

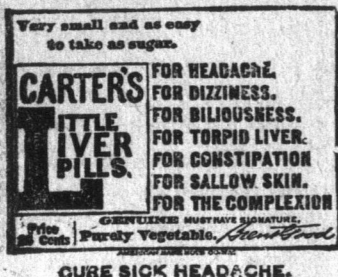
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## Old Hagar's Secret...

By Mrs. M. J. Holmes.

"I wish he would write something  
besides that," she thought, "for I  
remember him now altogether too  
much for my own good," and then  
she wondered "what he would have  
said that morning if she had not  
been so cross."

Very little was said to her of him  
by Madam Conway, who, having  
learned that he was not going to  
England, and would ere long return  
to them, concluded for a time to let  
the matter rest, particularly as she  
knew how much Maggie was already  
interested in one whom she had re-  
solved to hate. Feeling thus con-  
fident that all would yet end well,  
Madam Conway was in unusually  
good spirits, save when thoughts of  
Mrs. Douglas, Sr., obtruded them-  
selves upon her. Then, indeed, in a  
most unenviable state of mind, she  
repeated to the disgrace which Theo  
had brought upon them, and charged  
Maggie repeatedly to keep it a  
secret from Mrs. Jeffrey and Anna,  
the first of whom made many in-  
quiries concerning the family, which  
she supposed, of course, was very  
arbitrary.

One day toward the last of No-  
vember there came to Madam Con-  
way a letter from Mrs. Douglas,  
Sr., wonderful alike in composition  
and appearance. Directed wrong  
side up, sealed with a wafer, and  
stamped with a thimble, it bore an  
unmistakable resemblance to its  
writer, who expressed many regrets  
that "she had not known in the  
time on't who her illustrious visitors  
were."

"If I had known," she wrote, "I  
should have set the table in the  
parlor, for though I'm plain  
and homely, I know as well as the  
next one what good manners is, and  
do my endeavors to practice it. But  
do tell a body," she continued,  
"where you was, mister day in  
Wooster. I knocked and pounded  
enough to raise the dead, and no-  
body answered. I never noticed you  
was dead when you was here, though  
Betsy Jane thinks she did. If you  
be, I'll send you up a receipt for a  
kind of intiment which Miss Sam  
Babbitt invented, and which cures  
everything."

"Theodosy has been to see us,  
and though in my way of thinking,  
she ain't as handsome as Margaret,  
she looks as well as the generality  
of women. I liked her, too, and as  
soon as the men's winter clothes is  
off my hands, I calculate to have a  
quiltin', and finish up another bed-  
quilt to send her for, making  
George has furnished up his rooms  
with all sorts of nicknacks, and got  
only two blankets and two Marsales  
spreads for his bed. So I've sent  
'em down the herin' bone and risin'  
quilt for everyday wear, as I  
don't believe in usin' your best  
things all the time. My old man  
says I'd better let 'em alone; but  
he's got some queer ideas, thinks  
you'll sniff your nose at my letter,  
and all that, but I've got more  
charity for folks, and well I might  
have been' that my name."

CHARITY DOUGLAS.  
To this letter were appended three  
different postscripts. In the first  
Madam Conway and Maggie were  
cordially invited to visit Charlton  
again; in the second Betsy Jane  
sent her regrets; while in the third  
Madam Conway was particularly re-  
quested to excuse haste and a bad  
pen.

"Disgusting creature!" was Madam  
Conway's exclamation, as she finish-  
ed reading the letter, then, tossing  
it into the fire, she took up another  
one, which had come by the same  
mail and was from Theo herself.

## Tortured with Pain. Too Weak to Work.

ULCERS, BOILS AND PIMPLES  
ALL OVER HER BODY

Such was the condition of Mrs. Samuel  
Deitz, Zurich, Ont.

She happily found relief from her  
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A remedy without a rival for the cure of  
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blood. A record extending over a quarter  
of a century and thousands of testimonials  
will prove this. Mrs. Deitz writes: "Too  
weak to work, tortured with the pain of  
ulcers, boils and pimples all over my body  
especially on my face. I had almost made  
up my mind to give up trying to have them  
cured. I was ashamed to have any person  
come to see me, my face was in such a  
terrible state. I tried everything I could  
think of but got worse and worse. I was  
then led to try Burdock Blood Bitters and  
was surprised at the wonderful change the  
first bottle made. Altogether I took seven  
bottles and am now completely cured and  
am in perfect health again. I feel that  
B.B.B. saved my life."

## Feet and Ankles Swollen Could Not Sleep at Night.

Backache and Kidney Trouble  
the Cause.

## Doan's Kidney Pills

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Had Failed.

These Wonderful Kidney Pills will Cure  
the Most Obsolete Cases of Kidney  
Trouble If Only Given a Fair  
Trial and Used According  
to Directions.

