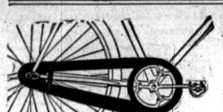

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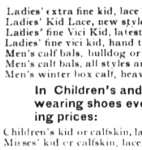

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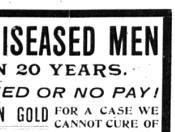
YOU HAVE SEMINAL WEAKNESS!



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### THE FEMININE OBSERVERS.

If we have a bad temper why should we be blamed for losing it occasionally.

Wouldn't a woman with big sleeves look like a dime museum freak these days?

The most popular young mother is the one who never teaches her children to recite.

A dealer in lamps says that he sells a dozen rose pink shades to one of any other color.

It often follows that a new sofa cushion makes an old couch look even more shabby.

The average man is not half as much influenced by a woman's tears as by her smiles.

Very few women can retain their dignity and their hold on a puppy dog at the same time.

Many a parlor would be more perfectly called the court room where there are unmarried daughters in the house.

Is there any more pathetic sight than the elderly man in the restaurant waiting for the woman who fails to appear?—Philadelphia Times.

### PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

Rider Haggard thinks Egypt the most interesting country in the world.

The prince of Wales' breakfast never varies. It consists of tea, toast and one egg.

John Ruskin invariably dines in solitude, for he finds that conversation has a bad effect upon his digestion.

Andrew Spence is said to be the only missionary-cyclist in the world. He travels in California, where he has met with remarkable success in his work.

Rudyard Kipling works 10 hours every day, or, to be quite correct, every night, for the novelist usually sits at his desk until the small hours of the morning.

The higher we go in spiritual developments or unfoldment, the more respect we find we have for man's individuality, and if this be so, God's respect for man's estimate of himself must be infinite.

Is religion one of the fine arts, that it should consist simply in going to meeting in good clothes every Sunday, saying grace at table, and, praying night and morning? Are we so literally a flock that we have nothing to do but to be fed all the year, yielding only the annual fleece which forms our pastor's salary?

It is more than probable that the greater part of the happiness of the world comes from sources that are seldom recognized. In our thoughts we are continually associating pleasure with some future to be consummated, and overlooking its real presence, which is with us now and here. When some object is attained, or some effort is successful, we look for enjoyment; meantime we resign ourselves with what patience we can to do without it. The continuous lesson of experience, however, which we are slow to learn, is that the important epochs to which we look so eagerly are less fruitful in real pleasure than the small and frequent advances of daily life which seem so insignificant.

### BEST IN TIT-BITS.

Mamma: "Ain't you home from school earlier than usual to-day?" Bobby: "Yes, mamma; I wasn't kept in to-day."

Garman: "Don't you think Footlights is a clever actor?" Hashley: "Clever? Well, I should say so. He hasn't paid the landlady any money for six weeks!"

A Model Lover—Ethel: "Are you sure that all his thoughts are of you?" Edith: "Oh, yes! Why, he has just lost his position on account of inattention to business!"

### When to Cut Hay?

"When to cut hay?" I can think of no better reply to this query than this: When hay is just right for cutting, writes A. H. Smith in the Practical Farmer. Some one says, "cut clover hay when one-half the heads are turned brown." As to this I am not certain, but we will not let the clover get over-ripe, as by so doing the stalks become "woody," and consequently worthless as fodder. The practical observing farmer soon learns how hay is in the right condition for cutting (some who aim to tell us theoretically often "miss the mark"), and although not able to explain, he knows just the same. With us, in our variable climate the time often varies; for instance, in cold, backward spring retarding growth makes, as we say "haying late," *etc.* But we know when the condition of the grass is the same, and then is the time to cut either for home use or market. We usually begin haying about the fourth of July, and in backward seasons about a week later. Early cut grass is mowed in the forenoon, and if the weather proves just right, drawn in the next day afternoon. Later on the more ripened timothy can be cut and stored the same day. Generally not more than can be stored in one afternoon is mowed at one time. And if the weather is lowering with indications of rain we forbear entirely. Much hay was ruined in our neighborhood one season, by cutting during such weather, when a continued rain came on and spoiled it.

### Position of Process Butter.

A reporter of the New York Produce Review in an article in that paper says: "Ever since the introduction of 'process' butter I have followed it closely, watching with interest the steady improvement in the quality of the product, as well as the rapid expansion of trade for it in this country. I have seen how deceptive it was because of the fresh creamery flavor obtained by the best manufacturers, and yet I have recognized qualities about the article that were undesirable and calculated to hinder its sale in many markets. Still it has found a large demand, chiefly in the south, southwest and interior cities of the central and eastern states. * * *

I strolled down the street to have a talk with some of the receivers of these 'process' goods, and the first man I interviewed was very outspoken in his remarks. 'I tell you the trade in 'process' butter is dying fast,' he said. 'I have handled some of the goods and whilst a few buyers claim to be able to make a little money out of them, others are disgusted with them, and so am I. Some of the out-of-town markets may like that kind of stock, but New York don't. I am willing to go on record that the business in process butter has reached its limit and will now fall off fast.' Some of the other dealers did not take so pessimistic a view of the outlook for these goods, and yet I found that the article had fewer friends than it had a year ago."

