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Mrs. Johnson (complacently)—Yes, I think it has a stylish look myself. You see, my husband sat down on it accidentally after I had got done and gave it exactly the right twist.—Boston Courier.

However, She was looking for a hat and had just found one to her taste in the vicinity of Washington square. But the price was too high, she told the janitor a Frenchman. "The ideal! Forty dollars for the first floor—all the dust from the street—ugh! Have you anything lower?" "Mais, oui, madame; ze basement."—N. Y. Tribune.

My Mother. My voice was as clear as the trumpets of Heaven. My footsteps were steady in passing her door. She asked me the hour. I replied: "Just eleven." And straightway the clock in the hallway struck four.—Harlem Life.

NO MEDIUMS NEEDED.



Elder Feather—I see dat Prof. Slipshod, de prestidigitator, is on de back seat, an' he will 'dilige me by stepping on de po'ch while de collection is tuck up.—Demore's Magazine.

A Later Revision. Count that day lost. Whom say descending sun. See no addition made. Unto thy pile of morn.—Town Topics.

A Fool Two Ways. Jinks—Well, if ever there was a fool, that man is one. He's worth a cool million, yet there he stands waiting for a newboy to bring him two cents' change out of a nickel he gave the boy for a three-cent paper. Blinks—Well, he is a fool. Of course he'll never see that boy again.—N. Y. Weekly.

A Supreme Test. "Herbert is truly fond of me," she said. "Men are very deceitful," replied the girl who reads nothing but novels. "I am sure of his affection." "What makes you so?" "I broke his bicycle and he did not get angry."—Washington Star.

That Old Story. "Did you read about that man whose life was saved by a pie?" "No; how was it?" "Well, his dear little wife made it, set it in the window to cool and a tramp came along and stole it."—Chicago Record.

Quite a Difference. Telephone Superintendent (over the wire)—Hello, there, you! No swearing through the telephone.irate Subscriber—I ain't swearing through the telephone; I'm swearing at it.—N. Y. Weekly.

Then He Won't Mind It. Fortune-Teller—You will be very poor until you are 35 years of age. Impetuous Man (eagerly)—And after then? Fortune-Teller—You will get used to it.—Tit-Bits.

Sure Thing. "Bobby's blowing all the time about paying as he goes. Do you think he does?" "Sure of it, for there isn't a place in town where he can get trusted."—Chicago Tribune.

It's More Than Likely. "I wonder why so many people go abroad every year." "A great many of them go simply to prove that they are able to."—Chicago Post.

Was an Angel. Mons. X—Before I married my wife I thought she was an angel. Mons. Z—And now? Mons. X—And now I know she was an angel.—L'Illustration de Poche.

Reproduction. "The tooting woman will have whiskers, I understand." "Good enough; we can use her razors to sharpen our lead pencils."—Chicago Record.

Agreed. Plankington (proudly showing his country home)—Yes, old man, I bought this house to sell. You Blumer—I don't blame you a bit. I'd do the same thing.—Brooklyn Life.

A Privilege. "It is said that kissing breeds disease," said the first sweet thing. "Wouldn't you like a chance to get sick?" asked the second sweet thing, rather spitefully.—Chicago Post.

The Proper Course. "We are going to have an amateur opera. Would you put in any gas?" "Yes; gas the performers, by all means."—Town Topics.

A Remedial Case. Episcopus—I write notes for a living. Penelope—Is that a horse or an ass?—N. Y. Truth.

How the House Stands.

On the morning after the late election The Times-Democrat published a list of the Representatives-elect to the Fifty-fifth Congress, giving the totals as Republicans 207, Democrats 138. At that time the McKinley papers, under the policy that they pursued throughout the campaign of claiming everything in sight, gave the Republicans over 220 Congressmen, and some of them went as high as 240, making the Democratic strength under 100. The corrected returns show that the lower house of Congress will stand as follows:

