The Care of Blankets.

Never let blankets remain in service after they are soiled; dirt rots the fiber and invites moths. Because of the peculiar saw-tooth formation of wool hair it is necessary that a pure soap, made of the best materials, be used; a cheap soap, especially one which contains rosin, will cause the blanket to become hard by matting the fiber.

To Wash Blankets and Retain their Softness.

Dissolve shavings of Ivory Soap in boiling water, add cold water until nearly lukewarm. Immerse a blanket and knead with the hands; rinse in clean warm water in which also some Ivory Soap has been dissolved. Dry in a place that is neither very warm nor very cold.

BALTIMORE BANKS RESUME BUSINESS.

Four Thousand Men Clear Away Debris in Principal Streets in Burned District.

BUILDING TO BEGIN SOON.

Chamber of Commerce Notifies World City Is Prepared to Transact Shipping, Grain and Foreign Trade.

Baltimore, Feb. 11.—To-day marked the most cheerful advance Baltimore has yet made in emerging from the dark cloud cast upon it by the great conflagration of last Sunday and Monday. An incident that inspired the whole community with tremendous confidence was the resumption of business by the banks.

The knowledge that Baltimore's terminal facilities are intact, and that the grain elevators were not involved in the fiery tornado, has also served to promote a popular conviction that the situation is not as dark as it had heretofore appeared.

STREETS OPENED.

The progress which has been made to-day in the work of clearing the debris from the streets in the burned district seems almost magical. Baltimore street, which at sunrise was a confused mass of rubbish, is practically cleaned, and likewise South street, one of the great banking thoroughfares. Hanover street, near where the fire started, was made passable for wagons, and Pratt street, a long avenue of trade, is clear of hindrances all the way through.

The city's Engineering Department, the Building Inspector and the Street Cleaning Department all worked in conjunction. More than 4,000 men were employed in this work. No attempt was made to do more than to clear the streets from curb to curb, the debris being piled up on the sidewalks and back of the building line. Many dangerous walls which overhung the streets, were pulled down.

The Chamber of Commerce has been exceedingly active to-day in sending broadcast to every center of trade in this country and Europe the assurance that Baltimore is even now in condition to transact all shipping, grain and foreign trade, and that all other lines of business will be restored to their normal channels within the next two or three months.

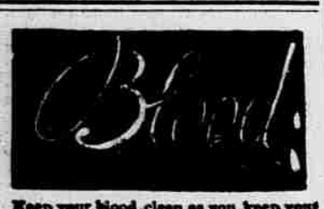
BUILDING PLANS.

The officials of the Chamber of Commerce announced that plans are nearly completed for the rebuilding of their $600,000 structure.

Many merchants and manufacturers, whose places of business were swallowed up in the conflagration, have signed contracts for rebuilding and there are on all sides the greatest signs of activity in this respect.

The matter of accepting aid from other cities, has not yet been finally decided upon, according to Mayor McCleane. There is no actual destitution at this time.

Among the messages of sympathy received to-day was a communication from D. Falconio, the Apostolic Delegate to Washington.



Keep your blood clean as you keep your body clean. You don't wait until your body is foul before you cleanse it.

It is a matter of surprise that many people who are so careful to have clean bodies make no effort to keep the blood clean. Everyone knows that uncleanness breeds disease; that those who do not keep their bodies in a wholesome condition and who dwell in filthy surroundings are the first to fall when some epidemic of disease sweeps the country. But foul blood is more dangerous to the individual than a foul body. An unclean body is rather a passive than an active hindrance to health. But unclean blood is an active threat against the very life—it makes the body a prepared breeding place for disease.

It is part of Nature's plan for human safety that in many cases where the blood is impure or corrupt she sets a sign on the body in proof of the corrupt current that is flowing through the veins. Scrofula with its disfiguring sores and scars, eczema with its irritation, salt-rheum, tetter, erysipelas, boils, pimples and other eruptions are only the outward signs of the impurity of the blood. But often in the earlier or simpler stages of the blood's impurity there are no outward signs of this condition; only dull, languid, sluggish feelings, which are commonly attributed solely to the sluggishness of the liver.

Of all preparations for purifying the blood Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery easily takes the first place. It eliminates from the blood the elements which clog and corrupt it, and which breed and feed disease. It acts directly on the blood-making glands, increasing their activity, and so increasing the supply of rich, pure blood which is the life of the body.

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." There is nothing "just as good" for diseases of the stomach, blood and lungs.

