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and woman's ills would fill a whole page of this paper if we attempted to describe them.

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couple of days in the city the first of the week with her father, Major W. H. Lusk.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Carrington have returned from a trip through the East, visiting Washington City, Boston and New York.

Miss Burke of Fairbury, Neb., is in the city, the guest of her friend, Miss Nellie Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hatch departed Tuesday for Gibson, Ill., with the remains of Mrs. J. A. Carney, the mother of Mrs. Hatch.

Mrs. S. E. Jeffreys is visiting her parents in Canton, Mo. She will return home next week.

Miss Zou Gordon spent Saturday and Sunday in St. Louis with Mrs. J. T. M. Johnston.

The young gentlemen of this city are preparing to give a minstrel show for the benefit of the Public Library on Tuesday, April 17. There will be about thirty-five participants.

The principal social function of the week was the reception given by Mrs. R. E. Young at her home on East Main street. The hours were from 3 to 4 and 4 to 5. During that time the parlors were thronged with guests, many handsome spring gowns being in evidence. The decorations throughout were of pink and green, carnations and smilax filling vases and draping mantels and chandeliers in the dining-room in the large bay window a table was laid, the center piece being of La France roses, and terns, while the table appointments were all of embroidered linens and hand-painted china, the artistic work of the hostess. At one end of the table Miss Orien Prosser poured coffee, and at the other Miss Idie Belch served ice cream and strawberries. The Misses McKennon and Julia Bell looked after the guests. Mrs. Young was assisted in entertaining her guests by Mrs. J. H. Cotton and Miss Thompson, each lady wearing a reception gown. Among the ladies invited were: Mesdames L. V. Stephens, E. C. Crow, W. T. Carrington, R. E. See, W. H. Marshall, S. Waters Fox, Perry Rader, W. H. Bassett, S. F. Winston, J. L. Thorpe, E. T. Orear, J. S. Sullivan, Fred Davis, F. L. Pitts, H. A. Gass, J. H. Barnes, M. L. Sinks, J. J. Church of Joplin; S. T. Clark, C. W. Thomas, James B. Gantt, J. R. Green, W. H. McManahan, T. O. Towles; Misses McCarthy and Hough of St. Louis.

The members of the Wednesday Club were entertained this week by Mrs. H. R. Church, Jr. The afternoon was spent playing euchre, prizes being awarded to the successful contestants. After the games a luncheon was served. Mrs. Church was assisted in entertaining by her sisters, Misses Winnie and Miller Pope, and Miss Helen Church, the last named serving the coffee. The members present were Mesdames F. C. Church, Alpha Flemming, E. P. C. Harding, F. J. Wildberger, F. B. Autrobus, A. J. Bauer, K. G. Grimshaw, T. G. Burkhart, Theodore Dulle, W. A. Dallmeyer, W. J. Moore, W. H. Bassett and W. W. Edwards.

Miss Katherine McHenry entertained the members of the Saturday Club, and one or two guests. The afternoon was pleasantly spent chatting and embroidering with a luncheon as an enjoyable conclusion. The members attending were the Misses Crafton, Gass, Edna Gordon, Gantt, Pope, Sullivan; Mesdames Manchester, W. J. Edwards and Miss Fletcher.

Forecaster Hyatt predicts April showers early this week. Buy one of Mermod & Jaccard's fine silk, tight-roll umbrellas, the best made and the latest ideas in handles, $1.95 to $10.00.

NOTES FROM ALTON.

Mr. and Mrs. George Farrell of Belleville are visitors in Alton.

Miss Helen Topping has returned to Chicago, after visiting Mrs. W. L. Sparks of Prospect street.

Mrs. Nellie Templeton of Marshalltown, Ia., is spending a few days with relatives in Alton.

Mrs. John Bunn of Springfield is visiting in Alton.

Miss Mabel Clement of Middletown is entertaining Miss Dickson of Jacksonville.

Mrs. Robert Cavender is entertaining Mmes. Topping of Litchfield and Messenger from St. Louis.

