

Private Extravagance.

The frequent exposures of defalcations and betrayals of trust generally give stock-gambling as the cause, but there are few instances in which the defaulter has not lived extravagantly at his home. The effort to make a display of wealth in private and public life in this country is unprecedented. Its possession, no difference how obtained, is at once made the occasion to indulge in habits of extravagance and display. It is not confined to officials, but is more especially noticeable in private life. A man accumulates wealth in some honorable employment after years of hard toil and rigid economy, and he or his family are at once seized with the ambition to endeavor to eclipse their more fortunate neighbors, whose wealth is not of such recent date.

We spend money lavishly, foolishly, and are unpardonably extravagant in this country. In Europe, Americans are famous for their fashionable recklessness of expenditure. They spend a dollar where an Englishman, Frenchman, or German, with more money, would spend ten cents. They value a thing, not according to its real worth, but according to the price paid for it, because this price is a flattering reminder of their ability to pay the bill. Economy is characterized as meanness, and to be careless of money is lauded as commendable generosity.

The consequence is that we have display for display's sake, and the pressure of fashionable life and the demands of society drag into ruin and disgrace many a family who, under other circumstances, would be honest.

Labor and industry cannot compete in a race of this kind. Diamonds, velvets, and gorgeously furnished private residences can neither be procured nor maintained by the ordinary and legitimate means of money making.

The only remedy for this is more simplicity in our mode of life, dress, and living, and this can only be secured by the co-operation of those whose position and wealth is assured and unquestioned. A rigid ignoring of this fashionable demand for the exhibition of wealth by those whose financial ability and real worth was admitted would have a most salutary and beneficial effect on society. The complaint is not altogether against the poor, or those dishonest, or who suddenly accumulate wealth, but our millionaires, with money in bonds and banks, have joined in the reckless style of living.

A man does not seek to live within his income, but is ready to take the chances of some fortunate accident to supply the deficiency; then come the pressure of debt, the persistent demand for money, and the opportunity presented to procure the money to relieve the pressure is seized with avidity, and with a moral nature already blunted and honesty tarnished, the road to ruin and crime is easily entered.

It is time to call a halt. It is useless to longer attempt to cover up the necessity for a change in a social life; extravagance has grown on us as people, so that from the highest official to the humblest citizen the race seems to be for display. The place to remedy it is at the head, and the time to do it is now. It was said in Rome, in her days of prosperity, by one of her most eloquent orators, on the occasion of the dedication of a statue to a Roman whose life had been offensive to the humble citizens of that republic, "that if there was a Roman youth who had courage enough to behead that statue, he would be cherished and honored in the memories of his countrymen." If some brave man in this country, whose position gives him the power, will behead this vile monster called "fashionable society," he will be a hero, with a prouder distinction than he had led an army to triumphant victory.—*American Cultivator.*

The Stomach Distills Acids.

These, if existent in a natural quantity, and uninvited by bile, play their part in the functions of digestion and assimilation. But the artificial acid resulting from the inability of the stomach to convert food received by it into sustenance, is the producer of flatulence and heartburn, which are the most harassing symptoms of dyspepsia. The best carminative is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Far more effective is it than carbonate of soda, magnesia or other alkaline salts. These invariably weaken the stomach without producing permanent benefit. No man or woman chronically dyspeptic, and consequently nervous, can be in possession of the full measure of vigor allowed by nature. Therefore, invigorate and regulate the system, and by so doing protect it from malaria, rheumatism, and other serious maladies.

COLUMBUS, three days after the last Moorish stronghold in Spain had surrendered, received on the plains of Grenada his commission from Queen Isabella to sail on his western voyage of discovery.

CHAPPED hands, face pimples, and rough skin cured by using Juniper's Tar Soap, made by Caswell, Hazard & Co., New York.

All "Played Out."

"Don't know what ails me lately. Can't eat well, can't sleep well. Can't work, and don't enjoy doing anything. Ain't really sick, and I really ain't well. Feel all kind o' played out, somehow." That is what scores of men say every day. If they would take Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" they would soon have no occasion to say it. It purifies the blood, tones up the system, and fortifies it against disease. It is a great anti-bilious remedy as well.

AUCTIONEERS have a nod way of receiving bids.

Don't disgust everybody by hawking, blowing, and spitting, but use Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy and be cured.

A BUSINESS OUTLOOK—A merchant in his doorway looking for customers.

A Good Time to Subscribe.

