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Cundurango.

We have had the medical world agitated of late over cundurango. And when the medical world gets agitated, the old-fashioned notice in the almanacs is good, "*Expect great storms about this time.*"

Not only has the medical world been stirred over cundurango, but the Board of Health and the Medical association have gone to war, and, pestle and mortar! pills and lancet! but there be rows! There be wars and rumors o' wars, and Bliss follows Cox in a war of words wonderful in length and thundrous in sound.

And, first of all, what is cundurango? A pensive public wants to know what is cundurango? Well, we are informed that it is an herb of magic powers that has cured Colfax's wife's mother of a cancer. It is gathered in the heart of the Andes, and was discovered by an Indian woman who undertook to poison her husband with the bark. Now, by George! whether it is an herb or a bark we don't know. We rather incline to the belief that it is a bark. Well, bark let it be. This Indian female grew tired of her husband because he was dying of a cancer. Instead of going to Indiana or Chicago and securing a divorce, like a Christian female, she repaired to the woods to get the berry of cundurango to make a decoction that is a deadly poison, with which the simple natives kill dogs, unfaithful wives, and helpless husbands. Cundurango is to the heart of the Andes what our equity court is to us. Now it happened that this useful tree was not in berry, so the thoughtful wife took some of the bark, and making a tea of this, flavored it with spices, and taking it to Mr. Lo, told him to hurry up and drink so that he could go to his happy hunting grounds and take all his dogs with him. The poor Indian, but a good, obedient husband, meekly obeyed, and swallowed the advice and the decoction together. But, strange to say, instead of taking himself off as advised, the decoction went right to the spot and killed the cancer instead of the Indian. The thoughtful wife resumed her sale of beaded moccasins at the fashionable summer resorts in the heart of the Andes where our diplomatic representative, having nothing to do, passed his time in little games of seven-up or old sledge with the natives, heard of the wonderful cure of cancer, and immediately procured and sent home to Schuyler Colfax, through the State department, a ship load to cure his wife's mother.

Colfax's wife's mother is cured. This is a fixed fact, for Schuyler himself testifies thereto. And so Doctors Bliss and Cox have sent out another ship manned by diplomates for another load of cundurango, and the two are going into the business as cancer doctors, greatly to the disgust of all the old cancer doctors of the country, who cured cancers by "a laying on of hands" instead of cundurango, and much to the wrath of the regular people, who have no cundurango, and swear that they don't want any. Cox has been refused admission to the Medical Association, and Bliss has been turned out. And now the Medical Association has turned the matter into song, and all the meetings are opened and closed by a solemn chant like unto the following:

"Now Cox and Bliss, we let you know
That cure the people as you may,
That cundurango is no go,
Out in the cold then you must stay—
Singing—Cundurango, cundurango,
Cundurango as you may."

Symphony of powdered mortars and rattled bones.

(Resumed—)

"You're naught but cancer doctors now,
Our medicated backs we turn,
There's no use kicking up a row,
We thus old cundurango spurn,
Singing, &c."

There are sixteen more verses of this pleasing madrigal, but we reserve them for future use.—*Capital.*

SOCIAL GOSSIP.

Mrs. Wharton.

Our community was fearfully startled last week by an event that came home to one and all of our social world. We allude, of course, to the sudden death of old General Ketchum, the sickness of Col. Van Ness, and the charge of murder preferred against Mrs. Wharton, widow of the late Major Wharton of the regular army.

The people are not only known to the fashionable circles of the National Capital, but were noted personages. Only a few days since the corpulent General Ketchum, under his brown wig, grizzly whiskers and genial face might have been seen at any hour either walking or driving upon our avenue.

As for the lady charged with this horrible crime, she is well known to the best classes of both Washington and Baltimore, and was the last person in the world to be suspected of crime. Mrs. Wharton must be fifty-five or sixty years of age; of medium height and slender figure, she appeared comely for her age, and is probably younger in appearance than in fact. She is somewhat eccentric, made so probably by her late husband, who was exceedingly queer. We kvew him well while stationed at Baltimore during the late war. He was mustering officer at that post. Many amusing stories were told of his odd ways. He had his office extremely neat, the floor being polished every day, and those infernal abominations called spittoons carefully washed out and put in place. One day while swearing in a private, the man, in the midst of the oath, expectorated a quantity of tobacco over the floor. The Major stopped suddenly, and looked at the fellow with great severity.

