Miss Nellie Holmes, treasurer of the Young Woman's Temperance Association of Buffalo, N. Y., strongly advises all suffering women to rely, as she did, upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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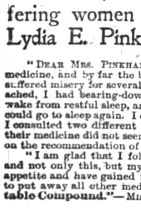
Miss Irene Crosby, prominent in Social Life in East Savanah, Ga., adds her testimonial to the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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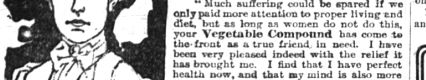

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The Literary Weather Bureau stands strictly up to date,
It was founded by our Uncle Sam, who always pays the freight.
The barometer of humor is a thing we greatly need,
It's a precious boon to poets who are strictly off their feed.
John Burroughs is the Naturalist who sings of birds and trees,
He lives up in the Catskills, a shaggy hermit at his ease.
Our country's changing temperature from dewy morn till night
The Literary Weather Bureau is the freshest move in sight.
Keeping solid with the masses would drive you in a trance,
The dear, delicious public likes its literature from France.
There's a cold wave from Alaska on Joaquin Miller's trail,
From the Klondike comes "Jack London" with his snowy, brutal tale.

Stout "Tronquil" from Kansas brings a cyclone in his train,
Laura Jean Libbey thrills our factory girls with fine romantic pain,
Edwin Markham sings of labor and the sturdy toilers' woe,
From "Bubbly Creek" comes Dooley with his tales of long ago.
What an avalanche of melody from the far Sierras rings,
From the fabled cave of Echo, when Joaquin Miller sings.
It never rains in bleeding Kansas till the bards bombard the sky,
And then they get a shower of frogs that hop about and die.
The Nesters of our literature all hail from Boston town
They're a chilly bunch of fossils of antediluvian renown.
The Chinese Mandarins of letters with an anvil chorus strong,
They grab their tinkling hammers and beat out a rousing song.

With Roosevelt's staunch Rough Riders in "The Winning of the West,"
The President has staked his claim and tamed the bronche's crest,
Owen Wister sings the cowboys of Wyoming long ago,
The War Cloud in the Balkans makes Harding Davis glow,
From "Bubbly Creek" comes Dooley with his keen Kilkenny laugh,
Davy Crockett down in Texas with Col. Bowie on his staff.
Rudyard Kipling hails from India with a sirocco in his train,
"The Hotspur of the Himalayas" sweeps on in fierce disdain.
Wee McGregor's mushy dialect demands a half yard key,
And Swinburne sings in sonorous strains the splendor of the sea!
Some splendid sparkling star gleams on their swarthy row of night,
It twinkles on the horizon with clear resplendent light.

Ernest McGaffey is a singer both gifted true and strong,
With the saving sense of humor and a tender manly song.
Wiggs Cabin Patch in Louisville where fresh buds often grow,
The fair Laureate of our Lake Shore Drive in Harriet Monroe.
From Butte City in Montana comes the madcap Miss McLane,
Mary had a streak of genius in that throbbing, girlish brain.
Chumnie Pashen of the flowery portrays the New York gang,
George Ade still thrills the rabble with his homespun, Posey slang.
Old Halstead's famous Whiskey Belt is tapering to its end,
The bunch have got religious and their ways they fain would mend.
The Indiana poets' trust is gone to smash, they've struck for higher pay.
The Literary Weather Bureau's in the big combine to stay.
—James E. Kinsella, Chicago.

Sand Worse Than Snow

We came down from Port Said to Cairo by railroad, a journey of six hours. The first half was over the tiniest railway you ever saw—a little narrow gage built by the canal company as an aid to construction. Its original purpose was to haul away the dirt that was taken out of the ditch and dump it on the desert; then it was used to transport supplies from one point on the canal to another, and finally, when Port Said became a great port of entry for passengers, the rails were relaid, the track was ballasted and diminutive trains were put on, hauled by locomotives that look like toys, but do their business promptly and well.

This line runs the entire length of the canal, which is eighty-seven miles, parallel with the bank, and belongs to the canal company. Recently the Egyptian government has made an agreement so that the track will be widened to a standard gage, and hereafter through trains can be run from one end of Egypt to the other.

Nowadays passengers between Cairo and points along the canal have to change at Ismalia, the half-way station on Lake Timsah and the chief port of the canal. Rails and iron ties are stacked up on both sides of the track the entire distance between Port Said and Ismalia, and thousands of men are at work on construction.

It is comparatively easy to build a railway in this section of Egypt, because there are no rains, no frosts, no rocks, no grade, no curves and no obstructions but hillocks and sand. At the same time the drifting of the sand is continuous and compels the railway managers to keep gangs of men constantly at work shoveling it off the right of way.

It is even worse than the snow in the northern latitudes of the United States. The railroads in the southwestern territories of our country have similar difficulties. In fact there is as much resemblance between deserts as there is between peach orchards, and a gentleman from the Death valley of Southern California would feel quite at home on the Lybian sands.—Cairo letter in Chicago Record-Herald.

Fight Where They Are

When the American marines and the Colombian troops recently contested each other at Colon it looked for a time as if a battle was to be fought on the pier of the Royal Mail Steamship company.

