

A Sensitive Woman.

The following is told of a resident of Iowa: "The case of Mrs. E. Winship, who resides in Shell Rock, is a remarkable one. The slightest odor of tobacco, ether, chloroform, turpentine, benzine, kerosene or prussic acid will, if she inhales it, throw her into violent convulsions. So sensitive is she to the effect that she is obliged to shut herself wholly in a room by herself. These convulsions increase in severity at each repetition, and a few days since a man entered the house with a piece of tobacco in his mouth before the family were aware of it, and, although the rooms were thoroughly ventilated by leaving the doors and windows open, enough of the odor of tobacco remained to produce these convulsions when Mrs. Winship came into the room, and for some hours it was thought she would not recover. Extraordinary precautions are used to prevent those who use tobacco from going into the house.

SPRINGING OUT OF BED.—Dr. Hall does not approve of the old doctrine which was formerly instilled into the minds of children—that they should spring out of bed the instant they awake in the morning. He says that "up to eighteen years every child should be allowed ten hours sleep, but time should be allowed to rest in bed, after the sleep is over, until they feel as if they had rather get up than not. It is a very great mistake for persons, old or young—especially children and feeble or sedentary persons—to bounce out of bed the moment they wake up; all our instincts shrink from it, and fiercely kick against it. Fifteen or twenty minutes spent in gradually waking up, after the eyes are opened, and in turning over and stretching the limbs, do as much good as sound sleep, because the operations set the blood in motion by degrees, tending to equalize the circulation; for during sleep the blood tends to stagnation, the heart beats feebly and slowly, and to shock the system by bouncing up in an instant and sending the blood in overwhelming quantities to the heart, causing it to assume a gallop, where the instant before it was in a creep, is the greatest absurdity. This instantaneous bouncing out of bed as soon as the eyes are open will be followed by weariness long before noon.

A WIFE'S VIEW OF DUELING.—Smith has had a scene at the club with another gentleman of a peppery disposition; blows and cards have been exchanged, a duel has been agreed upon, and he returns to break the news to his wife.

"Miserable man!" she cries in an excess of emotion, "would you go forth to fight and be brought back to me all shot full of bullet holes and having your life-blood all spilled over the carpet? What would become of me if you were killed? The light of my life would be quenched in rayless gloom, and I would be reduced to want and misery, because all this fortune belongs to you, and as you have made no will, when you are killed all the property will go to those miserable brats of nephews."

"Hold!" cries the husband. "Do not accuse me wrongfully. I have thought of every contingency, and arranged to secure your happiness. Should I fall all my property will become yours. See! here is my will, duly signed, sealed, and delivered!"

The young wife seizes it, runs it through, and finds he has left everything to her. "Go!" she exclaims; "avenge this foul calumny, or never again dare to address me as your wife!"

When Goethe says that in every human condition lies in wait for us, "invincible only by cheerfulness and equanimity," he does not mean that we can at all times be really cheerful, or at a moment's notice, but that the endeavor to look at the better side of things will produce the habit, and that this habit is the surest safeguard against the danger of sudden evils.—Leigh Hunt.

CHOCOLATE CARAMELS.—Two pounds sugar, one and a half cups grated chocolate, three great spoonfuls butter, one cup cream; bring to a boil over a clear fire before the chocolate is added. When about half done put in the chocolate and boil till the syrup is brittle; drop a little in water to know when done; then pour in pans, and when almost cold cut in squares and diamonds.

The famous canvas-back ducks of Chesapeake bay derive their peculiar flavor from the wild celery on which they feed, and a poultry-raiser, taking a hint from the fact, has tried feeding garden celery to domestic ducks for a week or two before killing them, with the result of greatly improving their flavor.

A new discovery in telegraphy is said to have been made by a Belgian officer, by which communication will be rendered quite possible for all the inhabitants of a besieged town after all the wires are cut.

The emigrating instinct of John Chinaman, suppressed so long and developed recently with such remarkable force, has at last found a welcome response. Kicked, cuffed and despised, both in California and Australia, the Chinese are welcomed in Peru. There are now 70,000 of them in that country, and the Government have engaged steamers to bring more. They intermarry, it is said, with the lower classes of whites, and are accorded the full rights of citizenship. The two races agree and get along comfortably.

SECRETARY SHERMAN is of the opinion that the tax on tea and coffee should be restored. Experience has shown that the chief advantage of a free breakfast table has accrued to China and Japan, and that while, by the removal of the duty, the Government has lost a revenue of \$19,000,000, consumers have gained but a very slight benefit.

CITIZENS of Idaho are petitioning congress for the construction of a military road from Fort Boise to Lapwal. They recite that a road between the points across the Salmon river country would have enabled last summer a concentration of forces which would have ended the Nez Percos war quickly.

THERE were only 64,000 arrivals of immigrants at New York during the past year—a falling off of about 20,000 as compared with the preceding year. This is no doubt owing to the "hard times" which are as severe in Great Britain and throughout Continental Europe as in this country.

MERCHANTS in Troy, N. Y., are making a turn in silver on their own account. They have purchased Mexican dollars in New York at the rate of 90 cents to the dollar, and are paying them to their employes at their face value, pocketing 10 per cent. by the operation.

THE Vicksburg Herald says: "Common laborers are now earning in this State and in Louisiana from \$50 to \$75 per month, yet we are constantly hearing of starvation and strikes in the North. Laborers, come South."

The Northwestern Railroad Company is offering unusual inducements to married men to locate along the line of that road. It has just paid a Mr. W. P. Cotter \$3,000 whose wife was thrown under a freight train recently and killed.

A Chicago man has married three sisters, and all are living. He took them in the order of their ages, living with each about a year, and then obtained a divorce. There are three more sisters left.

In the Palmer house Chicago, a "beat" who had been living lavishly there for a week, was compelled to stand at the entrance to the dining room while a clerk explained his case to the guests.

Gold fish originally came from China, and were first known in England in the year 1691, but were not considered a curiosity until 1728, when they began to multiply and become domesticated.

George Macdonald, the novelist, has been awarded a pension of \$500 a year on the British Civil List.

Ding, ding, ding! The Virginians say that the saloon bell-punch is a noisy nuisance.

The United States now exports toys to Europe. A million dollars worth were sent in 1877.

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