

**NOT A TWINGE IN HIS BODY**

**DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED W. J. DIXON'S RHEUMATISM.**

He was Crippled for Weeks Before he Tried the Great Kidney Remedy—How the Cure was Effected.

Barwick, Rainy River, Ont., Dec. 25.—(Special).—The cold, wet weather, with its accompaniment of Rheumatic pains has set the people here talking of the case of Wm. John Dixon. Mr. Dixon, who is well known in this neighborhood, was a cripple from Rheumatism. To-day he has not a twinge of his old enemy anywhere in his body, and he gives all the credit to Dodd's Kidney Pills. "I had an attack of Typhoid Fever," Mr. Dixon says in speaking of his cure, "and after I got over it, Rheumatism set in. I had pains in my back and in my right hip so bad I had to use a stick to walk. I had no comfort in sleeping and could no more than dress or undress myself for two months. For three or four weeks I could not put my right leg on my left knee.

"On my brother's advice I started using Dodd's Kidney Pills, and after taking three boxes I began to walk around and do my work as usual. I am all right now, and Dodd's Kidney Pills did it."

Rheumatism is caused by uric acid in the blood. The natural way to cure it is to get the uric acid out of the blood. If the Kidneys are sound they will take all the uric acid out of the blood. Dodd's Kidney Pills make the Kidneys sound.

**WHEN AND WHY TO DRINK.**

Reasons Why Men Look on Wine When it is Red.

In the Anti-Alcoholic Museum, in connection with a Temperance Congress held in Paris, a noticeable exhibit was one of the bills issued by the Italian Temperance Union, detailing some of the ostensible reasons why men drink. The reasons given are:—"One man drinks because he is gay, another because he is sorrowful. One because the weather is wet, another because it is dry. One because he works so hard, another because he has nothing to do. One because he has met with an old friend, another because he has parted from one. One because he is cold, another because he is hot. One because he is alone, another because he is among companions. One to keep himself awake, another to send himself to sleep. One because he is attending a wedding, another because he is at a funeral."

The reasons for drinking given in the handbill quoted above are certainly conclusive, and recall the oval sentiments of Dean Aldrich:—

There are, if I do rightly think, Five reasons why a man should drink; Good wine, a friend, or being dry, Or lest you should be bye-and-bye—Or any other reason why.

The temperance movement has, however, made great strides, and the dean's sentiments are seldom echoed to-day. One hundred years ago even the church had not severed its connection with alcohol, and in certain districts of England the churchwardens at Whitsuntide made collections of malt from the parishioners, and this was brewed into strong ale and sold in the churches, the money so obtained being expended on repairs of the sacred edifices. Ancient chroniclers tell us that it was no uncommon sight to see men reeling about the aisles.

**Deafness of 12 Years' Standing.**—Protracted Catarrh produces deafness in many cases. Capt. Ben. Connor, of Toronto, Canada, was deaf for 12 years from Catarrh. All treatments failed to relieve. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder gave him relief in one day, and in a very short while the deafness left him entirely. It will do as much for you. 50 cents.—33

**HOPELESS.**

"What's the matter, old chap?" "Feeling miserable. Saw double all last night." "Never mind. You'll be all right in a little while." "No, I won't. It's a real case of twins."

It's easy to explain why others shouldn't make mistakes.

The Most Popular Pill.—The pill is the most popular of all forms of medicine, and of pills the most popular are Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, because they do what is asserted they can do, and are not put forward on any fictitious claims to excellence. They are compact and portable, they are easily taken, they do not nauseate nor gripe, and they give relief in the most stubborn cases.

**AUSTRALIAN HARDWOODS.**

To the fact that Australia possesses the finest hardwoods in the world is due the mammoth order which South Africa recently placed with a Sydney firm for the supply of 470,000 railway sleepers. These were to be 7 feet long, 10 inches wide, and 5 inches deep, and to consist of black-butt, box, and mahogany. The first shipment, consisting of 32,000 sleepers, represented a superficial measurement of 1,000,000 feet, and a dead weight of 8,000 tons. The second shipment consisted of 70,000 sleepers, representing 6,000 tons.

**MILITARISM AND SOCIALISM.**

Tedium of a Soldier's Life is Wearing on a Man.

Lieutenant Billee is the author of a romance picturing German army life so mercilessly and truly that he is in arrest pending a court-martial for disclosing military secrets. The accusation rests upon indiscretions of statement that are not obvious to the civilian eye. Billee's book is really an analytical study of the depressing effect of the profession of arms on men of heart and lively minds. In it may be found an explanation of the frequent suicides in the officers' corps.

The officer who fails to qualify for the General Staff or to obtain an appointment in the household troops must endure the unending tedium of garrison duty. Billee served in a small post on the French frontier. He describes the unchanging routine, the gossip every day with the same persons, the limited social life because of caste prejudices, the deadening of aspiration stimulated only by hollow loyalty to the crown—alone representing the nation—and by decadent ideas of honor.