Papers publishing several continued stories cannot give subs ribers the beginning of all the novels published in their pages, but the reader is obliged to wait till those already begun have run out before receiving the full benefit of his subscription. We for this reason would advise those contemplating subscribing for a story paper to take the Chicago *Ledger*, commanding with the issue of April 13, as on that date two serials will begin, viz.: "A Hidden Clew" and "Love and War." The former of these is a tale of adventure and the detection of the great Missouri Pacific express robbery of 1866, and is a thrilling and plotful story; while the latter deals with events on the Arkansas border at the outbreak of the war. Both are strong, well written, and intensely interesting, and cannot fail to hold the attention of readers to the end. A single sample copy of the number containing the opening chapters of these great stories will be mailed free to every one sending name and address to the *Ledger*, 271 Franklin street, Chicago, before April 20. The *Ledger* is only \$1.50 per year.

Northern Michigan Attractions.

No section of the United States is receiving more attention at the present time than what is known as the iron region of Northern Michigan. Laborers and mechanics of all kinds find employment there at good wages, and capital is constantly pouring in for the development of new iron ranges. The richest and most prosperous districts in this section of Michigan are reached by the Milwaukee and Northern Short Line Railroad, trains upon which leave the C., M. & St. P. Union Depot in Chicago daily at 11:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m., making the trip to Iron Mountain in eleven and a half hours, stopping at Green Bay, Menominee, and other important towns on the route. Parties contemplating a trip to the Northern Michigan iron ranges during the coming season should not fail to purchase their tickets over the Milwaukee and Northern Railroad, from Chicago or Milwaukee.

"Rough on Pain" Plaster, porosed, 10c. Best. "Rough on Pain," liquid, quick cure, 20c. "Rough on Catarrh," Cures all, worst cases, 50c. "Rough on Piles," Sure cure, 50c. Druggists.

"Rough on Dirt" for the toilet, bath or shampoo. Perfectly harmless. Nice for washing infants, children, or adults. For miners, machinists, and others whose employment brings the clothing and hands. Invaluable in hospitals, asylums, and prisons as a disinfectant and purifier.

"Rough on Bile Pills," Little, but good, 10c, 25c. "Rough on Itch" cures humors, eruptions, tetter, "Rough on Worms," Sure cure, 25c. "Rough on Pain" Plaster, porosed, 10c. Best.

Money Makers

Don't let golden opportunities pass unimproved; there are times in the lives of men when more money can be made rapidly and easily, than otherwise can be earned by years of labor. Write Hallett & Co., Portland, Maine, who will send you, free, full particulars about work that you can do, and live at home, wherever you are located, at a profit of at least from \$5 to \$25 daily. Some have made over \$50 in a single day. All is new. You are started free. Capital not required. Either sex; all ages.

"Rough on Rats" clears out rats, mice, 15c. "Rough on Corns," hard or soft corns, 15c. "Rough on Toothache," Instant relief, 15c. "Rough on Coughs," Troches, 10c; liquid, 25c.

"Rough on Dirt" is unequalled for dish-washing, house and paint cleaning, cleaning windows, pails, pans, knives, forks, jewelry, wash basins, bat tubs, sinks, water closets, etc. Cuts the dirt without injury or discoloredation. Keep it on the wash and toilet stands.

Spring Medicine

Is a necessity with nearly every one. This is the best time of year in which to purify the blood, to restore the lost appetite, and to build up the entire system, as the body is now peculiarly susceptible to benefit from medicine. The peculiar medicinal merit of, and the wonderful cures by,

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Have made it the most popular medicine to take in the spring. It cures scrofula, salt rheum, and all humors, biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, kidney and liver complaints, catarrh, and all affections caused or promoted by low state of the system or impure blood.

"I have used Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier, and am well pleased with it." W. G. WUERTH, organist St. Mary's Church, Detroit, Mich.

Builds Up the System

I gladly attest the peculiar building-up power of Hood's Sarsaparilla. For some time I have been unable to attend to business, but finally at the request of a friend I used part of a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gave tone and strength to my system, and made me feel young as when a boy." GRANVILLE T. WOODS, 64 and 66 Lodge Street, Cincinnati, N. B.—If you have made up your mind to get Hood's Sarsaparilla, do not take any other.

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Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass. 100 Doses One Dollar

SLICKER

Is The Best Waterproof Coat Ever Made. Don't waste your money on a gun or rubber coat. The FISH BRAND SLICKER is absolutely water and wind proof, and will keep you dry in the hardest storm. Ask for the "FISH BRAND" SLICKER and take no other. If your storekeeper does not have the "FISH BRAND," send for descriptive catalogue to A. J. TOWER, 20 Simmons St., Boston, Mass.

