

MR. PETERKIN.

Made up His Mind Time was Ripe for Inaugurating Great Aeroplane Industry and Then Got Men of Money Interested in His Project.

"When you see expensive offices opened on Fifth avenue with mahogany furniture, blue rugs and all that sort of things when you see such men as Vanderbilt, Gould, Belmont and Ryan on the directorate of a million dollar aeroplane company, it's a pretty good sign to me that this flying machine business is no joke."

This was the colloquy of a veteran broker in Wall street last Wednesday morning when he read the announcement of a big syndicate to manufacture the Wright brothers aeroplane.

One year ago the prediction that America's leading capitalists might soon be financing a great flying machine syndicate would have been considered ludicrous—just as absurd, perhaps, as was the statement of one of these capitalists the other day that within a year he expected to be making aeroplane trips between New York and Philadelphia.

It all shows the magical progress human flight has made recently, and what is doubtless of greater interest, it shows that the clear headed captains of finance are convinced that air navigation is practical, and that they are willing to bet their convictions with hard cash, and plenty of it.

The genius of the Wright brothers, of course, shines out through the whole story. They were the discoverers. It was their skill, courage and perseverance that made mechanical flight possible. But the other day, when a group of America's wealthiest men came together down in the financial district to give existence to the big syndicate, it transpired that another genius had entered the field and gave promise of playing a very prominent part in the future history of the flying machine.

He stood over in the corner of De Nancy Nicoll's law office when the first story was given out and occasionally put in a word. He seemed to know a great deal about the big enterprise. Some of those who present took him for a bright young reporter. Others thought he was one of Mr. Nicoll's clerks. Then somebody asked Mr. Nicoll who the young man was.

"His name is Clinton R. Peterkin," said Mr. Nicoll. "I believe he organized the syndicate."

The Mr. Peterkin was asked to tell something about himself, but he modestly declined. He said there wasn't anything of interest to tell that occurred to him at the moment. If he thought anything later he would be glad to oblige.

Pressed further to tell the story of this rather extraordinary enterprise, he said:

"I don't want to seem mysterious about a thing that has no mystery in it. I made up my mind four years ago, after reading an article about the Wright brothers, that they had made a great discovery and that flying machines would one day become practical. Then I forgot all about it until a few weeks ago, when I concluded that the time had come when the world was ready for these machines. I got it into my head that I would like to manufacture them. I didn't have the money to do it on a big scale, and so I asked the men who have a plenty of it to take hold of the thing. They did. That's all there is to it."

Mr. Peterkin's reticence about himself even extends to the withholding of his own age. In appearance he is about twenty-five, but he declares that he is much older. He says he has operated mines in Mexico, ranches in Dakota, orange fields in Florida.

"I have been pretty busy for the last twelve or fifteen years," he said, "but I have never been interested in anything so much as I am in the development of this great invention."

A Nation-wide Question.

The majority report in favor of the Weeks national forest bill, among other things, says: Years ago the original states of the east obtained by purchase and cession a great national domain in the western States. Out of this domain many of the states of the west were carved and endowed with all the rights of the original thirteen. To their development the older states contributed by liberal legislation, investments, and by the initiation of great national improvement enterprises for which the whole country, not the new states alone, contributed the funds. Finally, for the good of the whole, for the protection and welfare of the future of this western country, the nation took out of the market millions of acres of its lands, gave up its expectation of returns to the amount of over \$400,000,000, in which all would have shared, in order that beneficent forests might be maintained in perpetuity in the western mountains, that a supply of timber might be assured for all time to the people of these states, and that the necessary flow of their streams might be maintained.

In the meanwhile, the crowding of civilization, the insistent demands of the market, the pressure of southern and eastern handings and the ravages of fire had been devastating the southern and eastern mountains, which had passed into private ownership long before it was realized that there could ever come a time when the necessity of conserving the natural resources of this rich country would become an issue of supreme importance alike to the present and the future. Not only was the timber supply threatened with exhaustion, but the flow of numerous rivers, whose waterpowers furnish so much of wealth and employment, was in jeopardy, and, through erosion, silt, and irregular flow, the navigability of many of them was endangered. The plea of the people of the northeast and southeast for relief was brought to Congress more than a decade ago, and is now before Congress in this bill.

