

A STRANGE HAIL STORM.—On Tuesday, May 3, a fall of hail mixed with foreign particles was observed in Stockholm, and appears to have extended as far as Christiania. The fall of dust lasted from 1 to 8 p.m., and was abundant enough to allow of considerable quantities being collected. At a meeting of the Geologiska Förening in Stockholm, remarks were made by Baron Nordenskiöld, and Messrs. N. Holst, E. Svedmark, and Törnebohm, from which it appears that the dust contained glassy, isotropic, and various anisotropic particles, hornblende, magnetite, minute scales of mica, metallic iron, and some diatoms.—*Nature*.

HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA is an honest medicine, honestly advertised for those diseases which it honestly and absolutely cures.

REMAINS of prehistoric man of the oldest Stone age, consisting of a rudely-chipped flint implement among bones of reindeer and other Arctic animals no longer found in that part of Europe, have just been discovered in Hermann's Cave, in the Harz. Herr Grabowsky, who has made the discovery, affirms that the flint weapon—evidently used as a knife—could not have been washed into the cave by a flood, as no flint is found anywhere in the neighbourhood. It must, he thinks, have been conveyed there by human means at or about the last glacial period, though judging from what is seen elsewhere it seems curious that only one weapon of the kind has been brought to light.—*English Mechanic*.

A POINT FOR YOU.—In view of what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for others, is it not reasonable to suppose that it will be of benefit to you? For Scrofula, Salt Rheum, and all other diseases of the blood, for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Sick Headache, Loss of Appetite, That Tired Feeling, Catarrh, Malaria, Rheumatism, Hood's Sarsaparilla is an unequalled remedy.

Hood's Pills cure Sick Headache.

WHAT NO FELLOW CAN FIND OUT.—Four men may eat green fruit with impunity, but a fifth may try the experiment and an hour or so later be tied up in knots with cramps and dysentery. Who the fifth man will be is one of those things no fellow can find out, and consequently all should take time by the forelock, and prepare for such an attack by keeping on hand a bottle of PERRY DAVIS' PAIN KILLER which is a safe, quick and infallible cure for diarrhoea, cholera, cramps, or, indeed, any disorder of the stomach. This excellent medicine can be bought at any reputable drug-store. 25c. will purchase the Big Bottle, New size.

"German Syrup"

For Throat and Lungs

"I have been ill for Hemorrhage about five years, Five Years. "have had the best "medical advice, "and I took the first "dose in some doubt. This result- "ed in a few hours easy sleep. There "was no further hemorrhage till next "day, when I had a slight attack "which stopped almost immediate- "ly. By the third day all trace of "blood had disappeared and I had "recovered much strength. The "fourth day I sat up in bed and ate "my dinner, the first solid food for "two months. Since that time I "have gradually gotten better and "am now able to move about the "house. My death was daily ex- "pected and my recovery has been "a great surprise to my friends and "the doctor. There can be no doubt "about the effect of German Syrup, "as I had an attack just previous to "its use. The only relief was after "the first dose." J. R. LOUGHHEAD, Adelaide, Australia.

Minard's Liniment cures Disemper.

A GLENGARRY MIRACLE.

MR. JAMES SANDS' WONDERFUL RESTORATION TO HEALTH.

After Three Years of Paralysis, Insensibility and Uselessness, He Tells the Tale of His Recovery and Renewed Work in the World—His Story as Told a Free Press Reporter.

Ottawa Free Press.

The town of Alexandria, some fifty-five miles south of the city of Ottawa, on the Canada Atlantic Railway, has been completely astonished, recently, at the marvellous experience of a young man, who, after having been bed-ridden for nearly twelve months, and his case pronounced incurable by Montreal and Alexandria doctors, is now restored to complete health and strength.

Mr. James Sands is a young teamster, well known and extremely popular throughout the country side, and his illness and wonderful recovery have been—indeed still are—the chief topics in the town and neighbourhood. The story of his miraculous cure having reached Ottawa, a member of the *Free Press* staff journeyed to Alexandria and sought out Mr. Sands for the purpose of ascertaining the truth of the statements made regarding his recovery. Mr. Sands is a slimly built, but wiry-looking young man of about thirty-two years of age, and when met by the newspaper man the bloom of health was on his cheek and his whole frame showed signs of unimpaired vigour and vitality.