States.	Rep.	Dem.	Pop.
Alabama.....	0	9	0
Arkansas.....	0	6	0
California.....	3	4	0
Colorado.....	0	1	1
Connecticut.....	4	0	0
Delaware.....	0	1	0
Florida.....	0	2	0
Georgia.....	0	11	0
Idaho.....	0	1	0
Illinois.....	17	4	1
Indiana.....	6	3	1
Iowa.....	11	0	0
Kentucky.....	4	7	0
Louisiana.....	0	6	0
Maine.....	4	0	0
Maryland.....	6	0	0
Massachusetts.....	12	1	0
Michigan.....	10	1	1
Minnesota.....	6	0	0
Mississippi.....	0	7	0
Missouri.....	3	11	1
Montana.....	0	1	0
Nebraska.....	2	4	0
Nevada.....	0	0	1
New Hampshire.....	2	0	0
New Jersey.....	8	0	0
New York.....	29	5	0
North Carolina.....	3	1	5
North Dakota.....	1	0	0
Ohio.....	15	6	0
Oregon.....	1	0	0
Pennsylvania.....	27	3	0
Rhode Island.....	1	0	0
South Carolina.....	0	7	0
South Dakota.....	2	0	0
Tennessee.....	2	8	0
Texas.....	1	12	0
Utah.....	0	1	0
Vermont.....	2	0	0
Virginia.....	2	8	0
Washington.....	0	2	0
West Virginia.....	4	0	0
Wisconsin.....	10	0	0
Wyoming.....	0	1	0
Arizona.....	0	1	0
New Mexico.....	0	1	0
Oklahoma.....	1	0	0
Totals.....	206	137	16

It will be seen that The Times-Democrat came very near giving the exact returns for Congress, making the number of Democrats and Republicans each one too great, a mistake of two in a House of 359. This is much nearer than any other paper in the country gave. It is doubtful even if this difference can be considered a mistake, for it is a most difficult matter to draw the lines distinctly between the Democrats and Populists in some districts where there was fusion on Congressmen. The Populists are, for instance, and it is possible that they may be able to rally that many on certain questions, although on most issues the fusion Congressmen will be found to be Democrats.

The Republican majority will be only 53 instead of 135, as the McKinley papers have been claiming; but 53 majority is enough for all practical purposes, and a larger one is generally found clumsy.

The three-year-old boy of J. A. Johnson, of Lynn Center, Ill., is subject to attacks of croup. Mr. Johnson says he is satisfied that the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, during a severe attack, saved his little boy's life. He is in the drug business, a member of the firm of Johnson Bros. of that place; and they handle a great many patent medicines for throat and lung diseases. He had all these to choose from, and skilled physicians ready to respond to his call, but selected this remedy for use in his own family at a time when his child's life was in danger, because he knew it to be superior to any other, and famous the country over for its cure of croup. Mr. Johnson says this is the best selling cough medicine they handle, and that it gives splendid satisfaction in all cases. Sold by M. D. Kearney, A. Meyer and Lake Charles Drug Store.

How to Cure Bilious Colic.

I suffered for weeks with colic and pain in my stomach caused by biliousness and had to take medicine all the while until I used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which cured me. I have recommended it to a good many people. Mrs. F. BUTLER, Fairhaven, Conn. Persons who are subject to bilious colic can ward off the attack by taking this remedy as soon as the first symptoms appear. Sold by M. D. Kearney, A. Meyer and Lake Charles Drug Store.

The Dairy Cow.

During my recent extended trip in the East and North, I had a fine opportunity of observing the dairy cow and the profits from the same.

What the Eastern farmer calls a profitable dairy cow is one which yields not less than 600 gallons of milk a year, and the milk must contain not less than 4 per cent. of butter. This cow must give about 390 gallons of milk during the first six months of her milking. If the product of this cow, for one year, is for the butter dairy, then it should make 240 pounds of butter. Eastern dairymen state that the best means of developing and improving the cows for milk is to make proper selections of stock and attend to the breeding. It is a well known fact that proper feeding, with good milk-producing feed, has much to do with a large flow of milk, but it does not have all to do with it, and if our Louisiana farmers would give more attention to the selecting and breeding of their stock, especially their cows, they would find that the profits would double up in less time than they have any idea of. We have good milk-producing food, such as cow-peas and clovers, and if stock is raised here, they will do as well here as in the North, with the same care and attention given them. The cows, fed upon our wild grass, which give only a limited quantity of milk, are no criterion of what our native stock would do, if the breeding was looked after, and the proper attention given them. Young cows, say under six years of age, rarely give as much milk, or as rich, as those older, if the proper care has been given them above six years old. A good milker should be preserved as long as possible, as they are as profitable as any stock upon the farm, and are what many farmers in the East and North are paying their mortgages with, for it will do that when everything else will fall. All dairy cows should be tested to see if they come up to what is required of them, but how very few farmers take this trouble!

