

# Ayer's Hair Vigor

What does it do?  
It causes the oil glands in the skin to become more active, making the hair soft and glossy, precisely as nature intended.

It cleanses the scalp from dandruff and thus removes one of the great causes of baldness.

It makes a better circulation in the scalp and stops the hair from coming out.

## It Prevents and Cures Baldness

Ayer's Hair Vigor will surely make hair grow on bald heads, provided only there is any life remaining in the hair bulbs.

It restores color to gray or white hair. It does not do this in a moment, as will a hair dye; but in a short time the gray color of age gradually disappears and the darker color of youth takes its place.

Would you like a copy of our book on the Hair and Scalp? It is free.

If you do not obtain all the benefits you expect from the use of the Vigor write the Doctor about it.

Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

Amid the Breezes.

Oden, Mich., July 30, 1898.

My Dear Friend Ellingham:  
It is an old saying better late than never, therefore you will have to excuse my negligence in fulfilling a promise made you before I left for the region of the north where icicles are on tap the year round, and fishes a plentiful (nit) that if you have good whistling faculties you need not go to the exertion of baiting hooks, but as your musical education in high and the largest most fastidious and dudish picks, cass, &c., would walk right out on the such and give you a cake walk or an Irish jig as you may prefer, and if you insist they will convey themselves to your home and prepare their beautiful forms for the frying pan. This is no lie, but a truthful fish story fashioned after one you have read in the Bible, that is provided you have ever looked into that ancient book; which I think doubtful, as your early education was sadly neglected. But I suppose you are not responsible for that, as the originators of your celebrated and highly esteemed name ought to have left you in charge of a commission, a large share of their immense store of ancient and modern learning to be delivered in bulk on your twenty-first birthday or in installments as your mind expanded, and in their judgment would be to your best interests. With the above rambling remarks I will give you something more solid treating of my trip up here, weather, fishing, etc.

I left Decatur Monday afternoon, June 13, expecting to get to Oden the next morning, but on arriving at Grand Rapids, found I could not go any further north until the next morning at 7:45; therefore did not reach here till Tuesday afternoon. I was the very first visitor to put in an appearance at Oden, and I assure you I was very lonesome until the next week when some of my acquaintances from Cincinnati came up. There are at this time more people in northern Michigan than ever before, but less guests at our hotels than for several years last past, although their facilities for taking care of people have been enlarged. The Randon, formerly Atherton Inn, was sold to J. W. Randon of Carp Lake, who furnished it throughout in a good and comfortable manner and as he is a competent and experienced man would like to see him successful in his new venture. The Oden Hotel is still owned and conducted by O. C. Cope, who purchased the hotel at

Carp Lake last winter, and is now running the two houses, and I am informed doing well.

The weather for the first three weeks after I arrived was the stormiest I ever experienced in this country. About every other day we had heavy rains and in many instances very high winds. Of late we have not had so much rain, but more hot weather than usual in this latitude. Forest fires have been putting in an appearance of late and there have been days when the smoke was suffocating. There has been some damage done to property by fire.

With the exception of the first three weeks I was here the fishing has been the rottenest in all my long experience in this country and that is the general expression when it is being talked of. I have fished in our crooked lake (Pickett lake,) and went north nine miles by G. R. & I. and then east by team four and one-half miles to Douglass Lake and gone within seven miles of Mackinaw City to Carp Lake spending two days at each of the two last places, trying to encourage myself that there were still some fish in the lakes of northern Michigan, but my experience has been disgusting so far. There may be plenty of fish in the waters here, but if there is, there has been conditions of air and water that has kept them from taking hold of some of the finest bait ever offered by the tribe.

The New Arlington at Petoskey, has been reconstructed and now has a capacity to take care of about 600 guests, and on account of its excellent location is a very desirable hotel to stop at if a person wants plenty of space as well as good grub.

I was over at Charlvoix on the 4th of July with Sam Simison of Berne, and I must say that the "Inn," the new hotel, is one of the finest for resort purposes in the United States. It is 550 feet long, four stories high with 250 sleeping rooms, and it cost \$40,000 alone to furnish it. In connection they have a natatorium fitted up for bathing and swimming purposes, and bath buildings are lighted by electricity and at night shows up magnificently. They had a big crowd at Charlvoix on the 4th, the drawing card being a sham battle of Manilla. We did not stay for that as it was not to take place till later in the evening.

