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A CANADIAN CHRISTMAS POEM.

Across the outland Christmas night,
The echoing darkness and the cold,
I see the City crowned with light
And every window touched with gold.

Their new gods come, their old depart,
Their strange creeds into dust have died—
Yet He must live, O troubled heart,
Who gave to men this Christmas tide!

He dies not, for still clear His star
On such a night stands for a since we
Remember now the Christ we are,
And watch, the man that He would be!

And through the dubious outland night,
Across the gloom, alone, forlorn,
I see God homes re-crowned with light,
And each light swings His star reborn!

—Arthur Stringer.

IN THE NICKLE BELT.

Comparises of Prices of Little Things Here and in England.

It was at Brandon Fair that we first realized that one of the drawbacks of this country is the total absence of useful things of small value. We have learned that lesson a hundred times since then. In the old country sixpence has a very appreciable buying power. Here ten cents, or fivepence, is practically the smallest coin in use, and is certainly of no more worth than twopence at home. At Brandon Fair the "side shows," which at home would charge a penny, twopence or at the very utmost threepence, for admission, charged invariably 15 cents, or 7½d., and they were crowded. I was in a shop where a mother was buying a little candy for a fractious and pestering child, and she gave 5 cents, or 2½d., for an amount that would have been purchased in England for a halfpenny. It costs you fivepence to get your boots blacked, and a shilling for a shave in a hotel. Any drink, in the smallest of tumblers, such as a couple of tablespoonsful of gin and a squirt of stone ginger beer, costs 15 cents. I had a little ammonia and sweet oil mixed in a small bottle to neutralize mosquito bites. The cost was two shillings. If you ask for lager beer they give you a small glass, one-third of a half-pint bottle, for fivepence. A bottle of lager beer, which I could get for sixpence in Sheffield, costs two shillings in a Canadian hotel—not lager brought from Germany, but locally brewed. It is necessary, in brief, to pay heavily for small purchases or do without them. The latter is the better plan. It seems to me that "living" in Canada is quite twice as dear as living in England, but in Canada the food would be somewhat more varied and profuse. A single working man has to pay thirty shillings a week for food and lodgings on the average, and he can easily spend another pound a week on such luxuries as smoking and drinking. I suspect that a good deal of the saving which goes on here is made possible by men going without things that are unnecessary. The strong temperance feeling of the country has, in no inconsiderable degree, an economic basis.—John Derry, one of the visiting British journalists, in The Sheffield Independent.

Not a Canadian Bird.

As the robin is with us but half the year, it is not right to claim him as a Canadian bird, as is sometimes done. He is of a migratory nature, and leaves us at the end of October, returning early in April. This bird is the finest songster that visits us, and when caged and carefully attended to makes a most cheerful and amusing companion, writes Sydney Smith of Toronto. In my time I have had many kinds of birds, but not one of a more attractive and pleasing disposition than the robin. What I would particularly draw attention to is a remarkable illustration of this bird losing his own natural song and learning from tuition something altogether different. Having got possession of him when he dropped from the nest, I whistled to him, or in his hearing, repeatedly from day to day, and when not at home one or other of the members of the family did the same, so that now he cannot be recognized by his song as a robin. Sweet as his natural song is, what he has acquired is sweeter still. In reality it is not a song, but a melodious and changeable whistle interluded with variations of many and peculiar noises. When spoken to by one of the family he invariably answer in bird language, and he gives unmistakable proof that he knows one person from another. The first footstep that reaches his ear in the morning brings from him a welcome salutation, and no matter how late at night the last one home is greeted with a cheerful word or two from Bobby. Noticing at an early stage his fondness for play, I introduced a few trinkets, which he pounced upon at once, and ever since I have kept him supplied with small things, which he delights to pick up and throw about his cage. The more noise they make the more he enjoys the fun. I have also hung on a string from a wire at the top of the cage a very small bell. This he takes hold of and swings to and fro which causes it to jingle. His fondness for music is demonstrated whenever the piano is being played or when singing is heard in the house. At such times he raises his voice above all. How to feed and care for the robin in captivity is necessary above all things if you wish him well. In the first place, keep him clean, or give him the means of keeping himself clean. He should have his daily bath, as he is passionately fond of water. For food give him neither meal nor any kind of prepared stuff, but simply fresh meat in very small pieces. That is as near his natural food as you can get. When fruit is in season give him a few berries, or even now a few table currants is a welcome and wholesome addition to his bill of fare.

