

**Useful Indian Lore.**

"People out West," observed a Kansas Congressman, "have learned a number of things from the Indians, and many of them are of value. Probably the most valuable has been in the matter of cyclones. We have learned that whenever a city or town was built on the site of an old Indian settlement, it has been free from any of the cyclones which have now and then come along in the Western country. How the Indians were observant and smart enough to select sites for settlement which have always escaped cyclones is more than we have been able to learn by study or investigation, but the fact remains that the towns or cities on original Indian settlements are cyclone-proof. These towns which are located thus fortunately use their Indian origin as an advertisement and a guarantee for settlement. Thus lots in an original Indian settlement town are sold for a higher price and are in greater demand than in towns laid out by white men. It is rather rough on our intelligence, but it is dollars to pennies that it is right. The cyclone insurance companies will insure a policy on houses in an Indian settlement town for one-third the prices they charge for similar policies in other sections. They have found that it pays them better to issue the low-rate policies than other policies at the higher rate."

**Auctions in Japan.**

There is little chance for fraud or complaint in the matter of conducting auction sales in Japan. Although there is not nearly so many sales held there as in this country, officials of the cities have a way of conducting them much similar to our method of voting.

When an auction is to take place, the goods or property is advertised for two weeks ahead. On the day of the sale each bidder writes his name and address and the amount of his bid for each lot on a slip of paper, which he carefully places in a box. When all the bids are in the auctioneer opens the box in the presence of the spectators, and, after examining, all the goods are declared the property of the highest bidder. By this system the American custom of owners bidding in property on goods would almost entirely disappear.

There's a heap of home talent in a loaf of good bread.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. \$2 trial bottle and treatise free. Dr. R. H. KLINE, L.L.M., 361 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

The man who is for sale soon becomes awfully shopworn.

J. S. Parker, Fredonia, N. Y., says: "I shall not call on you for the \$50 reward, for I believe Hall's Catarrh Cure will cure any case of catarrh. Was very bad." Write him for particulars. Sold by Druggists, 25c.

Fire and sword are but blow engines in comparison with the babber.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

It were better to clean some men's shoes than to stand in them.

Pico's Cure is the medicine to break up children's Coughs and Colds. Mrs. M. G. BLUNT, Sprague, Wash., March 8, 1894.

The readiest and surest way to get rid of censure is to correct ourselves.

**Health Strength**

Soon succeed weakness and languor when Hood's Sarsaparilla is taken to purify, enrich and vitalize the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla expels the germs, of scrofula, salt rheum and other poisons which cause so much suffering and sooner or later undermine the general health. It strengthens the system while it eradicates disease.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5.

**Hood's Pills** are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

**DRUNK**  
ARDS can be saved without their knowledge by Ayer's marvelous cure for the drunk habit. Write Rev. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass., or Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., 60 Broadway, N. Y. Full information (in plain wrapper) mailed free.

**WEIGHTY WORDS FOR Ayer's Sarsaparilla.**

**A 16-YEAR-OLD GIRL HAS NERVOUS PROSTRATION.**

The Revivifying Effects of a Proper Nerve Food Demonstrated. From the Era, Bradford, Pa.

Several months ago, Miss Cora Watrous, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mr. I. C. Watrous, a locomotive fireman, of 611 Clarion Street, Bradford, Penna., was seized with a nervous disorder, which threatened to end her life. The first symptom of the ailment was a loss of appetite. For some little time Miss Watrous had no desire to eat and complained of a feeling of extreme lassitude. This was followed by severe pains in the head. For three weeks the young lady was nearly crazed with a terrible headache and nothing could be procured to give her relief.

Finally, after trying numerous remedies, a physician was called and began treating the patient. He said the trouble was caused by impoverished blood, but after several weeks of his treatment the young lady's condition had not improved and the parents decided to procure the services of another physician. In the meantime Miss Watrous' nervousness had increased, the pains in her head had grown more severe and the sufferer's parents had almost given up hope of her recovery.

It was at this time that Mr. Watrous heard of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. He found that the pills were highly recommended for nervous disorders and concluded to give them a trial. A box of the pills was purchased and before they had all been taken there was a marked improvement in the girl's condition. After a half dozen boxes had been used, the young lady's appetite had returned, the pain in her head had ceased and she was stronger than at any time previous to her illness. Miss Watrous concluded that her cure was complete and left home for a visit to relatives in the grape country near Dunkirk, N. Y. She stopped taking the medicine and by over-exertion brought the ailment back again. As soon as the returning symptoms were felt, Miss Watrous secured another box of pills and the illness was soon driven away. She is now in better physical condition than she has been for years and declares that she owes her life to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mr. and Mrs. Watrous were interviewed by a reporter at their home on Clarion Street. Both are loud in their praise of Pink Pills. "My daughter's life was saved by the medicine," said Mrs. Watrous. "Her condition was almost hopeless when she commenced taking them, but now she is as strong and healthy as any one could be. I cannot recommend the medicine too highly."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effect of influenza, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness either in male or female. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

**Portable Houses.**

Among the luxuries of these days are portable houses. If you want to carry a comfortable dwelling with you when you are going to the Adirondacks, you can get one that will fold up like an umbrella; it is made of wood and wire net. For a summer home at the seashore you can procure a ready made house in sections, all ready to be put together. Really handsome cottages can be purchased in this way, and the railroad will deliver the structure complete, in pieces, on the lot where it is to be put up. Within a few hours you can move in and begin housekeeping, realizing in actual fact the story of Aladdin and his famous palace that grew like a mushroom in one night.