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser, paper covers, is sent *free* on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing *only*. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

CHIEF HENLEY TO INSPECT BALTIMORE FIRE RUINS.

St. Louis Prevention Bureau Official Will Confer With Underwriters—Insurance Discussed.

H. C. Henley, Chief Inspector of the Fire Prevention Bureau, has gone to Baltimore to meet experts from New York, Philadelphia and other cities who will make a study of the alleged fireproof buildings that were consumed in that conflagration.

Underwriters are everywhere confirming the statement published here a few days ago that the actual insurance losses at Baltimore will be under $50,000,000, and by some it is now thought that $30,000,000 may cover the damages.

That the Baltimore fire will cause many merchants throughout the country to reexamine their policies and increase their insurance is regarded as more than probable. St. Louis agents still believe that there will be no increase in insurance rates here, though they believe the fire will postpone any decrease in rates that might have followed the satisfactory results of local business.

One of the gratifying results of the fire is the announcement received by H. M. Blossom, St. Louis agent of several large British firms, yesterday, that their policies would be paid in cash at once by drafts on the London offices, and thus leave their American assets intact.

Of the companies which have cabled their intention to pursue this policy are the Commercial Union Assurance Company of London, whose losses were $455,000; the North British Mercantile Insurance Company, whose losses were about $1,000,000, and the Atlas Assurance Society of London, which suffered a loss of $250,000. The English companies cabled to their agents: "Make prompt settlements. Draw at sight."

LEAVES 113 DESCENDANTS.

Mrs. Francis Bevel Dies at Age of 84 Years.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Carbondale, Ill., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Francis Bevel died this morning at the Ben Bevel residence, five miles southeast of this city. She was 84 years old.

Mrs. Bevel was born in West Virginia, and resided in Union County eighty-two years. She was the mother of thirteen children, nine of whom are dead. She has forty-five grandchildren, sixty-two great grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. At the age of 15 she united with the M. E. Church.

CHARLES MUNTER.

Vandalia, Ill., Feb. 11.—Charles Munter of Vera died to-day, aged 25 years.

HENRY CLAY HERRING.

Mount Sterling, Ill., Feb. 11.—Coroner Dearborn was called to Versailles this morning to hold an inquest on the body of Henry Clay Herring, aged 69 years, a retired farmer, found dead in bed this morning. Death was caused by neuralgia of the heart.

GEORGE HEINGER.

St. Elmo, Ill., Feb. 11.—George Heinger, a Justice of the Peace of this township, died at his home here this morning, aged 50 years.

MRS. WILLIAM DAVIS.

Virginia, Ill., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Etta Schaeffer Davis, wife of William Davis, died to-day near Philadelphia, Ill., aged 46 years.

EDWARD SCHEFFLE.

Litchfield, Ill., Feb. 11.—Word has been received here announcing the death of Edward Scheffle, 28 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scheffle of this city. Funeral and burial Friday.

MRS. F. S. ROOT.

Fayetteville, Ark., Feb. 11.—Mrs. F. S. Root, wife of Professor Root of the South School, died in this city to-day after a brief illness. Two small children survive.

EMMET CHAMBERS.

Boonville, Mo., Feb. 11.—Emmet Chambers died at the home of his father, G. E. Chambers, near this city, to-day. For several years he was a prominent lawyer in Dallas, Tex. Some time ago he was brought home suffering with his fatal illness.

HERCHEL J. PERKINS.

Paducah, Ky., Feb. 11.—Herchel J. Perkins died to-day from apoplexy. He was born in Alabama in 1843, and had lived here most of his life.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH LEADERS GATHER HERE TO PLAN SUPERVISION OF BIBLE SCHOOL WORK.

—By a Republic Photographer.

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL BIBLE SCHOOL BOARD.

Reading from left to right, rear row: D. M. Wetzel, G. P. Coler, W. E. Garrison, E. B. Schofield. Front row: H. F. Davis, Howard C. Rash, Charles Fillmore, W. H. McClain, R. M. Hopkins, J. H. Bryan and A. C. Roach.

The Christian Church, through the Executive Committee of the National Bible School Board, which met yesterday afternoon at No. 1522 Locust street, took the preliminary steps toward establishing an organized department for the supervision of its Bible schools in the United States and Canada.

The committee was appointed by the last session of the General Conference at Detroit, and its meeting here was the first.

