

Confide in a Woman

How Women Act While Consulting a Male Physician.

A woman is sick; some disease peculiar to her sex is fast developing in her system. She goes to her family physician and tells him her story, but not the whole story. She holds something back, loses her head, becomes agitated, forgets what she wants to say, and finally conceals what she ought to have told, and thus completely mystifies the doctor. Is it any wonder, therefore, that the doctor fails to cure the disease? Still, we cannot blame the woman, for it is very embarrassing to detail some of the symptoms of her suffering, even to her family physician. It was for this reason that years ago Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham determined to step in and help her sex. Having had considerable experience in treating female ills with her **Vegetable Compound**, she encouraged the women of America to write to her for advice in regard to their complaints, and being a woman, it was easy for her ailing sisters to pour into her ears every detail of their suffering. In this way

Mrs. Pinkham, in Lynn, Mass.,

was able to do for them what the physicians were unable to do, simply because she had the proper information to work upon, and from the little group of women who sought her advice years ago, a great army of her fellow beings are to-day constantly applying for advice and relief, and during the last year many, many thousands every month have written and received valuable advice and help. Nowhere except at Lydia E. Pinkham's laboratory in Lynn is there such an amount of information at hand to assist in the treatment of all kinds of female ills, from the simplest local irritation to the most complicated diseases of the womb. The records of all the many hundreds of thousands of cases as to which advice has been asked are there kept on file by Mrs. Pinkham, and from this vast experience she is able to do more than the family physician for ailing women. Any woman, therefore, is responsible for her own suffering who will not take the trouble to write to Mrs. Pinkham for advice. The testimonials which we are constantly publishing from grateful women establish beyond a doubt the power of **LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND** to conquer female diseases.

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THE STATE DEBT

It is Rapidly Decreasing Toward the Vanishing Point.

MORE THAN FIVE MILLIONS PAID

By the State Finance Board During the Past Nine Years—Present State Administration Will Come Very Nearly Cleaning the State.

When the Republican party succeeded to control of the State Finance board and of both branches of the legislature in 1895, a control which it has maintained continuously to this day, the state debt was \$7,520,615.12. During the period of nine years which has succeeded, not only have the interest charges been promptly met and provision made for normal state expenditures, but the state debt has been reduced \$5,368,000, or to \$2,162,615.12. The payments on the state debt during the past eight years have been as follows:

April 1, 1896.....	\$100,000
July 13, 1896.....	200,000
Dec. 18, 1895.....	200,000
April 1, 1897.....	150,000
June, 1897.....	80,000
July, 1897.....	150,000
Oct. 30, 1897.....	100,000
January, 1898.....	200,000
July, 1898.....	200,000
January, 1899.....	100,000
June, 1899.....	100,000
August, 1899.....	212,000
Jan. 10, 1900.....	183,000
July 3, 1900.....	300,000
Jan. 7, 1901.....	200,000
July 1, 1901.....	300,000
Jan. 3, 1902.....	317,000
July 26, 1902.....	1,000,000
Jan. 5, 1903.....	200,000
July 11, 1903.....	250,000
Nov. 15, 1903.....	85,000
Jan. 15, 1904.....	200,000

It is certain that before the close of the present administration the state debt will practically be wiped out except for a series of bonds which are not payable for several years, and the succeeding administration will be able to completely clean the slate. The people of Indiana have had two debt-paying administrations and will doubtless express at this year's election a desire for a continuance of business administration of the state's affairs.

PROPOSED MERGER

Gaudia Appendage Agrees to Accept the Duty of Wagging the Democratic Canine.

Mr. L. J. Law, one of the members of the Michigan Democratic state committee, has made public the following "prospectus" of the proposed combination between the regular Democrats and the bolters. It describes the situation so well that it is reproduced. The prospectus follows:

It is proposed to combine the Democratic party and the bolting Democracy into a single party. The details of the proposed combination are as follows:

First—Wall street financiers have agreed to take the bonds of the new party, advancing a reasonable amount of money on the same, provided that they, the said Wall street financiers, are permitted to name the candidate for president, and also the officers who will be in control of the new Democratic party; and provided furthermore that the interests of the said financiers be taken care of in case of victory.

