

# THE MAIL

A PAPER FOR THE PEOPLE.

## Little People.

A little girl was reproved for playing out doors with boys, and informed that, being seven years old, she was 'too big for that now.' But, with all imaginative innocence, she replied, 'Why, the bigger we grow the better we like 'em.'

'What's the matter, sonny?' said a man to a youngster who was tearfully rubbing the seat of his pantaloons as he walked along; 'what's the matter, got on the wrong track?' 'Yes,' was the reply, 'guess I did, way the old man switched me off jes now!—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

After the circus parade two small boys met on the street. One of them, his face glowing with excitement, said: 'Oh, Johnny! did you see that fellow with the snakes around his neck?' No word from Johnny. 'Yer seen the mun in the lion's cage, uncoorse?' No word or sign from Johnny, save or except a cloud upon his brow. 'Well, yer seen the ponies with the red blankets on, didn't yer?' 'Naw, an' I didn't,' said Johnny at last, bursting into tears. 'I had to stay at home and tend our baby, but I kin lick the stuffin' out of you!'

A devout clergyman sought every opportunity to impress upon the mind of his son the fact that God takes care of all his creatures; that the falling sparrow attracts his attention, and loving kindness is over all his works. Happening to see a crane one day wading in quest of food, the good man pointed out to his son the perfect adaptation of the crane to his living in that manner.

'See,' said he, 'how his legs are formed for wading! What a long, slender bill he has! Observe how nicely he folds his feet when putting them in or drawing them out of the water! He is thus enabled to approach the fish without giving them any notice of his arrival. My son,' said he, 'it is impossible to look at that bird without recognizing the goodness of God in thus providing the means of subsistence.'

'Yes,' said the boy, 'I think I can see the goodness of God, at least so far as the crane is concerned; but, after all, father, don't you think the arrangements are a little tough on the fish?'

A pathetic little story is thus told by a San Francisco paper in connection with a savings bank failure: 'A citizen, who keeps a livery stable, sold his little son if he would take care of two cows for a year he (the father) would give him all the empty sacks at the stable for a year. The boy worked hard night and morning, and at the end of the time his sacks yielded him \$80, and his silver was in the Dime Savings Bank. He went to his mother proudly to report progress, but added: "If I'd only made \$20 more, I'd have just \$100, and that would have made me rich." The mother, pleased with her son's industry, gave him a \$20 gold piece to put in the bank and complete the \$100. In a few days the bank failed, the \$80 and the \$20 were in its ruins, and the little fellow has wept as if his heart would break also, ever since, and refused to be comforted.'

## USEFUL INFORMATION.

It has been computed that nearly every person has two years' sickness before he reaches the age of 70.

To Keep the Hands Smooth.—Take glycerine and ammonia equal parts; wash the hands clean, and, without wiping, pour a little in one hand and rub well over and dry.

To Take Out Scorch.—If a shirt bosom or any other article has been scorched in ironing, lay it where bright sunshine will fall directly on it. It will take it entirely out.

A cement that is fire and water proof is made of pulverized litharge five pounds, fine Paris white two pounds, yellow ochre four ounces, hemp (cut into shreds) half an ounce; all mixed to the density of thick putty, with boiled linseed oil.

To Remove Stains.—To remove ink stains from paper use cyanide of potassium and oxalic acid. To remove grease from paper dip a small brush in benzine and draw it gently over both sides of the paper until the grease disappears. Then dip another in highly rectified spirits of wine and draw it, in a like manner over the place, and particularly around the edges, to remove the border that would still present a stain. The paper, before commencing the above described operation, should be gently warmed, and as much grease as possible taken out with a piece of blotting paper.

Offensive breath.—From six to ten drops of the concentrated solution of chloride of soda in a wine glass full of pure spring water, taken immediately after the ablutions of the morning are completed, will sweeten the breath by disinfecting the stomach, which, far from being injured, will be benefited by the medicine. If necessary, this may be repeated in the middle of the day. In some cases the odor from carious teeth is combined with that of the stomach. If the mouth is well rinsed with a tea-spoonful of the chloride in a tumbler of water the bad odor of the teeth will be removed.