W. H. McClain of this city is president of the committee, and from him the following ideas of the work to be accomplished and the objects of the board are gained.

The Christian Church, unlike most of the other strong religious denominations of the country, has not been organized in its supervision of Sunday-schools. The international lessons have been used for the most part, but each separate school, or group of schools, have been allowed to pursue their own methods in teaching.

There has been no training school for teachers, and no institution where work of a normal character could be done. This only applied to the Sunday-school organization. The Christian Church is considered admirably organized in its system of overseeing Christian Endeavor societies, home and foreign mission organizations and benevolences and charities.

The committee discussed several plans, but it was announced last night that no definite decision was arrived at, the members preferring to hear the views of others who are expected to arrive this morning. It is thought that the suggestions of various members will be embodied in some written document, and the general idea of providing a Sunday School Overseer or superintendent of training work crystallized.

For the instruction of local Sunday-school workers, three open sessions of the board have been arranged to take place at the First Christian Church. The first of these was last night. Another will follow this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and the final one will be to-night.

The Reverend W. Daviess Pittman at the first open session conducted a song service, which was led by a chorus choir of more than sixty voices and a large orchestra.

H. F. Davis of St. Louis conducted the devotional exercises, and W. H. McClain delivered an address of welcome.

The Reverend Charles Fillmore of Cincinnati, secretary of the board, made an address on "The Work of the National Bible School Board," and the Reverend Doctor H. M. Hamill, superintendent of training work of the M. E. Church, South, spoke on "The Church and Its Teachers."

Doctor Hamill will be one of the leaders of the annual workers' conference for Sunday School teachers and superintendents, which will begin this afternoon at Centenary M. E. Church, South, Sixteenth and Pine streets.

SODALITY LECTURE COURSE.

Series of Monday Evening Addresses to Be Given.

The Reverend P. W. Tallon, pastor of the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus, will deliver on next Monday evening the first of a series of lectures to be given under the auspices of the Young Men's Sodality of the Holy Name Church in the gymnasium at No. 2041 East Grand avenue.

Father Tallon's subject will be "Rome." He will describe his visit to the "Eternal City."

The Reverend P. P. Crane will speak February 22 on "Mixed Marriages," the Reverend J. J. Godfrey, February 29, on "Justice"; the Reverend Thomas J. Lloyd, March 7, on "Secret Societies," and the Reverend E. A. Bolger, March 14, on "Popular Objections to the Church and How to Answer Them."

A short music programme will be rendered each evening. The lectures are intended especially for the young men and women of the parish, members of sodalities of other parishes, and the promoters of the League of the Sacred Heart. The lectures will be informal and no invitations will be issued.

EDUCATIONAL CLUB CONCERT.

First of a Series of Entertainments at Central Y. M. C. A.

The Educational Club of the Ralph Sellew Institute of the Central Y. M. C. A. last night gave the first of a series of concerts in the auditorium at Grand and Franklin avenues. The association orchestra, composed of sixty members, under the direction of A. I. Epstein, assisted by Miss Bessie Gillespie, soprano, and William Buchroeder, violinist, furnished the entertainment.

Miss Gillespie's singing was conceded to be the feature of the evening, and every number received an encore. The numbers most appreciated were Tosti's "My Dreams," and the ballads, "Annie Laurie" and "It Must Be Love."

The Educational Club consists of one hundred students of Ralph Sellew Institute. They are divided into ten committees, the work of each committee being to present the advantages of the association's educational classes to persons who are not connected with the Y. M. C. A. The club was organized a month ago.

TO COMMEMORATE KANT'S DEATH.

Many Prominent Men Will Speak on Life and Work of Philosopher.

A public meeting will be held this evening in the rooms of the Ethical Society, Museum of Fine Arts, Nineteenth and Locust streets, to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of the death of Immanuel Kant, the great philosopher.

Meetings of a similar character will be held in all of the leading educational centers, both in Europe and America.

The programme consists of ten-minute addresses by Professor Thilly of the University of Missouri, "What Kant Has Supremely Stood for"; F. Louis Soldan, Superintendent of Public Schools, "The Influence of Kant in the Department of Education"; Professor A. O. Lovejoy of Washington University, "Kant as a Teacher in Ethics"; Doctor Max Hempel, "The Contribution of Kant in the Sphere of Natural Science"; the Reverend George R. Dodson of the Church of the Unity, "What Kant Stood For in the Sphere of Religion"; The Reverend J. W. Lee of St. John's Methodist Church, "The Importance of Kant in the History of Philosophy." Piano music will be furnished by Miss Clara Meyer.