Along with the national irrigation work of the west, the hundred and ninety-million acres of national forests in that same southern and eastern mountains is a national duty which neither in equity nor wisdom this Congress can longer shirk.

What to Do in an Emergency.

When an accident occurs there are certain things that may be done that will prevent the injury from becoming greater while waiting for the doctor. An inexperienced worker should not try to remove the patient unless it is imperative, or unless the weather is a cause of discomfort or danger; but even when moving is unavoidable, do not move the injured person further than is absolutely necessary. Such aid as can be given should be given as quickly as possible so that moving may not aggravate the trouble. Then lift the patient upon anything on which he may be placed in a flat position, first throwing over the improvised litter something soft. When it is possible to have two or three assistants for this moving one should devote his attention to protecting the wounded part.

In case of an accident from fire the most important thing to remember is that the air must be excluded from the burnt surface. In wounds of every description cleanliness is one of the healing factors; but in a burn the wound may be irritated by pulling away anything that may seem to be sticking to it. If any foreign substances, such as bits of clothing, should seem to simply be lying on the wound, they may be carefully picked off. If there are blisters they must be pricked immediately, and the water from them absorbed by old linen. Then the wound should be covered with sweet oil, vaseline, or any pure oil or ointment, and a cloth saturated with oil laid over it. Or one may use molasses, or the white of an egg, or dust flour over the surface.

One of the best remedies for such emergencies is "carron-oil," which is made by stirring equal parts of lime-water and linseed oil into a thick paste.

A burn from grease or oil should be treated as an ordinary burn. One from an acid should be washed with warm water, or, if it is possible to get baking soda or common washing soda, pour a little of it into the water and wash the wound with the solution. The object is to remove any of the acid that has not eaten into the wound. Then the wound should be dressed with oil.

Many persons die from shock whose burns are not fatal, consequently the patient should have absolute rest. Loosen the clothing, and give stimulants in small doses, or hot coffee, hot milk—anything that is warm and nourishing. Keep the patient comfortably warm, applying hot-water bottles if the limbs seem cold. When coffee is used it should be made very strong, and given without cream or sugar.

An ordinary cut will stop bleeding upon the application of hot water or ice. If the blood shows signs of drying let it remain, as nothing will stop bleeding more effectively.

If blood spurts from a cut it is evidence that either a vein or an artery has been severed. In that case take the patient to a hospital or to a doctor. If the blood shows signs of drying let it remain, as nothing will stop bleeding more effectively.

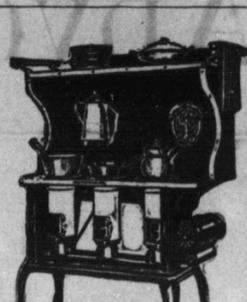
Routing the White Plague. The state of Iowa has hired a preacher for the past four years to do nothing but travel around and tell the people to stay at home, work little, eat plenty of raw eggs and not worry. It has organized the most extensive "Cheer Up" system ever perfected. It urges every citizen to wear the smile "that won't come off" and to take no heed of a possible tomorrow of suffering misery or death.

Now when the preacher takes a flying trip to other parts of the country: Colorado, New Mexico, Texas and similarly famous health resorts. Every time he returns more firmly convinced of the merit of the work he is carrying on, and more eloquent in his exhortations to do little, breathe plenty of fresh air and eat plenty of wholesome food. Last summer he visited Colorado Springs and El Paso and came face to face with the hectic-cheeked exiles from home, who wearily asked him for the latest word from loved ones and dolorously coughed their way down the street, shunned of all the native-born.

