

REASONS FOR USING**Walter Baker & Co.'s
Breakfast Cocoa.**

1. Because it is absolutely pure.
2. Because it is not made by the so-called Dutch Process in which chemicals are used.
3. Because beans of the finest quality are used.
4. Because it is made by a method which preserves unimpaired the exquisite natural flavor and odor of the beans.
5. Because it is the most economical, costing less than one cent a cup.

Be sure that you get the genuine article made by WALTER BAKER & CO. Ltd., Dorchester, Mass. Established 1780.

LATEST NEWS.**Happenings of Importance to All Our Readers.**

And now that petticoats are made out of paper there will be more good things in the paper than ever before.

To cure a cold in one day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. 26f

The first woman to cross the Chilcoot Pass now numerically exceeds the oldest living Mason and the only living Washington body guard.

A good old preacher was a little bit confused over his announcement: "Remember our quarterly meeting next Sunday. The Lord will be with us in the morning service, and the presiding elder in the evening."

Boston's city council has appropriated \$15,000 to "exterminate the orga leu constigma." We are not quite clear about this, but we feel that it would be well worth the money to get rid of such a thing anyway, no matter what it is.

A subscriber who has been relieved sends the following testimonial: No. 1. I have been unable to walk for two years; After using one bottle of Gilhad Balm I ran for office. 2. I was blind, but since using the balm I saw wood. 3. I was deaf but after using one bottle I heard my aunt die and left me \$10,000.

A Kansas City man who was married recently had relatives in St. Louis named Damm. At the wedding, among the congratulatory missives read, was a telegram from St. Louis, saying: "Accept congratulations of the whole Damm family."

A new pest is playing havoc with the sheep and hogs over the country. It is called a screw worm. The worm is produced by a little fly that enters the ear or nostrils of the animal and deposits its eggs, and in a few days the animal is eaten up by worms.

An Ohio man, a Methodist, has invented a contribution box with a bell attachment. When a penny is dropped in, it rings very feebly; a nickel makes it a little louder, and a dollar brings out the fire department and a brass band two blocks down the street.—Ex.

Curing hog cholera with anti-toxin is said by the agricultural department to be a success. It was tried on several hundred hogs in Iowa last year and was successful in 82 per cent. of cases tried. It may be all right for the hog but how about the fellow who eats the hog after it has been stuffed with the cure? Cure the fellow too?

A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every, of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by B. J. Smith.

The western roads are beginning to modify their estimates of the number of people who will be bound for Alaska in the spring. The business has already begun to move in a small way, but the total number of tickets that will be sold on account of the Alaska business will not be over 100,000. The estimates of some of the general passenger agents on this business were double this but the chances are now that 100,000 will be the outside figure.

I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for croup that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup and colds in children.—GEO. E. WOLFF, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Fernandina Fla. Sold by B. J. Smith.

About fifteen years ago the legislature of Indiana was impressed with the necessity of erecting three additional hospitals for the insane. These were built at Logansport, Richmond and Evansville. It was supposed that ample accommodation would thus be provided for Indiana's insane for at least fifty years to come. But today all the hospitals for the insane in the state are crowded to their utmost capacity. More room is needed, and the next legislature will be called upon to either provide for the enlargement of our present institutions or for the erection of new ones.—Ex.

Mr. Ward L. Smith, of Fredericktown, Mo., was troubled with chronic diarrhoea for over thirty years. He had become fully satisfied that it was only a question of a short time until he would have to give up. He had been treated by some of the best physicians in Europe and America but got no permanent relief. One day he picked up a newspaper and chanced to read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He got a bottle of it, the first dose helped him and its continued use cured him. For sale by B. J. Smith.

It is astonishing to know the number of people who answer worthless advertisements in good faith. They actually believe they will secure a gold watch or diamond ring for fifteen or twenty cents and a correct solution of a puzzle which a two year old child could solve. There is always a demand for money to pay postage or express charges, which amount is worth more than the article received. We know of a person who sent six dollars and a solution of a puzzle, to a firm in Maine, in return for which she was to receive a gold watch. She actually thought she had struck a bargain! Such acts as this bring hard times.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the kidneys and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c. and \$1.00 per bottle at Page Blackburn's drug store.

Here is a hint which may prove valuable to farmers who may not be able to build their barns as "roomy" as they would like, but who could build on the installment plan without inconvenience. J. W. Fesler, a farmer of Morgantown, this state, built a barn, using for corner posts green willow timber. This was in 1891, and in a year there was a perceptible raise in the floor above the ground. Last spring the floor was nine feet above the ground and the open space sided up. Since then the structure has been steadily increasing in height, and Mr. Fesler expects before long to build a third story. If the barn keeps on growing it will in time out-do the Chicago skyscrapers.

On Saturday, Feb. 18th Gates' special train of sleepers, diners and observation cars will leave for a thirty days tour comprising 4393 miles travel in Mexico touching all points of interest. Going journey via Memphis, New Orleans and San Antonio, returning through El Paso, Denver, Kansas City and Chicago. Any agent of the Clover Leaf will give further particulars on application, or for itinerary write C. C. Jenkins, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Toledo, Ohio.

Now is the time TO DO YOUR Spring Sewing.