The pier is rather an unusual place to fight a battle, but battles have been fought in many curious places, ranging from mountain peaks to sewers, from ice fields to desert sands.

At the battle of Monterey, in the Mexican war, the Americans were able to command the streets of the city with their artillery, but they had difficulty in dislodging the Mexicans from the houses. So, the city being built of stone or adobe in solid blocks of houses, the Yankees broke through the walls from one house to another, fighting and driving out the enemy, so that the battle of Monterey was largely fought indoors.

In one of the battles of the wars of William the Silent for the independence of the Netherlands, the Spanish ships were frozen in on thee Zuyder Zee. The Dutch came out on horseback over the ice and attacked them. This is probably the only battle in which cavalry was used directly against ships. Several other combats were fought between troops on the ice in these wars, and on one occasion the infantry is said to have worn skates.

The battle of Austerlitz was partly fought on a frozen lake, and when the allies were retreating across it the shot from the French artillery, plunging into the ice and breaking it up, caused the death of thousands of Russians and Austrians.

Of the many underground battles which have taken place in history, the fiercest was probably that of the siege of Haarlem in the Dutch wars. The Spaniards mined and the Dutch countermined with equal industry and below the ground a fierce conflict raged.

When the Versailles troops took Paris after the Communist they chased some of the Communist troops to the great sewers of the French capital, where some desperate struggles took place.

Symbol of Our Might

"When the traveler approaches the strange and fascinating, but most discouraging, city of Constantinople from the Sea of Marmora," says a well-known writer, "he will find riding at anchor in the Bosporus, opposite the city, two men-of-war representing each one of the great European powers, with their national ensigns floating at their pinnacles. If he is an American, perhaps his pride will be touched a bit that there is no ship to represent the great power of the western hemisphere. If, however, he will sail a few miles up that wonderful stream which separates the occident from the orient and marks the battleground where civilization and barbarism have contended for hundreds, yes, thousands of years, he will see, high up above the Bosporus, on a bluff of the western shore, the buildings of Robert college, founded and sustained by Americans. They face the stream and the opposite Asiatic shore. Just beneath them at the water's edge are the ruins of two ancient forts, that have played their part in many wars. There, floating above Robert college, the stars and stripes kiss the breezes and the beacon light of liberty, and education shines forth. What more glorious symbol could there be of the land we love and of the idea that makes that land great and powerful—an idea of which the press is, and is to be, the chief defender and exponent, as surely as 'the pen is mightier than the sword'?"

Death as a Friend

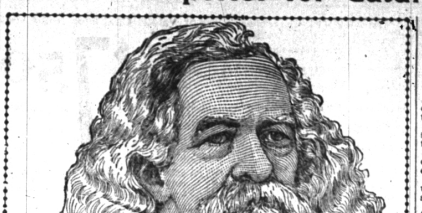
There is nothing so disgusting as the everlasting pictures of the scenes of the Chicago theater disaster. One would think death an unusual thing, something we are not used to, and that comes but rarely into the community. One would believe, if one did not know better, that death is a terrible thing, instead of the friend of humanity. We have little control over this bit of human clay that houses our immortal spark, and its weakness and worthlessness are emphasized at such a time. This fact may give a shadow of excuse for exploiting such a disaster as this theater affair. But to our mind it shows that death is nothing, it brings more forcibly than anything else has done the closeness of death to everybody, and we do not believe the Creator, in his infinite love, has planned anything for the race that is not good for it. We are heart sorry for every grieving and bereaved heart that mourns for its lost ones, but would say to such, "Death is nothing. Fear not for your lost or for yourselves." This is the lesson of such a calamity as this latest holocaust. When Death comes silently and takes people away, we heed him not. When he comes and takes 500 at one swoop, then we say death is a terrible thing. He is the same as the silent reaper; and if people cannot look upon him as a friend, it is better they should view him with contempt. But is it not disgusting for the papers to hold death up as a fearful monster? Religion, philosophy and common sense teach that death comes oftener as a friend than as an enemy.—Hartford Courant.

New Jersey's Snuff Production.
New Jersey produced more snuff than any other state last year, the total being 5,583,323 pounds, nearly one-third of all that was used.

Fraud on Customers.
A London firm of tea dealers has been fined for including in the weight of packages of tea sold the weight of the paper wrapper.

A COMRADE OF GENERAL GRANT

Says: "I Do Not Believe Pe-ru-na Has a Superior for Catarrh."



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"I had several long sieges with the grip. At first I did not know that Peruna was a remedy for this disease. When I heard that la grippe was epidemic catarrh, I tried Peruna for la grippe, and found it to be just the thing."—Isaac Brock.

Pe-ru-na Used in the Family for Years.

Mrs. E. West, 137 Main Street, Menasha, Wis., writes: We have used Peruna in our family for a number of years and when I say that it is a fine medicine for catarrh and colds, I know what I am talking about. I have taken it every spring and fall for four years and I find that it keeps me robust, strong, with splendid appetite, and free from any illness. A few years ago it cured me of catarrh of the stomach, which the doctors had pronounced incurable. I am very much pleased with Peruna. I am 87 years old."—Mrs. E. West.

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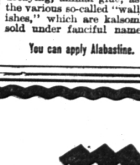

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