Oldest Trade Secrets.

The two oldest secret trade processes now in existence are considered to be the manufacture of Chinese red, or vermilion, and the method of inlaying the hardest steel with gold and silver, which seems to have been practiced at Damascus ages ago and is known only to the Syrian smiths and their pupils even to this day.

Tortured with Pain. Too Weak to Work.

ULCERS, BOILS AND PIMPLES ALL OVER HER BODY

Such was the condition of Mrs. Samuel Deitz, Zurich, Ont.

She happily found relief from her terrible suffering by using

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A remedy without a rival for the cure of all diseases and troubles arising from bad blood. A record extending over a quarter of a century and thousands of testimonials will prove this. Mrs. Deitz writes: "Too weak to work, tortured with the pain of ulcers, boils and pimples all over my body, especially on my face. I had almost made up my mind to give up trying to have them cured. I was ashamed to have any person come to see me, my face was in such a terrible state. I tried everything I could think of but got worse and worse. I was then led to try Burdock Blood Bitters and was surprised at the wonderful change the first bottle made. Altogether I took seven bottles and am now completely cured and am in perfect health again. I feel that B.B.B. saved my life."

Growing Railroad Ties.

The Pennsylvania Railroad company has made a new departure. The increasing scarcity of timber suitable for railway ties and the failure of substitutes for wood in the roadbed have led the Pennsylvania into a forestry experiment. One hundred acres of land have been planted with 50,000 young locusts. The locust is a rapid grower, and, moreover, the timber is durable under the exposed conditions of ties. The company intends to plant 2,000 acres of ground in locusts to provide for future construction and renewal of its roadbed.

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This preparation is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough, has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous results. It is especially prized by mothers because it contains nothing injurious and there is not the least danger in giving it even to babies. It always cures and cures quickly. Sold by all druggists.

Good Town Builders.

No power on earth is so strong to build up a town as a newspaper well patronized, and its power should be appreciated. A newspaper whose columns overflow with advertisements of business men has more influence in attracting attention to and building up a city or town than any other agency that can be employed. People go where there is business. Capital and labor will locate where there is an enterprising community.

HE DESERVED PITY

His suffering from Sciatica was so great, but thanks to Nerviline he was cured. "I suffered for three years from sciatica," writes E. S. Jenkins, of Portland, "and no man ever suffered more. I spent a small fortune on different remedies, but the only one with real medit was Nerviline. I used a few bottles of Nerviline and was perfectly cured. I can recommend Nerviline as a sure cure for sciatica; it's excellent also for rheumatism and neuralgia." Try Nerviline, 25c. at all druggists.

When the egotist talks he expects us to be all ears, while he is all I's.

Contentment is a condition within the reach of the most humble.

A puny child is always an anxiety to the parents. There seems generally no reason why the little one should be weak when it is so well fed. But the fact is that it does not matter how much food the child takes if the stomach cannot extract the nourishment from it. No benefit can be derived from just eating. That is the condition of many a sickly child. The stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition are not doing their work, and the body is really starving. It is little use to give fish foods, like col liver oil or emulsions, in such a case, because these also have to be digested; they may lighten the stomach's labor but they don't strengthen it. Strength is what the stomach needs. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery strengthens the stomach, nourishes the nerves and increases the action of the blood-making glands. It is superior to every other preparation for children's use, on account of its body building qualities, and also because it is pleasant to the taste and contains no alcohol, whiskey or other intoxicant. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a valuable aid when the bowels are irregular. They are small. Children take them readily.

The man who agrees with nobody thinks everybody else is wrong.

Wounds and Their Treatment.

These are not of uncommon occurrence, and much can be done by the amatuer doctor. Wounds are either incised, punctured, contused, or lacerated.

Incised wounds are clean cut. But as they may also be dirty as well, the first thing to do is to wash them and remove dirt and grit. If there is very smart bleeding it may be better not to wash, but to stop it by means of pressure, but the cold washing is often enough of itself to check the flow of blood, assisted by elevation of the limb or part. That being done, the edges of the wound should be as neatly as possible brought together, and narrow strips of sticking plaster fixed across it at some distance from each other. This must be particularly attended to in cuts about the face. A bit of dry boracic lint should then be placed over it, and a light bandage applied. If the wound is too large for adjustment with plaster, stitches must be introduced by the surgeon when he can be got. The wounded part should then be placed in as easy and comfortable a position as can be had. For example, a sand bag placed on each side of the neck to steady the head is useful in cuts of the throat.