Second—The bolting Democracy of 1896 and 1900 (including both those who voted for Mr. McKinley and those who voted for Palmer and Buckner) agree to the proposed combination, provided that all the preferred stock be issued to them; that the bolting Democracy as aforesaid be given complete control of the organization of the new party, subject to the approval of the bondholders, and that in case of a national victory all appointments to offices (with possibly the exception of a few minor ones) be made from the ranks of the bolting Democracy.

Third—To the more than 6,000,000 members of the regular Democracy it is proposed to issue the common stock of the new party. This stock will entitle the holder to take part in all parades; to hurrah for the nominees; to work for party success during the campaign and upon election day at the polls; and to vote on said day for the candidates who have been selected or nominated by the holders of the preferred stock.

While it may seem at first sight as if the Wall street financiers and the bolting Democracy were to receive most of the benefits to be derived from said proposed combination, still it must be remembered that in case of victory the holders of the common stock (the regular Democracy) will have the pleasure of knowing that they are on the winning side, and can have the satisfaction of belonging to the same party organization as the holders of the preferred stock, thereby earning the right to be considered "respectable," or at least "decent." They may also be able to win few election hats by making judicious bets. Holders of common stock will be considered eligible for such fourth-class postoffices as are not important enough to attract any of the holders of the preferred stock.

For further information in regard to the proposed combination apply to Morgan & Rockefeller, Wall street, or G—C— (confidential), Princeton, N. J.

man, the false teachings of the political demagogue, that would ride into office as a reward for his folly. The Republican party to which has been referred the settlement of all difficult questions, will amicably settle the disputes between capital and labor, and by its wise legislation, control the capital of the country, in such way that labor will receive its just reward.

Believes in Expansion.

"I believe in expansion. I believe that this country is the greatest nation on earth, and there is no reason for taking a backward step. I believe that the cherished memory of the boys who sacrificed their lives on San Juan hill, should not be buried in shame by surrendering to the whipped enemy, nor any other people, the acquired territory, but that the memory of their valor should be forever perpetuated, by giving the acquired territory a place in this nation.

"I believe in the construction of the Panama canal, and the Republican party will, in the near future, make a reality out of what has been a dream for centuries by constructing a canal across the isthmus of Panama.

"One other reason that I cannot leave out is, that I am opposed to the policy of the Democratic party in prefacing every platform for the past twelve years with the phrases, 'we are unalterably opposed' and 'we view with alarm.' There is no cause for alarm in the present conditions, nor has there been any since the ascendancy of the Republican party to power in 1897, and there is no policy advocated by the Republican party for the past eight years that should be opposed, and those two phrases have formed the principal part of the Democratic platform for the past twelve years. I fully made up my mind that I could no longer adhere to its teachings, and therefore abandoned its faith and declared my allegiance to the Republican party, in whose principles I firmly believe."

Will Vote for Roosevelt.

Recruits to the Republican ranks come from among the older as well as the younger followers of the Democratic standard, and from the northern as well as the southern part of the state. The Winamac Republican in a recent issue prints an interview with a Democrat of forty years standing, long prominent in the affairs of his county. The Republican says:

Noah R. Freeman, one of Pulaski county's oldest and most respected and substantial citizens, openly declares that he will vote for Roosevelt this year. Mr. Freeman is sixty-six years old, and is hale and hearty and jolly as any young man in town. He was raised a Democrat, and has always voted the Democratic ticket, but has the courage of his convictions, and says there is nothing in a mere name. "I'm for Roosevelt," says he, "because he's my type of a man. I'm for sound money, because it makes things good, and that's best for my neighbors and for me. The tariff does not need tinkering with. It's better to leave it as it is for all of us. Roosevelt went after the biggest trust in the country and won his point, and has now interpreted the law, and big business combines must toe the line. The Panama canal project is one of the best things for the country that could have been imagined. In its general effect it will be a great thing for the country, and incidentally is good for all of us. These are all good, sensible, every day practical business propositions."