Miss Ella Bowman has returned to Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Miss Mary Drummond has gone to Chicago to visit a fortnight with Miss Peachie Randall.

Mrs. William Eliot Smith is visiting Miss Annie Kellenberger in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Kauffman of Langdon street are entertaining Mrs. Joseph Silver and daughter, Miss Mary Silver, and Mrs. Leroy Farmer of Lexington, Mo.

Mmes. Nelson Reagen and John Tonsor have returned to Milwaukee.

Miss Ella Hamlin has returned to Shelbyville, Ill.

Mrs. Frank Maxey of St. Louis is a visitor in Upper Alton.

Mrs. John Messenger of Cairo is the guest of Mrs H. B. Messenger.

Miss Nellie Cathcart has returned from Golconda, Ill.

Miss Lillian Fauion of Shurtleff College returned Monday from East St. Louis.

Mrs. Henry Bruezzemann entertained the Freisinn Circle Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lock left Thursday for New York, where they embarked Saturday for England and a tour of the Continent. Mr. and Mrs. Lock expect to remain away for the summer.

Miss Margaret Moritz is a visitor in St. Louis.

Mrs. Anton Kremer is visiting Jerseyville friends.

The Misses Anna and Elnora McAdams of Otterville, Ill., are visitors in Alton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edwin Duffield of Hotel Madison are entertaining Mrs. J. H. Duffield and Mrs. Alvin Tack of Jerseyville.

Mrs. D. C. Walker of Middletown entertained a party of her lady friends informally Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Harry Kirkpatrick of Edwardsville is a visitor in Alton.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Redmond of Bluff street to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Maude Redmond, to Mr. John Simon. The ceremony will take place Wednesday, April 25.

Mrs. Harry Phillips of Montreal, Canada, is visiting her parents, Colonel and Mrs. A. E. Rodgers of Upper Alton.

Mrs. George Warden of St. Louis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. L. Belk of Manning street.

The Misses Martha and Adalene Shields are visitors in St. Louis.

Mrs. W. M. Rhoads has gone to Kane, Ill., for an extended stay.

Mrs. H. E. Betz of East Fourth street entertained a company of friends from the Daughters of Rebekah during the annual meeting Wednesday and Thursday. The party included Mmes. Laura Hendler, Cecil Norris, Elizabeth Jones, Mary A. Smith and Miss Lena Lenz of Belleville, and Misses Nellie Hulbert and Susie Spangenberg of White Hall, Ill.

The Misses Miller of Upper Alton are entertaining Mrs. H. Sawyer of Oklahoma.

Miss Susie Kirby has returned to Jerseyville.

Mrs. Mary E. Murphy is a visitor in St. Louis.

Mrs. David A. Wyckoff of Upper Alton is entertaining Mrs. Sarah McArthur of St. Louis.

Mmes. D. G. Ray and L. Bunker of College avenue have gone to New Orleans for a short stay.

Miss Jennie Watson has returned from Marianna, Ark.

Mmes. Emma and Fannie Ford have returned to Greenfield, Ill., after visiting Mrs. Thomas G. Emerson of Evergreen avenue.

An interesting anouncement in Alton social circles was made Thursday, Judge and Mrs. Alexander W. Hope issuing invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Cynthia Pope Hope, to Mr. Ralph Root. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday evening, April 25, at 6:30 o'clock, at the Hope residence, No. 405 East Fourth street. The wedding will be a quiet affair, only the relatives of the two families and a number of intimate friends being present.

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Allenton Republican Primaries.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Allenton, Mo., April 7.—The Republican primaries elected George Letterman, William Buder and Edward Wade delegates to the State Convention, and William Doerges, George Renneberg and Gus Gudermuth to the Judicial Convention. Robert E. Wengler was elected to the central committee by acclamation. R. B. Denny was chairman of the convention.

SONG OF THE SAVIOR.

BY EDWIN MARKHAM.
(In the New York Journal's Easter Number.)

'Twas the God of Song and Mirth
Who descended to the Earth,
It was He that veiled His face
In the sorrow of the race—
He that toiled at Nazareth,
Going with us down to death—
He that bowed the Heavens for men,
And arose to light again.