To Kill Bedbugs.—The only certain cure for bedbugs is a solution of corrosive sublimate, which may be had at the druggist's. The bedsteads should be taken apart and well washed with cold water and hard soap; then, with a small, flat brush, the poison should be applied to every crack and crevice where a bug may harbor. The poison should be used once or twice a week, as may be necessary. It is a work of time and patience, but if persevered in this remedy will effectually destroy the bugs. Corrosive sublimate is a deadly poison, and should be kept out of the way of children and servants.

Pretty hanging baskets can be made of oyster or peach cans, by removing one end, and cutting them in strips one-third of an inch wide, leaving one half of an inch at the bottom. Press it in the shape you desire, and clinch the ends at the top over a strong wire, several inches larger in circumference than the bottom of the can. Paint it green, and when dry line it with green moss from the woods or with cultivated moss from the garden. Fill with good, rich soil and plant therein some pretty trailing vine. Suspend it at the window by a wire or tiny chain. This is indeed a "thing of beauty," if kept in a thrifty condition. Hang it over and in a pall of rain water occasionally to water the moss.

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## ARE YOU GAINING?

If you are gaining a little every day be content. Are your expenses less than your income, so that, though it be a little, you are yet constantly accumulating and growing richer every day? Be content, for as concerns money you are doing well. Are you gaining knowledge every day? Though it be little, the aggregate of the accumulation, where no day is permitted to pass without adding something to the stock, will be surprising to yourself. Solomon did not become the wisest man in a minute. Little by little—never omitting to learn something, even for a single day—always reading, always studying a little between the time of rising up in the morning and lying down at night; this is the way to accumulate a storehouse of knowledge. Finally, are you daily gaining in character. Be not discouraged because it be little. The best men fall far short of what they wish to be. It is something, it is much, if you keep good resolution better to-day than you did last year. Strive to be perfect, but do not become down-hearted as long as you are approaching nearer and nearer to the high standard at which you aim. Little by little fortunes are accumulated: little by little knowledge is gained, little by little character and reputation are achieved.

An English paper gives an account of an interesting experiment with the microscope: A microscope was placed in the pulpit of a chapel in Halifax, England, on a recent Sunday, and connected by a private telegraph line with the residence of a gentleman over a mile distant. Every part of the service was distinctly heard at the gentleman's house, with the exception of a few words rendered indistinct by the preacher's becoming a little excited, and shaking the microphone. So faithfully did the instrument do its work that the chapel-keeper was heard to close the doors after service, walk up the aisle and up the pulpit steps in conversation with some one else. The idea is about to be put to practical use, the gentleman already having given instructions that his house should be connected with another in the neighborhood, in order that an invalid may hear the service from one of the churches in the town.

At Rochester, Mich., they have a good way of advertising the fools who stand on the church steps after meeting to stare at the ladies. The following card is constantly kept standing in the columns of The Era of that place: "The Donkey Club, of this village, would respectfully inform the young ladies especially and the public generally that they have made arrangements for an extensive demonstration of the steps in front of the Methodist Episcopal church—the members locating themselves on either side of the main entrance—on Sunday evening next. Postponed immediately after the close of the religious exercises within."

North Carolina Paper: We saw Alexander Stephens on the cars the other day. We thought it was somebody's overcoat thrown in the only unoccupied seat in the coach, and picking it up we started to throw it across the back of the seat, when it began to kick and swear. We dropped it, and as it hit the floor a voice said, "I'm Alexander Stephens, sir." He is as thin as a June shad. Weighs about 30, and sitting sideways it will take about six inches as he to fill a car seat.

Courier-Journal: Secretary Thompson's hair is pure white—perhaps the work of the salty air of the Wabash.

