hard, or your nails or skin be cut up in that way?" "Why, surely you know, Margaret, you do washing as well as I." "Yes, but I hear no grumbling, and see my hands, they are as soft and fresh as any lady's." "Why, so they are, Margaret; now, how is that?" "I tell you what, Mary, you want to have a doctor's advice." "Oh, the doctor may cure my hands, but he won't mend the clothes or soften the flames." "Oh, yes, he will." "A doctor mends clothes and softens flames! You always would have your little joke, Margaret." "Seriously, Mary, I am not joking, and I will tell you a secret. Have you ever heard of Sir Charles Cameron? Well, he is one of the highest authorities in England. He was President of the Royal College of Surgeons, and has a whole string of letters at the end of his name. Well, I read a simple statement he made one day, and it cured me of sore hands, hard knuckles, aching back, softened flames, and prevented the wrinkles going so soon to tatters." "What a funny doctor, and what was it you read?" "He said there was something he used himself, and he recommended it to women when washing clothes, and I said to myself, I will try that. I found out that Queen Victoria herself used the same in her castles in England, and that further convinced me. You know, Mary, the people have a means of knowing things that we poor people take years to find out." "Well, what did Sir Charles Cameron say?" "Well, it was simply this: 'I have carefully analyzed specimens of the Sunlight Soap. The points in this soap that are most valuable are its freedom from free alkali, the large percentage of fatty acids which it contains, and the purity of the materials employed in its preparation. I employ the Soap, and from my actual experience of it can strongly recommend it.' "I have myself found from experience—and it stands to reason—that soaps loaded with alkali must ruin the hands and destroy the clothes." I found there was no sense in burning my hands during the day and rubbing glycerine on during the night. They never get time to get better. Sunlight Soap being made from pure oils and fats cannot hurt the hand or the clothes. Imagine the foolishness of rubbing the adulteration of common soaps into the skin and into the clothes, and then having to wash out not merely the original dirt of the clothes, but the soap adulteration as well—that is, washing dirt with dirt. Simple Simon could scarcely do worse." "Oh, Margaret, I wish I had known of this before. My hands might have been like yours to-day. I will try it in my next washing." "Oh, Mary, and be sure it is Sunlight Soap, and ask for the Octagon bar. It is an ideal shape for the laundry. And just a word before I go, Mary, if you find that your grocer does not keep Sunlight Soap you have only got to send his name and address to Lever Brothers Limited, Toronto, and they will send you a sample of Sunlight Soap without cost." "Now—this is absolutely a fact, and it means in every-day language that the skin cannot be hurt even if it is very sensitive, when it is washed with Sunlight Soap, because this soap is made from oils and fats pure enough that there is no danger of that burning sensation that is caused by alkaline soaps."

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Germany and Venezuela. Germany's trade with Venezuela is trifling in amount. The statistics for five years show that but one-fifth of 1 per cent. of Venezuela's exports were to Germany, and but one-tenth of 1 per cent. of her imports came from that country.

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