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### **EDITORS MAIL**

We are not responsible for opinions expressed by writers under this head- utter them whether or not they ing. Correspondents would oblige by related to myself. The jury evident writing legibly, and on one side of ly believed Dr. Bell's denial of the the paper only, name ,and address statements he was charged with must always be sent. Correspondence should be as concise as possible.

> Newcastle, N. B. February 7, 1923.

Dear Sir:

As my case versus Dr. Bell has since the trial been referred to your paper, I find that a wrong construction has been placed upon the fact that Dr. Bell has been successful in the suit. I wish to lay the facts before the public.

I was called to prescribe for the late Mrs. Vautour and did prescribe for delibilty, following grippe. About a fortnight after wards, I was called up by telephone very ill and suffering from distressing prolonged attacks of hiccough, and I was asked to prescribe remedy, but I was not asked to go because I confine my work to office consequently 1 prescribed Elixir of Benzyl Benzocate, and the directions I gave were placed upon the bottle, namely twenty to forty Mrs. drops in plenty water, repeat in one hour if needed, then every three

This medicine was prepared in Chicago, and put up in a two ounce Mr. Morris, the Druggist who filled the prescription, previously sold out of the bottle one ounce of its contents and he sent the remaining ounce in the original bottle with its own tabel still attach

On the original bottle the firm's label is as follows: From twenty drops to two teaspoonfuls (or 120 had been taken from the bettle exdrops) to be taken in water or milk, repeat in one half hour or in hour. The druggist's label which called for only twenty or forty drops was at least formed pasted over the firm's label.

Miss Yvonne Vautour, the daughter of Deceased, administered to patient three doses of the medicine at intervals of two hours, giving in the three doses altogether



medicine was given after ten o'clock at night.

During the night Mrs. Vautour

worse and an effort was nade to obtain a phosician and Dr. Bell responded arriving about seven in the morning. He stated in his vidence that he found the patient in an unconscious condition and inquired as to medicine she had aken, and be understood Vautour to say that her mother had taken over one-half bottle in the three doses, and Dr. Bell not being familiar with the medicine he smelled it and considered from the odor some Prussic Acid derivative. then told some members of family that he was of the opinion she had been poisoned.

Before bringing action, I had been informed that Dr. Bell had made statements at the house of Deceased she was poisoned, and that that were most damaging and

Dr. Bell denied on oath that had used any such language. Subscription price in Canada and being under the impression that Mrs ous as a rule.

Dr. Bell gratuitously called in the coroner Dr. Desmond, to investigate the case and to decide upon the cause of death. Dr. Desmond went to the house of deceased to make inquiries, and found that Mrs. Vautour died from natural causes.

Dr. Bell at the trial when pressed on cross-examination admitted oath that he was not familiar with the medicine, and was wrong in impression that the medicine caused the death.

Bell as a witness, and he swore that the medicine could not cause the prescribed doses, and he stated that such a suspicion could only be entertained by the Doctor ignorance of the character of the medicine.

The presiding Judge Chandler told the jury in his charge that there was no evidence whatever that the medicine did or could produce poison ing, that the medicine was absolute-

harmless and the whole bottle if en could not have had any rious effect.

The only points left to the jury were whether Dr. Bell had uttered the slanderous words, and if he did (not necessarily for publication) making. I dld not begin this action from any mercenary motive. I simply wanted my course to be simply wanted my course to vindicated and so far as this purpose is concerned. I have been entirely successful. There is one whether the jury believed Dr. Bell or inv witnesses. Mrs. Young, Mrs. Boudreau and Mr. Vautour, husband of Deceased Mrs. Vautour, is matter that I anyway care very little about. I will not discuss Dr Bell's conduct towards me or the correctness of the view taken by the jury as to whether or not Dr. Bell uttered the alleged slanders. If the public are interested in the matter,

they can weigh the facts for themselves. The only comment I shall make is this, that the people, the relatives of the Dsceased, and Vautour was poisoned and Dr. Bell is a responsible for causing this impression to be created, whether through the medium of the language charged or any other language. Another thing is clear that Dr. Bell knew when he expressed the suspicion that Vautour had been poisoned that there were only three people who could reasonably be connected

with the poison, first; myself, prescribed the medicine, second druggist who filled the prescription, and third the innocent young daughter who waited upon her mother. He himself has now exonerated me, and his witnesses have now exonerated what I prescribed and that bottle had the dose upon it limited ed as it came from the Chicago to twenty or forty drops, exoneratme. The fact that the medicine was

ed the druggist, and the fact that only one teaspoonful of the medicine onerates the daughter. The only one who comes out of the unexonerated is Dr. Bell, who hastily ignorance it may have been) that the medicine was poisonous, and who the before expressing his suspicions had not enquired as to what this medi-

cine really was. M. J. de OLLOQUI, M. D.

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## SON IS BORN TO PRINCESS MARY

Londan, Feb. 7-Princess Mary e of Viscount Lascelles, oirth to a son tonight.

The bulletin announced that Prin ess Mary's son was born at 11.15 o.m. The Princess and infant are enorted to be in excellent condi-

The marriage of Princess Mary aughter of the King and Queen of Great Britain, to Viscount Lascelles ook place at Westminister Abbey Feb. 28 last year. The wedding was nade the occasion of a regal cere nony, in which all the world interested.