ANNOUNCES LENT REGULATIONS.

Archbishop Glennon's Order Differs Little From Previous Ones.

Archbishop Glennon yesterday issued the regulations to be observed by Catholics of his diocese during Lent, which begins with Ash Wednesday, next week.

The regulations are not changed from those of former years. All days excepting Sundays are declared to be fast days. Those obliged to fast shall eat only one full meal daily. Those persons not obliged to fast as provided for in the decree of the Holy See issued in 1895, to run ten years, on account of health, work or other reasons, may eat all they desire except on Ember Saturday, February 27, Holy Saturday, April 2, Fridays and Ash Wednesday. All persons who have come to the use of reason shall abstain from meat on Wednesdays and Fridays and Ember Saturday and Holy Saturday.

The age exemptions include all persons more than 60 and less than 21 years old.

St. Michael's Euchre.

A progressive euchre party will be given by the Young Men's Sodality of St. Michael's Church at the school hall, Eleventh and Clinton streets, next Tuesday afternoon. Valuable prizes will be given.

NEWS OF THE CITY CHURCHES.

Father Coffey to Deliver Address Before Church of Spiritual Unity.

The Reverend Father James T. Coffey, pastor of St. Leo's Catholic Church, will deliver an address on "The Social Evil; Its Cause and Cure," before the First Church of Spiritual Unity in the Odeon Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock.

The members of St. Paul's Episcopal Church will give a birthday party Tuesday evening at the church, No. 6518 Michigan avenue. F. S. Timberlake of No. 6316 Michigan avenue is chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.

Euchres in Northwestern Hall, Elliot and St. Louis avenues, will be given Monday afternoon and evening by the Altar Society of the Church of the Shrine of the Sacred Heart. It is announced that many prizes are offered.

The Reverend Frank Foster will give a lecture in the North Presbyterian Church this evening at 8 o'clock on "The Boyhood of Christ." The lecture will be illustrated with stereopticon views.

The Reverend Doctor John H. Elliott will speak at the men's meeting of the Central Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock on "Hiding Places." Charles Rykert will sing several solos, and the Eggert Orchestra will play.

The Queen's Daughters of the St. Vincent de Paul Church will give a euchre Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the hall at Ninth street and Park avenue.

The West End W. C. T. U. and the union of Forest Park University will unite in a Francis Willard memorial service at the University Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The State president, Mrs. Clara Hoffman, will deliver the principal address. Pupils of the university will render a music and literary programme, and refreshments will be served.

GUARANTEE TITLE FOR $1,000,000.

Holders of Wabash Securities Issued on St. Louis Property Protected by Largest Policy Ever Issued.

In issuing a $1,000,000 guaranty policy that the title of city block No. 70, recently purchased by the Wabash Railroad Company, is clear, the Title Guaranty and Trust Company of St. Louis, with offices in the Wainwright building, consummated yesterday the largest deal of this kind, certainly in the United States, and probably in the world.

By this guarantee the title company can be held liable to the extent of $1,000,000 for any loss entailed by flaws or trickery in the title to the property.

The property is to be used for one of the new Wabash freight stations. It is bounded on the north by Carr street, on the south by Franklin avenue, on the west by Third street and on the east by Collins street, and cost the Wabash Railroad nearly $1,500,000.

The Republic announced recently that the Wabash had issued Terminal trust mortgage bonds to the extent of $10,000,000, the proceeds of which are to be used in acquiring additional terminals in St. Louis, Chicago, Toledo, Kansas City, Detroit and Omaha.

The deed conveying the title to block No. 70 to the Bowling Green Trust Company of New York was filed for record Wednesday, and the Title Guaranty Trust Company issued a guaranty policy yesterday, guaranteeing the title to the extent of $1,000,000.

It is stated that the action of the Bowling Green Trust Company, which has floated the bonds for the purchase of city block No. 70, in requiring that the title be guaranteed, will be followed by other corporations outside of St. Louis willing to float St. Louis securities issued on property in St. Louis.

ROCK ISLAND OFFICIALS HERE.

President Loree and Party Will Remain in the City Until Sunday.

President and Mrs. L. F. Loree, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lyford, R. L. Winchell and other officials of the Rock Island system arrived in St. Louis yesterday evening and registered at the Planters.

