

Sparkles.

TEACHER: Give me a sentence with the word squalor in it. In explanation—You may have heard it incorrectly called squalor. Pupil: The child is a good squalor.

A VERY wealthy young woman questions her confessor: "Is it a sin, father," she asks, "to take pleasure in having people call me beautiful?" "Certainly, my child, it is always wicked to encourage falsehood."

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"MADAME," said the tramp, "I'm hungry enough to eat raw dog." "Well," she responded, kindly suiting the action to the word, "I'll whistle some up for you." The tramp left, taking his appetite with him.

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THERE was a missionary concert at Rockland Church the other evening, and among other things was a long paper on missionary work by a young lady. When she had finished, the leader of the meeting said: "We will now sing 'Hallelujah, 'tis done.'" Whereat everybody smiled.

STEEL—PENS.

In angry sword, in savage spears, The steel in war's rude garb appears; But charged with peace and joy to men When made in Esterbrook's Steel Pen.

AN old tramp who had agreed to saw wood for half an hour for his breakfast from a Baltimore woman, quit at the seventh stick and said: "Madame, I have struck for more breakfast and less wood; are you willing to arbitrate?" "Certainly," she replied; and she left the case in the hands of her bull-dog, who ran the tramp half a mile, and decided that a lockout was inevitable.

OPPRESS not nature, sinking down to rest, With feasts too late, too solid, or too full.

ARMSTRONG, when he wrote these lines, gave good scientific advice. Half of our people suffer from dyspepsia in some of its many forms. Life becomes a burden, and business worries and annoys. The Golden Medical Discovery, invented and prepared by Dr. Pierce, is an effectual remedy for indigestion. By druggists.

"My dear," said an anxious wife to her husband, who is running for office, "we must economize in every possible way." "I do economize," he replied. "Yes," she said bitterly, "you spend \$10 or \$15 a day in treating a lot of bar-room loafers to beer and whiskey just to get them to vote for you. Do you call that economy?" "Certainly, that's political economy."

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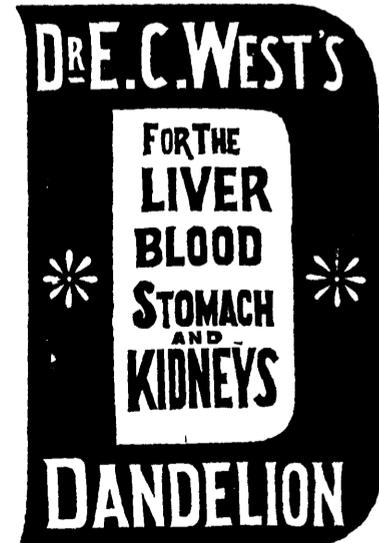
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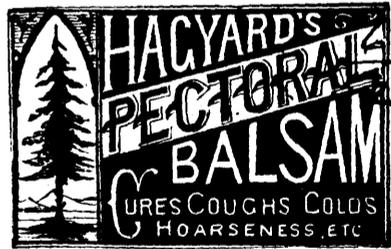
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MR. LE JONES: Well, Miss Coldcash, I suppose you received a good many valentines? Miss Coldcash (sweetly): Oh, yes, and there was one particularly dainty and artistic. I am sure it came from you. Mr. Le Jones (delighted): What makes you think so? Miss Coldcash: Because I sent it to you last year.

THE PAIN KILLER.—We have known the high character of this medicine, and that it is used with great success and satisfaction in our very best families. It is the favourite medicine of our missionaries in the heathen lands, where they used it more than all else together for the diseases that abound in those warm climates. It should be kept in every house, and be in readiness for sudden attacks of sickness.—Christian Press.

FIRST BOODLER: "I want to engage the services of a lawyer. Whom do you recommend?" Second Boodler: "You had better retain Lawyer Bluff." "Is he a good lawyer?" "He is, indeed. He is a powerful speaker. He is so thoroughly in earnest that in addressing a jury his words carry conviction." "Then he'll not do for me. I've been indicted, and I don't want a lawyer whose words carry conviction with them. It is an acquittal I'm after."

THE LITTLE AND THE MUCH.

The amount of knowledge to be gained from a book does not always depend upon its size. Some of the great revolutions in the world of mind have come from very small books. The truth may be small, but its unfolding be very great. This is evidently the opinion of Dr. Humphreys, of Specific Homeopathic fame. He presents very small pills, and contends that the curative results are very large, and he is consistent in giving a small book with a very large amount of matter.

His REVISED MANUAL is very small, but scarce a word is wasted; and looking over its pages, beautifully and clearly printed, one is amazed to see how so much and varied valuable matter could be condensed in so small a compass. It is safe to say that no person can read it without being interested and instructed, and we do not wonder that it is so highly prized by the thousands who use his SPECIFICS. He very justly observes that though the system of family medication which he presents may not be perfect, yet in point of safety, economy and efficacy, it is measurably in advance of anything heretofore known.

It is related that at a prominent church west of Toronto, once upon a time when a celebration was being held, the choir was on the programme to sing an anthem, and their place was designated by the single word, "Anthem." The gentleman who was master of the ceremonies, a high-toned pompous individual of the old school, when he came to that part of the programme, announced in a dignified way, "Mr. Anthem will now address the congregation."

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