Princess Mary was the first of the children of King George and Queen ary to enter into the married state and this is the first grandchild of he British Royal House.

#### APPOINTMENT

Mr. William J. Black of Lower Derby has been appointed a Provincial Constable.

KINDLY REMIT YOUR SUBSCRIP TION TO THE ADVOCATE

St. John, N.B.—The Canadian Pa-fic freighter, "Bolingbroke" re-ently brought from London the cently brought from London the largest import cargo to reach St. John since the war. She was crammed to the hatches with more than 4,700 tons of general merchandise. Capt. E. Landy, who is in command, said that he had never carried a more valuable cargo and expressed great satisfaction that not a single package had been lost. Included in the cargo were silks and other value the cargo were silks and other valuable dress goods, dry goods of various descriptions, perfumes and many other expensive commodities. A cargo of this kind makes lots of work for the longshoremen.

Vancouver.-Carrying a record shipment of Canadian apples to the Orient the Canadian Pacific 16,850-ton liner, "Empress of Asia" re-

past shipments have found that the apples are as fresh as if taken apples are as Iresh as II taken from the tree. This is partly due to the fact that at this time of the year the perishable cargo only gets one day of tropical heat during the whole voyage across. The "Asia" took ap voyage across. The "Asia" took ap proximately 350 tons of this comnedity in her holds, the largest consignment of apples to go through the Narrows this season for the

St. John, N.B.—Figures compiled at C. P. R. headquarters show that the port of St. John has handled very much more freight to January

year.

Exports totalled 260,472 tons of all classes of freight handled by the C. P. R. officials through this port since the beginning of the winter port business. Last year during the same period 146,393 tons passed through St. John; showing an increase of 114,079 to date for the present year.

present year.

Last year's import business during the same period totalled 27,692, while this year 28,832 tons of import freight have been recorded, an increase of 1,140 for the present winter port season.

The total increase in both export

and import business for the port's business to date shows 115,219 tons over that handled during the same period a year ago.

Victoria.—Just what use to make of the forty-foot Indian war canoe presented the Canadian Pacific Company by the Alert Bay Indians is a problem that is giving Capt. J. W. Troup, manager of the B. C. Coast Service, considerable thought. Chief Johnsie, of the Alert Bay tribe, came down in persent to make the gift to the Canadian Pacific afficials, and in his native tongue expressed the appresent

# Develop Your Will

and they can be cured as easily a physicial ones. Will power is men tal health. You can develope it by definite exercise just as you would develop the muscles of your back In "The Way to Will Power," Mr. Henry Hazlitt sets forth some rules for this purpose.

The first rule he gives is this:-Before you make any formal resolu tion whatever, make certain that you genuinely wish to carry it out. Let there be no doubt that the end you have in view is so desirable or

vantageous that it will outweigh all desires or all other ends that are likely to be foregone or abandone in order to attain it. In short, be sure you are willing to pay the price'

Second rule-"Once you have made your decision, having coldly decided that that is what you want and that you are willing to pay the price, your decision is forever beyond dispute You should never ask yourself again whether it is really worth while stay ng at home to study for a specified number of evenings each week whether a man who has resolved to stop drinking can really do so with out blowing to pieces; whether smok ing is really harmful as you had hought it was; whether a man in moderate position, without so many responsibilities and burdens on hi shoulders, doesn't really get just as much enjoyment out of life as the

## Paint Glowing Pictures

"Those questions are forever clos ed, you have asked them before an you have decided them. You will know that thoughts determine action, and to control your actions you will begin by controlling your thought. You will vivify all the advantages that will come from will paint them in glowing colours. You will dwell on them constantly. The disadvantages you will ignore. They are disadvantages only to fools: wise man does not think them so." Third rule-"Concentrate on the positive end; avoid the negative. Fill the mind with the positive idea of your resolve, and you will carry it diving board the colder the water

And another rule-"Never defy temptation-evade it."

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matter of asking for a raise." says Mr crastination comes mainly from that you expect to win in the future, Hazlitt. "You think you are worth habitual weaknes. We might just and concentrate only upon the preas well possess habitual strength. been waiting long enough for the we are nursing day after day. The only way!" chief to find out, but the chief has omnipresence of habit is almost terproved either singularly stupid or rifying when one reflects upon it From the minute a man stops his mined either to enlighten him or to alarm on one morning till he stops it uplift him spiritually. Your mind habit controls him. It dictates and in the head" will find that the asse actions. And nine-tenths of the habits up a week ago, you haven't asked him of most men are formed unconsciousyet because on one day you had a ly. It is astonishing that men should nountain of work that had to be leave this thing to chance when it shovelled out of the way, and on the determines the very texture of their

mood. In fact, you will tell yourself cuse! Self-deception could not posonly tell yourself, when temptation last, but that the last time was the view, when you have fully determin- last! If you could only repeat that off getting up in the morning, or your attention to rivet on that fact. tting off diving into cold water if you can only realise that the whole force of your will and moral effort. must be summoned now and not at some vague time in the future, if you can burn into your mind this battle, seems to get, the more terrifying this inward struggle against temptabecomes the height at which you tion, is the only real and crucial one; if you can forget about the moral "This spirit of vaciliation and pro- struggles won or lost in the past or sent battle, then truly you will be on It all depends upon the habits which the way to will-power. And it is the

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Dated at Newcastle, N. B. February 8th, 1023

Newcastle, N. B.