and I believe in them and for them, and I don't care what name a party goes by, if it stands for things my judgment tells me are right and for the best, I am for them. I was a Democrat for over fifty years, but I was never for the things the present self-constituted leaders of Democracy are for. The Republican party

seems to be pushing and standing for all the good things and is doing business for the country successfully, and there is no reason why for the mere sentiment in the name Democrat, I should attach myself longer with a misled and misguided party which is now wandering helpless and hopeless without a leader or an issue."

The Young Man's Party.

If Madison county can be taken as an instance, the young men of the country are flocking to the Republican party. Older men who have been with the Democratic party in better days and are more strongly linked to it by its traditions may not go to the Republican party so quickly, but with young men it is different. They have long lives before them. The opportunities are all with the party that has its eyes to the present and future and is united and harmonious. There is little that is attractive to a young man in a party rent in a dozen parts, incapable of being united either for a leader or for an issue and to every appearance next to dissolution.—Madison Herald.

Auditor Sherrick's Good Work.

State Auditor Sherrick is doing good service in continuing the crusade against shyster life insurance companies that attempt to operate without complying with the law. Persons who contemplate investing in a life policy and who would avoid imposition and fraud, should first make sure they are contracting with a company that is authorized by the auditor of state. If no such authority can be

concerned, it may be understood that money invested in a policy under such circumstances is virtually thrown away. The law was passed for the protection of the people against swindlers, and the state auditor is to be highly commended for his vigorous efforts for its enforcement.—Ex.

BRIEF DISPATCHES

Floods in northwestern and central Ohio have broken all previous records.

Heavy cattle losses have resulted on the prairies of North Dakota from the recent blizzard. Geytan de Ayala, the first Spanish minister to Cuba, has arrived at Havana and is being shown special attention.

One hundred thousand men and six thousand horses, besides considerable artillery, have crossed Lake Baikal since the outbreak of the war.

The Republicans of the Seventh Indiana district, for the fifth time renominated Representative Jesse Overstreet as their candidate for Congress.

Two persons were killed and a dozen others injured in a collision between an express train and a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad near Pottstown, Pa.

A column of Dutch troops operating at Achin (northern Sumatra) engaged a strong, entrenched body of Achinese with the result that 54 Achinese were killed. The Dutch lost three men killed and twenty-five men wounded.

One way Colonist Rates to the West and Northwest via The C. C. & L.—Washington, Oregon, Montana, etc. For further information call on J. A. Blair, C. T. A. Home Phone 44.

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

In reply to inquiries we have pleasure in announcing that Ely's Liquid Cream Balm is like the solid preparation of that admirable remedy in that it cleanses and heals membranes affected by nasal catarrh. There is no drying or sneezing. The Liquid Cream Balm is adapted to use by patients who have trouble in inhaling through the nose and prefer spraying. The price, including spraying tube, is 75 cents. Sold by druggists or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, New York.

LOW FARES TO WINONA LAKE. On account of the Northern Indiana Teachers' Association at Winona Lake April 7th-9th. The C. C. & L. has made a reduced rate of \$4.00 for the Round Trip. Tickets good returning April 10th. Train leaves Richmond 10:45 a. m. arriving at Warsaw 3:47 p. m. For particulars call Chas. A. Blair, C. T. A.

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Special Fares to Winona Lake, Ind. Account Northern Indiana Teachers' Association meeting will be in effect April 6th and 7th via Pennsylvania Lines. Ask the nearest Ticket Agent of those lines about fares and time of trains.

Low Fares to Indianapolis via Pennsylvania Lines.

April 4th, 5th and 6th, excursion tickets to Indianapolis, account Indiana State Prohibition Convention, will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines. Consult local Ticket Agent of those lines about time of trains.

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