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BABY TALK.

Listen to the Doctor—Miss Douglas Makes a Few Remarks.

By Dr. A. P. Reed.—If a child has obstinate bleeding at the nose, place the arms at full length straight above the head and lift up on them for a few minutes, using sufficient strength to well nigh lift the child from the floor.

A large majority of the troubles of healthy born infants are digestive troubles, many of them being caused directly by the mother, who by too frequent feedings may prove her child's worst enemy. The child is caught up and nursed every time it cries to appease it, the warm milk doing this at first, but ultimately "adding fuel to the fire," since generally the child is crying from the effects of indigestion, and at this rate the family physician has finally to be called and finds his duty rather in the line of correcting the habits of the mother than in drugging the little sufferer.

If a child regurgitates its milk, or, as the mother says, vomits, nine times out of ten it has been overfed and simply needs stomach rest. Since this is a frequent fault and babies have to vomit so much, it is very fortunate they can do it so much more easily than an adult. Indeed it is their only salvation under the circumstances.

Don't be afraid you will starve the little one by giving it under such conditions a few hours' rest with absolutely nothing in the stomach. Babies don't starve easily, and this little stomach of about an ounce capacity is very easily overloaded. Get an ounce bottle, note its size, and then remember that your baby the first few weeks of life has a stomach scarcely larger, and see to it that it be not overfilled or even kept filled with absolutely no chance to rest, a thing that would kill even yourself.

By Jennie Campbell Douglas.—Instead of holding an active infant on the lap while bathing it, put a pad up on the bed and over it a soft woolen blanket. The person giving the bath has greater freedom of motion, and there is no danger of dropping the baby, who can be kept covered very much better.

For a young child a soft woolen wash cloth is much less likely to produce a chill than cotton or linen.

Rubbing the infant with sweet oil or melted cocoa butter prevents chafing.

When dressing a young infant it is much better to put skirts and dress on by drawing them over the feet than over the head. In this way the spine is always supported.—Good House-keeping.

POPULAR SWEATERS.

A Becoming Sweater and Togue—Revers, Buttons and Stitches.

The sweater continues a favorite for both outdoor and indoor wear and has assumed many shapes, of which few are more graceful and generally be-



A GRACEFUL SWEATER AND TOQUE.

coming than the one illustrated. The revers may be kept closed, as in the sketch, with hooks and eyes, or it may be worn open. The buttons are gilt, gun metal or leather. This sweater is knitted in ridge stitch. Other popular stitches are in cable, rope, vine, box plait and side plait.

The smart Tam toque has a firm headband lined with velvet and is trimmed with a velvet ribbon rosette and black and white cock feathers.

A Hidden Pocket.

A friend gave me a pocket, one of the kind you wear under and pinned to the band of your dress skirt. It has been so useful I have wondered why I never had one before and why every woman does not have one, says a Ladies' World correspondent. It was made of mode color linen, bound with satin ribbon of the same color and stitched with silk to match. A little chamois bag with a buttoned down flap was fastened inside. This was for my valuables. Two pieces of the linen, fourteen and a half inches long and six and a half inches wide, were used for the pocket. A slit six inches long was cut in the center, lengthwise, of the upper piece and bound with the ribbon for an opening for the hand. Pieces were then put together and both sides trimmed off to a width of three inches at the top and the pocket finished with the satin binding, which covered and held together all the raw edges.

The Vitality in Flannel.

To iron flannel is a mistake. Let us spend as many hours as we choose upon table linen and cotton garments, but do let us be wise enough to retain the magnetism, the vitality, of the fresh air and sunshine in underflannel. A hot iron kills those life giving forces. Don't laugh at this, dear housekeeper. The flannel has enmeshed the subtle, sweet life of the air.



THE MARRIAGE QUESTION.

The professor who announced that "love and romance die out with the sound of the wedding bells" was the first to start the ball rolling. It would seem a brave woman who marries with this echo in her ears, yet we have not heard that there were fewer marriages during the year. There are unhappy married lives, but a large percentage of these unhappy homes are due to the neglect of the wife, mother or daughter.

During a long period of practice, Doctor Pierce found that a prescription made up entirely of roots and herbs, without the use of alcohol, cured ninety-eight per cent. of such cases. After using this remedy for many years in his private practice he put it up in a form that can be had at any store where medicines are handled.

Backed up by over a third of a century of remarkable and uniform cures, a record such as no other remedy for the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women ever attained, the proprietors and makers of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription now feel fully warranted in offering to pay \$500 in legal money of the United States, for any case of Leucorrhoea, Female Weakness, Protrusion of the Uterus, or Falling of the Womb which they cannot cure. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

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Reflection on Him.

The author of the remark, "Time will tell," was confronted by Time himself. "Look here," said the old gentleman, "don't you know you will get people all mixed up about me? I'm no woman."—Judge.

It Was Not His Fault.

Richard Benson, Hugh Askin, John D. McKay and John Batchelder, each paid \$1 for pathmasters' returns.—Carried.

Moved by Boyer and Emery, that the Planet account, \$10.35, be paid.—Carried.

On motion of Lewis and Boyer, a number of accounts were ordered to be paid, for use of polling stations at municipal and local elections.

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The Council adjourned.
J. H. WELSH,
Clerk

RALEIGH COUNCIL.

The above council met on the 6th day of February with all members present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications.
From county treasurer, list of late in arrears for taxes on Dec. 31st, 1904, also a list of lands liable to be sold for taxes during the year 1905.

From the auditors, that three of the treasurer's bondsmen were deceased.