### Horses and Bicycles.

A couple of years ago a great many people exclaimed that the horse would go out of use as a source of pleasure, and that the bicycle would take his place, and to prove their assertions, drew attention to the fact that bicycles were selling for more money than horses, says a writer in the American Horse Breeder. That was at the time when $100 was the standard price of a bicycle. How is it now? The price of horses, particularly of horses suitable for pleasure use, is steadily going up, while the same bicycles that formerly sold for $100 are now down to $50, and in some cases to $40, while a second-hand wheel that cost $100 two years ago can be bought for $10 or $15 now. Did the price of horses drop in as great a proportion as that? Not much. True, some fancy and really absurd prices were paid years ago by men who had money to burn and wished to advertise the fact, but the legitimate value of horses never dropped over 50 per cent, and is now on the rise, while the bicycle is down, to remain down. Any man who can afford to keep a road horse will keep one, regardless of all the bicycle and horseless-carriage fads.

### House Tank and Windmills.

There are many farmers putting in a wind mill, and many of them are also adding the house tank as well, writes C. P. Reynbld's in Michigan Farmer. As is obvious, this requires some little extra expenditure, and only a little, when the advantages are taken into consideration. No farmer should add a mill to his farm conveniences and fail to add the house tank; if he feels that he can not afford as much, he would show very good judgment to dispense with one tank at the barn; at any rate, the house tank should be added at any cost, unless conditions are unusual and impracticable. There are very few houses so arranged that this tank can not be added; and if there are any such it would well pay the owner to disarrange them at the first opportune time. It may take up a little more room than might be desirable, but this feature will be more than offset in other different ways. If a tank is well at the barn, and in order to get to the house it is necessary to lay a pipe up and back, it will pay him to do so; or move the well, if necessary.

Wide Tire Law.—Legislation compelling the use of wide tires would be a step in the right direction, looking towards good roads. A law providing that the width of the tire should be proportionate to the weight carried, would prevent a fairly good road from being cut up by a heavy load, or a poor road being made impassable. It would seem that concerted action is the only way in which good roads may be built and maintained, as a road, no matter how good, once cut by a single set of wheels, rapidly grows from bad to worse.—San Juan Islander.

Barnyard Manure.—Barnyard manure is the fertilizer that is available on every farm if the farmer is practicing the correct method of economy in his work. Its application to the soil serves the same purpose as the residue of plants which remain from year to year and give to the soils their rich dark color.—Ex.

Corn is a fattening food, but can nearly always be given at night to good advantage.

### FIRST POSTOFFICE.

**Private Penny Post Established in the Reign of Louis XIV.**

The fact that there is a regular mail route through Alaska, and that even remote towns in Africa are not without postal facilities, is in these progressive times accepted quite as a matter of course. Yet this wonderful system, which has reached out until it includes every country on the face of the earth, had its beginning in the mind of a ingenious Frenchman who lived less than 250 years ago. In 1668, early in the reign of Louis XIV., M. de Velayer established a private penny post, says a writer in Harper's Round Table for February. Boxes were set up at the street corners for the reception of letters. Offices were opened in various quarters of Paris; collections were made once a day from the street boxes, followed many hours later by a single delivery, and thus the first postoffice in the world was established. M. de Velayer was so greatly encouraged by the success of his enterprise that in order to develop it still further he printed certain forms of billets or notes which were intended to cover all the ordinary requirements of business in great towns. These forms contained blanks which were intended to be filled up by the pen with such special matter as might be necessary to complete the writer's object. The idea at once became popular, and the printed forms accompanied the expansion of the postal service throughout the larger cities of France, and it was many years before they fell into disuse.

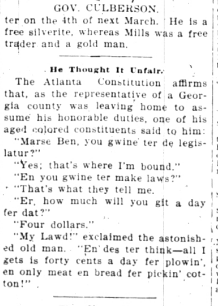
### COMFORTABLE TIP FOR MEN.

**Why a New Orleans Bachelor Nails His Slippers Fast.**

"Up in my den," said a New Orleans bachelor who lives in a couple of quaintly furnished rooms in a business block downtown, according to the New Orleans Times-Democrat, "between the fireplace and the first bookcase on the left, you will find two large slippers nailed to the wall, some four feet above the wainscoting. The heels of the slippers are quite close together, the toes spread slightly outward, and, being made of brightly flowered drugget, they look not unlike two enormous particolored beetles, clinging to the wall with folded wings. They are not, however, intended as ornaments, but have a very homely and practical purpose. When I retreat to my den at night, take down the book that suits my mood, get into a comfortable, ragged old jacket, turn the lamp just right and light my pipe—when I have performed these preliminary ceremonies I place a chair directly in front of the slippers, insert my feet in their depths and lean back with the blissful consciousness that I can't possibly tip over and break my neck. I am anchored, so to speak, to the wall, and the light is so arranged as to make the position the best possible one for reading. My friends claim that the habit is pulling out my legs to an abnormal length, but I don't let that worry me. I'm thinking of having the scheme copyrighted."