Mr. Loree and his party are on their way to Chicago after an extensive tour of the lines forming the Rock Island system. They will remain in St. Louis until Sunday.

Gould Arrives To-Day.

George J. Gould, Mrs. Gould and a large party of friends will arrive in St. Louis this evening on a special train. It is expected that Mr. Gould will not stop off in St. Louis, but will continue on to California, where he will spend several weeks with his party.

Installing Turntable.

The installation of the foundation for the big turntable which will occupy the exact center of the Palace of Transportation has been begun. On this turntable a locomotive of the largest type will be placed so that when the turntable revolves the spectator will have the impression that the locomotive is moving around in a circle at a considerable speed. This impression will be furthered by the fact that the wheels of the locomotive will be revolving. All the motion is to be produced by electricity. The locomotive is to be jacked up so that its wheels are free of the rails and an electric motor will cause them to revolve.

Line From Chicago.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 11.—The Chicago River and Indiana Railroad Company, with a capital stock of $50,000 was licensed to incorporate to-day. The principal office will be in Chicago. The road will be constructed from the city of Chicago to a point on the boundary line between Illinois and Indiana. The incorporators and first Board of Directors are: Hiram T. Gilbert, Walter H. Jacobs, Edw. Logan Reeves, Maurice C. Lange and J. Homer Sullivan, all of Chicago.

Western Association Meeting.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—The Executive Committee of the Western Passenger Association to-day appointed a committee to meet with the Southwestern and Transcontinental lines for the purpose of agreeing on rates for the St. Louis Fair. Passenger Traffic Manager Eustis of the Burlington road was re-elected chairman of the Executive Committee.

C. R. Knowles Promoted.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Paducah, Ky., Feb. 11.—Clarence R. Knowles, water superintendent of the Louisville division of the I. C. has been transferred to the Springfield division, with headquarters at Clinton, Ill.

Improved Stock Breeders Convene.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 11.—The eighth annual meting of the Oklahoma Improved Stock Breeders' Association met here today. The address of welcome was delivered by former Governor C. L. Barnes of this city, followed by the annual address by President A. C. Burtis.

LEWALD RETURNS FROM FATHERLAND.

German Representative Will Remain in St. Louis Until After Exposition.

CANADA COMMISSIONER HERE.

Architects and Representatives of French Government Expected to Arrive Early Next Month.

Doctor Theodore Lewald, Imperial German Commissioner to the World's Fair, has returned to St. Louis after several months in Germany, assembling his country's exhibits and preparing them for shipment.

He is accompanied by Bruno Moehring, architect of the German Pavilion; Otto Zippel, secretary to the German Commission; Philip Feldi, Otto Rahlenbeck, Hans Hench and John Martens, assistant architects, and two servants.

Doctor Lewald and his party have taken possession of the commission's official residence, No. 4936 Lindell boulevard. They have come to remain until their Exposition work is completed. Doctor Lewald will remain until after the Fair, while the architects will return to Germany shortly after the German exhibits have been installed.

William Hutchison, Canada's Commissioner General to the World's Fair, also arrived in St. Louis yesterday. The purpose of his visit is to complete arrangements for installing Canada's exhibits and closing other details of that country's participation.

According to Mr. Hutchison, nearly all the Canadian exhibits are collected and ready for shipment. Several carloads of material are on the way from Quebec, Montreal and other Canadian points to St. Louis. He says that people throughout the Dominion are interested in the Exposition and will attend in large numbers.

Assistant Commissioner Boeufve of France announced yesterday that several officials of the French Commission will sail from Havre on February 27 on the steamer Lorraine and will arrive in St. Louis about March 10, to remain throughout the Exposition.

The delegation comprises Andre Saglio, Commissioner of Fine Arts; Paul Lescombe, secretary to Mr. Saglio; Roger Bouvard, architect of the French Pavilion, and J. de Montranal, architect of the French exhibit installations. Seven curators, who will have charge of the French art exhibit, will come on the same steamer. The exhibit facades are to be made in France.

Mr. Boeufve has been advised that the fine arts exhibits left France on January 30. In the shipment is the famous statue of Rodin, entitled "Le Penser" (The Thinker). This masterpiece is attracting more attention than any single piece in the Fine Arts Department.

KENTUCKIANS TO ATTEND DEDICATION OF BUILDING.

Lieutenant Governor and Other Officials Will Leave Louisville for World's Fair Site To-Night.