In order that you may be able to do this we have ordered in our

NEW SPRING GOODS.**New Percales
12½ cents.**

Yard wide, good, heavy fine cloth, nice assortment of elegant designs, 12½ cents.

**New Bates
Ginghams
10 cents.**

Waist and skirt styles. Colors guaranteed; best cloth made, 10 cents.

**Zypher Ginghams
8 cents.**

Light plaids and stripes, soft finish, sold everywhere at 12½ and 10c. Our price 8 cents.

**New Organdie
Diathane,
12½ cents.**

The triumph of American printing, shadow effects, 12½ cents.

SPECIAL THIS WEEK.

LL. Muslin, 4 cents a yard. Come to

Boston Store.

Kuebler & Moltz Co.

I. O. O. F. Block.**Household Gods.**

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and the prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in homes. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of throat, chest and lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Trial bottles free at Page Blackburn's drug store.

Resolution.

Whereas, Through the ills attending human nature our beloved brother, J. W. Merryman, has been called from among the living to join the immemorable host beyond the realms of death.

Therefore, be it resolved, That Kekionga Lodge No. 65, K. of P. of Decatur, Indiana, has lost a worthy member, the community a young man of sterling ability and integrity, and his family a devoted husband, father and brother. Be it further

Resolved, That in respect of his memory, that the charter be draped in mourning for a period of ninety days. That those resolutions be spread of record on a page dedicated for that purpose, and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased.

GEO. W. WOODWARD, J.
G. H. LAUGHEY, Com.
E. BURT LENHART.

The members of the Mothers' Club assembled at the Central school building Friday, January 14 at 3:30 p. m. The house was called to order by the vice president Mrs. Nettie Schrock. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Superintendent Britton spoke of the desire to increase the attendance. As the truant law is deficient, the responsibility to secure regular attendance rests with the parents. The discussion of the curfew ordinance was again taken up and a number of the mothers and teachers took part in the discussion. The need of some restraining influence for the young seems to be the greatest need of the present time and after many remarks in favor of the curfew, it was decided to appoint a committee to present the matter to the city authorities for their consideration. The subjects to be discussed at the next meeting are "How to get pupils interested more in school work?" and "when should teachers accept excuses from parents?" All friends of education are cordially invited to attend and lend their aid to the success of the schools. Next meeting to be held at central school building Friday, February 11, at 3:30 p. m.

CLOSING OUT SALE:—Having concluded to handle farm implements, wagons, buggies only, we will close out our large and well selected stock of hardware, stoves, paint oils, robes, whips, etc., at cost. Remember we will absolutely close these lines all out at cost and you will get bargains in everything. Come before the stock is broken. Yours truly,
ELLISWORTH, MYERS & CO.

increase in her manufactures unequalled for the time by any state in the union. In 1850 the number of employees in factories was 14,000, in 1890 the number had increased to 124,000, while it is estimated that today there are 150,000. Indiana leads in the manufacture of tin-plate, plate glass, wagons, carriages and plows, but greater than all is her standing in agriculture. Her wealth from this source alone in 1897 exceeded \$250,000,000. Much of her prosperity is due without doubt to the twelve thousand miles of free gravel roads which have been constructed during the last twenty years. The name "Hoosier" carries with it no reproach these days.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

All accounts due the undersigned must be settled at once with cash or note. After the 15th of March all unpaid accounts will be left in the hands of an attorney for immediate settlement.

B. J. TERVEER.

For all kinds of woodworking, such as dressing lumber, flooring, siding, moulding frames and all kinds of brackets, balusters, Newell posts, porch columns, and tanks for all purposes, go to P. Kirsch's Planing Mills. I also manufacture washing machines known as the Decatur Washer. When in need of a good washer come to my factory and save a few dollars on a machine. I have a feed mill and grind all kinds of feed and will be running mill every day. I also have the agency for the Baker Galvanized Steel Wind Mills and can sell you the best wind engine made. Come and get prices before buying.

Respect, P. KIRSCH.
Factory N. 3d st.

**Large Michigan Potatoes for Sale on
Nine Months Time.**

I have six hundred bushels of large Michigan potatoes for sale in lots of ten bushels and upward at 80 cents a bushel on nine months time, purchaser giving his note with good security. Now is the time for farmers to supply themselves with potatoes at a reasonable price. The potato crop is seventy million bushels short this year and will sell for one dollar and fifty cents a bushel in the spring. LEVI BARKLEY, opposite Romberg's livery barn.

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IT TAKES

A rich man to draw a check,
A pretty girl to draw attention,
A horse to draw a cart,
A porous plaster to draw the skin,
A toper to draw a cork,
A free lunch to draw a crowd,
And shoes like the following to draw trade:

Ladies' Russian calf tan welt, regular price \$3.50, to close out \$2.50.

Ladies' kid welt sole, regular price \$3.50, to close out \$2.50.

Ladies' Dongola kid 75 cents, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Ladies' Kangaroo calf, \$1.50.

Gent's box calf, tan or black, any style toe. \$3.00; regular price \$4.50.

Gent's fine shoes 90 cents, \$1.25, \$1.50, and \$2.00.

We have placed on sale a lot of Ladies' Oil Grain shoes, wool lined and unlined, at 85 cents. Do not miss seeing them: they are dandies.

Holthouse & Mougey.