



Speaking Of Soda Water

Have you ever had a drink at our fountain? If not you have missed something delightful.

Our Soda Water is

Pure, Cool, Refreshing, Delicious. All the best Soda Drinks. The latest Fancy Soda Drinks. And Medicinal Drinks.

Central C. H. Gunn & Co.
Phone 106
Cor. King and 5th

Radley's Drug Store
Removed near door to Geo. E. Young's Grocery, opp. the Standard Bank.

Radley's Stomach and Liver Pills
The Best Antibilious Pills in Use. Cure Dyspepsia and all Stomach and Liver Complaints. Have you ever tried them? There is nothing better.

RADLEY'S DRUG STORE
VACUUM OIL

Makes Machinery Run smoothly and cheaply. Saves wear and tear and fuel. Made by the Vacuum Oil Co., under the Vacuum process.

*** FARMERS ***
Insist upon your dealer furnishing Vacuum American Fuel. Take no other.

Canadian Office and Works
VACUUM OIL CO.
40 Esplanade East, Toronto

You Can Wish
For nothing handomer and cheaper in fact, including all good qualities that are desirable in footwear than the PRINCE \$3.00 SHOE. In fact it is as stylish as any \$4.00 shoe in the market.

—AT THE—
SIGN OF THE BIG CLOCK
A. A. JORDAN

Do You Realize?
That in THREE MINUTES you can do business with

QUEBEC
MONTREAL
TORONTO
HAMILTON
LONDON
DETROIT
BUFFALO
CHICAGO
BOSTON
NEW YORK
PHILADELPHIA

and a thousand other places in Canada and the United States by Long Distance Lines of

The Bell Telephone Company

DAILY DELIVERY
BEST QUALITY
FAIR PRICE

Gorrie's
High size **5C** Broad
Gorrie's
DAILY DELIVERY
BEST QUALITY
FAIR PRICE

GERHARD HEINTZMAN
Pianos
Canada's Greatest Piano Makers—Send for Catalogues and Prices.
B. J. WALKER
62, Osselle Ave.
Winnipeg

Mimard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

THE CHINESE CRISIS.

LI HUNG CHANG STATES HIS VIEWS OF THE PRESENT SITUATION.

Foreign Influences Not Wanted—The Civilized World Warned by the Greatest Chinese Statesman. That China Cannot and Shall Not Be Dismembered.

Li Hung-Chang, the most powerful statesman in China and one of the most important men in the world today, has expressed his views on the present Chinese crisis in the New York Sunday Journal. One thing he makes clear is that the Chinese will fight hard against the partition of their country by foreigners. The representative to whom Li Hung-Chang gave his ideas was M. Eugene Wolff, the well-known explorer. He was passing through Canton with a well-known French physician whom Li asked to examine his sick grandchild. M. Wolff found Li Hung-Chang living in a small wooden house situated in one of the least fashionable quarters of Canton. At the entrance a doorman was sleeping behind a green wooden screen such as we see in ordinary barrooms. A porcelain vase filled with high grass stood at each side of the main portals. High grass keeps evil spirits away from the house.

A courtyard paved with red bricks and about 25 feet in length by 12 broad led to the reception room. This, too, proved to be a very ordinary apartment. Instead of paintings there were three unframed pictures hanging on the wall. On the mantel or what served for one was a perfume lamp between two thin candlesticks. The furniture, a round table, four chairs, three easy chairs and a small sofa, also two footstools, were old and partly covered with faded green plush. The frames were of mahogany.

The floor was covered with matting, and from the ceiling hung a cage containing canary birds. To complete the picture of affected poverty the week's wall was swinging from lines drawn along the outside gallery of the apartment. In such mean surroundings lives China's greatest statesman, her Croesus of Croesus, owner of every foot of railway and telegraph line in the empire, owner of the richest mines, the most powerful banks, of limitless domains and coolies without number. They say that Rothschild would die with envy if he knew the extent of Li's wealth, yet to contradict the accusations of his enemies the viceroys live like a small merchant, spending his declining days in modest comfort after working hard for a competency.

