

RHEUMATISM

A Demon of Pain



Rheumatism seems to take a fiendish delight in torturing its victims. No mode of punishment ever invented by man, or practiced by devil-possessed savage, has caused more bodily suffering, such deep, racking pains, as this pitiless disease. Rheumatism leaves in its trail distorted muscles, crooked and misshapen joints and limbs, and the intense pain and agony endured is reflected in the haggard and furrowed countenance of the sufferer. Rheumatism makes us grow old and decrepid before our time, and many an one in the full vigor of manhood has been suddenly

stricken by this ruthless disease, and made almost as helpless and dependent as an infant.

Chained to the invalid's chair or hobbling about on crutches, and continually tormented with pain, the patient in desperation resorts to the use of opiates, which deaden the pain but lead to ruinous habits. There is no disease so aggressive and stubborn as Rheumatism after it becomes well entrenched or fixed in the system, and no liniment or other external application can check it or do any permanent good. Rheumatism is not due to outside influences or causes, but is a constitutional disease, an internal inflammation produced by a too acid condition of the blood. Waste matter that should have been cast out of the body is retained, fermentation takes place, Uric, Lactic and other acids form and are absorbed into the blood, and as it circulates through the system every joint, membrane, tissue and nerve is saturated with these corrosive, irritating acids; when exposure to cold and damp or a spell of indigestion will bring on a fierce attack that almost takes the breath by its suddenness and severity. The parts affected become inflamed and swollen, and every movement is attended with pains that seem to cut like a knife into the tender flesh and nerves. After Rheumatism becomes chronic there is always a soreness and weakness of the back and dull throbbing pains in the muscles and joints and an ever increasing stiffness of the limbs. This Demon of Pain attacks the old and young, the strong and the weak—no one is exempt, but from middle life to old age is the time when its assaults become most frequent and severe. At this period the vital energies begin to wane, the blood grows weak and thin, and is easily chilled, the circulation becomes uncertain and slow and there is scarcely a moment's freedom from pain in some part of the body.

The treatment of Rheumatism must be internal; some remedy that can reach and neutralize the poisonous acids and cleanse the circulation. S. S. S., a purely vegetable medicine, acts promptly and surely in all Rheumatic cases, purifying and invigorating the impoverished blood, eradicating all impurities from the system, and sending a stream of rich new blood to wash out the irritating particles that are causing the inflammation and pains. In chronic cases, or those developing late in life, S. S. S. is especially effective; it warms and enriches the blood, restores nervous energy and stimulates the failing organs, improves the appetite and digestion, and fortifies the system against the tortures of Rheumatism. Alkalies, Potash and mineral remedies have an opposite effect, destroying the delicate lining of the stomach and often permanently impairing the constitution. S. S. S. is guaranteed entirely vegetable, and a specific in all Rheumatic troubles. Our Physicians will gladly advise, without charge, all who write them about their case, and we will mail free our special book on Rheumatism

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Week in Society

It is very evident that the ladies of the Astoria Public Library have in view giving the Astoria public some more genuine fun, and at the same time assist one of the most deserving causes in the city.

The secretary of the Bachelor's Club is in receipt of the following letter: Oklahoma, Feb. 14, 1902.—To our dear Bachelor Friends of Astoria: At the last regular meeting of the Spinster's Club, your letter, urgently requesting our speedy return to Astoria, was read. The enthusiasm with which it was received is beyond the power of my pen to express. The tender-hearted, sympathetic, clinging maidens finding it no longer possible to turn a deaf ear to your earnest appeal, and propose to return at an early date. A motion was duly made, seconded and thirded that our annual convention be held in Astoria, at Fisher's opera house, Friday evening, April 4, 1902. The motion was unanimously carried, amid expressions of great joy. It may be well, dear bachelors, to inform you now that the following dear sisters are taken: Ophelia Arvilla Pitkin is now Countess Ketchum; Rachel Rebecca Short is Mrs. Malaprop; Jessie Juliet Smith is Mrs. Lauderstadt; and Anastasia Melissa Higgins is Mrs. Afraid-of-His-Face; they are anxious to introduce their husbands to their Astoria friends.

In happy anticipation of our meeting, I remain as ever, sympathetically and obligingly,

JEMIMA ANN HIGHFLYER, Secretary.