Punctured wounds are deep, narrow ones, the result of pressing and stabbing instruments. There is little to be done with these but to wash them and clean them out by a gentle syringing, preferably with a mild carbolic lotion, if at hand. They should not be closed, but some boracic lint may be applied as a dressing.

Lacerated wounds are ragged and irregular, produced by tearing. They should be treated like incised wounds, only the edges will not be as neatly united. If severe, not much can be done, but give attention to cleanliness and comfortable position. They are of a more dangerous character, and more difficult to heal, being more prone to be followed by erysipelas, gangrene and lockjaw. They should, therefore, from the beginning be treated by antiseptic washes.

Contused wounds, the result of severe bruising, are equally serious. The effects of the violence on the parts is to make them apt to die and slough off. If severe, warm water should be used, if slight, cold.

Food Value of Skimmilk.

In response to the inquiry from your correspondent, I will state that skim-milk is a valuable food, both for man and other mammals. Extensive experiments have been carried on with skim-milk in the feeding of the lower animals, and the results of them are found recorded in the bulletins of many of the experiment stations. It is a well-known fact that skim-milk is extensively used in almost every farmer's family in the United States. It is wholesome and nutritious, but used alone makes a very narrow ration, that is, a ration in which the nitrogenous element of the food is largely in excess.

In round numbers, skim-milk may be said to contain 3 per cent. protein, 5 per cent. sugar and 0.7 per cent. ash, consisting largely of phosphates. To balance a ration in which skim-milk forms a large part, bread rather poor in gluten may be used, or a bread richer in gluten, together with potatoes and butter. A very well balanced meal of a simple and nutritious nature may be made of 500 cubic centimeteres of skim-milk, 150 grams of potatoes, 100 grams of bread and 25 grams of butter. This is a ration on which a man could do a lot of work, mental and physical.—Prof. Wiley.

A Shower in Somaliland.

An English lady traveling with her husband in Somaliland tells the following story of a thunder shower and the visitors it brought: "Oscar Grat and his men had come to the zeriba to pay an afternoon call and, having on their best togas, did not care to get wet, so came and sat under the fly of our tent. They each brought a handful of spears and shields and, huddled together in the cramped space, alternately prodded each other or put a spearhead through the canvas roof. The storm lasted nearly an hour, and when the first gleam of light appeared all ran with wild shouts to the dusty track whence we had come, but which was now a rushing river. All the casks and skins were filled, to the accompaniment of weird songs, and then the ponies, sheep and camels—these last had had no water for seven days—were brought down to drink."

Had Time to Rest.

Mr. Choate, the Ambassador of the United States at London, tells a story of a sculling match that took place between an Englishman, a student of Oxford, and an Irishman, a student of Cambridge. The Briton won handily. At no time was he in danger of defeat. Moreover, in a spirit of fun and bravado he had stopped two or three times in his course and had bidden the Irishman in the rear to "hurry up."

After the race the Irishman came in for a good deal of chaff in view of the overwhelming defeat he had suffered. But he merely shrugged his shoulders.

"Faith," he said, "if I had had the long rests that he took I could have beaten him easily."

Mr. Chamberlain's Nose.

Probably Mr. Chamberlain's features are more familiar to the men in the street than are those of any other celebrity in the world. "Mr. Chamberlain's nose is not an orator's nose," says Mr. Harry Furniss in Pearson's Magazine. "It is a fighter's nose. Long, sharp aggressive, it is the typical nose of the man who is always ready to do battle, who is never caught napping, whose rapier thrust reaches home almost before it has parried the opponent's blow. All the character of Mr. Chamberlain is to be found in this wonderful nose, so beloved by the caricaturist. Draw a long, sharp nose, beside it an eyeglass, and beneath it an orchid, and no one can doubt whom your caricature represents."

SCOURGE OF THE AGE IS KIDNEY DISEASE

Terrible Increase in the Number of Deaths From this Ailment

It Is Common to All Classes and Conditions of People

It Creep Stealthily into the System and Develops into Many Diseases

Bright's Disease, Heart Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, and Rheumatism are Among the Forms it Takes.

