

Itching

If there is one thing more than another which gratifies us, it is the great volume of hearty thanks which come from grateful parents for the cures Hood's Sarsaparilla has effected upon their children. The agency of despair turns to unspeakable joy as mothers and fathers see dreadful sores and eruptions gradually yield to the potent purifying power of this great medicine, and bright boys and girls given perfect health. Read this:

"When my baby was four weeks old, scrofulous eczema broke out on his body. He became literally covered with

Sores

When six months old the breaking out healed on his body, but his head, face and arms were a terrible sight. I passed many sleepless nights holding his little hands to keep him from scratching his face. I cannot tell what he suffered with the sores. One doctor attended him a year without avail. No one thought he would ever get well. He was almost a year old when I commenced to give him Hood's Sarsaparilla. He soon grew so much better that

Cured

I was able to rest at night. Gradually the sores on his head and arms healed, the burning and itching ceased, and he slept better. In a month he looked like another child, gained strength, was cured. I recommend all persons afflicted with eczema or any skin disease to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I feel assured that it will do wonders for others. I cannot praise it too highly for what it has done for my

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poor little sufferer. It is hard to believe he is the same child, he is now such a big, hearty, fat boy, a very picture of health. If more people would give Hood's Sarsaparilla to their children, there would not be so many poor, delicate little ones." Mrs. A. B. BAILY, Box 81, McVeytown, Pennsylvania.

This and other similar cures prove that

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists, \$1. Be sure to get Hood's and only Hood's. It is prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills

FOOLED THE HENS.

How an Ingenious Farmer Made His Chickens Hatch.

Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette. Miles Gearhart's hens were not hatched, and that being his only way of incubating he was quite at a loss to know how to increase his stock of poultry. Finally he struck on a unique plan, with flattering results. Selecting the biddies that did not lay and were inclined to hatch he made them a cross-fitting cap of heavy cloth, which completely blinded them and was impossible to shake off. When a chicken is blindedfolded it will squat down and stay there. Thus reasoning Miles Gearhart has set five hens, each day liberating them for food and exercise. To date three hens have brought out all the eggs entrusted to them except three and are proud of their families as though they voluntarily contracted them.

FORCE OF HABIT.

London People Have Become Used to the Great Specific Remedy.

London, July 6.—The dispatch from Detroit with reference to the cure from Bright's disease and blood poison of Mr. Langley, of this city, by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills, has recalled the wonderful facts of the case to the citizens, among whom Mr. Langley is well known. It has reminded them that Mrs. Langley among others also made a wonderful recovery. The use of the pills, however, has become so universal here, and there have been so many instances in which they have been used with beneficial results, that a similar case would hardly excite as much interest now as it did then, when the medicine was less known.

President Kruger's library is said to contain now, besides the Bible and the Pilgrim's Progress, a complete set of Mark Twain's works.

We have no hesitation in saying that Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial is without doubt the best medicine ever introduced for dysentery, diarrhea, cholera, and all summer complaints, sea sickness, etc. It promptly gives relief, and never fails to effect a positive cure. Mothers should never be without a bottle when their children are teething.

A NAME!

Everything sometimes. When out of bird food, you ask for "Cottam's." Always get it. The genuine has the name "Hart, Cottam" on label with patent "BIRD BREAD" patent holder and book share. One inside. Price, 10c. It is sold and imitated everywhere.

Bird Bread gives birds health. Read Cottam's Book on Birds.

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London News Office.

School Promotions.

Result of the Examinations in London West.

Promotion and review examinations in the London West schools are as follows:

First division, W. H. Liddicoat, teacher: Senior Fifth Class.—Pupils of this class are writing at the high school primary examinations.

Junior Fifth Class.—Pupils of this class wrote at the public school leaving examinations.

Results of the first will be known in August; of the latter two about July 20.