P. S., No. 1—Patience Desire Mann sends her love to G. McB.; if he should be dead, give it to B. O.

P. S., No. 2—Please let me know if S. S. G. and G. O. M. have paid their arrears to the Old Maids' Home.

The Women's Club at its meeting at Page's Hall yesterday afternoon was an entirely woman's affair although Hon. Harrison Allen entertained the ladies, in his happiest vein, in an address on "Woman." He treated the subject from a chivalrous standpoint and idealized the sex from the creation of Eve to the grand women whom he addressed. In speaking of the early struggles of women to become more than man's slave, he said: "In spite, however, of her legal and social status in olden times, the pages of history fairly glow with the name and fame of women. She has swayed the greatest minds, dulled the sharpest swords and will until she has made and unmade empires." After picturing the lives of some of the greatest women in history he concluded by saying: "Man is but

half a man until he is married, and then he is the poorer half of a good woman. It is also said that a woman loves mysteries.' Perhaps that is why she loves man. Man too, is mysterious, for he never understands woman as she understands him. He yet has enough of the original Adam in his make up, which has also permeated society, to expect woman to be perfect, himself to be semi-perfect. Society calls him good when he is but half good. Not so with woman. Man may rise or fall with the tide. Woman may fall but once never to rise again. Her example tends to soften man and make him better. She stands between the world and sin. She is man's balance wheel. She may, God bless her, have been fashioned from man's rib, but it was the best rib he had."

A delightful luncheon was given on Thursday evening at the Methodist parsonage by four ladies of the Ladies Aid Society, for financial purposes. The table was a dainty and delicious treat, though not patronized extensively enough to serve the intended purpose. After the luncheon a charming program was rendered, those participating being the Misses Laura Fox, Nellie Bussey, Anna Nowlen, Mary Whiddy and Carrie Bosworth, and the mandolin club, composed of Messrs. Schroder, Hansen, Agren and Johnson.

Mrs. V. Marlen is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Noland. Mrs. Marlen will leave in a few weeks for her new home at Point Roberts, Wash. She was the guest of honor at a number of quiet card parties during the past two weeks.

Mrs. F. P. Kendall writes from Oakland, California, that she misses her Astoria friends very much. Mr. and Mrs. Kendall and family expect to spend next summer's vacation at Seaside.

Mrs. D. K. Warren came over from Warrenton yesterday to attend the meeting of the Woman's Club, and was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Higgins.

Mrs. Willard Smith entertained a number of her friends on Friday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Chutter and Dr. and Mrs. August C. Kinney are among those who have taken apartments at the new Cole house.

The Reading Club met at the residence of Mrs. Ammon Taylor last Monday evening.

The Friday Club met at the residence of Mrs. E. A. Taylor last week. A lit-

erary program of much interest was rendered.

Mrs. G. B. Hegardt, of Fort Stevens, was in the city yesterday.

Captain M. E. Cloke, of Fort Stevens, was in the city yesterday.

The Thursday Afternoon Club was entertained by Miss Lottie Bennett.

STATE DEPARTMENT UNDECIDED

Washington State Officials Have Not Yet Formed Plans for Action on Merger Proposition.

While Attorney General Stratton, of the state of Washington, was only paying Astoria a visit yesterday on legal business of a private nature he was not averse to talking about the attitude of the state of Washington on the question of merger involved in the case of the consolidation of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroad companies. He states that the position of the state of Washington is entirely different from that of the state of Minnesota, in the fact that the two corporations are non-resident corporations of the state of Washington.

As he understood the matter from the papers under the recent decision of the United States supreme court that court held that it had no jurisdiction in the case from the fact that the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroad companies were necessary parties to the suit and they were not made parties; and should they have been made parties then the court would still have had no jurisdiction from the fact that one of the corporations was a resident corporation of the state of Minnesota and this confined the jurisdiction of the case to the courts of that state.

He says that the constitution of the state of Washington covers the case of forming trusts like a blanket, and that if this particular case had been in the minds of the framers of the constitution at the time they could not have more completely covered it. But speaking of the action of the state department in the matter, Mr. Stratton said that no plans had yet been formed for action and that procedure even was not yet certain. The action brought by the United States attorney-general recently against the Northern Securities Company and the Great Northern and Northern Pacific might possibly settle the whole matter. In that case the proper authority had acted and the proper parties are before the court and the outcome will probably adjust the matter permanently.