So the First-born Son of Light
Shone upon the Human night
Bringing down the Final Truth
In His deep, eternal youth.
God was reconciled to man
When the ages first began;
But that man be reconciled
God became a little child.

So appeared the God of Song
In the planet going wrong;
Came to help us lift the weight
Of the planetary fate—
Came and taught the one relief
For the gray primeval grief—
Taught that Love, though Deified,
Could not set the law aside.

LIVELY MOCK TRIAL AT UNION CLUB.

Briefs Full of Bright Hits.

The brightest, funniest, keenest burlesque on modern judicial methods and sundry other institutions was the mock trial held at Union Club hall last week. The case was arranged by several eminent lawyers and the jurors included some of the wealthiest men of the South Side. Judge E. R. Romjauer was on the bench. He has a pronounced German accent and his rulings were always given with due solemnity. He wore a most respectable looking wig and a flowing judicial gown. In front of him sat Mr. L. H. Lohmeyer as clerk, with great spectacles and bald pate. On his left C. F. Kirley occupied the Sheriff's box in costume. He maintained order with a horse pistol and a stonemason's mallet, and he called the court to order with a huge brass bell. The defendant was a gray-haired chap in gorgeous raiment of various colors. In everyday life his name is William F. Holmes, but at the trial they called him Robert Cecil de la Push. Then there was the maiden he had injured, who looked like a portrait in her costumes. She had bright red hair and a voice as sweet as a bull frog's. George Maguire impersonated this character. C. T. Miller was the court stenographer and he beat the typewriter outrageously. Walter McEntire and Colonel R. D. Johnson conducted the prosecution, while W. E. Fisse defended the man in the case, who was sued for $75,000 for breach of promise. Messrs. C. F. Blanke, H. D. Weindel, August Hager, Otto Kramer, F. W. Droste, Harry L. Baur, A. C. Wilson, F. A. Beneke, W. C. Uri, John F. Bauer, H. W. Woestman and E. J. Banker were in the jury box. They enjoyed themselves by playing poker and drinking beer while the court was not watching.

Mr. McEntire, in gown of black, presented the following petition:

In the Circuit Court of the Far West City, June Term A. D. 2000. Minerva Aspasia Heinecclus, Plaintiff, vs. Robert Cecil de la Push, Defendant.

Now comes the plaintiff, and exhibits to the court her petition for the recovery of damages against the defendant, for a breach of promise of marriage on the part of defendant, and makes the following brief and concise statement of the facts constituting her cause of action.

The plaintiff is and was at the date of the grievances hereinafter complained of a spinster residing on Compton Heights, in said city, and the defendant was at the dates of the grievances herein complained of a bachelor residing in Westmoreland place, in the city aforesaid. That on or about the first day of December, 1999, the plaintiff and defendant met at a social gathering of the Contemporary Club, a club established in said city, for the purpose of eating periodical dinners. That the plaintiff and defendant were at said dinner seated side by side. That when the dinner had been consumed and the water and conversation were freely circulating, the defendant handed to this plaintiff a pine-toothpick, meaning thereby to utter, in the toothpick language of love, and being so understood by this defendant, "I pine"; whereupon the plaintiff returned to the defendant another toothpick with the fragment of a pine knot in it, meaning thereby to say, in the toothpick language of love, and being understood by this defendant, "pine not," and that the plaintiff and defendant then and there, and thereby, pledged their troth to each other and the defendant then and there promised to marry the plaintiff, in consideration of the plaintiff's then and there agreeing to marry the defendant.

The defendant, thereafter, on sundry occasions, asseverated and repeated his said promise by his unequivocal acts in manner following, to-wit: He took the plaintiff to the Italian opera, to a private box ($5 a seat), and called for her in a carriage (cost $5) with a magnificent bouquet of American beauties ($12 a dozen), and while seated by her side, during the performance squeezed her little finger. That after the performance he took the plaintiff to the most elegant restaurant, ordering the most expensive dishes and champagne, at a cost, as this plaintiff verily believes and so charges the facts to be, of at least $5 a plate, exclusive of waiter's tips of at least an equal amount.