Promoted to Senior Fourth, 400 marks required—Walker Hamilton 514, Tom Ward 500, Percy Spence 490, Ethel McPherson 471, Frank Ware 469, Hubert Kershaw 453, Roy Cooper 455, Mabel Evans 419, Chester Jeffries 418, James Andrews 418, Pearl Sara 414, Laura Glover 405, Lizzie Bailey 392.

Promoted to First Division—Pearl Chapman 469, Carrie Hutton 448, Dora Kennedy 426, Bert Hookway 418, Louise Mountjoy 386, Fred Horne 381.

Promoted to First Division, Junior Fourth—Louise Capp 539, Clarence Hookway 470, Lawrence Sharp 458, Nettie Pearson 445, James Wilkins 447, Chester Duff 412.

Promoted to Fourth Class (conditionally)—Charlie Richards 437, Ben Hammond 415, Edith Daniels 404, Ethel Greenwood 389, Henry Wood 384, Lottie Kelland 388, Ethel Lord 384, Alice Harris 383, Ethel Greenwood 383, Ethel Lord 383, Malvina Parkinson 383, Nellie Stinchcombe 367, Minnie Bending 364, Mary Saunby 363, Malcolm Fowler 360, Senior Third Class—Clarence Clement 344, Fred Andrews 337, Albert Taylor 337, Eunice Sharp 338, Louise McLellan 307, Katie Robinson 199.

Promoted to Senior Third—Charlie Howie 357, Florence Finnegan 344, Edna Gash 338, Mammie Ward 334, Beatrice Bartram 324, John Stewart 314, Myrtle McLellan 294, Bert Clark 288, Blanche Tuttle 284.

Junior Third—Tom Pryor 212, Geo. McGee 196.

Third Division, Miss C. Jeffery, teacher.

Promoted to Second Division—Louis Taylor 266, Ira Ramsay 248, James Houghton 241, Willie Clark 241, Norah Wade 232, Clay Gibson 232, Frank Gibson 222, Wesley Lott 219, George Park 216, George Robinson 212, Maud Griffiths 207, Ethel Ward 206, Annie Burgess 204, Willie Hanham 199, Fannie Robinson 197, Annie Brodie 196, Louise Henstridge 187, Walter Tyler 178.

Promoted to Third Class—Sheldene Tuttle 373, Charlie Hutton 367, May Griffiths 365, Laura Donnelly 355, Charlie Bending 355, Blanche Gregory 345, John Heeslop 340, Fred Jarvis 339, Herbert Nichols 339, Mina Crafts 338, Flossie Kipp 338, Paul 338, Stewart 318, Gerlie Cotton 318, May Lampkin 313, Eva Hooper 306, Willie Gregory 305, Lottie Robinson 301, Geo. Kelland 285, John Crockett 282, Geo. Stinchcombe 271.

Promoted to Third Class (conditionally)—Maggie Mercer 449, Edith Leigh 323, Bert Jeffries 315, Blanche Gregory 308, Louise Spry 288, Maud Durbin 282, Frank Snider 270, Minnie Wilson 268, George Saunby 265, John Boyle 263.

Promoted to Senior Second—Lionel Souta 254, Frank Atkinson 242, Louise Ludwig 200, Willie Cooper 195, Oliver Sonley 122, to Junior Second.

Fourth Division, Miss Ada Platt, teacher.

Promoted to Third Class—George Finnegan 297, Sam Ward 295.

Promoted to Third Class (conditionally)—May Duff 323, Charlie Daniels 293, Ethel Price 285, Charles Robinson 282, Maggie Richards 277, Eva Lawrence 271.

Promoted to Second Class, Third Division—Percy Boug 297, Charlie Ward 292, Amy Crafts 241, Bertha Armstrong 242, Amy Henstridge 232, Frank Cotton 231.

Senior Second Class—Jennie Saunby 295, Eva Hen 290, Lizzie Jackson 188, Clifford Lawton 139, Lizzie Stenel, Blanche Armstrong 182, Ette Saunby 178.

