and science to them is a secondary consideration. From the moment time is called the tactics invariably employed by these Herculean pugilists is to rush in and take chances of being hit a dozen times in order to land one of their sledgehammer blows. If either succeed in their efforts the contest will come pretty near stopping them. Both men are tremendous hitters, and this applies more to the Emerald Isle champion than his opponent. Maher, when a novice, made quite a reputation by knocking out Gus Lambert, who was never before defeated. The latter previous to this fight had fought a four round draw with the renowned Peter Jackson. Maher also put Jim Daly, Champion Corbett's former sparring partner to sleep in one round. Maher subsequently made a tour of the country, meeting all comers. He was wonderfully successful, knocking out most of his men in the quickest time on record. Goddard's success comes mainly through his indifference to being punched about. He is not a clever man by any means, but is a perfect glutton for taking punishment. He, too, is a fearful hard hitter, which is thoroughly proved by his two four-round victories over the clever pugilist, Joe Choynski, and his noted eight-round draw with Peter Jackson. He also defeated Joe McAuliffe in San Francisco in short order. Goddard is certainly without exaggeration the most remarkable pugilist alive today. He can take an unmerciful whipping, and has never yet met with defeat. His idea of the proper way to fight is to let his opponent punch him to his heart's content. When he becomes exhausted by his own efforts Goddard goes at him for all he is worth, and generally finishes his foe in short order. Goddard is backing himself heavily to win in the coming match.

SALE OF THOROUGH BREDS.

Good Prices Realized at the Tattersal-Brassfield Sale Yesterday.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 3.—The Tattersal-Brassfield thoroughbred sale closed this afternoon. It has been one of the most successful sales ever held in Lexington. During the three days 253 animal passed under the hammer, and they brought $187,170, making a general average of $739 per head. The offering today consisted of some well bred stock, among which were a number of imported stallions, which had to be passed out owing to the failure of the company to induce Kentuckians to bid. Today's sale amounted to $83,460 for the ninety-six head disposed of, making an average of $899 per head. Following are the best prices:

Bessie K., b. m., by Imp., dam Madiap, by Imp. Matador, J. B. Ewing, Nashville, Tenn., $2,650; Cornelia, b. m., 5, by Imp. Theil Illused, dam Cordelia, by Imp. Matadore, Edgewater stud, Cynthanian, $2,250; Dot, b. m., 6, by Vagabond, dam Bessie Lee, by Hunters, Lexington, Meadow Thorpe stud, $1,000; Long Leaf, b. m., 4, by Longfellew, dam Laila Rookh, by Imp. Stonehenge, Meadow Thorpe stud, $2,100; Mamie C., b. m., 7, by Imperial Great Tom, dam Queen of the West, by Imp. Bonnie Scotland, G. D. Wilson, Lexington, $1,500; Miss Winkle, b. m., 4, by Fellow Craft, dam Imp. Lady in Waiting, by Knight of the Carter, Milton Young, $1,500.

"ED" RICE IS CAUGHT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—"Big Ed" Rice, one of the most notorious confidence man in the country, was arrested today. The catch is one of the most important the police have effected in many months, and an attempt will be made to send the notorious crook over the road for a long term.

And now Alpena is having a tussle with that grim and terrible scourge, diphtheria. Five deaths within the past thirty-six hours and the public schools are to be closed.

Faded, jaded, tired, overworked women—weak, nervous, delicate and suffering ones. These are the women who are helped to health and strength by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It's a legitimate medicine, that corrects and cures; a tonic that invigorates and builds up; a nervine that soothes and strengthens. And if it doesn't do what its makers claim for it, they don't want your money.

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So, also, when a well-known and honored man is in trouble through illness, not only his friends, but all who know him by reputation, are deeply interested in his wellfare.

Mr. Seth E. Parsons is one of the leading business men of Albany, N. Y., and is widely known and highly esteemed as a citizen of sterling integrity, with the energy and force of character characteristic of our American business men.

Seen at his home, No. 22 Park street, by our papers' representative, he expressed himself in terms of the greatest gratification that he had escaped possibly a most serious nervous difficulty which might have prostrated him.

"I was very nervous," he said, "I could not hold my hands still, especially my left hand; there was an involuntary contraction of the muscles and movement of the fingers.

MR. SETH E. PARSONS.

"My food troubled me very soon after eating. My kidneys and bladder were affected so it was difficult to urinate freely.

"I used the celebrated medicine, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and without being tedious reciting my experience, I can say that these difficulties have left me, and my nerves are quiet, and my food does not distress me.

"I feel without hesitation in saying that I think Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy has produced these favorable results."

We have heard of many remarkable cures being effected by this remedy, but when we learn directly from his own words of its curing a man of Mr. Parson's prominence and standing, we believe that such a cure should be to all a guarantee of the great curative powers of the remedy, and should influence all thinking persons who are suffering from disease to use this truly remarkable medicine. It can be purchased for $1 at any druggist's, and we know it is purely vegetable and harmless.