From A. E. Dillon that he had offered A. Johnston \$1.50 for damage to land and fence at corner of the 13th con. and Centre Road in the Centre Road drain and that Johnston refused the offer.

Goods supplied to the Harris family during quarantine for diphtheria in December, ordered paid.

Account \$24.95 from the Merlin Mirror for printing and advertising ordered paid.

The report of W. G. McGeorge, O. L. S. for the granolithic sidewalk in Merlin, was read and considered.

Mr. Shreve gave notice that he would introduce a by-law to proceed with the work.

The clerk submitted his report of the statute labor tax placed on the collector's roll as follows:

Div. No. 1, \$22.50; Div. No. 2, \$42.50; Div. No. 3, \$27.00; Div. No. 4, \$13.50; and Div. No. 5, \$32.00.

Wm. H. Irwin reported that he had the Lane Ditch completed under the O. & W. C. act for \$67.00, commission fees \$6.50.

E. A. Randall submitted his final report on the completion of the Stewart drain. Balance of com. fees \$7.00.

Edw. Sykes reported that he had investigated the grievance of J. E. Taylor and J. Heatherington re damages to road fence and would recommend no action.—Adopted.

Dr. Bell submitted report of two cases of diphtheria at the house of These. Bondsmen at present time and a third child had died. He placed the house under quarantine.

The clerk informed the council that Raleigh had not received the county grant of \$150.00 for running free ferry at Prairie Sliding for either 1903 or 1904. The clerk was instructed to write to the county treasurer for same.

Oliver Bailey complained that the arrears of taxes for 1901 placed on the collector's roll against the w. l. 2 of S. Front con. had been paid to the county treasurer, A. L. Shambles, on the 27th day of April, 1902.—Referred to the clerk to investigate.

J. M. Garrel asked for some assistance for Noah House who is now living with Luke Garrel.

Moved by Mr. Wellwood and Mr. Sykes, that if Noah House needs assistance from the township for him to be taken to the House of Refuge.—Carried.

Sykes—Irwin, that the account of the Banner-News of \$375.00 for printing the evidence of the Bradley vs. Raleigh suit be referred to the reeve with power.

Wellwood—Sykes, that whereas 3 of the bondsmen of our worthy treasurer being deceased, he it resolved that the treasurer be requested to furnish new securities to the amount of \$15,000.00, and also that he be asked to accept his former salary of \$300.00.—Carried.

Irwin—Shreve, that the account of J. W. Shackleton, \$15.00, for plan, profile and estimates of P. M. Ry. culvert over the Millar drain be referred to the reeve and report.—Carried.

Township Councils.

DOVER COUNCIL.

The council met January 30. The members were all present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Mr. Shackleton's application for engineering was read. From A. McDonald, a statement showing the cost of repairing the Boyle drain by dredge or by team work. A by-law was read and finally passed appointing S. Shreve assessor.

The Fryer drain and branch improvement by-law was read and finally passed.

Moved by Boyer and Emery, that the Reeve be empowered to pay O. I. Dolson's account, \$13.99, for goods furnished Wm. Loguille's family.—Carried.

Moved by Boyer and Emery, that A. H. White, agent, be paid \$11.75 as premium for insuring the Town Hall and contents and stable and shed for three years.—Carried.

Moved by Emery and Lewis, that Adjutor L. Eucyer be refunded \$1.88 statute labor tax returned in error by the pathmaster.—Carried.

Moved by Emery and Bourdeau, that Peter Cunningham's account, \$3.05, be paid for goods for Dolson Creek mechanical aim.—Carried.

Moved by Lewis and Boyer, that A. McDonald's account, \$28, be paid for surveying the 17th concess. on ditch and making an award thereon.—Carried.

Moved by Lewis and Boyer, that the account of A. Bell County Judge, \$5.00, be paid for one day holding court re Harper appeal on Marden drain outlet.—Carried.

Moved by Boyer and Lewis, that Drs. Holmes & McKough's account, \$20, be paid for operation and subsequent treatment of Mrs. Dolson.—Carried.

Moved by Lewis and Emery, that J. W. Shackleton's account, \$11.50, be paid for work and attending Court re Harper appeal on Marden drain outlet.—Carried.

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CAMDEN COUNCIL.

Council met Monday, Feb. 6, 1905. All members present. Last minutes read and adopted.

Accounts and communications read. Communication from Jos. Ripley, stating that he had been asked to accept the office of assessor on account of sickness in family.

Clerk instructed to forward to county treasurer a proper description of that portion of a lot 1, in 2nd con. Gore, upon which arrears of taxes have been returned and which is liable to be sold for said arrears.

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Account of Dr. Becket for medicine and nursing, \$2.00; L. Robinson do., \$2.00, and Merlin Mirror, printing and advertising, \$2.95.

Council adjourned to March 6th.
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Wellwood—Sykes, that in the matter of Mrs. Duckett, who was pronounced insane, the commissioner of Div. No. 2 be empowered to procure the necessary clothing and have her conveyed to the London asylum.—Carried.

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1905. Alonzo Ruble was appointed assessor in place of Jos. Ripley, resigned. The collector was instructed to collect A. C. Shaw's taxes, less \$4 statute labor returned in 1904 and \$4 statute labor returned in 1902.

Local Option by-law read third time, and finally passed, signed and sealed.

The following accounts were ordered paid: Municipal World, assessor's supplies, \$9.97; J. W. Shackleton, revising cuttings on Chauncy drain, charged to said drain, \$5; J. W. Shackleton, for making three new school maps, \$12; M. S. Blackburn, printing and serving Lashbrook drain by-law, \$10.

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