Promoted to Senior Second Class—Hilton Griffiths 228, Annie Ramsay 228, Ethel Groves 220, Basil Kershaw 204, Chester Bone 201, Norma Hamilton 188, Ethel Stanton 187, Oliver Hadden 187, Wale Gibson 185, Beatrice Hier 177, Alonzo Coveart 178, Robbie Andrews 175.

Junior Second Class—Frank Patrick 165, James Hardy 160, Mary Stewart 155, Leonard Mountjoy 61.

Promoted to Junior Second Class—Ethel Burrell 246, Hubert Lord 233, Nellie Stratford 219, Robbie Parker 219, James Fowler 187, Maggie Taylor 180, Roy Parkinson 177, May Thomas 173.

Senior Second Class—Nellie Jones 162, Willie Perkins 162, Letitia Clouston 162, Mary Snider 155, Frank Sharp 145, Mary Wood 145, Rena McPherson 145, Roy Tuttle 137, Walter Jeffries 133, Laura Sonley 74.

Fifth Division, Miss B. Cullen, teacher.

Promoted to Fourth Division—Gordon Donaghy 273, Ethel Hardy 267, Roy Brown 243, James Jones 229.

Second Class—Edna Rowell 217, Percy Robinson 217.

Promoted to Second Part—Heber Gibb 204, Beatrice Hamilton 202, Gwendolyn Ware 191, Nellie Nixon 183, Oliver Bow 187, Albert Hopkins 180, Florence Daniels 173, Olive Stanton 167, Willie Ramsay 155.

Promoted to Class I—Arthur Perkins 188, Ernie Robinson 167, Florence Kelly 144, Lizzie Richards 134, Daisy Robinson 132.

Class II—Raby Hyslop 97, Tommy Hyslop 97, Willie Mercer 83, Hugh Clouston 79, Winnie Short 78, Annie Hier 58.

Class III—Louie Williamson 49, Maud Lott 43, Chas. Durbin 42, Eddie Hardy 40, Willie Stanton 40.

Promoted to Class III—Clarence Stewart 39, Clarence Donaghy 36, Tom Coveart 71, Myrtle Robinson 63, Fred Daniels 58.

Class IV—Bessie Gibson 96, Nellie Mark 89, Geo. Murdoch 83, Clifford Robinson 78, Lennie Trudell 65.

Class V—Henry Talhurst 87, May Hier 81, Lennie Burrell 80, Pearl Powell 73, Willie Andrews 72, Ethel Pring 68, Clarence Jackson 65, Laura Hooper 63, Grace Hea 60, Randolph Ramsay 57, Lizzie Talhurst 51, Johnnie Jackson 50.

Sixth Division, Miss A. Proudfoot, teacher.

Promoted to Division Four, Second Part Class—Arthur Paul 265, Grace Hyslop 253, Lillian Armstrong 245, Melvin Taylor 238, Roy Garrett 227, Edna McDonald 226, Bert Ferguson 220.

Promoted to Second Part—Charlie Atkinson 165, Sarah Ross 218, George Ross 211, Geo. Gregory 188, Frank Clark 183, Willie Bone 182, Willie Ward 177, Roy Stinchcombe 171, Albert Kipp 163.

Class I—Albert Hooper 146, Alice Ward 144, Ava McDonald 142, Ernest Cotton 144.

Promoted to Class I—Nellie Ward 174, Harry Kaltenbach 170, Austin Hardy 161.

Class II—George Greenwood 135, Belle Cole 134, Charlie Hooper 133, Elsie Capp 130, Harry Lawton 140, Eva Dewar 126, Charlie Henstridge 108, F. Kelland 102, Elva Rogers 101, Ethel Bone 101, Pearl Atkinson 99.

Class III—Willie Ward 87, Maggie Robinson 85, Maud Ward 81, Willow Leigh 77, Frances Finnegan 73, Gordon Parkinson 71, Lena Henstridge 69.

Class IV—Willie Ward 87, Maggie Robinson 85, Maud Ward 81, Willow Leigh 77, Frances Finnegan 73, Gordon Parkinson 71, Lena Henstridge 69.

