

AYER'S

One leaf from the daily record of cures effected by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. From a letter dated March 24th, 1897, signed Mrs. E. L. FOSTER, Wilmington, Del.:

"For five years my husband suffered from scrofula and then contracted catarrh, and very soon both got beyond our control. We employed the best physicians in our city and they pronounced the case incurable. Sores appeared, eating into the mouth and throat. The jugular vein was exposed, the tongue entirely eaten away, the palate and tonsils eaten out, and there was a large sore on the outside of the throat. After everything else had failed he tried Ayer's Sarsaparilla. He used six bottles, and felt so much better that he purchased six more and continued to take the medicine, until he had taken two dozen bottles. He had to take it through a tube, as his throat was too sore to swallow. Now, after years of terrible suffering he is fully restored to health, and he is able to work every day, although his speech is greatly affected by the loss of tongue and palate."

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Sarsaparilla.

Sporting Matters.

A 19-Year-Old Lad Wins the British Golf Championship.

Buffalo, Scranton, Wilkesbarre and Providence the Eastern League Winners.

A Jockey Who Used an Electric Battery Suspended.

Wrestling, Wheeling, Racing at Windsor and Other Sporting Events.

GOLF.

THE BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP.
London, May 1.—In the golf championship final, at Muirfield, Allan, of Edinburgh University, defeated Robb, of St. Andrew's University. Allan is only 19 years old, and Robb is 20 years old.

ATHLETICS.

LAVIGNE CHAMPION.
New York, May 1.—George A. (Kid) Lavigne, of Saginaw, Mich., is still the lightweight champion of the world. Last night, in the Broadway Athletic Club, before 3,000 people, he met and defeated Eddie Connelly, of St. John, N. B. Both men weighed in below the stipulated weight of 123 pounds, and they were matched to box 25 rounds, to decide the world's championship. The battle was fast and furious, but at the end of the eleventh round Lavigne had Connelly fought to a standstill, after sending him down five times in succession with right swings on the head and jaw. Connelly gained a host of friends by his gameness, but he staggered into his corner at the end of the eleventh round hopelessly beaten. Lavigne was accordingly awarded the decision.

MITCHELL AND JACKSON.

London, May 1.—Charles Mitchell has challenged Peter Jackson to fight him for £1,000 a side. The Bellinghame Club is anxious to have the fight pulled off in their club house, and offers a purse of £2,000 if the men will battle here. Andy Ward, champion light-weight of Lambton, challenges anyone in Ontario under 125 pounds to fight to a finish for \$100 and the championship. The dual athletic meet between Cornell and Syracuse Universities will be held on May 8.

Dan McLeod, the California wrestler,

The Bladder

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is out with a challenge to the world. He particularly wants a match with Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland. McLeod is at present matched for the £1,200 time, with Farmer Burns, to take place in a small Iowa town.

THE CHAINLESS BICYCLE.

The chainless bicycle, which was expected to cut a big figure on the market this season and in a measure revolutionize riding, has not yet materialized. A few chainless wheels have been put out, but the demand for them must be small. It is known that some of the leading manufacturers are now at work upon the chainless type, but it is not their intention to put this pattern of wheel upon the market before 1898. A dealer says: "It is my belief that the manufacturer of the \$100 bicycle has a reduction in price is imminent. Accordingly, their purpose is to put the chainless wheel on the market in '98 as their leading model, and possibly sell their bicycles at now figure at \$100 at, say, \$75. The manufacture of good chainless bicycles is costly, and I am convinced that some five or six of the large houses are now preparing to turn out chainless bicycles for the leaders next year. The perfected chainless is the coming wheel."

BICYCLE GOSSIP.

Rev. Mr. Percival, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Terre Haute, has organized a bicycle club. He called a meeting at his residence, and 20 members of the congregation were on hand. There are captains and a road committee. The parson is president.

The wheels of bicycle if the bearings are properly adjusted, should spin freely and stop gradually with a rocking movement, yet have no side play. To test a wheel after adjusting, spin smartly, letting it run itself, when the weight of the valve should stop the last almost complete revolution and cause the wheel to swing backward and forward until it stops on the valve or the bottom. Should stop in any other position, then there is a tight place, which should be loosened slightly to level the ball, or, otherwise one may jam and break.

If the lower side of the bicycle chain sags, says the expert, "and the upper part is taut, it shows that the front sprocket and the cranks are pulling the chain down, and the latter, therefore, must run harder than the former. If the upper part of the chain sags and the lower part is taut, the reverse is the case, and shows the trouble to be in the crank bearings, which should be examined for bad cones, cures or balls, or a bad adjustment. Frequently it happens that the chain is not running even; that is, it does not run on the level of the chain is in good working order, it should be perfectly level at any point between the two sprockets."

SPOKES.

Bald and Cooper have consented to race in Detroit on Decoration Day for \$1,000 a side, the championship of America, and a percentage of the gate receipts.

DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMEN.

