

Free to Twenty-five Ladies.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Wisconsin. The largest number of trade marks cut from a ten cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Neb., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up in 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

A weak artist can draw a larger object than a strong horse.

How to Keep House.

With all the luxuries and pleasures of this life, its big enjoyments and its smaller comforts, there is an offset or antithesis which we have to bear with in the form of aches and pains. In some way and by some means every one has a touch of them in some form at some time. Trifling as some of them may be, the risk is that they will grow to something greater and render the system with constant pain. There is nothing, therefore, of this kind that we have a right to trifle with. Taken in time, the worst forms of aches and pains are easily subdued and cured by the free use of St. Jacobs Oil. No well regulated household ought to be without a bottle of this great remedy for pain. It is the specific virtue of penetration in St. Jacobs Oil that carries it right to the pain spot and effects a prompt cure even in the most painful cases of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Sciatica. You want it also in the house at all times for hurts, cuts and wounds, and the house that always has it keeps up a sort of insurance against pain.

A woman opens a telegram much as a child opens a jack-in-the-box.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe his remedy to be the most reliable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WALTER D. BROWN, President of the Board of Directors, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is a sure cure for all cases of Catarrh of the Bladder, Gleet, Gonorrhea, Stricture, Hemorrhoids, Piles, and all other diseases of the urinary tract. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

An ice house, containing seven hundred and fifty tons of ice, was recently burned at Goodland, Kansas. When the building was entirely destroyed, the mass of ice stood like a huge crystal monument, having melted only at the edges.

Parisian surgeons now dress wounds with silver leaf. The silver is carefully placed on the wound or ulcer, and as it sticks closely to the surface, a little cotton soaked in codonin is sufficient to keep it in place. The effects of this sheet of silver are said to be very beneficial.

Street car conductors in New York City are required to serve their transfers dry. That is, they must not moisten with their mouths the fingers which tear off a ticket from a packet, just before giving it to a passenger. It is asserted that transfer tickets thus moistened spread disease.

Most of the Japanese dwellings have but one floor. Portable partitions divide the floor into as many apartments as are necessary. These partitions are arranged in panels of about three feet square. The panels are covered with paper and have framed paper shutters, which slide in grooves.

"I Think I Know."

Salesville, Ohio, May 2nd.—There is a Civil War veteran in this place who is very positive in his way and when he makes a statement everyone knows he means it and that it is true. His name is Mr. N. J. Stephens, and he has written for publication the following letter:

"I have been a sufferer with Kidney Disease since the Civil War. Sometimes my back would hurt me so that I could not dress myself for weeks. I took a few boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and have found great relief. They have done me a great deal of good.

"My general health is much better since using Dodd's Kidney Pills. I can recommend this remedy to be the best thing for the kidneys that is on the market. I have taken a heap of medicine for my back and kidneys and I think I know what helps me.

"I am 63 years old and was through the Civil War as a soldier. Mr. Stephens knows that Dodd's Kidney Pills helped him. They will cure any case of Backache.

The average man derives a lot of pleasure from spoiling other people's fun.

superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

N's very careless of a girl to be wearing stick pins when the lights go out.

Economy in Threshing. A great deal of grain is wasted by using old style Threshing Machines. This waste can be entirely eliminated if you use the new and improved machine made by Nichols & Shepard Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Railroad officials are not all hypnotists, although they make passes. WANTED—Amateur musicians to play on college band; state the instrument you play; good proposition, address National Business College, Quincy, Ill.

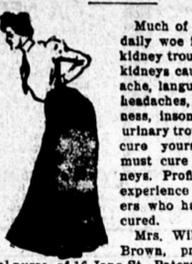
Pawning an engagement ring is a pledge of love. Lewis' "Single Binder" straight St. Louis cigar, made of extra quality tobacco. You say "No" to cigars not so good. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

A half-hearted kick generally acts as a boomerang. No chromos or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

They say of an Atchinson man that he never sweat a drop in his life. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Eczema, and Stomach Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A.S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N.Y.

Many vain regrets are concealed in the stubs of a check book.

WOMEN'S WEAR



Much of women's daily wear is due to kidney trouble. Sick kidneys cause backache, languor, blind headaches, dizziness, insomnia and urinary troubles. To cure yourself you must cure the kidneys. Profit by the experience of others who have been cured.

