Immortality.

Two caterpillars crawling on a leaf,
By some strange accident in contact came;
By some strange accident in contact came;
Their conversation, passing all belief,
Was that same argument, the very same,
That has been "proed and conned" from
man to man,
Yea, ever since this wondrous world began.

The ugly creatures, Deaf and dumb and blind, Devoid of features That adorn mankind,

Were vain enough, in dull and wordy strife,
To speculate upon a future life.
The first was optimistic, full of hope,
The second, quite dyspeptic, seemed to mope.
Said number one, "I'm sure of our salvation."

Said number two, "I'm sure of our damna-

Our ugly forms alone would seal our fates and bar our entrance through the golden gates. se that death should take us unawares, How could we climb the golden stairs? If maidens shun us as they pass by, Would angels bid us welcome in the sky?

I wonder what great crimes we have committed, That leave us so forlorn and so unpitied.

That leave us so forform and so displaced.

Perhaps we've been ungrateful, unforgiving;

"Iis plain to me that life's not worth the living."

"Come, come, cheer up," the jovial worm

replied,
"Let's take a look upon the other side:
Suppose we cannot fly like moths or millers,
Are we to blame for being caterpillars? Will that same God that doomed us crawl

the earth.
A prey to every bird that's given birth, rgive our captor as he eats and sings, And damn poor us because we have not

wings?

If we can't skim the air like owl or bat,
A worm will turn 'for a' that.'"

They argued through the summer; autumn

nigh,
The ugly things composed themselves to And so, to plete, to make their funeral quite com-

a tailor at the age of ten years by his widowed mother. He was never able to attend school, and picked up all the education he ever had.

Ulysses S. Grant lived the life of a village boy, in a plain house on the banks of the Ohio river, until he was

seventeen years of age. James A. Garfield was born in a log cabin. He worked on the farm until he was strong enough to use carpenter's tools, when he learned the He afterward worked on a trade. canal.

Grover Cleveland's father was a Presbyterian minister with a small salary and a large family. The boys had to earn their living.

-08080

The Horrors of War.

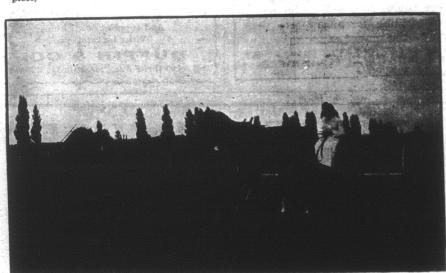
The old gentleman in the smokingcar was declaring vehemently that, in his opinion, war was a disgrace to civilization.

"War," he exclaimed, "is an abomination, a blot on the universe!" Upon which he rose and left the car.

"The old man seems to feel pretty strongly on the subject," said one of the passengers. "Has he lost some near relative through war?" "Yes," answered a friend, "his wife's first husband."

-1080801-An Automobile Battery.

Portugal has a unique battery of howitzers, which are drawn by a large automobile, the entire equipment being arranged on a permanent basis, and not being a mere temporary expedient



Raking Hay.

Each wrapped him in his little winding-The tangled web encompassed them full seen, Each for his coffin made him a cocoon.
All through the winter's chilling blast they

lay
Dead to the world, aye, dead as human clay. comes forth with all her warmth Spring and love;

She brings sweet justice from the realms above She breaks the chrysalis, she resurrects the

Two butterflies ascend, encircling her head. And so this emblem shall forever be A sign of immortality.

-08080:-

Story of Ten Poor Boys.

John Adams, second president, was the son of a grocer of very moderate means. The only start he had was a good education.

Andrew Jackson was born in a log hut in North Carolina, and was reared in the pine woods for which the state is famous.

James K. Polk spent the earlier years of his life helping to dig a living out of a new farm in North Carolina. He was afterward clerk in a country store.

Millard Fillmore was a son of a New York farmer, and his home was a humble one. He learned the business of clothier.

James Buchanan was born in a small town in the Allegheny Mountains. His father cut the logs and built the house

in what was then a wilderness. Abraham Lincoln was the son of a wretchedly poor farmer in Kentucky, and lived in a log cabin until he was twenty-one years old.

Andrew Johnson was apprenticed to

like the use of traction engines during the Boer war. The battery consists of four howitzers, each of 150 millimeters (about six inches) calibre, which trail behind a large automobile that carries the ammunition and supplies as well as the greater number of the cannoneers. The guns are 14 calibres in and employ a 40-kilogram length, (about 88 pounds) projectile, the range at an elevation of 45 degrees being about five miles. The whole train can move at a speed of three and one-half miles an hour on grades not exceeding eight per cent., while for heavier grades or difficult places the engine is supplied with a windlass, permitting a block and tackle to be used, and the guns move singly. The motor is arranged to use either petroleum or alcohol.

Knowledge a Great Power.

Look about and see who succeed. It is the knowing ones.

The great Channing said: "Every mind was made for growth-for knowledge; and its nature is sinned against when it is doomed to ignorance. Progress consists in nothing more than in bringing out the individual, in giving him a consciousness of his own being,

and elevate his own mind."

Opposite Eaton's.

and in quickening him to strengthen

The Winnipeg Piano and Organ Co. report a splendid business in "Bell" Pianos. Their show rooms on Portage Avenue are very centrally located, being opposite Eaton's.

There Is Quick Relief From &

in Fruit-a-tives. And they are a positive cure for constipation and all blood impurities. Those who have used these marvelous little fruit liver

tablets are the ones who praise them warmest. Here is one of hundreds of testimonials from those who owe their good health to Fruit-a-tives :-"We tried Fruit-a-tives and like them exceedingly. We happened to need such a mild and harmless liver tonic and I shall keep Fruit-a-tives by me always, now that I have used them and find they do me so much good." Miss M. I. RICHARDS, Calgary, N.W.T.

or Fruit Liver Tablets.

50c. a box. At druggists.

Manufactured by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.



THE HEAT OF SUMMER IS THE TEST

Women: -The heat of summer is severe,

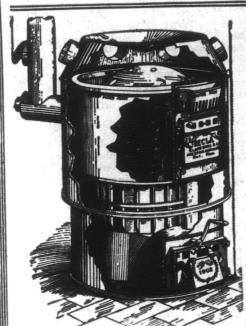
are you prepared? If your digestive organs are not in tone, your work will be doubly laborious. Tiredness, heavy feeling after eating, sour stomach, etc., are signs that if you do sleep you are not resting properly; nervousness, insomnia, and probably collapse will come with the high mark of the Thermometer, but you can avoid it with

KOLA TONIC WINE

Hygiene Kola Co

WINNIPEG

Gare Stoves, Ranges and Furnaces.



For Wood Only

These furnaces have stood the test of years and are more popular than ever. They are complete in every particular. For Ease in Regulation, Durability and Fuel Saving Qualities, there are none better.

They are value for every dollar invested. Give the very best of satisfaction.

Buy a Stove, Range or Furnace with a reputation.

MANUFACTURED BY CLARE BROS. & Co., Preston, Ont.

ARE & BROCKEST

WESTERN AGENTS

246 PRINCESS ST., WINNIPEG, MAN.

Write for Catalogue

WHEN WRITING ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THE WESTERN HOME MONTHLY.