The plaintiff shortly thereafter seemed to perceive, and according to her best knowledge and information and belief, charges that she did perceive, a cooling in the ardor of defendant's affections toward her. When the defendant next called for the plaintiff to take her to the opera, he called on foot, without any bouquet, and took her down in one of the trailers of the People's Railway, to her great discomfort and manifest danger to her life. The seats which the defendant had procured were at the performance of the Smith Grand Opera Company, balcony seats, fifth row, at a cost not exceeding 50 cents for two seats, as this plaintiff verily believes, and the only thing which the defendant squeezed on that occasion was his hat. That after the performance, the defendant treated this plaintiff only to a glass of lemonade (very sour, three quarters ice, cost 10 cents), by which the plaintiff perceived that the defendant's feelings had cooled toward her, and that he, so to speak, soured on her.

The plaintiff asked the defendant for the cause of this sudden change, and was informed by him that their stations in life were not equal so as to prognosticate a happy union. That he lived in his own house in Westmoreland place (cost $75,000 and she lived with some relations on Compton Heights in a modest house (cost $15,000). That he was a direct descendant of the famous C. Jeames de la Push, immortalized by Thackeray, and had descended from an illustrious line of footmen, one of whom was principal footman to Cecil, seventh Earl of Salisbury, and that the Cecils traced their origin to the great chancellor, friend and adviser of Queen Bess of glorious memory. Whereas, she, the plaintiff, was only the daughter of a German university professor. The defendant furthermore charged that he was a member of the three high-toniest and most expensive clubs in the city, where nothing but champagne was drunk, whereas, the plaintiff, besides being a member of the Contemporary Club, where only water was drunk, was a member only of one other club, which was a midweek female club, where nothing whatever was drunk, and which devoted itself strictly to high intellectual pursuits, to which pursuits the defendant objected.

Plaintiff further charges that thereafter the defendant's visits became less frequent until they finally wholly ceased. That although the plaintiff was always ready and willing to marry the defendant, the defendant has rendered it out of her and his power so to do, by marrying one Anna Sophronia Teapot, the daughter of a pastry cook, and thus demonstrating that his objection springing from difference of social status, between himself and the plaintiff was a mere subterfuge, since the plaintiff charges upon her best knowledge, information and belief that the daughter of a pastry cook occupies no higher scale on the social ladder than the daughter of a German university professor.

During the reading of this statement of mistreatments, the court fell asleep. The Sheriff are large, ominous pills and the plaintiff made eyes at the jurors' box and flirted with C. F. Blanke. The defendant rubbed his boots on his trousers and scowled at the erstwhile object of his affections. Then the attorney for the defendant, Mr. Fisse, arose and presented this remarkable answer to the plaintiff's petition:

Now comes the defendant, by his attorney, and protesting that said complaint is altogether too ridiculous to require any answer, nevertheless answering unto so much and such parts of said complaint as he is advised are necessary or expedient to be answered in order to expose the wicked arts and wiles of the plaintiff, and the serious dangers that attend the encouragement or toleration of women's clubs and societies, says:

1. That he admits that at the date alleged in the petition he was a bachelor and resided in Westmoreland place in the city of St. Louis, but he says that he occupied only an attic room, next to the servants' quarters, in the house of his brother-in-law, Wilkins Micawber, Esq., a gentleman of wide reputation, but only as a tenant at will of the said Micawber, and while said Micawber was waiting for something to turn up that would transport this defendant away from the neighborhood of his aforesaid servants.

That this defendant, being brought into prominence because of his aforesaid residence in Westmoreland place, and because his face bore the aristocratically bilious color, and his person gave other unmistakable evidences of familiarity with the haunts and associations of the aforesaid malaria-infested aristocracy of the city of St. Louis, and being, therefore, considered fit to mingle in the select society of the Contemporary Club, and being also regarded as able to withstand the injurious effects of one of the periodical dinners of said club, and the accompaniment of weak discourse and drinks, was invited to attend a dinner of said club; but the defendant avers that the date of said dinner was not the first day of December, as alleged in the complaint, but was the first day of April.