Arrangements were completed yesterday for the reception of the Kentucky delegation, which will attend the dedicatory exercises of the Kentucky building at the World's Fair to-morrow afternoon.

The delegation will leave Louisville tonight on a special train, and will arrive here to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. The party will consist of 175 gentlemen and ten ladies. Governor Beckham will not be able to accompany the party, but he will be represented by Lieutenant Governor William T. Thorne.

Both houses of the Legislature will be represented and several Judges of the Court of Appeals also will be present. The delegation will be taken to the Fair grounds immediately upon its arrival, where the members will be the guests of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company for the day.

The dedication exercises will be held at 2:30 p. m., and the speakers for the occasion will be President D. R. Francis, Sim T. Price, representing the Kentucky Society of St. Louis, A. Y. Ford, president of the Kentucky Exhibit Commission, and Lieutenant Governor Thorne.

In the evening the gentlemen of the party will be the guests of the Kentucky Society at a banquet at the Missouri Athletic Club. The speakers will be Lieutenant Governor Thorne, Ell Brown, Speaker of the House; Senator W. A. Byron, Judge Henry F. Parker and Charles Spalding.

The delegation will return to Louisville after the banquet.

TO LIGHT EXHIBIT PALACES FOR INSTALLATION PURPOSES

Two Thousand Arc Globes of Two Hundred Candle Power Each Are Being Put In.

Nearly 2,000 arc lights of 200-candle power each are being installed in the great exhibit palaces of the World's Fair. Every effort is being made to expedite the installation in order to furnish ample light for night shifts, which will be worked in the buildings when the heavy shipments of exhibits begin to arrive.

Owing to the enormous amount of exhibit installation work which has to be completed before the opening, the Division of Exhibits is furnishing facilities for working day and night. It is thought that the night work will begin about the middle of next month.

For lighting the exteriors of the exhibit buildings, incandescent only will be used. Although the buildings will close at sunset during the Exposition, the arc lamps will be needed on dark days.

Transformers have been put in all the big buildings. By means of these the alternating current, supplied by the Exposition power plant, is changed to direct current, so that it may be used in operating machinery.

Formulate World's Fair Plans.

The University of Illinois Club of St. Louis will give a dinner at the Missouri Athletic Club to-morrow night, at which plans for the students and alumni of the university at the World's Fair will be discussed. John A. Ockerson is president and Fred S. Hall is secretary of the club. The faculty of the university has been invited to attend the dinner.

Fibroid Tumors Cured.

A distressing case of Fibroid Tumor, which baffled the skill of Boston doctors. Mrs. Hayes, of Boston, Mass., in the following letter tells how she was cured, after everything else failed, by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Mrs. Hayes' First Letter Appealing to Mrs. Pinkham for Help:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have been under Boston doctors' treatment for a long time without any relief. They tell me I have a fibroid tumor. I cannot sit down without great pain, and the soreness extends up my spine. I have bearing-down pains both back and front. My abdomen is swollen, and I have had flowing spells for three years. My appetite is not good. I cannot walk or be on my feet for any length of time.

"The symptoms of Fibroid Tumor given in your little book accurately describe my case, so I write to you for advice."—(Signed) MRS. E. F. HAYES, 252 Dudley St., (Roxbury) Boston, Mass.

Note the result of Mrs. Pinkham's advice—although she advised Mrs. Hayes, of Boston, to take her medicine—which she knew would help her—her letter contained a mass of additional instructions as to treatment, all of which helped to bring about the happy result.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Sometime ago I wrote to you describing my symptoms and asked your advice. You replied, and I followed all your directions carefully, and to-day I am a well woman.

"The use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound entirely expelled the tumor and strengthened my whole system. I can walk miles now.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is worth five dollars a drop. I advise all women who are afflicted with tumors or female trouble of any kind to give it a faithful trial."—(Signed) MRS. E. F. HAYES, 252 Dudley St., (Roxbury) Boston, Mass.

Mountains of gold could not purchase such testimony—or take the place of the health and happiness which Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound brought to Mrs. Hayes.

Such testimony should be accepted by all women as convincing evidence that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound stands without a peer as a remedy for all the distressing ills of women; all ovarian troubles; tumors; inflammations; ulceration, falling and displacements of the womb; backache; irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation. Surely the volume and character of the testimonial letters we are daily printing in the newspapers can leave no room for doubt.

Mrs. Hayes at her above address will gladly answer any letters which sick women may write for fuller information about her illness. Her gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is so genuine and heartfelt that she thinks no trouble is too great for her to take in return for her health and happiness.