Mrs. William W. Brown, profession nurse, of 16 Jane St., Paterson, N. J., says: "I have not only seen much suffering and many deaths from kidney trouble, but I have suffered myself. At one time I thought I could not live. My back ached, there were frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were disordered. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first, and soon relieved me entirely of all the distressing and painful symptoms."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Brown will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price 50 cents per box.

To give any one a kiss in which there is no meaning, is an insult. If you want creamery prices do as the creameries do, use JUNE TINT BUTTER COLOR.

A sneeze is said to be the explosion of an undeveloped idea. Ask Your Dealer For Allen's Foot-Powder. It cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching, Sweating Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Powder makes new or tight shoes easy. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25 cents. Ask for no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Few women are mind readers, but nearly all women are mind speakers. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup For Children Teething, soothes the gums, relieves pain, cures wind colic, &c. Even the doctor doesn't like to be referred to as a dead end.

Courtship and novels are more interesting than marriage and history. Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE. Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 30 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

A man is never too old to learn not to forget. RAILROAD LANDS. UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD LANDS. The Union Pacific owns 400,000 acres in the West. We have a few choice ones which we sell at \$6 to \$8 per acre. Colorado grazing lands \$1.50 per acre. Nebraska ranch lands \$1.75 per acre. Kansas ranch \$2.50 to \$5 per acre. All lands sold on terms cash advance 10 years. Excursions first and third Tuesdays each month. UNION PACIFIC LAND AGENCY, 228 5th St., Des Moines, Ia.

A matrimonial storm will curdle even the milk of human kindness. Frequently rest in the rush of life gives time for the wits to work.

Pico's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Evans, Van Buren, Ind., Feb. 10, 1904.

A man weighing six hundred and thirty pounds, the heaviest human being in England, was buried the other day at Dover. His body lay in a coffin that was seven feet long, three feet wide and two feet three inches deep. Twelve men lifted it, and it was passed out through a window into a hearse backed up on the sidewalk.

It is often the practice of theatrical managers to try a new play in country towns before producing it in the metropolis. A well-known manager was asked the reason. "Because," said the manager, "we know that if a rural town will stand a show without killing the company, New York is likely to be perfectly delighted with it."

Two uniquely adorned rooms are in the residence of Christine Nilsson, the Swedish vocalist. In her sleeping room, instead of wall paper, the walls are adorned with leaves of music from the operas in which she has sung. Her dining room walls are decorated with a collection of hotel bills which she incurred and paid during her trips around the world.

The emperor of Korea has a tender regard for his royal jaw. While gorging himself at a feast in his palace, a little bit of bone came between his imperial grinders, and one tooth was broken. The emperor promptly sent to prison his cook and the entire kitchen force. After a few months, a dentist appeared in King-Ki-Tao, the capital, and he inserted an artificial tooth, at an expense of about \$500. The kitchen attendants were then set at liberty, but the chef must serve three months without pay.

'SOAKED IN COFFEE.'

Until Too Stiff to Bend Over. "When I drank coffee I often had sick headaches, nervousness and biliousness much of the time but about 2 years ago I went to visit a friend and got in the habit of drinking Postum.

"I have never touched coffee since and the result has been that I have been entirely cured of all my stomach and nervous trouble.

"My mother was just the same way, she would drink Postum now and have never had any other coffee in the house for two years and we are all well.

"A neighbor of mine a great coffee drinker, was troubled with pains in her side for years and was an invalid. She was not able to do her work and could not even mend clothes or do anything at all where she would have to bend forward. If she tried to do a little hard work she would get sick pains that she would have to lie down for the rest of the day.

"I persuaded her at last to stop drinking coffee and try Postum Food. She did so and she has used Postum ever since; the result has been that she can now do her work, can sit for a whole day and mend and can sew on the machine and she never feels the least bit of pain in her side, in fact she has got well and it shows coffee was the cause of the whole trouble.

"I could also tell you about several other neighbors who have been cured by quitting coffee and using Postum in its place." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each pkg. for the famous Little Book, "The Road to Wellville."

HEARST SWEEPS IOWA DEMOCRACY

Secured a Solid Delegation From the Hawkeye State.

HOT FIGHT IN CONVENTION

First Fight Came on Adoption of Report of Committee on Credentials and Later the Contest Was on Instructions for Hearst.