Li Hung-Chang entered the reception room after M. Wolff, leaning on the shoulders of a tall manservant. He was dressed in a tunic of yellowish white linen, with a belt of the same kind held together by a white metal clasp. His mauve colored silk pantaloons were fastened over white woolen stockings by black ribbons. He wore black velvet half shoes with felt soles. Here sits the great viceroy's words.

"The powers regard China as a pie from which they intend to cut themselves slices according to their appetites. Big guns give no title to the possession of a country. The will of the people is that title. The Chinese, remember that, want to remain Chinese. Our views on life differ as much from yours as heaven and earth. In our country the individual man lives and works for his family; in your country he lives and works for the state."

"Because we are essentially a family loving people we detest war and are frightened at the prospect of any change that may take a man out of his proper sphere, from his home, from the ground he tills."

"We have troubles of our own. We have an ample sufficiency of them and don't want any social question in China. Can you blame us for that? In the countries of the great powers, and the small powers, too, the social question is the nucleus of the most far-reaching troubles that comfort the governing classes. In all the European empires the social question predominates. I ask you, can you honestly advise us to bury our curses with such an octopus simply because it is the fashion?"

"You complain that we are adverse to foreign influences, but forget that at the very beginning of our intercourse with civilization 30,000 Chinese settlers were murdered on the island of Luzon in one week. The Spaniards did that, and I assure you this massacre encouraged us in no way to open our doors to you 'civilizers'. Why should you regard us as 'savages' anyhow? You throw up to us the murder of white men within our borders. Is murder unknown in Europe and America? You speak of the persecution of Christians. Well, let us assume that a couple of hundred of our Buddhists went to your country to convert your people and to preach, for instance, that unless they want to be eternally damned they must refuse to submit to compulsory army service merely because the new religion they imposed upon them says so."

"Your missionaries ask our people every day in the year to break the laws of this country and to refrain from obeying the laws. As to the persecution of Christians, our Government has never engaged in any nor encouraged any. Christians have been killed just as Chinese are killed in San Francisco, New York, in the Dutch West Indies and where not? We employ no missionaries, no proselyte makers of any kind. We are not proud, but we are too smart to prescribe to anybody the fashion in which he should pray to God. We never asked a living being to worship as we do. One of the most pernicious and dangerous of your idiosyncrasies is to ask and force people to subscribe to a certain mode of worship. We never do that."

"You charge us with being double tongued, with playing you false in the matter of politics. What are you doing? One great nation after the other comes along and with a knife at our throat wants to rob us. As long as we feel the point of

the steel we say, of course, what you want us to say, but when the danger is over we conveniently forget all about the incident. That has been the fashion in diplomacy from time immemorial. It's done in all countries. Here is one example of many: By the peace of Frankfurt the republic of France ceded Alsace-Lorraine to Germany. If she were strong enough to-day to reconquer these provinces, would she respect her contract? It's the same thing with the provinces which Europe took away from us. There is only one redeeming thing about it, the envy with which the powers regard each other saves us from being victimized to a greater extent, for you hate each other more than we hate you."

"You criticize our sullen attitude. Do you expect us to make love to you because you robbed us? Ah, we know your programme well enough. The north for Russia; a good part of the south and central China for England, the rest for France and Germany. So it has been planned. We are to retain nothing, everything for the foreigners, nothing for the Chinese. But one can't do away with 500,000,000 people by a stroke of sleight of hand. It may not be very difficult to do that, but to conquer us will be a hard job, I assure you. It's like eating a real Chinese meal. A courageous European or American may tackle it, but I doubt that he will digest it."

HOW CHINESE USE THE BIBLE.

Explanation of a sudden demand for the Bible in the Missionary Society.

"What becomes of all the Bibles that go to China? used to be a standing puzzle to the missionaries. A Chicago preacher as he discussed the Boxers, says The Chicago Inter-Ocean.

"A few years ago," he continued, "there went up a great cry for 'missionary Bibles' in the Flaming Kingdom. The Bible society was extremely gratified. The demand was unprecedented and thousands of dollars were spent in sending them nice red morocco Bibles."

"This sort of thing went on for a long time, but the number of native converts did not increase accordingly. The missionaries investigated. What do you suppose they discovered?"

"That they used the Bibles for gunwadding?"