When I first came out here the prospects for good corn crops for this country was never better, but about three weeks ago a heavy frost knocked into smitherens and what that one did not do subsequent ones finished. I will mention the names of some of our nearby hoosiers that have been and still remain: P. W. Smith and family of Richmond, E. Morrow and family and R. F. Cummings and family of Bluffton, Luther Simison and family of Hartford City, R. B. Allison and family, Mrs. Chamber, Mrs. Morrison and daughter, Miss Hattie Studabaker of Decatur, Walter Haynes, cashier of the People's Bank and party of Portland, with a few scattering ones whom I do not recall at the time. They all seem to be enjoying themselves and seem to be thankful that they are escaping the intense heat you are having so near the equator and that the nerves of your readers may be strong enough to bear the infliction of the reading of this letter, and wishing yourself, family and subscribers good health and a successful life, I am dear sir, your old friend,

MAJOR.

### A VACATION TRIP

To the Seashore at Reduced Rates. \$14.50 Round Trip from Ft. Wayne

Choice of Ten Popular Resorts. A Delightful Midsummer Outing by the Sea.

Tuesday, July 18th and Wednesday, August 10th, have been fixed as the dates for this season's general excursions to the seashore over the Pennsylvania lines. On those dates round trip tickets to ten of the most popular summer havens along the Atlantic Coast will be sold. The rate will be \$14.50 from Ft. Wayne. Passengers may visit either Atlantic City, Cape May, Anglesea, Avalon, Holly Beach, Ocean City, Sea Isle City, Wildwood, New Jersey, Rehoboth, Del., or Ocean City, Md.

Excursion tickets will be good returning eleven days, including date of sale. Train arrangements will enable excursionists to go through with out any discomfort. Sleeping cars running through Philadelphia at Atlantic City without change via Delaware River Bridge Route will be included in the through car arrangements for these excursions, which offer exceptional facilities for a delightful midsummer outing by the sea.

For special information about time of trains and other details, and for descriptive matter of the ten resorts to which tickets will be sold, list of hotels at each, etc., please address Jno. E. Ross, ticket agent, Ft. Wayne

For National League of Wheelmen at Indianapolis the G. R. & I. will sell round trip tickets Aug. 8 and 9, good returning until Aug. 15, for \$3.30 each.

Latest official indexed maps of the world, Cuba and Phillipine Islands for pocket use, issued by the Chicago & North-Western Railway, free, for two cent stamp. W. B. Kniskern, 22 Fifth avenue, Chicago, Ill.

For the G. A. R. National Encampment at Cincinnati the G. R. & I. will sell excursion tickets Sept. 3, 4, 5 and 6 at \$2.90 each, good returning until Sept. 13, and on payment of 25 cents at Cincinnati may be extended until Oct. 2.

Rome City—For the season May 15 to Oct. 31, 1898, the G. R. & I. will sell excursion tickets as follows: to parties of 1 to 9, \$2.35, return limit Oct. 31; to parties of 10 to 49, \$2.00, return limit three days from sale; to parties of 50 or more, \$1.65, return limit three days from sale.

Tickets will be sold from Decatur to Rome City and return from July 27 to August 10, good returning August 12th, for \$1.70 round trip. These tickets include one admission to the assembly grounds. An elaborate program has been arranged for each and every day.

Take the D. & C. Steamers, the Coast Line to Mackinac, for a delightful cruise up the Great Lakes. It only costs from Cleveland \$17; Toledo \$15; Detroit \$12.50 round trip, including meals and berths. Send 2c for illustrated pamphlet. Address A. A. Schantz, G. P. A., Detroit, Mich.

On Sunday, August 14, the Chicago & Erie railway will run a special excursion to Chicago at the extreme low rate of \$1.25 for round trip for one day, or \$3 for two days tickets. A special train will leave Decatur at 5 a.m. on the above date and ample room will be made to accommodate all. For further particulars see posters or call or address, J. W. DeLong, Agent.

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