### TEXAS' NEW SENATOR.

Ex-Gov. Culberson of Texas, who was recently elected without opposition to succeed Hon. Roger Q. Mills in the senate of the United States, deservedly wears the high honor which his fellow citizens have conferred upon him. In the gubernatorial chair of his native state he distinguished himself by reason of his marked abilities, despite the fact that he was one of the youngest men who had ever occupied that exalted position. In the democratic ranks of Texas he has figured with prominence for yes. On account of the fine intellectual equipment which he possesses, Senator-elect Culberson will feel perfectly at home in that body whose counsels he will en-



GOV. CULBERSON.

ter on the 4th of next March. He is a free silverite, whereas Mills was a free trader and a gold man.

### He Thought It Unfair.

The Atlanta Constitution affirms that, as the representative of a Georgia county was leaving home to assume his honorable duties, one of his aged colored constituents said to him:

"Marse Ben, you gwine ter de legislatur?"

"Yes; that's where I'm bound."

"En you gwine ter make laws?"

"That's what they tell me.

"Er, how much will you git a day fer dat?"

"Four dollars."

"My Lawd," exclaimed the astonished old man. "En des ter think—all I gets is forty cents a day fer plowin', en only meat en bread fer pickin' cotton!"

### They Never Sleep.

There are several species of fish, reptiles and insects which never sleep during their stay in this world. Among fish it is now positively known that pike, salmon and goldfish never sleep at all. Also that there are several others of the fish family that never sleep more than a few minutes during a month. There are dozens of species of flies which never indulge in slumber, and from three to five species of serpents which the naturalists have never yet been able to catch napping.

### The Area of Mexico.

Mexico has an area of 751,000 square miles, or nearly one-fourth that of the United States.

The smallest bird in the world is the gold-crested wren.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Time Table in effect February 6, 1899.
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No 15—Mail and Chicago Express to Grand Haven..... 12:00 p m
No. 17—Grand Rapids Express to G'd Rapids and G. R. and I. 4:50 p m
No 21—Chicago Express for Chicago, with sleeper..... 8:23 p m

Nos. 11, 15 and 17 daily, except Sunday. No. 21 daily.

EAST BOUND.

No 12—Chicago Express to Detroit and south..... 8:39 a m
No. 16—Detroit Express to Detroit and east..... 11:07 a m
No. 6—Mail to Detroit..... 2:58 p m
No. 22—Evening Express to Detroit and east..... 8:33 p m

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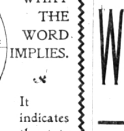


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STATE OF MICHIGAN, In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery. Julia Anderson, Plaintiff, vs. The unknown heirs of Freeman Waugh, the unknown heirs of Benjamin Phelps, the unknown heirs of Joseph W. Goodwin, defendants. Suit pendin in the circuit court for the county of Oakland, in chancery, at the city of Pontiac, on the 3rd day of February, 1899. It satisfactorily appearing by affidavit filed in this cause that Nelson Onthe, that Freeman Waugh is dead and that the names, residences and whereabouts of his heirs at law are unknown, that Benjamin Phelps is dead and that the names, residences and whereabouts of his heirs at law are unknown, and that Joseph W. Goodwin is dead and the names, residences and whereabouts of his heirs at law are unknown, on motion of John H. Patterson, solicitor for complainant, it is ordered that the unknown heirs of Freeman Waugh, the unknown heirs of Benjamin Phelps, and the unknown heirs of Joseph W. Goodwin cause their appearance to be entered herein within six months and one day from the date of this order, and in case of their appearance, that they cause their answers to complaint, and a bill of complaint to be filed and a copy thereof to be served on said complainant's solicitor within twenty days after service on them of a copy of this bill and notice of this order, and in default thereof, that said bill be taken as confessed by said unknown heirs of Freeman Waugh, and unknown heirs of Benjamin Phelps, and the unknown heirs of Joseph W. Goodwin, defendants. And it is further ordered that within twenty days of the date hereof, the said complainant cause a copy of this order to be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper published and circulating in said county and that said publication be continued thereon once in each week for six successive weeks, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said complainant's wife, if Freeman Waugh, the unknown heirs of Freeman Waugh, the unknown heirs of Benjamin Phelps, and the unknown heirs of Joseph W. Goodwin, all their appearance to be entered herein within six months and one day from the date of this order, and in case of their appearance, that they cause their answers to complaint, and a bill of complaint to be filed and a copy thereof to be served on said complainant's solicitor within twenty days after service on them of a copy of this bill and notice of this order, and in default thereof, that said bill be taken as confessed by said unknown heirs of Freeman Waugh, and unknown heirs of Benjamin Phelps, and the unknown heirs of Joseph W. Goodwin, defendants. And it is further ordered that within twenty days of the date hereof, the said complainant cause a copy of this order to be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper published and circulating in said county and that said publication be continued thereon once in each week for six successive weeks, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said