**In Honor of the Diamond Jubilee.**

Out of compliment to the diamond jubilee, royal purple is to be the popular tint for men's ties and cravats during the coming season in England. The favorite shape is to be a small bow, and the next a rather narrow scarf, very quiet patterns characterizing both, such as tiny white spots and stripes. There is a slight demand for Persian designs in purple silk, but it seems that the quiet patterns are to be the favorites. All the newest bows are decidedly smaller than those worn last year. Very many of them are in plain purple silk. Handkerchiefs are to be in royal purple to match the ties and scarfs. Some of them are white or cream color, with only the border in purple, which is relieved with small designs in white.

**WAISTS THAT ARE WORN.**

STYLISH VARIATIONS IN DESIGNS FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

**A Becoming French Blouse Waist for a Young Miss is Fashioned in Figured Barege, With Narrow Black Ribbon for Decoration—Ladies' Shirt Waists.**

May Manton describes this design as a stylish waist, fashioned in figured barege, showing a full vest and back guimpe of surah, suitable for a young



MISSES' FRENCH BLOUSE WAIST.

miss. Narrow black velvet ribbon provides the decoration, and a fine divided frill of lace finishes the neck. The foundation consists of a glove-fitted lining, with the usual number of seams and single bust darts entering into the adjustment. It closes invisibly at the centre-back. The becoming fullness of the vest or front is disposed in gathers at the neck edges and at the waist. The side-fronts, which are included in the shoulder and under-

waist can be made with permanent collar and cuffs if preferred. A soft tie of white surah finishes the neck, and the waist is encircled by a white leather belt closed with a handsome gilt buckle. The fronts have tucks arranged at yoke depth, and the closing is made at the centre-front through the applied box-plate that finishes the right edge. Under-arm gores are inserted, making the adjustment exceedingly trim.

The back is plaited and joined to the straight lower edge of a lining yoke; the handsome yoke, of material in newest design, being laid over the plaits and stitched on the curved edges. The fullness at the waist line is regulated in the front by gathers and at the neck by close overlapping plaits, the lower edges at the waist being worn under the dress skirt. The stylish sleeves are of the width that fashion dictates for the coming season; they are gathered at the top, and at the wrists finished with under and over-laps. The turn-down collar that finishes the neck is mounted on a high neck-band.

Percale, dimity, gingham, lawn, organdie, batiste, and wash silks are all suitable and light-weight taffetas in checks, plaids, stripes or changeable effects make pretty waists of this description.

To make this shirt waist for a lady in the medium size will require three and one-half yards of thirty-six-inch material.

**Feathers in Demand.**

Ostrich feathers are in great demand this season, and occasionally as many as twenty are used on one hat. Some of them are disposed to stand erect and others are disposed in various recumbent positions, falling over the brim and curling around the crown. Feather boas still maintain their popularity, and the approved size is long enough to wear on the shoulders and fasten at the waist.

**Summer Shoulder Cape.**

The special feature of the summer



LADIES' SHIRT WAIST WITH TUCKED FRONT.

arm seams, fit smoothly at the top, with the slight fullness at the waist laid in forward-turning plaits. Smooth under-arm gores separate the fronts from the backs, which are smooth at the top, where they are cut in low, rounding outline, showing a gathered yoke of surah above. At each side of the closing the backs have a slight fullness, arranged in close, overlapping plaits. The upper edges of the side-fronts are also rounded, presenting the guimpe effect that is a feature of the season's style and becoming to all youthful figures. The neck is completed by a standing band, surmounted by a full ruche of lace. The two-seamed sleeves have short puffs and are finished at the wrists in Venetian style.

Challes, cashmere, novelty and canvas weaves will make up prettily in combination with silk, surah, mouseline, chiffon or crepe-de-Chine, forming the vest and yoke back. The free edges may be trimmed with either ribbon, braid or passementerie.

To make this waist for a miss of fourteen years will require two and one-half yards of forty-four-inch material.

**A Variation in Ladies' Waists.**

Glaze silk showing white and violet was selected for the stylish waist depicted in the large illustration and described by May Manton as that making a decided variation from the regulation shirt waist. The white linen collar and cuffs are adjustable, but the

shoulder cape is the short full effect which gives it the appearance of an extended neck ruff. Transparent materials, such as grenadine, mousseline de soie, batiste, and net, accordion plaited very full, flourish in these garments, and jet and butter-colored lace figures largely in the trimming. The zouave jacket style of garment, with the full cape sleeves, ranks with the cape as good style, but it is not so useful owing to the inconvenience of putting it on and taking it off.