Why did the Women

of this country use over thirteen million cakes of Procter & Gamble's Lenox Soap in 1886?

Buy a cake of Lenox and you will soon understand why.

"I Feel So Well."

"I want to thank you for telling me of Dr. Pierce's 'Favorite Prescription,'" writes a lady to her friend. "For a long time I was unfit to attend to the work of my household. I kept about, but I felt thoroughly miserable. I had terrible headaches, and bearing-down sensations across me, and was quite weak and discouraged. I sent and got some of the medicine after receiving your letter, and it has cured me. I hardly know myself. I feel so well."

CREDITOR—I've a bone to pick with you. Physician—Excuse me, my dissecting hour has passed.—*Tid-Bits.*

The members of the Illinois Legislature were recently presented with complimentary boxes of "Brown's Bronchial Troches" by Messrs. John I. Brown & Sons, the proprietors of that popular remedy for coughs and throat troubles.

THE Indian smokes the pipe of peace; the Irishman the piece of pipe.

Piso's Remedy for Catarrh is agreeable to use. It is not a liquid or a snuff. 50c.

ELY'S CREAM BALM



HAY-FEVER

A particle is applied in each nostril and is agreeable. Price 50cts at druggists; by mail, registered, 60cts. Circulars free. ELY BROS., Druggists, Owego, N. Y.

LIVER DISEASE AND HEART TROUBLE

Mrs. MARY A. MCCLURE, Columbus, Kans., writes: "I addressed you in November, 1884, in regard to my health, being afflicted with liver disease, heart trouble, and female weakness. I was advised to use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, Favorite Prescription, and Pellets, and I soon recovered of the 'Discovery,' five of the 'Pleasant Purgative Pellets.' My health began to improve under the use of your medicine, and my strength came back. My difficulties have all disappeared. I can work hard all day, or walk four or five miles a day, and stand it well; and when I began using the medicine I could scarcely walk across the room, most of the time, and I did not think I could ever feel well again. I have a little girl eight months old. Although she is a little delicate in size and appearance, she is healthy. I give your remedies all the credit for curing me, as I took no other treatment after beginning their use. I am very grateful for your kindness, and thank God and thank you that I am as well as I am after years of suffering."

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CHRONIC DIARRHEA CURED.—D. LAZARRE, Esq., 275 and 277 Decatur Street, New Orleans, La., writes: "I used three bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and it has cured me of chronic diarrhea. My bowels are now regular."

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HIP-JOINT DISEASE

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and can walk with the help of crutches. He does not suffer any pain, and can eat and sleep as well as any one. It has only been about three months since he commenced using your medicine. I cannot find words with which to express my gratitude for the benefit he has received through you."

INDIGESTION BOILS, BLOTHES

Rev. F. ASHBY HOWELL, Pastor of the M. E. Church of Sidney, N. Y., says: "I was afflicted with catarrh and indigestion. Boils and blisters began to arise on the surface of the skin, and I experienced a tired feeling and dullness. I began the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery as directed by him for such complaints, and in one week's time I began to feel like a new man, and am now sound and well. The 'Pleasant Purgative Pellets' are the best remedy for bilious or sick headache, or tightness about the chest, and bad taste in the mouth, that I have ever used. My wife could not walk across the floor when she began to take your 'Golden Medical Discovery.' Now she can walk quite a little ways, and do some light work."

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Mr. T. A. AYRES, of East New Market, Dorchester County, Md., vouches for the above facts.

IN VIGOROUS THE SYSTEM.

Done in the same length of time in my life. I never took a medicine that seemed to tone up the muscles and invigorate the whole system equal to your 'Discovery' and 'Pellets.'

DYSPEPSIA.—TERESA A. CASS, of Springfield, Mo., writes:

"I was troubled one year with liver complaint, dyspepsia, and sleeplessness, but your 'Golden Medical Discovery' cured me."

CHILLS AND FEVER.—REV. H. E. MOSELEY, Montmorenc, S. C., writes:

"Last August I thought I would die of chills and fever. I took your 'Discovery' and it stopped them in a very short time."

THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE.

Thoroughly cleanse the blood, which is the fountain of health, by using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and good digestion, a fair skin, buoyant spirits, and bodily health and vigor will be established.

Golden Medical Discovery cures all humors, from the common pimple, blotch, or eruption, to the worst Scrofula, or blood-poison. Especially has it proven its efficacy in curing Salt-rheum or Tetter, Fever-sores, Hip-Joint Disease, Scrofulous Sores and Swellings, Enlarged Glands and Eating Ulcers.

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