Ottawa, May 1.—The C. W. A. racing board has appointed the following district board chairmen: Huron district, B. F. Cory, Peterborough; Toronto district, J. C. Browne, Toronto; central district, H. B. Meyers, Barrie; Quinte district, R. J. Wilson, Kingston; Ottawa district, G. Fitzgerald, Ottawa; Quebec district, Geo. Van Peltson, Quebec; Manitoba district, L. Pittblado, Winnipeg; Northwest Territories district, F. F. Goddard, Calgary; British Columbia district, J. A. Fullerton, Vancouver.

THE TURN.

USED AN ELECTRIC BATTERY.
Elkton, Md., May 1.—The only sensation yesterday was in the fourth race, when Reform, the winner, was disqualified, and his place on first, suspended for the balance of the meeting. Dorsey was charged with using an electric battery.

RACING IN ENGLAND.

London, May 1.—Mr. A. Cohen's Greenlawn won the Asher stakes at the second day's racing of the Sandringham meeting yesterday. The Lordford-Beresford's Grace and Richard Croker's Santa Anita, the American horses entered, did not start.

Eleven horses ran. The Asher stakes is a handicap of 1,000 sovereigns.

AT WINDSOR, FRIDAY.

First race, 1½ miles.—Jim Armstrong 1, Gabe 2, Wehina 3. Time, 3:50. Wild Tate, Pug and Buggerburns also ran. Second race, 6½ furlongs.—Alva 1, Rover 2, Gladion 3. Time, 1:25. Queen of Scots, Canfield and stark also ran. Third race, 3-mile—King's Counsel 1, Anne Teuton 2, Prima 3. Time, 1:18½. Confession, Harvey Carry and Summer Con also ran. Fourth race, 5½ furlongs.—Hartford Boy 1, Imposition 2, Out of Sight 3. Time, 1:12½. Roubie, Minnie Clyde and Nover also ran. Fifth race, 3 miles.—Her Excellency 1, Oversight 2, Mrs. Featherly 3. Time, 1:05. Cerisio, Belair, Glendaga and Belle Lenore also ran.

TIPS.

The prevailing feeling among the directors of the Stratford Turf Club is that no race meet will be held there this summer.

Ornament's recent western victories have made him a strong favorite for the Kentucky Derby, two weeks hence. Tommy Burns, one of the best and most desperate light-weight jockeys in the world, has been indefinitely suspended at Memphis for trying to throw a boy and a horse over a fence in a race.

AQUATTO.

Charles Cahill, champion swimmer of Australia, at Melbourne, on April 12, swam 345 yards in 6 minutes and 4 seconds, which is an Australian record for the distance. Cahill, while at San Francisco, swam through the Golden Gate to the Cliff House, a remarkable performance. Cahill will visit England again at a near date.

Dr. McDowell, the crack amateur sculler of Chicago, has started for England. He is entered for the Diamond Sculls at Henley.

BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAMES—FRIDAY.
At Philadelphia.—P. H. E. Philadelphia, 12 12 4.
Brooklyn, 2 5 1.
Batteries—Wheeler and Clements; McMahon and Grim, Umpire—Emmie.
At Baltimore.—Baltimore, 5 8 1.
New York, 2 8 2.
Batteries—Hofer and Clarke; Sullivan and Warner, Umpire—Lynch.
At Washington.—Washington, 3 7 0.
Boston, 3 12 3.
Batteries—McJames and McGuire; Sullivan and Gavel, Umpire—Hurt. Game called off 10th darkness.
At Louisville.—Louisville, 3 11 2.
Chicago, 2 7 0.
Batteries—Fraser and Wilson; Callahan and Anon.
At St. Louis.—St. Louis, 4 9 6.
Cleveland, 12 12 4.
Batteries—Hutchinson, Kissinger and Murphy; Wilson and O'Connor.
EASTERN LEAGUE GAMES—FRIDAY.
At Springfield.—R. H. E. Springfield, 6 10 3.
Buffalo, 3 11 2.
Batteries—Brown and Urquhart; Conklin, Inks and Dunne, Umpire—Swartwood.
At Scranton.—Scranton, 5 10 2.
Syracuse, 1 6 7.
Batteries—Morse and Ganson; Willis and Ryan, Umpire—Kennedy.
At Wilkesbarre.—Wilkesbarre, 9 13 2.
Rochester, 2 2 2.
Batteries—Oswell and Gordiner; Herndon and Patterson, Umpire—Gaffney.
At Providence.—Providence, 8 11 4.
Toronto, 7 10 3.
Batteries—Frazer and Coogan; McPherson and Casey, Umpire—Keefe.

FLYS.

Umpire Sheridan quietly soaked Brodie, of Pittsburgh, \$25, for daring to question one of his decisions.

Hemming, the pitcher whom Ned Hanlon released, pitched his first game yesterday, and held the Chicago team down to five hits.

The Phillies feel the loss of Lajoie, who is laid up with a split hand, but Boyle, who takes his place on first, made a homer, with the bases full.

