

# Remedy Prescribed by Many Doctors

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Dr. W. A. Evans, writing for the Chicago Tribune, makes the assertion that practically everyone, at some time or other, suffers from constipation. This applies regardless of age or condition in life.

The congestion of stomach waste in the bowels is evidenced in various ways; bloated, eructation of foul stomach gases, sick headache, languor, all indicate constipation, and call for prompt attention, not only to relieve present discomfort but also to ward off possible disease that follows neglect of this important function.

Harsh cathartics and violent purgatives should not be employed, as these afford only temporary relief, while they serve to shock the entire system. A mild laxative such as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is far preferable and is prescribed by many doctors. It is free from opiate or narcotic drugs, acts easily and pleasantly, without griping or other pain and is a safe, effective family remedy.

Mr. Chas. Schell, 132 Church St.,



MR. CHAS. SCHELL

Grenada, Miss., writes that he found relief himself by using Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and now keeps it on hand for family use. A bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin should have a place in every family medicine chest. A trial bottle can be obtained, free of charge, by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 645 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

## FAREWELL PARTY GIVEN LAST WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. John Foulds Who Will Make Home Here, Given Surprise.

MONTRÖSE, Dec. 14.—On Thursday evening the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Foulds met at the John Lowry home at 7:30 o'clock with well filled baskets and started in a group for the Foulds home. The ladies proceeded to take possession of the kitchen and in a short time an oyster supper was served to about fifty-five guests. It was a complete surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Foulds. Mr. and Mrs. Foulds will soon depart for their new home in Keokuk and will be greatly missed in the community. The following were present:

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Richez, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. V. Marsh and son, Clarence, Mr. and Mrs. F. Price and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. Storms and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Seiferheld, Mr. and Mrs. James Becket and son, Ray, Mr. and Mrs. George Roush, Mr. and Mrs. N. Bentzinger, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Best and son John, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowry, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lowry and son Robert, Frank Rose and Willie Rooney, Mr. and Mrs. John Larson and family, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Walters, Jr., Gus Carson, Charles Palmer.

## CHARLESTON.

James Vermazen was a Keokuk caller Monday.

Mrs. Belle Wahrer and son Truman autoed to Donnellson Monday.

Dr. A. J. Davis and Carl McClure were Keokuk callers Wednesday.

Archie Barnes and sister Emma were Donnellson callers Tuesday.

Fred Reuther was a Donnellson caller Tuesday.

C. S. Bassett and wife of Warren passed through town Sunday enroute for New Boston.

Frank Hopp and family spent Sunday at the Wm. Fowler home.

Mrs. Peter Trump spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Belle Wahrer.

Fred Heiser and family autoed to Keokuk Thursday.

Louis Lutz, wife and daughter were Donnellson callers Wednesday.

Several from here attended the play given at New Boston Friday evening which was a success.

Wm. Swinderman and family passed through town Sunday.

Archie Barnes and Dewey Kerns were Donnellson callers Friday.

John Spahr of Montröse spent Sunday at the James Barnes home.

**Tempus Fugit.**  
Burlington Hawk-Eye: But sixteen days remain for Hank Ford to get the boys out of the trenches by Christmas.

## NOW HAVE PHOTO OF CHECK FORGER

Local Authorities Secure Valuable Clue From Police Department of St. Joseph, Missouri.

## GIVEN TO GOVERNMENT

United States Detective Has Been on Trail of Edward L. Davidson for Nearly a Year Now.

It would have been a good thing if Edward L. Davidson, the check forger, who worked Keokuk and Hamilton the first part of the month, had kept out of this city. For the chances are now for his capture are many times better than they were formerly.

A government detective has been on Davidson's trail for nearly a year now, but has been handicapped by the fact that there was no known photograph in existence of the forger.

But now through the efforts of the Keokuk police department the government agent has a good photo of the man wanted and this will be reproduced and scattered all over the country, making it a perilous task for the forger to operate his game except with the utmost caution.

The photograph was secured from the police department of St. Joseph, Mo., in answer to the description of the forger sent out from this city by M. Kenney, chief of police, and it has been declared a likeness by a half dozen Keokuk and Hamilton people who saw the forger.

In Jail in St. Joseph.

In his reply to Chief Kenney's card, the St. Joseph chief states that the man whose photograph was enclosed had been arrested in St. Joseph on July 23 of this year for passing a worthless check, but had been released the last part of September. Front and side view pictures were taken at the time of his arrest and filed in the police archives in St. Joseph.