The unutterable weariness of such a life after the man has reached thirty, heightened by a marriage for money, reduces one of sensual temperament to a life of ease and indulgence or irritates the man of sensibility to mental revolt, sometimes ending in suicide. This is also why the Socialists receive secret aid from many officers. Billee's work has been suppressed as tending to bring the military profession into discredit.

**A VERY ANCIENT BRITON.**

While workmen were excavating under a house in Salisbury Square, London, recently, they came upon a nearly complete skull of a woolly Siberian rhinoceros. Although the lower jaw is missing, the specimen is the finest and most perfect ever discovered outside of the Siberian tundra. The find was made in a bed of peat, and near by other bones, believed to have belonged to some other species of rhinoceros, were unearthed. It is a far cry backward to the days when England was the home of such animals.

**WELL WORN.**

"His face has such a worn look!" "No wonder; he has been traveling on it for nearly forty years."

**TAKE NOTICE.**

During the year the space devoted to advertising MINARD'S LINIMENT will contain expressions of no uncertain sound from people who speak from personal experience as to the merits of this best of Household Remedies.

A woman would rather be idolized than understood.

There never was, and never will be a universal panacea, in one remedy, for all ills to which flesh is heir—the very nature of many curatives being such that were the germs of other and differently seated diseases rooted in the system of the patient—what would relieve one ill, in turn would aggravate the other. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, when obtainable in a sound unadulterated state, a remedy for many and grievous ills. By its gradual and judicious use, the frailties of the system are led into convalescence and strength, by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves the drooping spirits of those with whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and, by tranquilizing the nerves, disposes to sound and refreshing sleep—imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which being stimulated, courses throughout the veins, strengthening the healthy animal functions of the system, thereby making activity a necessary result, strengthening the frame, and giving life to the digestive organs, which naturally demand increased substance—result, improved appetite. Northrop & Lyman of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine Wine at the usual rate, and, gauged by the opinion of scientists, this wine approaches nearest perfection of any in the market. All druggists sell it.

**HAD TRIED.**

"I'm afraid," said the clumsy man, as he fell off his horse again, "I'll never learn to ride." "O," said the riding master, "just keep on trying." "But gracious! I'm having trouble now trying to keep on."

The thousands of people who write to me saying that

**Shiloh's Consumption Cure** The Lung Tonic

cured them of chronic coughs cannot all be mistaken.

There must be truth in it.

Try a bottle for that cough of yours.

Prices 25c., 50c. and \$1.00

S. C. WELLS & CO. Toronto, Can. LeRoy, N.Y.

**SUNLIGHT SOAP** REDUCES EXPENSE

**\$5,000 Reward** will be paid by Levee Brothers Limited, Toronto, to any person who can prove that this soap contains any form of adulteration whatsoever, or contains any injurious chemicals.

**PLAGUE OF RATS.**

The agriculturists all about Ravenna, Italy, are in great alarm over the plague of rats with which the fields are now visited. The animals increase so rapidly that it has as yet been impossible to check their growth. A field which looks rich and smiling one day is found on the next stripped to the bare earth. The owner of one property, amounting to about 600 acres, tried the experiment of making perpendicular traps, 15 feet deep, out of which the rats could not climb, all over his ground, and thus caught 92,000 rats in 45 days.

Barber (insinuatingly): "Your hair is a trifle thin, sir." Victim (grimly): "So is your chance of selling me a bottle of your justly celebrated hair restorer."

**STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO,** FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A.D. 1896.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

"Ball tells me that, although he has inherited a fortune, he sets his alarm-clock for six in the morning just the same as ever." "Habit, eh?" "No; he says he likes to wake up and enjoy the sensation of not having to get up to go to work."

There is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil—a pulmonary acknowledged efficacy. It cures lameness and soreness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses most substantial claims to public confidence.

The man who informs you that life isn't worth living is the first to telephone for a doctor if a spider bites him.

(Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc

"Mrs. Skimmils says that her husband never spoke a hasty word to her in his life," said the lady who gossips. "That's perfectly true," replied Miss Cayenne. "The dear man stutters dreadfully."

They Cleanse the System Thoroughly—Parmelee's Vegetable Pills clear the stomach and bowels of bilious matter, cause the excretory vessels to throw off impurities from the blood into the bowels and expel the deleterious mass from the body. They do this without pain or inconvenience to the patient, who speedily realizes their good offices as soon as they begin to take effect. They have strong recommendations from all kinds of people.

The very air we breathe becomes a nuisance when it is worked over and jammed through a brass instrument by a young man who is fitting himself to become a member of a brass band.

**Dr. Von Star's Pineapple Tablets.**—Medical science by accident discovered the potency of the pineapple as a panacea for stomach troubles. The immense percentage of vegetable pepsin contained in the fruit makes it an almost indispensable remedy in cases of dyspepsia and indigestion. One tablet after each meal will cure most chronic cases. 60 in a box, 35 cents.—32

**ALREADY DECIDED.**

"My dear," whispered the young man, "as we are so soon to be married, we should take a practical view of life, and profit by the mistakes of others. For instance, there is the subject of a regular allowance every week for spending-money, you know." "Oh, I've thought of that," she replied sweetly. "Have you?" "Yes, indeed, hundreds and hundreds of times; and lately I haven't thought of much else."