Defendant admits that at the dinner aforesaid he met the plaintiff, and also that he sat alongside of the plaintiff; but he says that his near proximity to the plaintiff was not of his own choice, but was altogether due to the artifices of one Georgiana Dawantyon, who, seeking to make trouble by crossing connections, as such girls always do whenever there is opportunity, so managed her lines that this defendant was compelled to take a place alongside the plaintiff, though he did not desire to open communication with the plaintiff, and, notwithstanding that he had not had any introduction to the plaintiff, or any previous acquaintance with her.

Defendant admits that at said dinner the plaintiff and this defendant gave to each other pine toothpicks, as alleged in the complaint, but he says that by giving the defendant such toothpick he did not intend to make a proposal of marriage to the plaintiff, and denies that he did in fact so propose.

Defendant, further answering, says, that any proposal of marriage by him made at said dinner, the same being on the 1st of April, was a mere fool's offer, and that if he promised to marry the plaintiff, as alleged, he certainly did make a fool of himself as fully and completely as strictest observance on the day required. But the defendant says that if he did make a proposal of marriage to the plaintiff at the time stated, as alleged in said complaint, such proposal was made while this defendant was suffering from a temporary mental aberration and derangement produced by the unusual and dangerous beverage served at said dinner, to-wit, water flavored by the Chicago process, and contributed to by mental effort excited in an endeavor to reach an understanding of some of the conversations of the members of said club.

As to the theater incident related in the petition, the defendant, mourning the money expended, admits that it is true, but he says that plaintiff is not warranted in stating the cost of this boyish lark, and is only indeed to do so because she is jealous and envious of the waiters who received the liberal tips mentioned, and defendant says that it is an unhappy augury that plaintiff is able to state so particularly and accurately the items of expense upon this occasion, because it plainly indicates that after marriage when this defendant she would have too closely scrutinized his expenditures, and probably would periodically and as often as there was any take all the money on of defendant's trousers pockets while he lay defenseless and asleep.

The plaintiff further says, that the taking of plaintiff to the opera, as alleged, was not premeditatedly done by this defendant, but came about accidentally. That Bullly Lempasias Palster, Esq., of Bellefflic, a town in the State of Illinois, situated near to Jones's brewery, had arranged to escort a young lady of his acquaintance to the theater on the occasion mentioned, and had provided for her enjoyment the carriage, roses, seats and supper, but being prevented from carrying out his intention by a sudden attack of cranial enlargement, and the lady being also at the time afflicted with heartburn, the said Bullly Lempasias Palster turned over the said carriage, tickets and other appurtenances, except the lady, to this defendant, who after having vainly sought other and better and more fit company, finally invited the plaintiff to accompany him, in order merely out of a desire to prevent all these good things from being wasted, and in order not to disappoint the expectant waiters.

Defendant denies that at the opera, or any other time, he squeezed the plaintiff's little finger, or any other part of her person, but he avers the fact to be that during the performance of the opera, which was "La Sonnambula," the plaintiff being a strict, devout and prudish member of said Contemporary Club, became so much affected and shocked at what she conceived to be the immodest behavior of the prima donna in the bridge scene that she started violently and suddenly to rise in her chair, and caused the frame of said chair to move and close up, and thereby her finger was pinched and squeezed. And defendant says that at the time he had both his hands uncased holding opera glasses, through which he was intently studying the flower pattern that formed part of the decoration of a hat worn by a lady who sat immediately in front of him, and he avers that at the opera he saw nothing except the hat just mentioned, and was so desirous of squeezing this hat out of his way that he had no thought of either plaintiff or her little finger. And defendant further says that he would not under any circumstances squeeze even the littlest finger on the plaintiff's hand.