"No. They made firecrackers of them. Practically all the nicely printed Bibles that we were sending over there were rolled up in nice little rolls, a page at a time, and made into firecrackers. The Chinese make firecrackers at home, for an ingredient in the powder is gunpowder. They were getting free cut a considerable figure with them. But it taught us a celestial lesson, as I might say."

Clothes and Character.

It is certainly true that our children's character is affected by their clothing. Carlyle in his 'Sartor Resartus' had something to say of the philosophy of clothes. To him they were the symbol of something higher. There is much to be considered besides 'style' in dressing our children. It is less important that they follow the fashions of the shop windows than that they are trained to know how to dress. The ethics of dress is a subject worthy of a mother's study. The proportion of one's income to be spent on a child is often wrongly divided. Its education suffers because a cheap school is chosen rather than a more expensive and better one. Its collection of books is meager. Children's books are so dear. Even its health is made to suffer because board in the country is too dear. Yet there is always money for clothes. The 'best' hats of the children of the middle class are almost always fragile, their shoes and stockings often of delicate colors, their frocks piled with yards of lace—all absolutely out of keeping with the other belongings of the family—Harper's Bazar.



A Contented WOMAN

isn't contented simply because she uses SURPRISE Soap; but the use of this soap contributes largely to her contentment. In proportion to its cost, it's the largest factor in household happiness.

It is pure, lasting and effective; it removes the dirt quickly and thoroughly without boiling or hard rubbing.

SURPRISE is a pure hard Soap.

BACKACHES

Most women complain of backaches. They are tired because they work too much; from early morning till late at night. Thousands of women have been cured of Backaches and other symptoms of a similar character, by the use alone of Dr. Coderre's Red Pills. This is gospel truth. We do not claim that they will cure everything, but simply female troubles, and these they will cure more quickly and more cheaply than any of the old-fashioned liquid remedies. We ask those ladies who doubt what we say to write to any of those whose testimonials we publish.

Mrs. H. M. Mathewson, 21 Wilson Street, Providence, R. I., writes—
"I was suffering from a most severe case of female weakness. I had backaches and womb troubles. I could get nothing to ease me until I used Dr. Coderre's Red Pills for Pale and Weak Women and I am today a healthy woman. I am pleased to recommend this remedy to all suffering women."

Mrs. C. B. Elliott, 23 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, Mich., writes—
"I used to suffer terribly from backaches. My system was completely run down. I was weak, always tired and discouraged until I took Dr. Coderre's Red Pills, which cured me and made me a new woman. I will never be without them again, as I find them cheap and very reliable."

Mrs. E. Angers, 705 N. Van Buren St., Bay City, Mich., writes—
"I am more able to do my work to-day than I have been for years. The main cause of my trouble was my kidneys and terrible backaches. Dr. Coderre's Red Pills are the remedy that has cured me. I have tried many other cures, but all without effect. I was surprised at the good this remedy has done me and I am pleased to recommend it to all sick women."

Mrs. Chas. Ostan, 75 Lake Avenue, Manchester, N. H., writes—
"When I began to take Dr. Coderre's Red Pills I had not much faith in them. A friend recommended them to me. How I wish I had known this remedy before. I had to work in the mill and I was suffering from female weakness in the worst way. I am today cured and am gaining in flesh. My appetite is good and I am much stronger."

Women who will keep on suffering when such a remedy exists can surely have no excuse. Dr. Coderre's Red Pills are for women only and are only intended for legitimate use. They are not intended for any bad purpose. We refer all ladies who have been suffering for years to our celebrated specialists who will be pleased to send them such advice as they require; or, if possible, they are invited to call at our offices. The consultation is free and the advice given is the best that the greatest experience on the continent can guarantee.

Send us your name and address and we will mail you free our Doctor's book, Pale and Weak Women. We call your attention to the fact that Dr. Coderre's Red Pills are not a purgative. If you are constipated, and wish to get the best results from the Red Pills, take Dr. Coderre's Purgative Tablets, and you will be surprised at the results.