When a farmer markets any produce he will generally weigh it at home, or have it weighed in town in a private way; but when it comes to the testing of the dairy cow, it is sadly neglected, and not one farmer in twelve can tell whether his cows are cheating him in the quality of their milk, for he never tests them to ascertain the amount of butter fat contained in the milk of each cow, and he may be boarding a cow which may give a good flow of milk, but who may be an expense to him. When this is found to be the case, the cow should be fattened and sold to the butcher. A cow that fats easily, or one that keeps up in flesh while she is being milked, is not a profitable cow for the farmer for some other purpose than butter, unless a butter cow is all that he cares to keep. What a cow eats should show itself in the quantity and quality of the milk, and not go on to her back, and the only way of finding out just what each cow is doing, is to give her milk a good test, and if she is found to be a better cow for the butcher than for the dairy, then replace her with one that will come up to the standard. A little careful attention in the outset in this line would put a farmer on a sure foundation, then it is much easier to keep started; a little forethought in the beginning often saves a great deal of trouble and expense.—Calcasieu Rice Bird, in Southern Farmer.

Now to Cure Bilious Colic.

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The peanut has arisen from insignificance to dignity. It threatens to become one of the staple products of the country.

A company has now been formed by one of the leading capitalists of Pittsburg to control the peanut market, says the New York Journal. This company, which will be known as the American Food and Oil Company and has a capital of \$60,000, will open headquarters at Norfolk, Va., the center of the peanut industry.

The manufacture of food products and oil out of the peanut is practically an experiment in this country, although it has been one of the great industries of France and especially of Marseilles for many years. Those interested in the present undertaking are confident of success, because of the superiority of the product over other oils and meals, and also because in America there is unlimited room for the development of the peanut-raising industry in the southern states.

The recent statement of Edward Atkinson, of Boston, the political economist and statistician, that within a few years the peanut crop will be one of the prime staples of the south, was no doubt a surprise to many. But statistics bear the statement out, and it is proved that the industry is constantly growing.

The peanut oil is said to be so like olive oil that only the chemist or the expert can detect the difference. Its flavor is pleasant and bland, and it may, on account of its purity, eventually supplant olive oil in all culinary uses for the table.

The refined forms of the oil are used as the basis for all pure toilet soaps which are manufactured in France. The crude oil is an excellent lubricant, being equal to sperm oil, besides being non-oxidizing and free from gum. Its keeping qualities are superior to cotton seed oil.

Other uses to which peanut oil is put are for slab dressing by confectioners and woolen manufacturers, and in the molds of plug tobacco manufacturers. The kernel or fleshy part of the nut, in its properties as a food, closely resembles the soja bean, which is used by the armies of foreign countries as a ration, and has a much higher nourishing value. It can be manufactured into all sorts of cakes, biscuits, breads, soups, griddle cakes, etc., and is well suited to persons with impaired digestive organs.

The residue of the nut—that is, the shell—is said to make a food for live stock that is much more nourishing than bran or cotton seed hull. Thus no part of the nut is wasted, but all is turned to profit.

The statement that Marseilles imports yearly \$5,000,000 worth of peanuts from Africa and India gives some idea of the magnitude of this industry that America is so well suited to foster. No country in the world is better adapted to the raising of peanuts than the south Atlantic states. The crops have been steadily increasing during recent years, and a great development is looked for in the immediate future.

"The worst cold I ever had in my life was cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes W. H. Norton, of Sutter Creek, Cal. "This cold left me with a cough and I was expectorating all the time. The Remedy cured me, and I want all my friends when troubled with a cough or cold to use it, for it will do them good." Sold by M. D. Kearney, A. Meyer and Lake Charles Drug Store.

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