The defendant says that when he invited plaintiff to attend with him the opera he did engage the seats of which she complains, but he says that while the price of said seats was not as great as the box seats at the Italian opera, they were much more comfortable, and the performance of said opera company was so far superior to that of the alleged Italians that the plaintiff has no just cause of complaint.

Defendant further says that plaintiff ought not to have or maintain this action against him, because he says that the plaintiff, in disregard of her duty and any true affection for this defendant, has scandalously behaved in public with divers men, particularly by kissing a certain notorious Lieutenant Hobson, erstwhile a naval constructor, who being found so light-headed that he would not sink in Cuban waters, was by a paternal Government deported to the uttermost end of the earth to be there disposed of by Filopena women and other Brownies, which it seems they have accomplished, since nothing has been heard of him in a long time.

The witnesses were then heard. There were only two, and they were the principals themselves. The girl deposed that she was 18 summers old, admitted 17 winters, 19 falls and 17 springs. She said she was made hoarse by waiting for cwl cars, and that her father was professor in a big St. Louis brewery. When she left the stand she was so excited that she affectionately tapped the defendant's head with her parasol. The case was dismissed.

BILL DESMOND'S WONDERFUL BATH.

Mattie Feehan Learnedly Discusses Its Merits With Hannigan.

The traveling representative had just closed a contract for the sale of a "portable hygienic vapor bath tub" to Jerry Hannigan, the grocer, and Jerry was bending over the saloon counter, his tongue hanging out of one side of his mouth, preparatory to putting his "list" to the contract. The bath tub, set up, was in the middle of the floor, surrounded by a crowd of admiring loungers, when Mattie Feehan sauntered in.

"Hullo, Jurry," said Mattie.

"Hullo, Mattie," said Jerry. The salutation caused a temporary suspension of the act of signing the contract, because Jerry is incapable of writing with facility without the aid of his tongue.

"What's that fake you got there?" asked Mattie, looking at the tub. "New over for the well, or a waterproof doghouse?"

"Aw, now, Mattie, lave off wit' yer josthin'," said Jerry. "Mattie, ye blaggard, 'tis well ye know what it is. 'Tis a bath tub I'm after buyin'—a safety, they calls it, I b'leeve. What d'ye think iv it?"

"Looks like a Boer trap," said Mattie. "Safety, heh? So ye can't get too much water on ye at once, I guess? That won't do fer you, Jurry."

"It's a hygienic vapor bath," explained the agent.

"That's it—that's it," said Jerry, "hides ye in it—hides ye in the vapor. Ha, ha! 'tis a great joke that—it moost be an Irishman invinted that name for it, 'tis so comprehinsible. But 'tis a great thing, Mattie, I'm towld—on me sowl it is."

"Maybe it is on yer sowl, Jurry, but not on yer carcass," said Mattie. "I'm surprised at a man of your age, Jurry, buyin' a brick like that."

"I thought 'twould be a good thing for me," said Jerry. "It works be steam, an' I have a touch of the plowrisy, an' they tells me the hot steam is good for the plowrisy."

"How're ye goin' to work the fake?" asked Mattie.

The agent, fearing a possible loss of the sale, explained, much against his will, the operation of the bath, using Jerry again as a subject.

"Oh," said Mattie, "that's it, hey? Just walk into it, lock the door, tie the dingus around yer neck, build a fire under yerself an' smoke up, hey? That's hot stuff, sure. Say, Jurry, your feet ain't nothin' to sneeze at now, with them kidneys in 'em, but when you git into that scaldin' vat there an' start up the furnace, you'll sure have to put weights on 'em to keep from goin' through the roof when the biler gits goin' good an' proper. Why don't you just go down to the pork-house on killin' day an' take a bath?"

"Why, there's no danger at all," remonstrated the agent.

"I don't know about that," said Mattie. "How much pressure will she stand? I know I'll like about 200 pounds to the square inch to scale the soil off o' Jurry's hide. Take my advice, Jurry, an' go slow about this thing. Try it on the old woman first."

"They tells me this is the best in the market," said Jerry.

"It's a bum sweat-box, I think," said Mattie. "There's a mug down here on Clark avenue has one that's got this skinned six ways. Sweetest thing in the country."

