

Poor Blood

is starved blood. It shows itself in pale cheeks, white lips, weak digestion, no appetite, exhaustion, lack of nerve force, soft muscles, and, chief of all, weak muscles. Your doctor calls it Anaemia. He will tell you that the weakening weather of summer often brings it on.

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The Southern railway, penetrating the best states of the south and south-east, calls attention to its one-way settlers and round trip home seekers tickets at special rates on third Tuesday of October and first and third Tuesdays of November and December. For full information, rates and maps write to J. C. Bean, Jr. N. W. P. A., 80 Adams street, Chicago, Ill.

Those who believe chronic diarrhoea to be incurable should read what Mr. P. E. Grisham of Gaars Mills, La., has to say on the subject, viz.: "I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war and have tried all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found a remedy that affected a cure and that was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy." This medicine can always be depended upon for colic, cholera morbus, dysentery and diarrhoea. It is pleasant to take and never fails to effect a cure. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by Smith & Callow.

Take advantage of the last home-seekers' excursion announced to the west—Kansas, Nebraska, Texas, &c., on Oct. 19. Excursion tickets will be sold from principal Clover Leaf stations at about one fare for the round trip. No line offers quicker time or better service. Call on nearest agent or address C. C. Jenkins, G. P. A., Toledo, Ohio.

Croup Quickly Cured.
MOUNTAIN GLEN, Ark.—Our children were suffering with croup when we received a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It afforded almost instant relief. F. A. THORNTON. This celebrated remedy is for sale by Smith & Callow.

"I have never had a days sickness in my life," said a middle-aged man the other day. "What a comfort it would be," sighs some poor invalid, "to be in his place for a year or two." Yet half the invalids we see might be just as healthy as he, if they would only take proper care of themselves, eat proper food—and digest it. It's so strange that such simple things are overlooked by those who want health. Food makes health. It makes strength—and strength wards off sickness. The man who had never been sick was strong because he always digested his food, and you could become the same by helping your stomach to work as well as his. Shaker Digestive Cordial will help your stomach and make you strong and healthy by making the food you eat make you fat. Druggists sell it. Trial bottle 10 cents.

An Important Question.

If your friends or neighbors are suffering from coughs, colds, sore throat, or any throat or lung disease (including consumption), ask them if they have ever used Otto's Cure. This famous German remedy is having a large sale here and is performing some wonderful cures of throat and lung diseases. Smith & Callow will give you a sample bottle free. No matter what other medicines have failed to do, try Otto's Cure. Large sizes 50c and 25c.

One Way to be Happy

Is to attend to the comfort of your family. Should any one of them catch a slight cold or cough, call at once on Smith & Callow, sole agents and get a trial bottle of Otto's Cure, the great German Remedy, free. We give it away to prove that we have a sure cure for coughs, colds, asthma, consumption and all diseases of the throat and lungs. Large sizes 50c and 25c.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

Instructive Items For the Hunter of Old China—The Newest Blankets—To Make a Cheese Omelet.

Just what occult quality old china possesses who can tell? It has, at all events, the power of reinstating itself in its owner's affections, however it may have been disregarded the moment it is desired by another. "No, I will not part with it," declared a woman who was drying berries upon a fine old blue plate. "If it is worth anything, I'll keep it."

China hunting is a delicate pursuit and requires either a bold and unflinching front or the nicest tact. Those who "rush in where angels fear to tread," the suave, smooth deprecator of the worth of the dish which is desired, and the one who approaches the subject with utmost delicacy, fares much alike, although the commercial collector usually pays the least and gets the most.

Dishes bearing Lafayette designs are much sought by collectors and students of history, the print known as the "Lafayette landing" design being the most valuable. In the foreground there are guards mounted upon galloping horses, while the middle distance consists of ships decorated with flags, of smaller craft and at the right a view of the pier and entrance to Castle Garden, while the high lights of this china picture are supplied by heavy white clouds and smoke from the cannon in front. At the base, in dark blue letters, are the words, "Landing of Lafayette at Castle Garden, New York, Aug. 24, 1824."

"Flowing blue" is, next to "willow-ware," the most commonly found of all old china. It has no special value except for its rich dark coloring, although every collector likes to have at least one perfect piece. Davenport ware of an earlier date, with its fine dark blue and clear white, is much more desirable. It has an oblong mark, with "Amoy" printed in the center and "Davenport" just under it, and each piece bears the anchor mark—an anchor with "Davenport" in a half circle above it. This mark is impressed in the china. A few years later a fair imitation of this china was made. The coloring, however, is not nearly as good, and the design of the Chinese garden scene with the mandarins and umbrella is blurred.

Light blue "Longport" ware is fine and attractive in shape. The washbowl and pitcher of this ware are especially refined—a thin, light stone china of graceful form. Parts of dinner sets are now and then found, although they are apt to be discolored.

A dinner set of "Davenport" ware, a sprigged china tea set and a full set of "Longport" ware formed the outfit of a bride of 70 years ago. There were also water and cream pitchers of copper luster.