Class V—Clarence Ward 70, George Bowman 61, James Barclay 38, Fred Kelland 29, Stanley Atkinson 24, Ethel Cotton 20.

Pupils promoted "conditionally" have failed to get the required marks in one or more subjects on the total.

Pupils absent on Aug. 31, when classes are referred to promotions made, forfeit these positions.

W. H. LIDDICOAT, Head Master.

A Model Letter.

Lady Aberdeen's Thoughtful Consideration Exemplified.

She Writes to the Mother of a Government House Employee Who Was Killed.

The following is a copy of the sympathetic letter which her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen so thoughtfully sent to the mother of a young groom who was lately accidentally killed by a fellow-servant in the grounds of Government House:

"Dear Madam,—It has deeply grieved me to hear that your son has met his untimely end, and I am very sorry to be obliged to send you such sorrowful tidings, and we beg now to be allowed to convey to you and to your husband and to all your family the expression of our most earnest and respectful sympathy. Your boy has only been with us for a short time, but he attracted us from the first by his cheerful and general favorite in the household because of his brightness and willingness, and because he entered so heartily into all his work. I think, too, that I may safely say that he was happy amongst us, and that he found much to interest him in the life here and in the outdoor winter sports in which he and his companions were so fond of taking part. His sudden termination to a hopeful life has, therefore, come to all in this house as a personal sorrow, and we find it hard to believe that he who was by amongst us all the while of his brief but three days ago has now been called away from all his earthly friends forever. The enclosed newspaper account of the accident relates pretty accurately the details of the accident. Thomas had been using an air-gun of his own, but it was out of repair, and the gunsmith had lent this other gun for a few days whilst his own gun was being mended. The shot would have the effect of causing almost instantaneous death, passing as it did through the lungs, so that it will be a relief to know that your son can have suffered but very little, and indeed the expression on his face afterwards showed this. He looked as if he were calmly waiting for the end, and he died immediately, but nothing could be done, and all that was left to us was to try to arrange the funeral as his friends would have wished. The coffin was of polished oak with plated handles, and an engraved plate bearing his name and age. It was placed in our private chapel, and surrounded with flowers and white lilies, and later the whole coffin was covered with wreaths from his fellow-servants and one from his Excellency and myself. The service was conducted by our chaplain, and all the household and many friends from outside the house attended. His Excellency and his military secretary and some of Thomas' fellow-servants were present. The funeral took place on Monday, the 10th inst., at 11 o'clock, and the coffin was borne to the cemetery by a hearse, and followed by a large number of friends. We shall hope to put up a little memorial of Thomas at the cemetery."

"If there are any further questions which you would like to ask, please write them to me, and I will try to answer them for you. I also enclose a little bit of Thomas' hair, which we asked our nurse to cut for you, and I want to assure you that all that loving care could do was done in preparing his body for its last repose, and I kissed his brow in your behalf as a farewell from his mother."

"We all united in prayer that you and yours, and all to whom the poor boy was dear, might be sustained and comforted under this terrible bereavement. We do so how crushing must be the news thus telegraphed to you, and home from a far country, and you unable to do anything. We were, however, very thankful that the news should be sent to you by one so gentle and sympathetic as Mrs. Ravenslinson, and whose sons appear to have been acquainted with Thomas."

"I cannot hope to say anything to comfort you, but I will try to say a few verses, which contain helpful thoughts for such a time, and I trust and pray that you may be able to believe that God is love, and that even in this dealing he has some wise and loving purpose for your son, and for those whom he leaves to mourn him. May God be with you. With renewed and most sincere sympathy, believe me, yours very truly,

"ISABEL ABERDEEN."

HOW HE KNEW.

Editor's Wife—Who wrote this beautiful article on "How to Manage a Wife?"

Editor—Young Jones.

Editor's Wife—Why, I didn't know he was married.

Editor—He isn't.

A Physician's Opinion of Lactated Food.