The newspaper man told Mr. Sands the object of his visit, and the latter expressed his perfect willingness to give all the facts connected with his case. "I was," said Mr. Sands, "a complete wreck, given up by the doctors, but now I am well and strong again, and gaining strength every day. I was born in Lancaster in 1860, and up to three years ago I was always healthy and strong, living in the open air and being well-known throughout the whole county of Glengarry. It was in the winter of 1888-89 that I first felt signs of incipient paralysis. I was then teamster for the sash and door factory here, and had been exposed to all kinds of weather. I then experienced violent twisting cramps in my right hand. I was in Cornwall that winter when the first stroke fell, and remained there for three days before I knew anybody at all. A medical man was called in but could do nothing for me. After that I came home and appeared to get all right for a time, but after a few days the old trouble began again, my hand continued the twitching and cramping that had preceded the stroke. Up to twelve months ago these twitching fits were the only symptoms I suffered from. Then in August, 1891, when I was in Huntingdon village I sustained a second stroke, and remained unconscious for about seven hours. A doctor attended me and I recovered sufficiently to be brought home. After my return home the paralysis steadily gained on me, and I lost the use of my right arm and leg entirely; my right eye was distorted and my tongue partially paralyzed. I was prescribed for by an Alexandria physician whose treatment I carefully followed, but it had no effect. I still got steadily worse, and about a month before Christmas last, I went to the English hospital at Montreal. Prof. Stuart and all the doctors came around me, as mine was a curious case, and the Professor treated me. All the doctors could give me no satisfaction, and did not appear to understand my case. I questioned some of them, but they told me it was a hopeless case. I remained in the hospital a month, without the least improvement, and was then brought home, and remained in my bed till May day. I had constant medical advice, but continued to grow worse and worse. My right arm withered and I grew so weak and useless that I could not turn myself in bed. Meantime I had tried all sorts of patent medicines without the least effect. In May I saw an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in the papers, and said I would try them as a last resort. I had heard of the wonderful cures worked by Pink Pills, and told my folks to get me some. I had not taken them long when I found myself improving, and this determined me to continue their use. My strength gradually returned, the muscles of my arm and leg became invigorated and stronger, and I was able to sit up. I still continued taking the Pills and gaining strength, until at last I was able to go about, and finally to return to my old place at the sash and door factory. I gave up the Pills for a while, but did not feel so well, so I again began their use. I now feel as well as ever, though perhaps not quite so strong as formerly. You can see my right arm, which was withered, is now all right," and Mr. Sands stretched out a muscular limb which would have done credit to a blacksmith. In reply to the reporter Mr. Sands said he thought his trouble had been brought on through exposure to the weather. "I am completely satisfied," said he, "that it is entirely to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I owe my wonderful restoration. Besides the medical treatment I had tried electricity and patent medicines, both internal and external, but without the slightest avail. After beginning Pink Pills I began to mend, and they have made a new man of me."

The newspaper man then called on Messrs. Ostrom Bros. & Co., widely known druggists, and interviewed their representative, Mr. Smith, as to his knowledge of the case. Mr. Smith was fully conversant with the facts, and vouched for the story told by Mr. Sands,

and further said, that his hopeless case and remarkable recovery are known throughout Glengarry County. In reply to the query if many of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold, Mr. Smith replied that the sale was remarkable and that in his experience he had never handled a remedy that sold so well, or gave such general satisfaction to those using them, as everywhere glowing reports are heard of the excellent results following their use. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are not a patent medicine in the sense that word is understood. They are the result of years of experience and careful investigation. They are not a purgative medicine, but act directly upon the blood and nerves, supplying those constituents required to enrich the former and stimulate and restore the latter.

For all diseases depending upon a vitiated condition of the blood and nerves, they are an unfailing remedy. Such diseases as these speedily yield to their treatment. Locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, neuralgia, rheumatism, sciatica, nervous prostration, nervous headache, dyspepsia, chronic erysipelas, scrofula, etc. They are a specific for the troubles peculiar to females, correcting irregularities, and restoring the functions, and in the case of men effect a radical cure in all cases arising from overwork, mental worry or excesses of any nature. In fact it may be said of them

"They come as a boon and a blessing to men, Restoring to health, life and vigour again."

These Pills are manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont., and Schenectady, N.Y., and are sold in boxes (never in loose form by the dozen or hundred and the public are cautioned against numerous imitations sold in this shape) at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company from either address. The price at which these pills are sold make a course of treatment comparatively inexpensive as compared with other remedies or medical treatment.