What gives us most confidence in the remedy is the fact that it is the discovery and prescription of Dr. Greene of No. 35 West Fourteenth street, New York, the eminent specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, and that the doctor offers to all sufferers free consultation with him either by calling at his office or writing him.

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A LETTER

And the Reply That is Made To It.

A PRICE FIXED FOR ALL TIME.

The Letter Brings Up a Question That All Have Asked at Various Times and Throws Some Light Upon a Much Discussed Subject.

DEAR SIRS:—For the past two months you have been giving medical treatment to patients for $5 a month, if I am to believe in your published statements. Apparently, and from what I hear of it, the treatment is first class and patients progress under it as fast, if not faster, than under high-price, prominent physicians. I want to know two things, and I trust you will not deem me impertinent if I ask these questions:

First—Can you afford to treat patients for $5 a month.

Second—If you cannot, why should you do so? If you can, why should you ever charge more than $5 a month.

My excuse for asking these questions is this: I have never seen the points covered by you in any of your publications and I believe if you would make such things clear, hundreds of people who look upon you with suspicion because you advertise, would come to the conclusion that if you can do good work for small returns you are the physicians who should receive their patronage. Respectfully,
J. T. GREEN.

Now this is a frank communication and it embodies so much, that Drs. Copeland and Graham want to make a public reply to it.

When they located in this city they gave free treatment to all who came to them during a period of two weeks.

This was done for the purpose of giving a practical demonstration of their individual ability and the superiority of their methods.

Then they gave treatment, under special offers, to all who came to them, with any disease whatever, for $5 a month, until cured, with medicines furnished free.

This was done to increase their practice and to give evidence of their ability when compared with the physicians to whom their patients had been going.

The last offer was limited to December 1st.

Replying directly to our correspondent's questions we would say.

First—We can afford to treat patients for $5 a month.

Second—We do not intend to charge any more.

It is true that there are some patients who cost us more than $5 a month to treat. But we are willing to treat them at that rate for the benefit of having a fixed rate of treatment for everybody.

We have found that $5 a month is a reasonable fee for medical service. With a large practice, obtained through advertising, and constant employment, we find sufficient compensation in this fee.

Therefore we beg to announce that in no case hereafter shall Drs. Copeland and Graham charge more than $5 a month, to any patient, for any disease. They will treat all diseases, paying close attention however, to their specialties, catarrh and all diseases of the nose, throat, lungs or stomach.

Five dollars a month is all that will be charged. DON'T PAY ANY MORE.

THEIR CREDENTIALS.

Dr. Copeland is a graduate of Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, was president of his class in that institution. His associates are gentlemen bearing credentials equally as notable as his own, and have advanced steadily with him. They represent primarily the best medical training the country affords, many years of continual practice, and entire and absolute devotion to the diseases in their specialties, wide and extended experience in treating these diseases and uniform success.

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A Remarkable Cure Where the Best Physicians Had Failed.

Mr. L. C. Armantrout, a well known citizen of Garfield avenue and employed at Rice & Fuller's manufactory, where he is constantly exposed to the irritating action of the dust produced by the saw which he runs, says, in regard to the cures of chronic diseases by Drs. Copeland and Graham: "Yes, nearly every man employed with wood-working machinery knows how harmful the dust is to a person suffering from catarrh, and many think it impossible for a man so employed to be cured of this loathsome disease and kindred complaints. But my case proves that they can be properly and thoroughly cured.

"I had spent so much money in my vain attempt to find some one who understood my condition that I had become discouraged and disgusted. Having heard of the wonderful success of Drs. Copeland and Graham I went to them, curious to know what they would say of my case. Doctors with whom I had been treating had considered my case a peculiar one and my not receiving any benefit proves they did not understand it, but Drs. Copeland and Graham seemed to thoroughly understand all my symptoms and diagnosed my case at once, so I resolved to try for health once more. My improvement from the first has been steady and constant in spite of the difficulties they had to overcome, and now I feel like a different man.

"When I began treatment with Drs. Copeland and Graham I had not known a moment of health for years. I had headache both in front and back, pains in my shoulders between the shoulder blades and in the small of the back, also in my limbs; I had a constant dropping of slime from the back part of the nose into my throat, which compelled me to hawk and spit almost constantly in order to get rid of this offensive matter. The corruption had made its way into my stomach and set up the disease there until my appetite was gone and I was becoming weaker and hardly able to work. My stomach was sour and generated gas until I suffered intensely from heart burn. The pain was such that at times it seemed as though it would kill me. I was bloated and badly constipated; my sleep was disturbed and I felt worse on rising than when I went to bed. My circulation was poor. My hands and feet were cold and I had palpitation and fluttering of the heart. I again cheerfully state that Drs. Copeland and Graham have done a wonderful thing for me. I am entirely cured of catarrh, have gained rapidly in flesh and feel like a new man, even my rheumatism of long standing is almost cured, and I shall never cease congratulating myself on trying teh Copeland Medical Institute, and can assure sufferers from chronic diseases that they can do no better than place themselves under treatment at this popular institution."

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