Dodd's Kidney Pills the One Remedy That Never fails to Cure It, No Matter How or When It is Found.

Of all the diseases the human body has to combat in its struggle for health, the one that is steadily growing in strength and terrors is Kidney Disease. Quietly, stealthily as a serpent, it creeps on its victim till the latter is enveloped in its folds, and the greatest physicians the world has ever known stand helpless before it. As the last fold goes around the struggling victim and the doctor shakes his head and whispers "Bright's Disease," hope fades to nothing, and the sorrowing friends feel that death has marked their loved one for its own.

The alarming increase this terrible disease is making is evidenced by the columns of almost every newspaper. For not among the lowly of the earth alone does it look for its victims. Statesmen, judges, eminent lawyers, and honored divines are numbered among those who in recent months have gone down to their graves with the fell marks of this dread disease upon their bodies. In fact, so prevalent has the disease become that a celebrated New York specialist stated recently that not one person in a hundred was free from some taint of Kidney Disease.

WORKS IN SECRET.

It is the secrecy of Kidney Disease that makes it the more dreaded. You can fight an enemy in the open with some chance of success, but if he is lying in wait to take you at an unwary moment your chances of successfully fighting him are terribly diminished. So it is with Kidney Disease. Its first warnings are so faint as to be hardly noticeable, a slight pain in the back that is charged up to over exertion, a slight discoloration of the urine or a burning sensation while urinating attracts attention. That is all. But that means that Kidney Disease is at work gradually eating its way into your system. The pain in the back grows more severe, the urinary trouble more complicated, swellings under the eyes and of the limbs denote the coming of Dropsy, sharp shooting pains in the joints and muscles tell that Rheumatism has you in its grasp, or perhaps a day or two's illness leads to the calling of the doctor, and suddenly the terrible truth is forced upon you—Bright's Disease has you in its grasp.

WAY OF ESCAPE.

With this silent, relentless enemy slowly but surely eating its way into prominence and marking that prominence by a yearly increase in the lengths of its death list, the demand of the day, of the hour, is "Show us the way of escape." Nature never put mankind in a critical condition without providing a way of escape—providing mankind were wise enough to take the way provided. In this case the way of escape is a simple vegetable remedy. It has been before the people, of Canada for thirteen years, and, like all the great relievers of nature, has been first received and first appreciated by the lowly in life, those known as the common people of Canada.

Is it the common people of Canada who die of Bright's Disease? No, it is the bright and shining marks, those who are stationed above the heads of the masses. Ask the reason of this! Go to the people who are practically exempt from Kidney Disease in its worst form, and ask them. With almost a single voice they will reply: "We cure our Kidney ailments with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and they never get a chance to develop into that terrible disease that carries so many prominent men into the grave."

ON WITH HIS WORK.

Ana so it is; the man who does manual labor must heal his slightest aches or they hinder him in his work. When he has a backache he cures it with Dodd's Kidney Pills, and goes on with his work; when he feels a twinge of Rheumatism he drives it out of his body with Dodd's Kidney Pills—and goes on with his work. Necessity has taught him that he must cure his Kidneys to get rid of his pains, for he must work to live. He has not been educated to that standpoint where a prescription to cure must be written by a specialist at a cost of dollars to every letter. He may not even know that there never was a disease that took in all clases of the community but what nature provided a cure within the means of all classes of the community. What he does know is more to the point than all this. He knows that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure all aches which experience has taught him come from the Kidneys. He takes Dodd's Kidney Pills, and goes on with his work.

SOME EXCEPTIONS.

Of course, there are exceptions to every rule. Even among common people there are those who neglect the early warnings of Kidney Disease. It takes exceptions to prove the rule—but many of these exceptions prove more—they prove that no case of Kidney Disease is too far gone for Dodd's Kidney Pills to cure. Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Heart Disease—all the varied forms of Kidney Disease in its advanced stages—have been met by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and never once has Canada's great Kidney Remedy had to admit defeat. From the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Great Lakes to Hudson Bay, Dodd's Kidney Pills are used, and wherever used they have triumphed over Kidney Disease in its every form. Thousands of Canadians are shouting their praises of the conqueror.

