

Sparkles.

MRS. GREENE: "Timothy, what have you done with the letter that was lying on the bureau?" Timothy: "I put it in the letter-box, ma'am." Mrs. G.: "Oh! provoking! Didn't you see there was no address on the envelope?" Timothy: "Yes, ma'am, but I thought you didn't want nobody to know who you was writin' to."

TIME and labour saved by the use of PYLE'S PEARLINE. Sold by grocers everywhere. Beware of cheap imitations on by the vile imitations in the market.

"THE teacher wanted to box my ears, this morning," remarked Johnny Fizzletop. "How do you know he wanted to box your ears?" asked his mother. "If he hadn't wanted to box my ears, he wouldn't have done it, would he, eh?"

"I WONDER what Mrs. Fangle named her baby Lucy for," remarked Mrs. Snags; "none of her relatives have that name." "Named it Lucifer, did she?" replied Snags. "Very appropriate, I'm sure. She expects the girl to make a match some day."

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BE ON YOUR GUARD.—Against sudden colds, irritating coughs and soreness of the throat. Keep Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam at hand for these prevalent troubles of Fall and Winter.

INVALID wife (to husband): "The doctor tells me that I ought to have a change of climate." Husband (hopefully): "All right, my dear. I see by the 'probabilities' that we are going to have colder weather with snow, followed by warmer weather with rain."

MRS. IKENSTEIN: "Ron mit der doctor kervick, Solomon! Ter paby ish swallow a silver tollar!" Mr. I.: "Was it dot von I field on ter table?" Mrs. I.: "Yes, dot vos id; hurry mit der doctor!" Mr. I.: "Don'd ged excited, Rajel, it vas gounder-veid."

THE greatest consolation to one growing old, is the improved surroundings which come with age, experience and wisdom. We are reminded of this fact by the appearance of the new Seed Annual of J. M. Ferry & Co., the celebrated seedsmen of Detroit, Mich. (They enjoy the enviable reputation of being the widest and best known firm in any business in the United States.) Millions of people, gardening for both profit and pleasure, have found ever increasing satisfaction and delight in using their seeds. Every one desiring seeds of the highest type and best quality, should secure their Annual. It is sent free on application.

WIFE: "I don't see how you can say that Mr. Whitechoker has an effeminate way of talking. He has a very loud voice." Husband: "I mean by an effeminate way of talking, my dear, that he talks all the time."

SURE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM.—If the system is properly cleansed by some medicine that acts upon the bowels, kidneys and skin, such as Burdock Blood Purifier, and the sufferer will use Hagyard's Yellow Pills according to directions, there are few cases of rheumatism, however bad, but will yield promptly to the treatment.

ESTELLE: "And you are going to leave me so soon, Augustus?" Augustus: "My love, I would willingly give ten years of my life if I could stay longer. But if I don't go, I shall be fined to cents for being late at our debating society."

POVERTY AND DISTRESS.

That poverty which produces the greatest distress is not of the purse but of the blood. Deprived of its richness, it becomes scant and watery, a condition termed anemia in medical writings. Given this condition, and scrofulous swellings and sores, general and nervous debility, loss of flesh and appetite, weak lungs, throat disease, wasting of blood and consumption, are among the common results. If you are a sufferer from thin, poor blood employ Dr. Fierce's "Golden Medical Discovery," which enriches the blood and cures these grave affections. Is more nutritive than cod liver oil, and is harmless in any condition of the system, yet powerful to cure. By druggists.

SHAMEFUL ABUSE

HEAPED UPON A NOTED ENGLISHMAN FOR HIS OPEN HONESTY.

WM. ED. ROSSON, M.D., L.R.C.S.I., M.K.Q.C.P.I., late of the Royal Navy of England, has got into professional trouble for writing the following open letter to the editor of the London Family Doctor:

"I believe it to be the duty of every physician to make known any means or remedy whereby sickness can be prevented, and it is for this purpose I write to give my experience both here and abroad. I ask the publication of the statement that people may be warned before it is too late, to say to them that there is at hand a means by which they may be restored to perfect health. It is well known to the medical world, and indeed to the laity, that a certain disease is making a terrible havoc; that next to consumption it is the most fatal, and that when fully developed there is nothing that can be done for the sufferer."