Detective Murdock of the United States department of justice has been on the forger's trail since January. The last reported passing of a forged check was at Monmouth, Ill., on Nov. 23. This check was for \$56. Eight dollars worth of goods was purchased. Detective Murdock was the day behind the forger at the time of the Monmouth job. The detective was in Keokuk yesterday securing evidence.

Another thing that points to the fact that the forger that was held in St. Joseph is the man wanted, is that during the months he was serving his sentence in the jail in that city, the government detective lost complete trace of him. The government will not prosecute the man, if he is caught, for passing the checks, but for using the name of the United States navy and the uniform, without authority.

**Had Stack of Checks.**  
Detective Murdock had a stack of checks with him that the forger had passed. All were not drawn on the Union Trust company of Chicago, but they were made out in the same way.

The worthless check that was passed at the Central store has been received here from the Union Trust company by the police department. "No Account" is stamped on it.

Following is a corrected description of the forger that has been prepared, now that additional information has been received from St. Joseph:

Ed. L. Davidson, thirty-five years old; smooth face; light complexion; blue eyes; 5 feet 8 inches tall; weighs 150 lbs. He claims to be a U. S. recruiting officer. He wears a government uniform and cap; the coat has five gold stripes on the arm. He sometimes wears a soft black hat crushed in center and a long black overcoat, which hides the uniform. He has a citizen's suit in a grip, and takes the government suit out after doing his work and puts the citizen's suit on and travels that way; he also wears glasses at times. He uses a Union Trust Co. check of Chicago, Illinois, stamped with rubber stamp the words U. S. Navy, letter C. A. Davidson, made payable to Ed. L. Davidson, signed by Captain W. E. Castleman, U. S. navy.

**Time-Honored Advice.**  
Sir Matthew Hale: If a man whose integrity you do not very well know makes you great and extraordinary professions, do not give much credit to him. Probably you will find that he aims at something besides kindness to you and that when he has served his turn, or been disappointed, his regard for you will cool.

Beware also of him who flatters you and commends you to your face, or to one who, he thinks, will tell you of it, most probably he has either deceived and abused you or means to do so. Remember the fable of the fox commending the singing of the crow, who had something in her mouth which the fox wanted.

Be careful that you do not commend yourself. It is a sign that your reputation is small and sinking, if your own tongue must praise you.

It would be interesting.

B. L. T. in Chicago Tribune: A Christmas present that we would prize—a phonograph record of the conversation in the main cabin of the Oscar II.

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Since tobacco was first introduced to civilization, nobody has ever discovered so supremely satisfactory a way to get all the flavor and enjoyment out of it as chewing it. And no other form of chew can give you the hearty, wholesome, juicy flavor that you get from a delicious high-grade plug tobacco like Old Kentucky.

The secret of the greatest chewing satisfaction lies in the selection of your chew. Among plug tobaccos the brand that gets the most enthusiastic endorsement is undoubtedly Old Kentucky. The reason for this is not hard to find.

Old Kentucky is made exclusively of ripe Kentucky Burley—the most richly flavored chewing tobacco that grows. Still more, only the very choicest of all the Burley leaf is used for Old Kentucky.

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Try a 10c pocket plug to-day,

**CANTON PEOPLE UNITED IN DEATH**  
Wife Died Just Twenty-four Hours After Her Husband Had Been Stricken.

CANTON, Mo., Dec. 14.—Twenty-four hours after the death of her husband, Mrs. John T. Hall, unable to bear the shock of his sudden death, joined him in the world beyond. Judge John T. Hall died Friday. He was in comparatively good health until last Monday, when he took a cold, which rapidly developed into pneumonia. Friday he died, and his wife, in her usual health up to the time of his death, succumbed to heart failure on Saturday. Judge Hall's funeral, which was to have been held on Sunday afternoon, was postponed, and the two, devoted in life, were not separated in death. They were both buried yesterday from the family home and interred in Forest Grove cemetery.

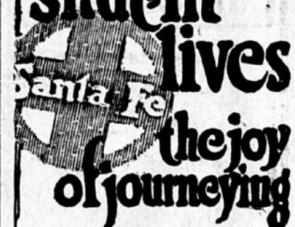
John T. Hall was born February 9, 1841, in Beulahville, Ky. He was of the Baptist faith, a Mason, and an ex-judge of the Lewis county court. He had been superintendent of the Lewis county poor farm for many years, and since he undertook the management it has been self-

Hall was born September 5, 1872, and was also a member of the Baptist church. She was of invaluable assistance to her husband in his administration of the poor farm, and the residents at that institution have lost their "father and mother," for they were universally called "Dad and Mam." They were generally beloved and the attendance at the funeral was very large. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hall were of unusually large stature, each weighing 300 pounds. They were kindly and good, and many hearts are sore at their sudden demise. Before they took charge—of the county farm—they lived at Steffenville, and a number of people from that town were in attendance at the funeral services.