Des Moines, May 5.—The Hearst forces won on every point at the democratic state convention. They secured control of the committees in the morning, seated their contesting delegations with the exception of that from Des Moines county, elected their state of district delegates and delegates-at-large, formulated the platform, instructed for William Randolph Hearst for president, decided to enact the unit rule in the convention and endorsed Charles A. Walsh for national committeeman. The convention wound up by taking upon itself the same function of the state central committee and elected A. W. Maxwell, the erstwhile Hearst manager in Iowa, chairman of the state central committee and made Mr. Walsh a member of the state central committee, thus giving the Hearst people the control of that body.

The convention proper was convened at 11 o'clock by A. E. Jackson, chairman of the state central committee. Mr. Jackson called Mr. G. W. Cullison of Harlan to the chair and the selection was ratified by the convention and the proceedings opened at once.

Mr. Cullison's address was listened to with interest, the telling points being roundly cheered by the delegates. Among points made by the chairman were the following:

"The trusts are the brains of the republican party and lead it whither-soever they will."

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Addresses were made by J. T. Sullivan, E. H. Howard, A. W. Maxwell, Chas. A. Walsh and General Weaver. The motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report was defeated, 334 1-2 to 476 1-2. The majority report was adopted and the contested delegations took their seats while the delegates applauded vigorously.

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When the convention reassembled at 2 p. m. it was found that the committee on credentials was not ready to report. While the convention waited addresses were made by M. V. Gannon, of Chicago; Mr. Wendell, editor of the Gatling Gun, and Sam S. Wright, of Tipton.

When the report of the committee on credentials reached the convention it came in the form of a majority and minority report. The majority report was presented by J. H. Rogers and was signed by Mr. Rogers, Mark J. Graves, C. W. E. Snyder, W. D. Jamison, Douglas Denmore, John H. Templeton, John T. Hazen and George Elford.

The minority report was signed by E. A. Howard, J. G. Van Lent, J. T. Sullivan.

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The following resolutions were adopted by the convention:

"The representatives of the democratic party in Iowa reaffirm their loyalty to the historic principles of the national party and express their confident belief that upon such a broad basis the democrats of the entire nation can, and will, present once more a solid front to the common enemy."

"We declare: "First, the historic principles of justice, equality and liberality upon which our party is founded were never more urgently required than now in the solution of the grave questions pressing upon us. Among these are taxation for public purposes only, a self government and the observance of the just rights of the states under the constitution, the freedom of the individual, unshackled by governmental interference, except to the extent demanded by law and good order. The equality of all men before the law with special privileges to none, economy in public expenditures, honesty in the public service and strict enforcement of all law without fear or favor. These are not mere generalities, they are essentials."

"Second, that we recognize in the predatory trusts the greatest danger that has ever threatened the life of the nation and the welfare of the people and we denounce their scheme of levying tribute upon all producers and consumers as a modern system of brigandage which while masquerading under the cloak of the law in fact makes of law a mockery and justice a farce. In utter disregard of the natural and constitutional rights of the farmers, the merchants and the great army of wage earners the trusts have ruthlessly seized upon every branch of production and distribution until every avenue of human endeavor is compelled to bow at the behests of these conscienceless criminals and pay tribute or cease to exist."

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JAPS DRIVE THE RUSSIANS BACK

Gallant Charge Closes Five Days' Fierce Battle.

FRONTAGE OF FOUR MILES

The Russians Made Two Brave But Ineffectual Stands—Lose 800 Men and Twenty-Eight Quick Firing Guns.

Tokio, May 2 (1 a. m.)—The Russians were forced to abandon Antung yesterday. They burned the town and retreated to Feng Huan Cheng.

The Japanese now control the stratum of the Yalu.

Tokio, May 2.—(7 p. m.)—The Japanese losses on the Yalu Sunday were about 700 killed and wounded. The Russians lost over 800 men. The Japanese captured twenty-eight quick-firing guns. The report from General Kuroki, covering Sunday's fighting, says:

"The Russians made two stands. The enemy's strength included all of the Third division, two regiments of the Sixth division, one cavalry brigade, about forty quick-firing guns and eight other guns. We have taken twenty-eight quick-firing guns, many rifles, much ammunition, more than twenty officers and many noncommissioned officers and men as prisoners. I am informed that Major Keshitshing, commander of the Third East Siberian rifle brigade, and Lieutenant General Zassaltch, commander of the Second Siberian army corps, were wounded