MERCURY.—Though Mercury is one of the smallest of the planets, it is perhaps the most troublesome to the astronomer. It lies so close to the sun that it is seen but seldom in comparison with the other great planets. Its orbit is very eccentric, and it experiences disturbances by the attraction of other bodies in a way not yet fully understood. A special difficulty has also been found in the attempt to place Mercury in the weighing scales. We can weigh the whole earth, we can weigh the sun, the moon, and even Jupiter and other planets, but Mercury presents difficulties of a peculiar character. Le Verrier, however, succeeded in devising a method of weighing it. He demonstrated that our earth is attracted by this planet, and he showed how the amount of attraction may be disclosed by observations of the sun, so that, from an examination of the observations, he made an approximate determination of the mass of Mercury. Le Verrier's result indicated that the weight of the planet was about the fifteenth part of the weight of the earth. In other words, if our earth was placed in a balance, and fifteen globes, each equal to Mercury, were laid in the other, the scales would hang evenly. It was necessary that this result should be received with great caution. It depended upon a delicate interpretation of somewhat precarious measurements. It could only be regarded as of provisional value, to be discarded when a better one should be obtained.—*The Story of the Heavens (Cassell's)*.

MESSRS. C. C. RICHARDS & Co.

Gents.—I have used your MINARD'S LINIMENT successfully in a serious case of croup in my family. In fact I consider it a remedy no home should be without.

Cape Island.

J. F. CUNNINGHAM.

SO SAY ALL.—That MINARD'S LINIMENT is the standard liniment of the day, as it does just what it is represented to do.

A NEW ELEMENTARY BODY.—It appears from a paper read at the last meeting of the Chemical Society, that what is suspected to be a new elementary body has been discovered by Johnson Pasha, of the Khedivial laboratory at Cairo, in a variety of fibrous alum called masrite. This new substance, which has been provisionally christened masrium, from the Arabic word for Egypt, possesses properties resembling those of glucinum. Its atomic weight is calculated to be 228, and it occurs in a mineral containing cobalt.—*English Mechanic*.

An electro-mechanical vacuum pump has lately been perfected which, it is claimed, will do away with the costly and troublesome mercury pumps at present used for exhausting the air from incandescent lamp bulbs.

FACTS ABOUT FUNGI.—The important part which fungi are intended to play in the economy of nature, chiefly as scavengers, is indicated by the plentiful provision made for their reproduction (says a writer in an American paper). So widely distributed are the germs of these plants that every breath of air you take probably contains several kinds. They are everywhere in the atmosphere, ready to develop themselves whenever the peculiar conditions adapted to each species are offered. This accounts for the prevalence of those troublesome forms of vegetation which are called "mould," "mildew," and so forth. Fruit preserves are very apt to afford a propagating ground for mould, and likewise any pair of shoes which you may leave unworn for any length of time. There is a cheese, much prized by epicures, which derives its flavour from the quantity of fungus vegetation it contains. It is prepared simply by breaking up the curd and exposing it for a day or two, in small lumps laid upon a cloth, to the sun and air. There it receives the spores of the fungi, which vegetate in it and spread its growth through the mass while it is yet soft. A single fungus plant has been known to attain a weight of 34 lbs. in six weeks. The power of expansion which fungi possess is wonderful. Great toadstools will sometimes lift heavy paving stones out of their beds, and, adds the writer, it was once necessary to repave the whole of a certain town in England in consequence of such a disturbance.—*London Globe*.



Mr. R. J. Brundage

No Wonder

People Speak Well of HOOD'S. "For a long time I was troubled with weak stomach, indigestion and Dyspepsia. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and have not felt so well all over for years. My food seldom troubles me now. My sister also took Hood's Sarsaparilla with very pleasing results. I don't wonder people speak well of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Don't see how they can help it." R. J. BRUNDAGE, Norwalk, Ct.

N. B. Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla.

HOOD'S PILLS act easily, yet promptly and efficiently on the liver and bowels.

A SUBSTITUTE FOR INDIA-RUBBER.—A new preparation for the purpose of replacing india-rubber and gutta-percha has been brought out and protected by MM. Worms and Zwierchowski. To a quantity of Manilla gum tempered with benzine is added 5 per cent. of Auvergne bitumen, also mixed with benzine. These are thoroughly mixed together by mechanical means and by hand. By adding 5 per cent. of resin oil and allowing forty-eight to eighty-six hours to pass between each treatment, a product is obtained having all the suppleness, elasticity, solidity, and durability of the best india rubber. If the product is too fluid, the addition of 4 per cent. of sulphur dissolved by means of bisulphide of carbon will remedy this. The addition of 5 per cent. of india-rubber to this mixture makes an excellent compound for certain purposes. The vulcanization of this product can be carried out in the usual way.—*English Mechanic*.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.