"Still," continued the attorney general, "at the recent meeting of the

representatives of the five states—Minnesota, South Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Washington—we pledged ourselves to do all in our power in the matter to avert the formation of a trust that would injure the growth and prosperity of the great Northwest. And, under that promise it might be considered the duty of one of the representatives of the state in the best position to make the fight, if called upon, to do so. But there are great hopes that the matter will be settled permanently in the case now pending by the government against the combination known as the trust."

Upon being questioned as to the effects of the Humes' victory in the recent municipal election at Seattle on the senatorial fight, Mr. Stratton had but little to say. He was certain, however, that the victory was not antagonistic to the interests of Mr. Preston for the senate. The night before the election, after Mayor Humes had delivered an address to a large audience, Mr. Preston arose and endorsed the entire Humes' ticket and begged his friends to support it.

The senatorial results will be an uncertain quantity. Seattle is evidently for Preston, overwhelmingly. But Tacoma is always against Seattle. She would rather see an Eastern Washington man in than a Seattle man. On the other hand, John L. Wilson would rather see a Seattle man in than any one except John L. Wilson. Ankeny would also rather see a Seattle man in than Wilson, and if he cannot get the senatorship himself then he will fight Wilson with the next most available man. With this three-cornered fight the odds seem to be in favor of Preston, of Seattle.

WILL COME TO WALLA WALLA.

Montana Baseball Club Will Come to Walla Walla to Practice.

BUTTE, Mont., March 3.—A special to the Miner from Helena says the Helena baseball club will go to Walla Walla for practice before opening the season. The club will leave Helena for Walla Walla, April 5 or 9.

MAN—VAIN MAN.

He laughs at women's soda-fountain habit—and keeps the drugist busy handing out cigars to him.

He tells funny stories about how a woman drives a horse—and steers his automobile up a telegraph pole.

He writes cards to the papers against problem plays—and swears at the ticket window if he cannot get a front seat when the ballet comes to town.

He loves to tell of the splendid exercise of sawing wood—but he is willing to pay another man to enjoy the exercise.

He picks flaws in the lectures of eminent scientists and discovers monumental wisdom in theblings of his baby.

He is not a seeker after public honor—but he is always on hand an hour ahead of time when he is one of 200 vice-presidents at a political meeting.

When Wheeler of Kentucky was roaring about "truculent sycophancy" he without doubt had in mind the term "truckle," between which and and the word he used there is no relation except that both appear in the dictionary.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK AT ASTORIA

In the State of Oregon, at the close of business, February 25th, 1902:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts, \$242,432.82

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 1,464.78

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 12,500.00

Stocks, securities, etc., 115,011.74

Other real estate owned, 6,160.45

Due from National Banks (not reserve agents), 5,173.99

Due from State Banks and Bankers, 39,192.68

Due from approved reserve agents, 98,237.39

Internal Revenue Stamps, 120.00

Checks and other cash items, 448.53

Notes of other National Banks, 115.60

Nickels and cents, 93.62

Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:

Specie, \$103,200.00

Legal-tender notes, 450.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation), 825.00

Total, \$625,367.00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in, 50,000.00

Surplus fund, 25,990.00

Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, 39,941.27

National Bank notes outstanding deposits, 12,500.00

Individual deposits, subject to check \$400,512.09

Demand certificates of deposit, 104,413.64

Certified checks, 2,060.00

Total, \$625,367.00

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss: I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: G. C. FLAVEL, JACOB KAMM, W. F. McCREGOR, Directors.

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NOTICE.

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VIA GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY

A Kansas street car official has been fined \$50 for having dismissed an employe for no other reason than that the latter belonged to a union. It does seem that a thoughtful employer would have waited for a better reason.

Philadelphia Ledger: The tariff men in congress would feel better if they could pass a law to prohibit haddock from importing dynamite into the debate.

Canadians have reached the conclusion that the Chinese immigrant is not wanted. The plan of receiving him and shoving him along to the United States is not popular any more.

During the twenty-two years on the New York police force Duvrey earned \$50,000. out of which he saved over \$500,000 to invest in real estate. His wife probably did her own washing. —Chicago Tribune.

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