Read what Mrs. Geo. H. Alward,  
Whites Point, N.B., has to say about  
them: "This is to certify that I have  
used Doan's Kidney Pills for pain in the  
back and kidney trouble and I do most  
gratefully recommend them to any person  
suffering in this way. I was so bad with  
kidney trouble that I could not get around  
the house. My feet and ankles were so  
swollen and painful that I could get no  
rest day or night. I tried several remedies  
but could get no relief whatever until a  
friend advised me to try Doan's Kidney  
Pills. I soon perceived a decided change  
for the better and had only taken two  
boxes when I was able to do my house-  
work again, and three boxes made a com-  
plete cure."

Doan's Kidney Pills are 50 cts. per box,  
or 3 for \$1.25, all dealers or

THE DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO.,  
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After dwelling at length upon the  
numerous calls she made, the parties  
she attended, the compliments she  
received, and her curiosity to know  
why her grandmother came back that  
day, she spoke of her recent visit in  
Charlton.

"You have been there, it seems,"  
she wrote, "so I need not particu-  
larize, though I know how shocked  
and disappointed you must have  
been; and I think it very kind in you  
not to have said anything upon the  
subject, except that you called there,  
for George reads all my letters, and  
I would not have his feelings hurt.  
He had prepared me in a measure  
for the visit, but the reality was ev-  
en worse than I anticipated. And,  
still, they are the kindest-hearted  
people in the world, while Mr. Dou-  
glas is a man, they say, of excellent  
sense. George never lived at home  
much, and their boathouse ways  
mortify him. I know, though he ne-  
ver says a word, except that they are  
his parents."

"People here respect George, too,  
quite as much as if he were a fit son-  
in-law, and I sometimes think they  
like him all the better for being so  
kind to his old father, who comes  
frequently to the store. Grandma,  
I begin to think differently of some  
things from what I did. Birth and  
blood do make much difference in  
this country, at least, and still I  
must acknowledge that I should feel  
dreadfully if I did not love George  
and know that he is the kindest  
husband in the world."

The letter closed with a playful in-  
sinnuation that as Henry Warner had  
gone, Maggie might possibly marry  
Arthur Carrollton, and so make  
amends for the disgrace which Theo  
had unwittingly brought upon the  
Conway line.

For a long time after finishing the  
above, Madam Conway sat rapt in  
thought, could it be possible that  
during all her life she had labored  
under a mistake? Were birth and  
family rank really of no conse-  
quence? Was George just as worthy  
of respect as if he had descended di-  
rectly from the Scottish race of Dou-  
glas, instead of belonging to that  
vulgar, warring race, the Carrolls?  
Arthur Carrollton, she may be so in  
America," she sighed, "but it is not  
true of England," and sincerely hop-  
ing that Theo's remark concerning  
Mr. Carrollton might prove true, she  
laid aside the letter, and for the re-  
mainder of the day busied herself  
with preparations for the return of  
Arthur Carrollton, who had written  
that he should be with them on the  
first of December.

The day came, and, unusually ex-  
cited, Maggie flitted from room to  
room, seeing that everything was in  
order, wondering how he would meet  
her, and if he had forgiven her for  
having been so cross at their last  
interview in the woods. The effect  
of every suitable dress in her ward-  
robe was tried, and she decided at  
last upon a crimson and black mer-  
ino, which harmonized well with her  
dark eyes and hair. The dress was  
singularly becoming, and, feeling  
quite well satisfied with the face and  
form reflected by her mirror, she  
descended to the parlor, where any  
her personal appearance were  
put to flight by Anna Jeffrey, who,  
with a feeling of envy, asked "if  
she had the scarlet fever!" referring  
to her bright color, and saying,  
"she did not think too red a face  
becoming to any one, particularly to  
Margaret, to whom it gave a blow-  
sy look, such as had more than once  
heard Mr. Carrollton say he did not  
like to see!"

Margaret knew well that the dar-  
k-browed girl would give almost any-  
thing for the roses blooming on her  
cheeks; so she made no reply, but  
simply wished Anna would return to  
England, as for the last two months  
she had talked of doing. It was  
not quite dark, and Mr. Carrollton,  
if he came that night, would be  
with them soon. The car whistle  
had sounded some time before, and  
Maggie's quick ear caught at last  
the noise of the bells in the dis-  
tance. Nearer and nearer they  
came; the sleigh was at the door,  
and, forgetting everything but her  
own happiness, Maggie ran out to  
meet their guest, nor turned her

glowing face away when he stooped  
down to kiss her. He had forgiven  
her ill-nature, she was certain of  
that, and very joyfully she led the  
way to the parlor, where, as the full  
light of the lamp fell upon him, she  
started involuntarily, he seemed so  
changed.

"Are you sick?" she asked, and  
her voice expressed the deep anxiety  
she felt.