A physician who regularly uses Lactated Food in his own family, and who always prescribes it for infants, says:

"At this time of the year, I strongly urge every mother to use Lactated Food for her babe. As an aliment, I regard it as the most nutritious and digestible of all prepared foods; it is easily assimilated and has no undigested particles to pass into the bowels to irritate and cause bowel disorders."

Mothers, keep your little ones happy, strong and contented by using Lactated Food.

Sun Waiting

Business Over the Border Checked by the Political Agitation.

The Boot and Shoe Trade an Exception to the Rule.

Better Advice from Toronto-Ontario Crop Prospects Encouraging.

New York, July 11.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: With a political convention in progress directly antagonizing the position taken on the money question by the convention of last month, it is natural that there has been enough uncertainty about the future to intensify the dullness expected at this season. It is not only the well-informed who make business, but much more the millions who have not accurate knowledge of political conditions, and are liable to be impressed by the strong assertions of partisans who are supposed to have the knowledge. The week and other business the week was one of waiting, with a somewhat prevalent feeling of insecurity. The wheat market advanced a little, while other speculative markets were stagnant or slightly declined, but its small advance was mainly due to reports of foreign crops and needs. The cotton mills have for some time been over-loaded even more than is usual in the dull season, and temporary stoppage now was the only relief for falling prices. Woolen goods have not improved, but the tone is rather less gloomy, and the demand for goods is even more slack than last week. Sales of wool at the three chief markets have been only 2,087,100 pounds for the week, against 12,716,500 last year, and for two weeks of June, 6,401,881 pounds, against 28,500,114 last year. Some decrease appears in the demand for boots and shoes since higher prices have been asked, but quotations are unchanged, and shipments on former orders were larger than in the corresponding week of any other year, except 1895. Not much can be said of the market so far as that of iron and steel products, but part of the inactivity is strictly seasonal; part is due to still unsettled questions about wages, and much more to a general depression of demand for the future is clearer.

Failures for the week have been 215 in the United States, against 283 last year, and 39 in Canada, against 35 last year.

Bradstreet's report says: The usual midsummer dullness in general merchandise markets has been emphasized by the unfavorable weather, by uneasiness at the attitude of the Chicago market, and by the continued conservatism of the country, and by the continued conservatism with which merchants continue to supply their wares. The volume of speculation appears smaller than last week. Mercantile collections are more satisfactory, and there is a disposition among robbers to look more closely after credits. No loss is still reported, pressed, not enough business to establish quotations. There is no improvement in the demand for fall business. Iron and steel industries report a reduced demand, even at the greatly restricted output, with prices practically unchanged and little prospect for a revival for some time. The accepted account by a Frenchman, who escaped with a long and tedious journey, where he sold it for the equivalent in our money of \$8,000 to a Jewish merchant.

"The Jewish merchant sold it to an Armenian named Shafra, who had traveled in Russia, and conceived the idea of taking the diamond to the country and selling it to the Empress Catherine for a great sum. Shafra paid him \$60,000 for it."

"Having secured the stone, the next question with Shafra was how to get it to Russia, or rather how to conceal it when he was searched by the robbers, as he was sure to be on the road. The journey was a long and perilous one, and thieves abounded everywhere. Shafra's thought of swallowing the stone when he was taken by robbers, but was obliged to give that plan up, as the diamond was too large to swallow."

He began to feel he had a white elephant on his hands, when a thought occurred to him. He procured a sharp lance, made a cut in the fleshy part of his left leg, and thrust the diamond into the wound. He secured up the cut with a needle and a silver wire. It healed, leaving the diamond embedded fast in the leg, quite out of sight."

"Then he started for Russia. On the way he was seized by robbers again, and again he was thoroughly searched. Being an Armenian and suspected of going to Russia to trade, the thieves marveled greatly at finding nothing of value on his person."

"He arrived in Russia at last, and after extracting his diamond, visited the Empress. He was willing to sell it for about \$150,000, but the Empress had not so large an amount in cash for the purchase, and Shafra preferred to go on to Amsterdam, the seat of the diamond-cutting industry, where he had the stone polished."