Dr. Coderre's Red Pills are sold by all first class druggists at 50c. a box or six boxes for \$2.50. We mail them all over the world upon receipt of price. Beware of all red pills sold by the dozen, the hundred pills, or at 25c. a box, for they are not ours; they are imitations. In the interest of your health do not be imposed upon.

Write or come and see our Doctors at either of the following offices, open every day until six o'clock, Sundays excepted.

THE FRANCO AMERICAN CHEMICAL CO.
Boston, Mass. office: 107 Tremont St. Montreal, Can. office: 184 1/2 St. Denis St.

For Sale by J. H. Gunn & Co., Chatham.



PERSONALITIES.

Bethany college, in Kansas, has conferred the degree of LL. D. on Representative Deliver of Iowa.

Louise Chandler Moulton, the poet, has sailed for Europe, where she will spend the summer in travel.

Charles S. Wilbur, the New York supervisor of the census, was the first to send in his completed returns to Washington.

Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay will spend the summer at their country place on the shores of Lake Superior, New Hampshire.

Captain S. E. White of Columbia, S. C., an old Confederate soldier, will erect a monument to the dead Indians who helped the Confederate cause.

George W. Watts of Durham, N. C., has given \$30,000 to the Presbyterian Union Theological seminary at Richmond. It is his fourth large gift to the institution.

Professor J. Hendrik Withersdrink of the University of Leyden, who came to this country to observe the eclipse, is in facial characteristics the counterpart of Governor Roosevelt even as to mustache and eyeglasses.

J. B. Pioda, the Swiss minister at Washington, gave a public lesson in democracy the other day when he stopped his carriage to get some soda water and brought out a glass of the beverage to the coachman.

One of the first alienists to sit in the house of commons is Sir J. B. Duke, who has just been elected to represent Edinburgh and St. Andrew's universities. He is of the opposition and one of the greatest living authorities on mental diseases.

There is a story in the senate that General Hawley, speaking for 10 or 12 minutes in a short speech, once spoke 225 words a minute. The average speed of senators in dictating letters is only 100 a minute and in addressing the senate only 110.

Police Judge McAuley of Kansas City, who not long since won some attention by declaring in favor of a law to compel women to wear short skirts on the street, has added to his fame by imposing a fine of \$500 on a man who stood on a street corner and tried to flirt with the telephone girls when they came out of the central office.

Baden-Powell was nearly lost to the British army six years ago by reason of regulations. He was rapidly approaching the time limit at which majors, unless specially nominated for command, have to take a retiring allowance. Fortunately for him trouble broke out in Asia, and he was one of the first to be selected for the staff.

Admiral Dewey, the hero of Manila, possesses a novel 'family' as he calls his collection of photographs of babies that have been named 'George Dewey', after him, and whose pictures fond parents send to him in Honolulu.

The Koran, the Bible of the Moslems, is a compound of quotations from, among other sources, the Old and New Testament, the Talmud, and the Gospel of St. Barnabas. It is not older than the seventh century of the Christian era.

CALEDONIAN GAMES

CHATHAM

ATHLETIC GROUNDS
Monday, August 13th

—ALL THE BEST—

Athletes, Pipers and Dancers

OF AMERICA WILL COMPETE.

A GRAND SCOTCH CONCERT

WILL BE GIVEN IN THE EVENING BY THE

METROPOLITAN BAND OF DETROIT

AND DANCING COMPETITION FOR CHIEF CHARTER'S MEDAL.

Afternoon Admission 25c. Children under 14, 15c.

Evening Admission 50c. Children under 14, 10c.

Stands 10c extra. JAS. McLAHLAN, Secretary.

Steel Rods, Split Bamboo, Trolling Spoons

AND

FISHING TACKLE

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS AT

John A. Morton's

For a SUMMER CRUISE take the

COAST LINE TO MACKINAC

NEW STEEL PASSENGER STEAMERS. SPEED, COMFORT AND SAFETY.

To DETROIT, MACKINAC, GEORGIAN BAY, PETOSKEY, CHICAGO

Four Trips per Week Between

Toledo, Detroit and Mackinac

PETOSKEY, PETOSKEY, PETOSKEY

LOW RATES to Petoskey, Mackinac and Return, including meals and berths. Agents: Agents for Cleveland, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Subscribe Now.