Among the cupboard treasures a cider mug and tray of brown pottery are now and then unearthed. The mug holds a quart and was set upon the coals to heat. When it was piping hot and sprinkled with red pepper, it was placed upon the tray, which served not only to keep great-grandfather's knees from burning, but held the overflow of cider. All were invited to take a sip as a "nightcap." These articles are glazed, of reddish brown color and are ornamented with a crude design in orange. They are known to be considerably over 100 years old.

Fish Cutlets.

Ingredients.—A pound cooked fish, one-half pound boiled potatoes, an egg, a teaspoonful anchovy essence, frying fat, an ounce butter, a teaspoonful chopped parsley, one-half gill milk, pepper and salt, bread crumbs.

Method.—Any remains of cold fish can be used; also any cold potatoes left from the previous day. If you have neither, you must use fresh fish and potatoes for the purpose. Free the fish from skin and bones, break it into flakes and rub the potatoes through a wire sieve. Mix fish and potatoes together and season with pepper and salt, add the butter (melted), the parsley, anchovy essence and milk. Beat the mixture over the fire until quite hot, beat up the egg and add half of it to the mixture, mix well and turn out on a plate to cool. When cold, make it into small cutlet shapes, egg, bread crumb and fry the cutlets in hot fat. A little flour may be used for shaping the cutlets. Dish up, the small end upward, stick a small piece of parsley stalk in each end, some fresh parsley in center and serve.

The Newest Blankets.

In the New York market, the newest blankets are in solid colors or in white bound with colors to match the prevailing color of the room. Thus in a pink room the blankets must be pink or plain white with pink ribbon binding. Blankets with borders, it matters not how elegant, are no longer stylish. Another innovation is flannel sheets, thin soft blankets, always white, to be used by invalids or persons who like to sleep next to a blanket. These flannel sheets, by the way, are warranted not to shrink or turn yellow in the laundry.

A Modern Idea In Furniture.

Daintily built secretaries not meant to be placed against the wall like an ordinary desk, but rather to stand out in the room, are among the modern ideas in furniture. A writer in The Puritan tells that these secretaries are made for the most part of mahogany, set upon light but sturdy legs. The back is fitted with little cabinets for bric-a-brac, paneled in plush, with pockets in which to put photographs, or treated in some equally effective manner.

A Cheese Omelet.

Break 4 eggs, season with pepper and salt, beat up well and add a tablespoonful of grated cheese and a little chopped parsley. Melt a piece of butter in your omelet pan. When hot, pour in the eggs, stir until it sets, shake the pan, fold the ends of the omelet inward, let brown, then turn on an oval dish, flavor with grated cheese and serve.

PEOPLE OF THE DAY.

General Benjamin F. Tracy, the Republican candidate for mayor of Greater New York, is probably best known to the general public as secretary of the navy in President Harrison's cabinet. New Yorkers of today know him as one of the most prominent lawyers in the city and as the chairman of the Greater New York commission which drafted the charter for amalgamating Brooklyn as well as a good part of the southern end of Long Island and the most populous part of Westchester county into one great city. General Tracy was born 67 years ago in Tioga county, N. Y. He



GENERAL BENJAMIN F. TRACY.

was admitted to the bar at the age of 21 and began a most successful legal career, which he is still following. During the civil war he recruited two regiments and went to the front as colonel of one. He served with distinction in the army and when peace was declared returned to New York to resume his profession and his political activity. He has held several important offices besides that of secretary of the navy, having been United States district attorney for the eastern district of New York and judge of the court of appeals. There are four other candidates for mayor in the field—viz, Seth Low of the Citizens' Union, Judge R. A. Van Wyck of Tammany Hall, Henry George of the free silver Democracy and Mayor Patrick Gleason of Long Island City.

A Gubernatorial Candidate.

George Fred Williams is again running for governor of Massachusetts on the Democratic ticket. He was defeated last year by a big majority, but is undismayed and has started in on a lively contest. Mr. Williams is an aggressive and energetic campaigner. He is a good platform orator, and he never lacks a big audience. He was born 45 years ago in Dedham and still lives on the old



GEORGE FRED WILLIAMS.

homestead with his sister, being a bachelor. Mr. Williams is one of the most prominent lawyers in the Old Bay State. Among his personal characteristics are his good taste in the matter of clothes and his fondness for tennis playing. When he began his political career, he affiliated with the Republicans, but became a Cleveland Mugwump and later a free silver Democrat. Governor Wolcott is running against Mr. Williams on the Republican ticket, and Dr. William Everett of Quincy is the nominee of the gold Democrats.

A Good Appetite.

"A good appetite is sauce for poor food," according to the old adage, but a voracious appetite might be both inconvenient and expensive. If a man were built on the same lines as a caterpillar, the whole round earth would shortly become a desert waste. This small creature will in the course of four or five weeks eat more than 6,000 times its weight in food. An adult human being must have most excellent appetite to consume within three months' time an amount of food that will equal his own weight. A few persons eat more than this, but by far the greater number take less. An estimate of the food consumption of the world would show a general average far below these figures. The majority of persons get food enough to satisfy their cravings, but there is a very considerable minority that scarcely knows what it is to be free from the pangs of hunger.—New York Ledger.