"How dare you spit on my floor while I am administering the solemnity of an oath, eh?"

"I beg pardon, Captain, I forgot."

"Well, don't try it again or I'll kick you out. You solemnly swear—damn it—hold up your right hand," &c.

On another occasion, while administering the oath to a company in the street before his office, a wagon, drawn by four mules, came rattling along. The Major in the midst of the ceremony roared to his orderly, "Stop that wagon. Don't that damned fool see that I am engaged in administering an oath? Now, men, hold up your hands again. I'll begin once more."

Of course all sorts of wild rumors are in circulation concerning the event, and the poor woman is charged with more murders than are necessary to make a Borgia. A friend, a lady well acquainted with the family, writes us from Baltimore a letter not intended for publication, but from which we venture to take a few extracts. They read as follows:

"We were just setting down to tea when Mr. ——— said, 'another sudden death at Mrs. Wharton's.'

"We all, of course, asked the name, thinking it one of the family. You may judge of our surprise when Mr. ——— said that it was old General Ketchum.

"'Why, what is the matter with that house? asked Mrs. K. 'There must be some fatal malaria about it to kill people in such a strange way.'

"'You forget,' said Mr. ———, 'that only one death happened in the house she now occupies, so that the malaria must follow her.' He said this in a very peculiar way. It made us look up, and there was a long pause. We had not then heard, of course, the slightest intimation of anything wrong. Mr. ———'s long practice at the bar, however, gave him opportunities to judge, we could not have of course. Mrs. ———, one of Mrs. Wharton's oldest friends, caught at and took it up immediately. But Mr. ——— would not utter another word on the subject.

"The next thing we heard was the charge of murder and the arrest. Mrs. ———, who was exceedingly grieved and excited, drove to see Mrs. Wharton. She had some difficulty in getting in, but when she did, Mrs. Wharton received her with great composure. Her daughter was nearly dead with fright and grief. Will you believe it, Mrs. W. spoke only of the annoyance the delay would cause her, as she was all packed up preparatory to a trip to Europe. Mrs. ——— believes this to be unmistakable evidence of innocence. It looks to me like insanity.—Her poor, dear girl, wringing her helpless hands and moaning as if her heart would break, was enough to move the mother, even if she were innocent. And heaven knows I hope that she is. But there are so many stories afloat one does not know what to believe. It is said that General K. came over to collect a note, and now the note cannot be found nor the money either.—And then the tartar emetic was used because she could purchase that without suspicion, while other poisons could be had only on prescription.

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The plows were taken to the field at half past two P. M., the following gentlemen acting as judges: F. W. Eppes, J. B. Williams, Robert Scott, Jas. S. Gilliam, Wm. T. Christian, Richard Eppes, Dr. Darring, Sidney Graves, Walton Sydnor, F. C. Williams, G. N. Seay, and J. M. Hurt. Mr. S. Graves and Walton Sydnor were the principal plowmen. Mr. W. Sidnor working the Watt plow, and S. Graves the Dixie—both of whom handled them with masterly skill and success.

Those entered were the Dixie two-horse right and left-hand plows, and the Watt two-horse left hand. Soon after the trial commenced, the beam of the Dixie right-hand broke in two and was laid aside, the contest being narrowed to the Watt left-hand and Dixie right-hand. The soil first selected was a stubble loam without soil; but as the plows were new, and did not turn in consequence of the roughness of the castings, after a short trial it was decided to take them into another field where the soil was a well-trodden, tenacious clay, with a timothy sod covered with vegetation and with straw. The plows here performed their work admirably, cutting and turning without choking.

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J. M. HURT, Secretary.

I certify that the above was sent to the Richmond "Whig" for publication by myself; that I am not acquainted with Mr. Starke; that he had never seen the paper and knew nothing of its contents, and was in no wise a party to the trial of the plows alluded to.

January 7, 1871. J. M. HURT.

We, the judges in the "Plow Trial," on the farm of Mr. F. C. Williams, published in the "Whig," hereby certify that it was directed to be sent to that journal as a communication by the judges who made the award.

J. M. HURT,
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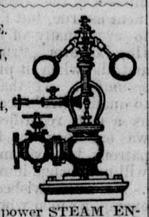

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