The Auburns, of the New York

State League, after reporting at Buffalo, will play at Allegheny Saturday with the college team. They will then tour Canada, playing with the clubs of the Canadian League.

Russie made his appearance with the New York team on Tuesday and showed that his short right arm had lost none of its cunning. He won his game for the "Joins," and did not allow a hit off him until the third inning. He also pitched for twenty years, man who faced him. And a yell went up that could have been heard in Albany.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A FIVE-MILE PRESERVE.
The Woodstock Game and Fish Protective Association has been for the

present limited to 30, and any number of applications are being received. She says: "Might I plead that they also should have a share in the fates of that blessed day, and so remember to the end of their lives that great and good Queen, whose reign, by the blessing of God, has been prolonged for 60 years. Let us therefore provide these unfortunate ones, those beggars and outcasts, with a dinner, or some substantial meal, during the week of the jubilee commemoration. I have great pleasure in heading a subscription list for that purpose with £100."

A CLOSE CALL.

For the Ministry of Cape Colony—The Speaker Saved Them.

Cape Town, May 1.—In the Cape Parliament yesterday, Mr. Merriman, the anti-Rhodes leader, moved a resolution of no confidence in the Cape Ministry, which he supported by a vigorous attack upon the hostile attitude assumed by the Cape Colony Administration toward the Transvaal. The Chamber was crowded, and the debate was of the most excited character; but the resolution was finally rejected by the casting vote of the Speaker of the House.

FILE TERRORS SWEEP AWAY.

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TARIFF INTERPRETATIONS.

Department at Ottawa Notify Officials on the Coal Duty.

The Customs Department at Ottawa will permit no bituminous coal, slack or dust, to be entered at the rate of 20 per cent, if there is an admixture of larger coal than 5 per cent of the bulk imported.

According to the interpretation of the Ottawa authorities the bags in which ensilage and other feed corn is imported are not dutiable. There are several industries in which the duty has been taken off packages, and importers generally are satisfied with the tariff in this respect.

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A Bruce Farmer Quarrels With His Wife and Takes Poison.

Walkerton, May 1.—Henry Conlin, a farmer who lived on the Durham road, near Maple Hill, took a dose of strychnine the other day because his wife and son declared they would not allow him to sell a cow which the family had raised. After some words he went to Hanover, purchased the poison, returned home and swallowed it in his bedroom. His wife suspected something and summoned a neighbor, to whom her husband admitted taking poison. He refused, however, to take any emetic, and before a doctor could arrive had died, not before stating that he thought he ought to be master in his own house.

MR. GERALD BALFOUR, the Irish Secretary, is 35, and, therefore, ten years younger than the First Lord of the Treasury. Unlike his brother Arthur, he is not of the Cecil type, having neither the short nose nor immense forehead that mark his noble uncle, the Prime Minister, and his distinguished brother, who leads the Lower House of Parliament. Like them, however, he is a studious and scholarly habit, literary in expression, and extremely attractive and agreeable in private life. His wife, Lady Betty, is Lady Lytton's eldest daughter, and inherits as much of her father's brains as of her mother's charm and beauty.

Pure Baking Powder, only 20c a lb. at Anderson & Nelles' drug store, ywt

THE VELESTINO FIGHT.

Persistent Attacks of the Turkish Troops Bravely Repulsed.

London, May 1.—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at Pharsalos says: The Turks attacked Velesitino Junction Tuesday night with four squadrons of cavalry and a battery of horse artillery. The Greeks there easily beat the Turks off. Fighting has renewed Wednesday night, but without special results. On Thursday night the Turks assembled in great force in the direction of Velesitino and made an attack on the Greek positions, successfully repulsed. Three times in the course of the morning was the attack repulsed, each time from a different direction, and each time the result was a repulse. The Turks, however, pushed the attack with the utmost determination for six hours.

THE QUEEN.

Arrives Safely From the South of France.

Close Call for the Ministry of Cape Colony.

More Talk About Lord Aberdeen's Successor.

THE QUEEN.

London, May 1.—Queen Victoria reached Portsmouth yesterday from Cherbourg, on her return from the Bering Sea fishery dispatches. It is reported the British Premier's reply is in the negative, on the ground of expense, Washington asked for a prompt reply, which was hurriedly drawn up and dispatched this week.

MANITOBA MISREPRESENTED.

London, May 1.—The Dublin Nation, which has been revived, publishes a warning, addressed to the clergy and people of Ireland, against what it characterizes as nefarious schemes initiated in Canada to induce Irish emigrants to settle in Manitoba. Two emigration commissioners, it says, have been sent to reside permanently in Dublin and Belfast. Both of these are Catholics, being, of that faith, they will be more likely to facilitate the plan. The Nation declares that Manitoba is a kind of Siberia, and moreover it says that the Protestant majority in the province tyrannize over the Catholics, who are deprived of schools and have only a few churches.

LONDON'S POOR.

Wales has written to the Lord Mayor of London, pointing out that in the schemes to commemorate the diamond jubilee of Queen Victoria in June, the

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