## THE SECRET OF BUSINESS SUCCESS.

It is claimed that Vanderbilt exhibited great care and shrewd business sagacity in the purchase of stocks and railroads owned by him. Yet, whenever he made an investment he received in return an equivalent either as his own, or as collateral security. Dr. R. V. Pierce has invested many hundred thousand dollars in advertising, depending entirely upon the superior merits of his goods for security. The unparalleled popularity of his family medicines, and the annual increase in their sale, attests in arguments stronger than words of their purity and efficiency. If the blood be impoverished, the liver sluggish, and there be tumors, blisters and pimples, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will effect a speedy and permanent cure. If the bowels be constipated, use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets. Debilitated females suffering with those peculiar dragging down sensations and weaknesses, will find Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription a safe and certain remedy. Prompt relief and permanent cure have so universally followed its use, that the Doctor now sells it under a positive guarantee.

OAKLAND, Douglas Co., Oregon, Jan. 23, 1877.

DEAR SIR.—Your Golden Medical Discovery has cured my daughter of goitre, after many physicians had failed. Enclosed please find \$1 for a copy of the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser. With us it takes the place of the family physician. Yours truly,

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LIVER IS KING.

The Liver is the imperial organ of the whole human system, as it controls the life, health and happiness of man. When it is disturbed in its proper action, all kinds of ailments are the natural result.

The digestion of the food, the movements of the heart and blood, the action of the brain and nervous system, are all immediately connected with the workings of the Liver. It has been successfully proved that Green's August Flower is unequalled in curing all persons afflicted with Dyspepsia or Liver complaint, and all the numerous symptoms that result from an unhealthy condition of the Liver and Stomach. Sample bottles to try, 10 cents. Positively sold in all towns on the Western Continent. Three doses will prove that it is just what you want.

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## Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy, for the speedy and permanent cure for consumption, bronchitis, catarrh, asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for nervous debility and all nervous complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive, and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send, free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, with full directions for preparing and using, in German, French, or English. Sent by mail, addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. W. Sherar, 149 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y. (ew)

ITCHING PILES.—The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, as if pin worms were crawling in and about the rectum, the private parts are sometimes affected; if allowed to continue, very serious results may follow. Dr. SWAYNE'S ALL HEALING OINTMENT is a pleasant sure cure.

HOME CURES.—We were great sufferers from Itching Piles, the symptoms were as above described, the use of Swayne's Ointment in a short time made a perfect cure.

J. W. CHRISTIE, Boot and Shoe House, 244 N. Second St.

T. C. WEYMAN, Hatter, 8 S. Eighth St., Philadelphia.

Reader, if you are suffering from this distressing Complaint, or Tetter, Itch, Scald Head, Ring Worm, Barber's Itch, any Crusty, Scaly, Skin Eruption, use Swayne's Ointment and be cured. Sent by mail to any address on receipt of price (in currency or postage stamp), 50 cents a box, three boxes \$1.22. Address letters, Dr. Swayne & Son, 330 N. Sixth street, Philadelphia. No charge for advice. Sold by leading druggists.

If Baldness or a Deficiency of Hair

Exists, or if the hair is gray, dry or harsh, the natural youthful color can be restored by using "London Hair Color Restorer," the most delightful article ever introduced to the American people for increasing its growth, restoring its natural color, and at the same time a lovely hair dresser and beautifier. It is totally different from all others; not sticky or gummy, and free from all impure ingredients that render many other articles obnoxious; in fact it is exquisitely perfumed, and so cleanly and elegantly prepared as to make it a lasting hair dressing and toilet luxury.

J. A. TYNES, A PROMINENT CITIZEN, Wilson, N. C., writes: Some ten years ago my wife's hair commenced falling, and got very thin and turned gray; but after using "London Hair Color Restorer" the scalp became healthy, the hair stopped falling, the color was restored, and is now growing beautifully.

Ask your druggist for London Hair Color Restorer. Price, 75 cents a bottle, Six bottles, \$4. Main Depot for the U. S., 330 North Sixth St., Philadelphia.

"The First Dose Gives Relief."

Trial Bottles of Dr. Swayne's Compound Syrup of Wild Cherry, 25 cents.

The distressing cough, which threatens serious results, is quickly cured before developing a fatal pulmonary affection. For all throat, breast and lung disorders, Asthmatic or Bronchial affections, Whooping Cough, Liver Complaint. Blood Spitting, &c., no remedy is so prompt and effectual as "Dr. Swayne's Compound Syrup of Wild Cherry."

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