"Vapor?" inquired the agent, interested.

"Vapor, hot air, oil, salve—everything, Jurry. It's a lollipaloola. Don't take nothin' else till you try that."

"Will it take the plowrisy from ye?" asked Jerry.

"It'll take anything yet got from ye," said Mattie, "except yer conscience, an' you haven't got none, so that needn't bother you. Why, Jurry, that's its long suit, takin' things away from ye. It not only improves yer health, but yer mind an' morals—that's what makes it a peachering. Acts on everybody alike, too. Don't make no difference if you're a man or woman, hobo, Chink, skunk or Dago, everything goes. I seen it tried on hundreds of 'em—done 'em all good. Some of 'em kin stand it longer'n others, an' the funny thing about it is not many of 'em need it more'n once. They go away different people altogether."

"Must be a marvelous invention," said the agent.

"Nothin' else to it," said Mattie. "It sure is. Why, I seen mugs go agin it when their minds was loaded down with somethin' that was troublin' themselves an' a lot o' other people for months, an' they'd come out in a couple o' hours feelin' as light as my pockets right now, an' lookin' as happy as Jurry when he works off a plugged dime on a kid. An' the next day they'd be a lot o' their friends down there gittin' the same treatment."

"Remarkable," said the agent.

"It moost be a holy fright," said Jerry.

"An' I seen," said Mattie, "I seen big husky skunks—coons, I mean—so black charcoal 'ud make a white mark on 'em, go agin it an' in less'n an hour they'd come out saddle-colored, with straight wool an' soakin' like a dope fiend with his pill rations cut off. An' I seen deaf, an' dumb people tackle the treatment an' before the sweat got started on 'em they'd be talkin' faster than Mrs. Shannahan did the day you sold her the coffee with the red ants to it, Jurry."

"What's that?" said Jerry. "Mattie—"

"An' seen skinny consumptive guys what never done a lick of work in their lives come away from there an' git jobs breakin' rocks in the quarry. An' I seen skirts go agin it, too."

"Skirts?" asked Jerry. "Does it do laundry work, too?"

"Aw, Chop," said Mattie. "Skirts is high school for fairies, women, gals. I seen skirts that looked big in the barrel—you know, around the belt—go in an' take a bath an' come out with a big load off their minds an' hips. Say, it's de best thing for the public I ever met anywhere. Say, I could tell youse guys lots about it, but—holy jess! I'm as dry as one o' Ziegenhein's jokes. G'imme a scuttle o' suds, Jurry, an' charge it to Cronin."

"Who is it has this tub, Mattie?" asked Jerry, as he rinsed out the glass, "and what's the name iv it? I b'leve I'll try wan, iv it's that good."

"Yes," said the agent, "who controls this invention? Where can I see it in operation?"

"Well," said Mattie, sauntering leisurely toward the door, "the guy that owns this sweat-box won't show it to nobody exceptin' the gazaybo that's gittin' sweated. They have to be somethin' the matter with you before you kin git to be treated. His office," he said, with his hand on the door knob, "is on the first floor of the west side of that big buildin' on Twelfth and Clark avenue. His name's Bill Desmond. Well, so long, Jurry."

A Veritable Palace.

The Diamond Palace, 814 Olive street, opposite Post Office, has just been remodeled on the most improved plans. The arrangement, new fixtures and decorations resemble the celebrated palaces of this kind in Europe. The many electric lights and handsome jewels give the palace a dazzling and brilliant effect. With the new store and new goods and new prices the trade promises to be large at this palace. Their announcement elsewhere to-day will prove interesting reading to lovers of jewelry and the Transvaal gems.

Visitors at Hot Springs.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Hot Springs, Ark., April 7.—Among the visitors who registered to-day at Mermod & Jaccard's Hot Springs branch were Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Egelhoff, St. Louis; Mr. W. P. Harrington, Mr. W. A. Dodge, Mrs. John B. Carson, Mr. Ed Brand, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott, Fort Worth, Tex.; Mrs. Crystal Kelly, Victoria, Tex.; Mr. E. W. Drew, Berlin, N. H.; Mr. W. Ernest Chestin, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. J. Miller, New York.