"The Orloff diamond, the extremely wealthy Russian, saw the diamond, and was filled with a determination to secure it for the Russian crown. He did secure it, but Shafra exacted from the Russian Government \$400,000, an annuity of \$20,000, and a title of nobility. He died a millionaire."

"The Orloff diamond weighed 195 carats, and is about the size of a pigeon's egg. It is smaller than the Koh-i-Noor, in the possession of the English Queen, which is supposed to be worth \$7,500,000."

STRAINS THE NERVES.

Prodigious Labor in Learning Instrumental Music Thoroughly.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Gounod, the composer, bitterly resented the omnipresence of the average piano player. He was strongly in favor of a somewhat severe piano-forte tax. His argument was that 99 out of every hundred who learned to play the instrument failed to attain to more than a superficial stage, either of conception or execution, and that they wasted valuable time, which might otherwise be employed in doing something that would benefit them. He also contended that the piano-forte of students constituted a public nuisance, and was irritating and exasperating to such a degree as to become an outrage on peaceable citizens. The proposed tax was never levied, but some figures published by a French scientist may possibly in discriminate teaching of music to very young children. It is declared that large number of nervous maladies from which girls of the present day suffer are to be attributed to playing

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Manufacturers of hair mattresses and goose feather pillows. Furniture and sales of every description, 538 to 597 Richmond street, opposite Victoria Park and Central Avenue. Telephone 997.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Your residence now looks its prettiest. Have Cooper & Sanders photograph Studio, corner Dundas and Richmond.

HOME ITEMS

What is home without a mother? someone has asked. That question suggests another, "What is home without a supply of good linen?" The thrifty housekeeper would prefer to have a drawer full of spotless linen than a parlor with a high-priced carpet, and physicians tell us that carpets are disease holders. They don't say that of linen.

5c = Towels = 5c

We have a splendid line of towels at 5c, 8 1/2c, 10c, 12 1/2c and 20c. These are a line of manufacturers' seconds, just a wee bit imperfect in the weave, otherwise all that could be desired. We received a liberal discount from the manufacturers, and customers can have the benefit.

A 15x20 Damask Towel, colored and plain borders, at 5c. Damask Towels, 16x88, pretty patterns, at 10c. Another lot received of those Special Value towels that many have been waiting for, 12 1/2c. A reduction of 5c in those Red-Bordered Damask Towels—now 20c. Bath Towels, white and natural colors, at 12 1/2c. Pure Linen Bath Towels, 20x45, only 25c. The best value ever offered in London.

\$1 35 = Tablecloths = \$1 35

Good Bleached Damask Tablecloths, 2 yards wide, 2 1/2 yards long, a \$1 35. We used to sell these at \$1 50, but our cash system helps us to get prices down finer. We are selling \$1 75 Cloths at \$1 50, and Extra Quality Bleached Damask Table Linen by the yard at 50c. The most careful housekeeper will pronounce these genuine bargains.

65c = Counterpanes = 65c

Two special lines of American Cotton Quilts at 65c and 75c, were 75c and 90c. Heavy English Marseilles Quilts at \$1 35, were \$1 75. These we guarantee to give satisfaction. Out-of-town customers should write for them before they are all sold.

PERFORATED TEXTILE BUCKSKIN is the coolest, cleanest, lightest summer dress interlining. All colors. 25c per yard.

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149 AND 151 DUNDAS STREET.

WORE THE DIAMOND IN HIS LEG.

A Story of the Way the Orloff Stone Was Taken from Persia to Russia.

Cincinnati Inquirer.

Gus Fox, a dealer in diamonds on Fourth street, has a story about the famous Orloff diamond, named after Count Orloff, the first European who bought it. Fox says: "It was originally the eye of an idol in Trichinopolis. It was stolen, according to the accepted account, by a Frenchman, who escaped with a long and tedious journey, where he sold it for the equivalent in our money of \$8,000 to a Jewish merchant."

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