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Sloppy Weather in Prospect.  
Topeka Capital: Better buy a pair of rubber overshoes before the rush begins. The president is to be married on December 18 and the slush will be six or eight inches deep.

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## BIBLE STUDY CLUB FORMED

Senior Members of Keokuk High School Met Last Night and Perfect Y. M. C. A. Organization.

## OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Paxius Club Planning for Watch Party and Home Coming—Boys' Department Program For Week.

The senior members of the Keokuk high school met at the Y. M. C. A. last evening and organized a Bible study club. This club will meet every Monday evening at the association for supper at 6:15 o'clock, with a half hour period of study following. Membership is not limited to the seniors of the high school and invitations have been extended to a number of fellows outside of the senior class to take advantage of the study club. Leo Alfred Jones is teaching the class, and the program for this month is as follows:

December 13—The Creation.  
December 20—The Fall of Man.  
December 27—The Story of Cain and Abel.

The following officers were elected: President—William Reimbold. Vice president—Madison Sterne. Treasurer—Harold Hubinger. Secretary—Lloyd Wright. Committees were appointed to increase the present enrollment of the club, which now totals about twelve, and to prepare the menu for the supper.

**Plan for Christmas Party.**  
The boys' social committee held a meeting last evening and discussed plans for a Christmas party to be held at the association on the evening of December 21. This will be a party for the older boy members and young senior members of the association and their friends. Invitations will be extended to the Y. W. C. A. members of the older classes at high school and to the older girls and boys in the churches.

**Paxius Club Plans Watch Party.**  
The Paxius club at the Y. M. C. A. is making plans for a New Year's watch party and home coming. This will be a reunion and welcoming for the members of the club that have been attending school or who are now located in other cities and will be home for the holidays. A number of friends of the club members will be invited to this social affair. The party will probably be held at the association building and will undoubtedly be looked forward to with a great degree of pleasure.

**Boys' Department Program.**  
Tuesday 7:00 p. m.—Meeting of the extension and physical work committees.  
Wednesday 6:00 p. m. supper, junior High school Bible study club; 7:00 p. m. Social committee; 8:30 p. m. Employed boys' Bible study club.

**Colds Cause Headache and Grip LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE** removes the cause. Remember to call for full name. Look for signature of E. W. GROVE. 25c.

**HIGH TENSION CLUB BANQUET TOMORROW**  
Cars to Take Crowd to Hamilton Will Leave Sixth and Main Streets at 8:05 O'clock.

High Tension club members are looking forward with anticipation to the annual banquet of the organization, which will be served at the Hotel Granite in Hamilton tomorrow evening at 7:00 o'clock. There will be about 150 present at the banquet. The cars that will take the crowd over will leave Sixth and Main streets at 8:05 o'clock.

Both dining rooms of the hotel will be used in seating the visitors. The menu that has been prepared for the occasion is an excellent one and there will be some good after dinner speaking.

**SEMI-FINAL WIND-UP COMMERCIAL LEAGUE**  
Two Hot Games Promised This Evening at Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium—End on Thursday Night.

The semi-final wind-up of the Commercial league is scheduled for this evening at the Y. M. C. A. The Keokuk Electric play Kellogg-Birge and Purty Oats meets the league leader, Irwin-Phillips. Both games promise to be hot ones, because of the fact that Purty Oats has made a desperate vow that it is going to bring the Irwin-Phillips bunch down a notch, the latter will be peppy all through. The league comes to an end with the games on Thursday night.

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## Purely Personal

As regards habits of living, that of course, is purely a personal matter with each of us.

But some folks go on for years wondering what causes their nervousness, heart flutter, biliousness, headache and various other ailments.

A frequent, though often unsuspected cause, is coffee drinking. This, because coffee contains a powerful, habit-forming drug, caffeine, (about two and one-half grains to the average cup) which, taken regularly, finally drifts many into ill health.

Think it over. Of course, it's your own affair. If you can go on drinking coffee and feel no evil effects, why—bless your heart, keep it up—but there are hundreds of thousands who have quit coffee and now use

## POSTUM—the pure food-drink.

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