Westerners in New York.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York April 7.—Hotel arrivals to-day include the following visitors from the West:

St. Louis—W. S. Gartter, Astor; P. H. Sullivan, Cadillac.

Kansas City—Mrs. Bourke, Miss Corrigan, Miss L. Corrigan, Miss K. Corrigan, Miss A. Corrigan, Gilsey.

St. Joe—J. H. Van Brunt, Marlborough.

Orphans' Home Completed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pana, Ill., April 7.—The Middlesworth Orphans' Home at Shelbyville has been completed and turned over to the society. The house and grounds were donated to the society by Banker Middlesworth and were the finest residence in Shelby County. Mr. Atkinson, financial secretary of the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society, will have charge of the new home.

Breidenthal for Governor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Topeka, Kas., April 7.—The Populists of Shawnee County to-day elected delegates to the Clay Center and Fort Scott conventions. The delegation was instructed for Breidenthal for Governor.

Kidney Troubles of Women

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is most efficient treatment for kidney troubles of women. Overwhelming evidence of this is forthcoming. Read the following letters:

Mrs. Anthony Sutter, Crestline, Ohio, writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: It would be hard to explain to you my condition before using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I was a great sufferer from kidney trouble and headache. On rising in the morning I was always tired and sleepy, and never felt like doing any work. Since taking the Compound I feel like a new woman. I sleep well at night, and can work all day without that tired feeling. I have advised some of my friends to try it, and we all feel thankful for the benefit we have derived from its use. May God bless you for the good you are doing the poor suffering women!"

Mrs. F. H. Allen, 419 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: Change of life was working on me. My kidneys and bladder were affected. Terrible pains when urinating and an itching that nearly drove me wild. I had tried many remedies. I told my husband I had great faith in yours and he got me a bottle; I am now on my fourth bottle. I feel that I am entirely cured. I can work all day. I can hardly realize that such a wonderful cure is possible. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the best medicine for women."

Miss Lockhart Tells How Her Life Was Saved.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: I cannot express my gratitude to you for the good that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I have taken five bottles of the Compound and two boxes of Liver Pills and feel better in every respect. I had suffered for years with dropsy, caused by the pressure of the water. I had the worst kind of kidney trouble, fainting spells, and I could not stand long at a time. I also had female weakness and the doctor said there was a tumor in my left side. The pains I had to stand were something dreadful. A friend handed me a little book of yours, so I got your medicine and it has saved my life. I felt better now from the first bottle. The bloating and the tumors have all gone and I do not suffer any pain."—Miss N. J. Lockhart, Box 16, Elizabeth, Pa.

Mrs. Archambo Took Mrs. Pinkham's Advice.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: For two years I felt tired and so weak and dizzy that some days I could hardly go around the house. Backache and headache all the time and my food would not digest and had such pains in the womb, was troubled with leucorrhœa and kidneys were affected. After birth of each child I grew weaker, and hearing so much of the good you had done, I wrote to you and have taken six bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, one box of Lozenges, one box of Liver Pills, one package of Sanative Wash, and to-day I am feeling as well as I ever did."—Mrs. Salina Archambo, Charlemont, Mass.

Derangement of the feminine organs quickly affect the kidneys, and suffering women should write fully to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., and get her prompt reply without charge.

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SHERIFF DOWNEY UPHELD.

Coal Mine Guard's Case Against Him Fails.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pana, Ill., April 7.—The case of Sheriff Downey, who was sued for $5,000 by Syd Watts, a guard at the Penwell coal mine in this city during the strike of last April, was finished to-day and a verdict in the Sheriff's favor was rendered. Watts, who was a deputy at that time, was arrested by Sheriff Downey, disarmed and placed in jail for carrying concealed weapons. Thirty-five other cases against the Sheriff on the same charge have been quashed.

Two Kinds of Shoe Men: "HARRIS" and "OTHERS."