"Eh?" "Yes. Your income is \$2,000, isn't it?"

"Yes, and I want it to go as far as possible towards your happiness."

"Of course. Well, I've talked it over with mamma, and she thinks an allowance of \$1.25 a week will be plenty."

"Indeed?" "Oh, yes. You can walk to the office, you know, and carry your lunch, you know, and so you can use the whole \$1.25 for cigars, and neckties, and things."

**Blue Ribbon Ceylon Green**

Sea is now on the market. Try it

Put up Black Mixed & Ceylon Green

**ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.**

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**FIVE YEARS' PROGRESS:**

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20,917	1900	206,820.
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23,829	1902	304,012.
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**SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS TO JOIN NOW.**

Apply to the Recorder in your own town, or W. F. MONTAGUE, Grand Recorder, Hamilton, Ont., or W. F. CAMPBELL, Grand Organizer, Hamilton, Ont.

There are moments in every man's life when he imagines he's on the verge of insanity.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder is a boon to any home. It disinfects and cleans at the same time.

When a young man thinks he is entitled to a kiss the girl seldom thinks it necessary to arbitrate.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diarrhoea.

**HUBBY'S WAY OF TRAINING.**

"I have something for you here, my love," said Mr. Darley, as he proceeded to open a large round box. "What is it, precious?" "Wait and see."

Darley carefully unwrapped the article and disclosed a lady's hat. "Isn't it a beauty?" he asked. "I bought it myself as a surprise to you. Don't you think it is a perfect dream?"

Mrs. Darley gazed at the hat and burst into tears. "I can't wear it," she cried. "It doesn't suit me at all. You meant to please me, I know, but it isn't my style at all."

"Don't cry, dear. The milliner said you could exchange it, and if you'll agree not to buy any ties for me hereafter, I'll let you select your own hats and bonnets."

An agreement was concluded on that basis.

**For Over Sixty Years.**

MINARD'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, cures wind colic, regulates the stomach and bowels, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "MINARD'S SOOTHING SYRUP."

When a homely woman has her photograph taken she acts as if she considered the artist responsible for her looks.

There is danger in neglecting a cold. Many who have died of consumption dated their troubles from exposure, followed by a cold which settled on their lungs, and in a short time they were beyond the skill of the best physician. Had they used Bickley's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, before it was too late, their lives would have been spared. This medicine has no equal for curing coughs, colds and all affections of the throat and lungs.

The Wife: "I think we ought to have Lucy's voice cultivated, John if it doesn't cost too much." The Husband: "It can't cost too much, my dear, if it will improve it."

**Sciatica put him on Crutches.**—Jas. Smith, dairyman, of Grimsby, Ont., writes: "My limbs were almost useless from sciatica and rheumatism, and, notwithstanding my esteem for physicians, I must give the credit where it belongs. I am a cured man to-day, and South American Rheumatic Cure must have all the credit. It's a marvel.—34

Little Boy: "Why don't you hit a fellow of your own size?" Big Boy: "Do you want me to wait here till you grow?" (Smack!)

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

**DIDN'T WORK.**

He—"Do you believe in thought transference, Miss Frivolous?" She—"Not at all. I have been trying for weeks to convey the idea to your mind that you ought to propose."

**The Blood Pump** GIVES YOU HEALTH OR DISEASE ACCORDING TO ITS CONDITION.

If the heart, the blood pump of the human system, is out of order the nerves are starved for want of blood and indigestion, sleeplessness, sick headache, lack of vigor and nervousness are the result. Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure relieves heart disease in 30 minutes, cures and strengthens the organ so that rich blood courses through the veins and health reigns where disease was supreme. The better the blood pump the more vigorous the health. Ninety-nine out of a hundred hearts are weak or diseased. The first dose of Agnew's Heart Cure relieves.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills cure liver ills, 10c.

**THE NEW TIME DIVISION.**

Father—"Mabel, I think that young man's calls are entirely too long." Mabel—"Not at all, father, we take constructive recesses."

Minard's Liniment Cures Gargal in Gown.

"At the club to-day Maria read a paper on 'Why Are Men Averse to Marriage?' I felt so sorry for her." "Why so?" "Because you only had to look at her to get an answer to the question."



Whatever reduces the drudgery of housework is worth having. The **New Century** Ball Bearing Washer does away with all hand rubbing. You do not require to touch the clothes to thoroughly clean them and a tubful can be done in five minutes. It is needed in every home and you cannot afford not to have it. If your dealer has it you should see it at once. If not, write us and we will be glad to send you a descriptive booklet. The Campbell Mfg. Co. Ltd., Hamilton, Ont.

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