

THE agents for dime-museum freaks should go to Duval county, Fla., where it is reported that the officers elected will be half white and half colored.—*N. O. Picayune*.

THE PREMIUM PLATE.—A very large number of old subscribers are sending for the "Horse Fair." This picture, as is universally the case with premiums, was intended to stimulate new subscriptions. We have, however, arranged to accommodate present subscribers by giving the picture to all who pay to the end of 1889, and enclose 25 cents for expenses. This will give to all the average footing of new subscribers. But many send the 25 cents and forget the other part of the condition. Be kind enough to read our offer at the foot of the advertisement.

TO THE DEAF.—A person cured of Deafness and noises in the head of 23 years' standing by a simple remedy, will send a description of it free to any person who applies to Nicholson, 177 McDougal Street, New York.

#### ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25c. a bottle.

"I 'STUMPED' all through the late campaign," said the one-legged man. "And I," said the one-armed politician, "made a few 'off-hand' speeches."—*Norristown Herald*.

#### EVAN MCCOLL.

CANADA'S "good grey poet," Evan McColl—a new edition of whose works, complete to the present year, has just been published—honored GRIP's sanctum with a brief visit the other day. It is a benediction to meet this sterling patriot, who, with the weight of eighty-five laborious years upon his shoulders, is as bright and active as many men of thirty. His fine intellect—and how fine it is can best be judged by a perusal of the work just referred to—is to-day in full vigor, and never was he more full of enthusiasm for the sacred cause of Liberty than now. Though of Scottish birth, Mr. McColl has every claim to count himself a Canadian, the greater part of his long life having been spent in this land, whose natural beauties and national interests have furnished the main inspiration for his muse. And he is a citizen we may all be proud of—a good man, as well as a genuine poet. Perhaps in no way could this appreciation be shown more suitably or more acceptably to himself than in a wide demand for his book, and it is well worthy a place in every Canadian home. Copies may be had through any bookseller, or by addressing the author himself at Kingston, Ont. The price is \$1.25.

"It is a fact that many of the best proprietary medicines of the day," said the late Dr. J. G. Holland, in *Scribner's Magazine*, "are more successful than many physicians, and most of them were first discovered or used in actual medical practice. When, however, any shrewd person, knowing their virtue and foreseeing their popularity, secures and advertises them, in the opinion of the bigoted, all virtue went

out of them." Failure of eyesight, fickle appetite, headache, extreme wakefulness, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, gradual failure of strength and dropsical swelling,—these are symptoms of kidney disease. If you neglect the symptoms, you will eventually have Bright's Disease. Warner's Safe Cure is the only specific which has ever been discovered for this disease. The late Dr. Dio Lewis, over his own signature, said: "If I found myself the victim of a serious kidney trouble, I would use Warner's Safe Cure."

COLD blustering weather is bad for chapped hands. Dyer's Cucumber and Rose Jelly will cure them immediately; try it. Druggists keep it. Wm. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

#### FOOD FOR REFLECTION.

THE *New York World* of February 9th, says:

"The question as to how much of what they pretend to know doctors really know, is a very interesting one.

"They possess exceptionally great facilities for humbugging, and the presumption is that they are not proof in most cases, at all times at least, against temptation to make use of them. Their profession comes as near being an esoteric one as any that is acknowledged to be respectable. But the revelation as to their views in the Robison arsenical poisoning cases in Boston is startling.

"There were five deaths from the drug, and the doctors in their certificates attributed them respectively to pneumonia, typhoid fever, meningitis, bowel disease, and Bright's disease of the kidneys. The truth would have never been known but for suspicions with which the doctors had nothing to do. There is food here for reflection—and for doctors."

The above criticism is fully warranted by the startling ignorance shown by the attending physicians in the Somerville Cases.

Too often it happens that fatal results follow an improper course of treatment—the physician treats the patient for consumption, general debility, or for nervous disorders, whilst the real disease, which is slowly destroying the kidneys and filling the system with a poison quite as deadly as arsenic, is altogether overlooked, or does not attract attention until too late.

Physicians too often treat the symptoms of the disease instead of the disease itself.

It is well established that four-fifths of the ordinary ills of humanity are the results of disease in the kidneys which will yield to the curative properties of Warner's Safe Cure, if timely used, and to it alone. What is apparently a disease in the other organs is more oftentimes a mere symptom of kidney disease, which should be quickly eradicated by Warner's Safe Cure before it secures too firm a hold on those organs.

NOTWITHSTANDING the superior conducting quality of steel, a man of steel is not regarded a desirable conductor.—*Burlington Free-Press*.

THE poetess who sings that she was "Kissed by the Waves," probably fell overboard near a mouth of the river.—*Binghamton Republican*.

WHEN a young miss owns Daisy for a name, she wishes at sixteen to be called Miss Smith. If she is unmarried at thirty, she prefers to be called Daisy.—*Cartoon*.

TEACHER—"Willie, what is the capital of Canada?"

WILLIE—"The money taken there by United States financiers and boodlers."—*Life*.

MR. KEELY has gone to prison for contempt. That's further than his motor ever went, and it is in greater contempt than Keely could possibly get.—*Washington Post*.

CONCERNING the Western drama, "Queen of the Plains," now at the Toronto Opera House, the *New York Journal* says: "Queen of the Plains" is drawing crowded houses at the Windsor, and Kate Purcell can justly be said to have made a hit with it. It is one of the few Western dramas that seems to meet all requirements, and the strong situations, uproarious comedy, and handsome stage settings, have surely "caught on."

A BOSTON woman who bought a carpet ten days ago in Chicago, sent it back yesterday. The pattern was so loud it woke up the baby.—*Life*.

YOUNG MOTHER—"Horror, Jane, the baby is trying to swallow a pin!"

NURSE—"It's all right, mum, it's a safety-pin."—*Philadelphia Record*.

#### CONSUMPTION CURED.

AN old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this receipt, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper. W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

#### NEAR THE L ROAD.

THERE can be no pleasant place to stop in New York than the well-known Sturtevant House, 29th and Broadway, New York. It is centrally located, and is conducted on both the American and European plans, at moderate prices.—*Times-Democrat*.

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