"Don't don't let them continue to come out here for treatment and to die of homesickness," urged town after town. "It's the separation from home and loved ones that is killing them, rather than the consumption. It's the breaking up of the established habits, the tearing of life out by the very roots that is making the cheek redder and the cough more racking. Three-fifths of those who come here as 'lungers' go back home as corpses. While they keep soul and body together their life is miserable. We can't take them into our homes, they are 'unclean.' They are strangers in a strange land, exiles if there ever were any. They live apart until finally the homesickness and the change do the work and the fight is over. If you have any of the milk of human kindness left in your body keep your white plague victims at home where they can either be cured or die in comfort. We don't want them and can do nothing for them."—From "To Get Well at Home," in June Technical World Magazine.

Jellied Eggs. Fill empty egg shells with a blanching, and when chilled break off the shells. Have ready liquid jelly made from 1/2 box of granulated gelatine soaked in 1/2 pint of cold water until softened; add 1/2 pint of boiling water, 1/2 pint of sugar; stir until gelatine is dissolved; then add 1/2 pint orange juice and the juice of 1 large lemon. Strain through a cloth into egg cups or other individual molds until 1/2 full and then chill; then, with a teaspoon heated in hot water, form a cavity in the centre of each cup large enough to allow a blanching egg to stand upright; fill the mold with jelly liquid, molding that removed from the cups also. Let stand in cold place to become firm. When ready to use, stand the molds in hot water until gelatine loosens from the sides, turn upside down on a chilled plate, and surround with whipped cream or a boiled custard sauce.—Boston Post.

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Man's lot is too hard and woman's too easy in America, according to Mrs. Newell Dwight Hillis, wife of the pastor of famous Plymouth Church, Brooklyn.

There's a reason for this, and Mrs. Hillis, in an interview recently gave some of the causes for this condition and their remedies.

"Modern methods," said Mrs. Hillis, "have so changed the conditions in the home that our women have too much leisure. Which all do not use wisely. Prepared foods, gas stoves and the many labor saving devices, ready made clothing and numerous other so-called conveniences make life very easy for a woman."

"With small families, another unfortunate phase of modern life, women are so little in their homes that the old-fashioned customs have largely disappeared. The quiet hours when a mother and her daughter would be together under former conditions, interrupted by telephones, have passed away. It is little wonder that American girls are high-strung, nervous and frequently on the verge of hysterics."

"I am glad to see a growing propensity among the young women to go in for athletics, as a sound body means a sound brain, bringing both a material and a spiritual uplift. As a matter of fact, the coming women seem likely to become Amazons, while the men, chained to their desks, are growing smaller."

"Our girls must be educated so that they may lead more useful lives. Of course they should learn to cook and all of those other housewifely duties for which woman is vastly better fitted than to engage in business unless necessity compels them to, for then they are competitors, not helpers of men."

"The club idea has been much overdone. Some one recently proposed a club to prevent the forming of more women's clubs. Certainly the woman who is a member of a dozen or more women's clubs is indulging in club intoxication and should have a retreat provided for her."

"She is a rare woman in these days who knows how to cook well enough to be willing to risk the humiliation of family criticism. Women telephone for things nowadays. There have never before existed in the history of the world women who have had such freedom from responsibility as the American woman. It is not true of the men. Intense competition has made their life harder. The chivalry of American men has been on the wane. We have gloried in it. But it is a question as to whether it can last much longer. Why should it?"

"In the feudal days it was necessary for the man to protect the woman, but a six foot captain of a girl's basketball team laughs at a frail youth who would protect her."

"What shall we do? Be men? No! There is a steady march of progress and it is for women to ascertain their capabilities. There are some duties of citizenship which they can exercise. Let young women make as their debt of work of life, citizenship. Here is a special sphere for young women coming out of college. Rise to your opportunity."

There are lots of frivolous women in the world, but I believe those with a serious purpose in life are in the great majority. For this reason, I am hopeful of the future of American womanhood. I have taken no stand on the question of votes for women. I don't believe in worrying about that now. There is plenty of real work close at hand for all that are willing to do it.

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