"Physicians and scientists have long been trying to throw light upon the cause, and if possible, find in nature a medicine for this fatal malady. They have shown, absolutely, that the blood-purifying organs of vital importance are the kidneys, and that when they once fail, the poison which they should take out of the blood is carried by the blood into every part of the body, developing disease."

"In my hospital practice in England, India and South America, and also while a surgeon in the Royal Navy of Great Britain, I gave a great deal of attention to the study of diseases of the kidneys and urinary organs, and found that not only was the cure of chronic Bright's Disease hopeless, but that kidney disease was remarkably prevalent; much more so than generally known, and was the cause of the majority of cases of sickness, and further that the medical profession has no remedy which exerts any absolute control over these organs in disease."

"Some time ago when I had a case which resisted all regular treatment,—which is very limited,—complicated with the passing of stones from the kidneys, much against my will I permitted my patient to use Warner's safe cure, of which I had heard marvelous results. In his case the result was simply marvelous, as the attack was a severe one, and development very grave, for an analysis showed per cent. of albumen and granular tube casts."

"The action of the medicine was singular and incomprehensible to me. I had never seen anything like it. The patient recovered promptly, and is to day a well and healthy man. This stimulated my inquiry into the merits of the remedy, and after analysis I found it to be of purely vegetable character, harmless to take under all circumstances."

"Casting aside all professional prejudice I gave it a thorough trial, as I was anxious that my patients should be restored to health, no matter by what medicine. I prescribed it in a great variety of cases, Acute, Chronic, Bright's Disease, Congestion of the Kidneys, Catarrh of the Bladder, and in every instance did it speedily effect a cure."

"For this reason I deem it my duty to give to the world this statement regarding the value of Warner's safe cure. I make this statement on facts I am prepared to produce and substantiate. I appeal to physicians of large practice who know how common and deceptive diseases of the kidneys are, to lay aside professional prejudice, give their patients Warner's safe cure, restore them to perfect health, earn their gratitude, and thus be true physicians."

"I am satisfied that more than one-half of the deaths which occur in England are caused, primarily, by impaired action of the kidneys, and the consequent retention in the blood of the poisonous urea and kidney acid. Warner's safe cure causes the kidneys to expel this poison, checks the escape of albumen, relieves the inflammation and prevents illness from impaired and impoverished blood. Having had more than seventeen years' experience in my profession, I conscientiously and emphatically state that I have been able to give more relief and effect more cures by the use of Warner's safe cure than by all the other medicines ascertainable to the profession, the majority of which, I am sorry to say, are very uncertain in their action."

"Isn't that a straightforward, manly letter?"

"Indeed it is."

"Well, but do you know the author has been dreadfully persecuted for writing it?"

"How so? What has he done to merit it?"

"Done? He has spoken the truth 'out of school' and his fellow physicians, who want the public to think they have a monopoly in curing diseases, are terribly angry with him for admitting professional inability to reach certain disorders."

"That letter created a wonderful sensation among the titled classes and the public. This jarred the doctors terribly. The College of Surgeons and Queen's College, from which institution he was graduated, asked for an explanation of his unprofessional conduct, and notified him that unless he made a retraction they would discipline him."

"The doctor only replied that he allowed his patients to make use of Warner's safe cure only after all the regular methods had failed, and when he was satisfied that there was no possible hope for them. Upon their recovery, after having used Warner's safe cure, he was so much surprised that he wrote the above letter to the Family Doctor. He regretted that the faculties had found fault with his action in the matter, but he could not conscientiously retract the facts as written to the Family Doctor."

"The faculties of both colleges replied that unless he retracted they should cut him off, which would naturally debar him from again practising his profession, and also prevent his securing another appointment in the Royal Navy!"

The illustrious doctor's dilemma is certainly an unpleasant one, emphasizing, as it does, both his own honesty, and the contemptible prejudice and bigotry of English medical men. The masses, however, having no sympathy with their nonsense, kept on using the remedy he so highly recommends and get well, while the rich and able depend upon prejudiced doctors and die!

"Is it correct to say, 'I put up at the X—Hotel?' inquired one travelling man of another. "No." "What ought I to say?" "I put up with the X—Hotel would be about the thing."

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YOUNG woman (at the Park Menagerie): "And what is the name of that odd-looking bird, papa?" Papa: "That's a stork, my dear." Young woman (surprised): "Are you sure? I have always supposed that storks have but one leg."

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