Truly is it said that it is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that is curing so many women, and no other medicine; don't forget this when some druggist wants to sell you something else.

$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness.
Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

NEW YORK AND DELAWARE YACHTS COMING TO FAIR.

E. F. Goltra and Friends Are Arranging for Flotilla to Visit St. Louis in June.

A flotilla of handsome yachts from the New York and Delaware clubs may be brought to St. Louis in June, as a result of plans inaugurated by E. F. Goltra of this city.

Mr. Goltra is a member of the New York Yacht Club, and it is expected that the boats which may come up the river in single file, will have on board parties of distinguished and fashionable persons.

It is the intention to have the yachts rendezvous at New Orleans and then proceed to St. Louis. Truman M. Post, one of the engineers of the Mississippi River Commission, having been requested to lay out and prepare the route, has secured from W. K. Kavanaugh, president of the Wiggins Ferry Company, and chairman of the River Committee of the Business Men's League, the most exact information as to the state of the river channel during the month of June.

Mr. Kavanaugh has secured figures from the records kept by the chief engineer's office of the Wiggins Ferry Company for the last ten years, which show that only once in these ten years was the water down to seven feet on the gauge at St. Louis in June.

Mr. Kavanaugh says that the records show clearly that vessels drawing between eight and twelve feet will have no trouble in reaching St. Louis during June.

"When the water shows eight feet on the gauge at St. Louis that would indicate easily an eight or nine foot channel to Cairo," says Mr. Kavanaugh, writing to Mr. Goltra on the subject.

"And from Cairo south, according to the records of the Mississippi River Commission, there should be no trouble at this time. The distance from St. Louis to New Orleans, as you know, is about 1,200 miles, and from St. Louis to Cairo only 200. It is my personal opinion that you would have no trouble in reaching St. Louis with your flotilla."

The arrival of this flotilla of the New York and Delaware Yacht clubs will distinguish the social festivities of the city, inasmuch as the members of these clubs have many acquaintances in St. Louis who will entertain them in various ways. Mr. Kavanaugh, who owns the famous country place of Selma, thirty-three miles below St. Louis, will probably entertain the party at a luncheon on their way to St. Louis.

EXPLAINS FAIR ARCHITECTURE.

E. L. Masqueray Lectures in Lindell Avenue Church.

The second of a series of lectures on World's Fair subjects was delivered last night in the Lindell Avenue Methodist Church by E. L. Masqueray, Chief of Design. "Architecture of the World's Fair" was the subject.

Mr. Masqueray spoke of architecture in general and compared that art in this country with that of Europe, particularly France. The various buildings were then shown on a screen and the architectural features of each were explained.

Illinois Offers $500 in Corn Prizes.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 11.—The Illinois World's Fair Commission has offered $500 in prizes for corn to be shown at the State Farmers' Institute to be held in Decatur, February 23, 24 and 25. The corn winning prizes will be shown as the Illinois exhibit at St. Louis. The prizes are offered for corn in 100 car lots, and competition is classified by districts, the State being divided into northern, central and southern divisions. The commission expects to have the largest and best exhibit of corn ever shown by Illinois farmers. The prize corn will be shipped from this city to St. Louis, where it will be prepared for exhibition at the Fair.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

—Paul Pierce of Chicago, editor and publisher of What to Eat, has been appointed superintendent of the food exhibits at the World's Fair. He is a son of the late "Gil" Pierce, late United States Senator from North Dakota.

—California will have an olive oil factory in the Agricultural building. Eleven counties of the Sacramento Valley will combine their fruit exhibits in a solid parallelogram in the big building.

—Plans and specifications for the last steam-piping contract of the Exposition were completed yesterday. The contract provides for about $17,000 worth of pipe, and will be let February 18. The total value of the steam-piping at the Fair is $170,000.

PROVIDING FOR ANNEXATION.

Representative Howell's Bill Proposes to Add Part of Arizona.

Washington, Feb. 11. — Representative Howell of Utah, introduced a bill to-day providing that all that portion of Arizona Territory lying north and west of the center of the Colorado River shall be annexed to the State of Utah.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The American Exchange National Bank of this city, was closed by National Bank Examiner Josiah Van Vranken. Deposits are about $500,000. The officers of the bank declare that all depositors will be paid in full and that the stockholders' loss will be slight, if any. They expect to resume.

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