Dr. W. H. Drummond.

Dr. W. H. Drummond of Montreal, the author of "The Wreck of the Julie Plante" and other French-Canadian dialect poems, is a native of Dublin and has been in Canada since he was 3 years of age. He has always been an ardent sportsman and is one of the best fishermen in Canada. This sport has carried him into the backwoods and among the lakes and streams where salmon and trout abound, and where he learned the legends and the tongue of almost the oldest white people on the continent. He knows their speech perfectly, and his poems are many. But they have not sifted far out into the world.

Couldn't See Through It.

There is a little girl living out on Tilden avenue who is rapidly causing her father's hair to assume the color of the driven snow.

The other day she looked up at him from between his knees and asked:

"Papa, was it a wise person who said, 'The good die young?'"

"Yes," said the musing man. "I guess so."

"Well," she went on, after thinking it over for some time, "I'm not so much surprised about you, but I don't see how mamma ever managed to get growed up."

He Was There.

Mr. Addemup, the bookkeeper, was enjoying the first game of ball he had had the privilege of seeing for a year or more, when a messenger boy spied him and came to the seat where he sat.

"I guess you're wanted down at the office," said the boy, handing him a message. "Something's turned up that they've got to have you to look after."

Mr. Addemup opened the document and read it.

"Well," he said, rising to go, "this is a case in which the office has sought the man and found him."—Chicago Tribune.

What a Bachelor Thinks.

When a man doesn't know enough to have any opinions at all, he thinks he is broad.

When a woman thinks she has convinced a man that he was wrong, she has generally only tired him out.

Every woman gets an idea that her dressmaker takes more pains fitting her than she does other women.

There are some women that you are afraid to pay any compliments to for fear they will start right off to pur like a cat.—New York Press.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Commencing next Saturday night, and continuing every Saturday night thereafter, Midland Route tourist cars en route to Colorado, Utah and California will leave the Chicago Union Passenger Station of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway at 10 o'clock, running over the Chicago and Omaha Short Line to Omaha, thence via Lincoln, Neb., Colorado Springs and Leadville, Colo., Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, Reno, Nevada, and Sacramento, Cal., arriving at San Francisco, at 8:45 p. m. Wednesday.

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P. S.—Berth reservations are made in the order received up to each Saturday morning. First come, first served.

A Vain Search.

SEVERAL YEARS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS EXPENDED.

An Expert Accountant and Bookkeeper of Detroit Troubled with Hereditary Scrofula in its Worst Form—Spends a Small Fortune Seeking to Find a Cure.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

James H. Wallace, the well known expert accountant and bookkeeper, of Detroit, Mich., lately had a remarkable experience, and a reporter called at his pretty home 240 Sixth Street, to interview him regarding it. He found Mrs. Wallace in the midst of house cleaning, and after the reporter stated the object of his visit, Mrs. Wallace said: "You had better see Mr. Wallace at the office of C. A. Haberkorn & Co., table manufactory on Orchard Street, and he will tell you of this experience much better than I." A visit was made to the office of the above concern where Mr. Wallace was seen. "I am," said Mr. Wallace, "yet a young man, still I have suffered untold agonies and tortures. I was known as scrofula, and what I suffered cannot be well described."

The first physicians that treated me said it was a constitutional blood disorder and by constant treatment and diet it might be cured. The blood purifiers and syringing of the bowels, and the use of the various medicines I used only made the eruptions more aggressive and painful. In 1888 I was a fearful looking sight and was in fact repulsive. On my limbs were large ulcers which were very painful, and from which there was a continual discharge. In three years I spent over \$3000 in medicine and medical services and great work instead of better. I tried the medicine, baths, and in 1893 went to Medicine Lake, Washington, but was not benefited. I then tried some proprietary medicine, but did not receive any benefit.

"One day in the fall of 1895 while reading the paper I noticed an article about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, but did not give it much attention. That afternoon while moving some books I broke an ulcer on my leg and nearly fainted, the pain made me sick and I had to stop work. While sitting in the chair I again noticed the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills article in the news, paper which was lying on the floor. I read it carefully and immediately decided to give the pills a trial, as the account which I read had been of a case similar to mine. I sent for a box and took some before I had used one box I noticed an improvement. I grew better rapidly and all my friends noticed the improvement, and after taking eight boxes there was not a sore on my person."

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"If I only had bought Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People at the start I had five years of health and happiness instead of torture. To-day I feel like a perfect man and my doctor says I am entirely rid of my old trouble."

(Signed) JAMES H. WALLACE.
DETROIT, MICH., May 7, 1897.

Before me a Notary Public in and for Wayne County, Michigan, personally appeared James H. Wallace, being duly sworn, deposed and said that he had read the foregoing statement and that the same was true.

ROBERT E. HULL, JR.,
Notary Public.

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