Just a few of those who have neglected the early symptoms, reached the more advanced stages of Kidney Diseases, and found a cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills are given below. There are thousands of others. Ask in your own immediate neighborhood. You will not have to go far to meet men, women and children who have either warded off or cured the terror of the present age by using the old Canadian stand-by—Dodd's Kidney Pills.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE CURED.

Bright's Disease has invariably yielded to a treatment of Dodd's Kidney Pills, no matter how firm a hold it had secured on its victim. Possibly the most talked of case of recent date is that of Alice Maud Parker, of Shubenacadie, Hants Co., N. S. The full story of this case will be found in the current number of Dodd's Magazine. Herewith a short statement from the young lady's mother is appended:

Two doctors pronounced my daughter's illness Bright's Disease, and gave her up to die. Her eyelids swelled till she could hardly see, her legs from her ankles to her knees swelled. Her belt in health was twenty inches, when she was at her worst it was 48 inches. Then she gave up all other treatment and started to take Dodd's Kidney Pills. By the time she had taken the first box I saw a change. It took a long time to bring her back to perfect health, but Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. To-day my daughter is in perfect health.

Mrs. T. G. Parker,
Shubenacadie, Hants Co., N. S.

DIABETES CURED.

Diabetes is another of the most fearful and fatal forms of Kidney Disease that has been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and by no other medicine. Among those cured of this terrible ailment is Mr. Charles Gilchrist, for fifteen years Chief of Police of Port Hope, and afterwards for twenty-two years Fishery Overseer under the Dominion Government. He makes the following statement:

I was a sufferer for ten years with Diabetes and Kidney Disorder. At times my urine was of a dark bricky color, and I would suffer something awful while passing. I tried doctors and medicines, but could get no help till I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. They have made me a new man. The citizens of Port Hope all know me, and can vouch for the above.

Chas. Gilchrist,
Ex-Chief Coast and Fishery Overseer, Port Hope.

HEART DISEASE CURED.

Heart Disease is a result of Kidney Disorder. Bad Kidneys mean impure blood, the action of impure blood on the heart causes Heart Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure it...

I suffered for years with Heart Disease, Bright's Disease, and Rheumatism. I was so feeble I was unable to do anything. There were three months I abandened all medicines, and resolved to let myself die. Then I was led to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and the good the first box did me surprised me. I have taken twenty boxes in all, am well of my Heart Disease, my Bright's Disease and my Rheumatism.

Dame Louis Provosts,
St. Magloire, Que.

DROPSY CURED.

Dropsy, another disease cured by diseased Kidneys failing to do their work and remove the surplus water from the blood, is another ailment Dodd's Kidney Pills always cure. Here is an example:

I was a total wreck before I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. In the mornings before I got out of bed I could hardly put my feet to the floor they were so much swollen from Dropsy. My arms used to swell at times so that I could not put on my coat. I had to be tapped to be relieved from my terrible pains. On the advice of a friend I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Before I had finished the second box I felt much better. Seven boxes cured me completely. I don't know what it is to be sick since I used Dodd's Kidney Pills.

George Robertson,
392 St. James St.,
Montreal, Que.

RHEUMATISM CURED.

Rheumatism and kindred Kidney Diseases, such as Lumbago, Sciatica, and Gout, are caused by uric acid in the blood. If the Kidneys are put in working order they strain all the uric acid out of the blood, and the Rheumatism goes with it. Take the case of W. G. Cragg, of Dresden, Ont. Here is his statement:

For eight years I was troubled with Inflammatory Rheumatism. I could scarcely get around to do my duties in my store. I had some of the best doctors I could get, but nothing I tried would ever give me relief. I was also troubled with Gout. I started using Dodd's Kidney Pills and had only taken six boxes when I was completely cured.

W. G. Cragg,
Ex-Reeve of Dresden, Ont.

ALL KIDNEY DISEASES CURED.

These are only a few cases taken from thousands to show the efficacy of Dodd's Kidney Pills in advanced stages of Kidney Disease. In other forms of Kidney trouble, such as Urinary troubles, Gravel, Female Weakness, etc., Dodd's Kidney Pills have the same record. They always cure. As for Pain in the Back—the first symptoms of Kidney trouble—ask your neighbor. You'll find the majority of them look on Pain in the Back as a danger signal, and on its first appearance safeguard themselves against this terribly fatal Kidney Disease by driving it away with the old Canadian stand-by — Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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