Forcing back a slight cough and  
smiling down upon her, he answer-  
ed, cheerfully: "Oh, no, not sick.  
Canada air does not agree with me,  
that's all. I took a severe cold  
soon after my arrival in Montreal,"  
and the cough he had attempted to  
stifle now burst forth, sounding to  
Maggie, who thought only of con-  
sumption, like an echo from the  
grave.

"Oh, I am so sorry," she answered,  
sadly, and her eyes filled with tears,  
which she did not try to conceal,  
for, looking through the window  
across the snow-clad field on which  
the winter moon was shining, she  
saw instinctively another grave be-  
side that of her mother.

Madam Conway had not yet ap-  
peared, and as Anna Jeffrey just  
then left the room, Mr. Carrollton  
was for some moments alone, with  
Maggie. Winding his arm around  
her waist, and giving her a most  
expressive look, he said: "Maggie,  
are those tears for me?"  
Instantly the bright blushes stole  
over Maggie's face and neck, for  
she remembered the time when once  
before he had asked her a similar  
question. Not now, as then, did  
she turn from him away, but she  
answered frankly: "Yes, they are.  
You look so pale and thin, I'm sure  
you must be ill."

Whether Mr. Carrollton liked  
blowsy complexions or not, he cer-  
tainly admired Maggie's at that mo-  
ment, and, drawing her closer to his  
side, he said, half playfully, half  
earnestly: "To see you thus anxious  
for me, Maggie, more than atones  
for my waywardness when last we  
parted. You are forgiven, but you  
are unnecessarily alarmed. I shall  
be better soon. Hillsdale air will  
do me good, and I intend remaining  
here until I am well again. Will  
you nurse me, Maggie, just as my  
sister, Helen would do, were she  
here?"

The right chord was touched, and  
all the soft, womanly qualities of  
Maggie Miller's nature were called  
forth by Arthur Carrollton's falling  
health. For several weeks after his  
arrival at Hillsdale he was a con-  
firmed invalid, lying all day upon  
the sofa in the parlor, while Maggie  
read to him from books which he  
selected, partly for the purpose of  
amusing himself, and more for the  
sake of benefiting her and improv-  
ing her taste for literature. At oth-  
er times he would tell her of his  
home beyond the sea, and Maggie,  
listening to him while he described  
its airy halls, its noble parks, its  
shaded walks and musical fountains,  
would sometimes wish aloud that she  
might one day see that spot which  
seemed to her so much like paradise.  
He wished so, too, and oftentimes  
when with half-closed eyes, his  
mind was wandering amid the scenes  
of his youth, he saw at his side a  
queeny figure, with features like  
those of Maggie Miller, who each day  
was stealing more and more in-  
to his heart, where love for other  
than his nearest friends had never  
before found entrance. She had  
many faults, he knew, but these he  
possessed both the will and the pow-  
er to correct, and as day after day  
she sat reading at his side, he watched  
her bright, animated face, thinking  
what a splendid woman she would  
make, and wondering if an Ameri-  
can rose like he would bear trans-  
planting to English soil.

(To Be Continued.)

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That is Epidemic at This Season  
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The spring is here. You can feel  
it in every part of your body. Your  
clothes are too heavy and though  
you are not sick, you are too tired  
to walk, too tired to work, yes, even  
too tired to eat.

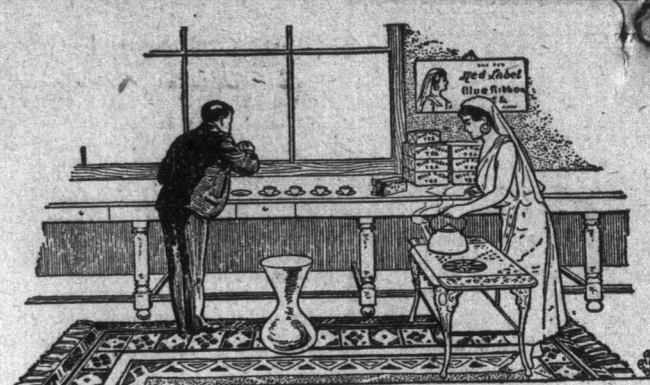
It's that "spring feeling."  
Do you know the cause of it? No,  
all you want to know is how to get  
rid of it. Well, the explanation and  
the cure are alike simple.

In the winter you "get used" to  
the cold, you think. As a matter of  
fact it is the body that gets pre-  
pared. It puts on a fortification of  
extra tissue that keeps the cold out.  
In the spring time this tissue is  
thrown off by the body and if the  
system is all in good working order,  
the blood carries away the cast-off  
tissue, which is in turn filtered out  
of the blood by the kidneys, and  
expelled from the body.  
This means extra work for the  
kidneys, and if they are at all tired  
or worn they fail in their work.  
The result is clogged circulation and  
that tired spring feeling.

The cure is to tone up the kidneys  
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Kidney Pills make healthy kidneys.  
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blood of all impurities and the  
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