**The New Ascot.**

The Ascot tie is a fad among women. It looks very natty when worn with a tailor-made coat. The most stylish tie of this kind is made of striped or plaid Madras in a combination of brilliant colors. This gives dash to a dark wool gown. It is now as bad taste for a woman to wear a ready-made tie as for her brother, father or husband to do so. So, if she dons an Ascot, she has to go through the torture of learning to tie it properly, but the result is worth while.

**Stylish Bicycle Hat.**

A stylish bicycling hat has a sailor brim of Panama straw and a Tam-o'-Shanter crown of accordion-plaited canvas, and is trimmed with a band of black velvet, a rosette of turquoise blue satin, and two black quills.

Over 300 plays dealing with Napoleon I have been performed or printed in the last hundred years.

**POPULAR SCIENCE.**

It is well known that continued darkness has caused the vision of animals to become partially destroyed.

An English physician claims that regular daily traveling in railway cars has a hygienic value, and is especially beneficial in cases of gout.

A bee is never caught in the rain, and you will notice that ants, wasps and spiders will prepare their nests against the coming of a storm many hours in advance.

The frog cannot breathe with its mouth open, its breathing apparatus being so arranged as to exclude air at all times, except when the nostrils alone are working.

Size for size, a thread of spider's silk is decidedly tougher than one of steel. An ordinary thread will bear a weight of three grains. This is about fifty per cent. stronger than a steel thread of the same thickness.

It is estimated that twenty-two acres of land are necessary to sustain one man on fresh meat. The same space of land, if devoted to wheat culture, would feed 42 people; if to oats, 88, and if to potatoes and rice, 176 people.

The purest water in the world is said to be that of the small Swedish river Loka, which in one hundred thousand parts contains only .434 parts of mineral substances. The Thames, at London Bridge, contains in the same quantity of water from sixty-nine to seventy parts; the Seine; in Paris, twenty-three to twenty-four, and the River Jordan, 139 parts.

The Paris meteorologist, Professor Météorich, estimates the quantity of water turned into vapor by the sun in the Mediterranean Sea alone on a clear, hot summer day at not less than 5,280,000,000 tons. At that rate, the quantity of water taken from the entire globe on one hot day within the limits of the temperate and tropical zones would amount to not less than 245,000,000,000 tons.

Science News says that in several places in the Cape Colony and Orange Free State of South Africa caves have been explored which yielded hundreds of mummified remains of a queer species of six-fingered monkeys. All of the full-grown specimens of this remarkable race have the tail situated high up on the back—from three to five inches higher up than on the modern monkey—and other distinguishing marks, such as two sets of canine teeth, beards on the males, etc.

**Queen Victoria's Coronation Oath.**

"Queen Victoria's 'Coronation Roll'" is described in the Century by Florence Hayward, who copies from the official records the following oath signed and subscribed by the Queen on her coronation:

Archbishop: Madam, Is Your Majesty willing to take the Oath?  
The Queen: I am willing.  
Archbishop: Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the people of this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Dominions thereto belonging according to the statutes in Parliament agreed on and the respective Laws and Customs of the same?  
The Queen: I solemnly promise so to do.  
Archbishop: Will You to Your Power cause Law and Justice in Mercy to be executed in all Your Judgments?  
The Queen: I will.  
Archbishop: Will You to the utmost of your Power maintain the Laws of God, the true Profession of the Gospel, and the Protestant Reformed Religion established by Law? And will You maintain and preserve inviolably the Settlement of the United Church of England and Ireland and the Doctrine, Worship, Discipline, and Government thereof, as by Law established within England and Ireland and the Territories thereto belonging? And will You preserve unto the Bishops and Clergy of England and Ireland and to the Churches there Committed to their charge all such Rights and Privileges as by Law do or shall appertain to them or any of them?  
The Queen: All this I promise to do.  
The things which I have here before promised I will perform and keep.  
So help me God.  
Victoria R.

**Beefsteak at \$48 a Pound.**

The first beefsteak that ever reached Circle City, Alaska, sold for \$48 a pound a few weeks ago. The steak consisted of a ten-pound piece of beef that was slaughtered at Forty-Mile Creek and was packed at that place and shipped 230 miles to Circle City by Mr. Thomas O'Brien. When O'Brien reached the camp the miners turned out in a body to see the steak. It was put on exhibition, and it attracted much attention. Everybody wanted a piece of fresh meat, and the prices offered were amazing. It was finally decided to auction the steak off for the benefit of a hospital. At first only \$5 a pound was offered for a slice of the steak, but the bidding became brisker as the meat was sliced, and as high as \$35 per pound was offered. Finally, in order to avoid complications, it was decided to sell tickets at 50 cents to \$2.50 for the privilege of drawing for a slice, and \$480 worth of tickets were sold.

**Mahogany Railroad Cars.**

A new train for the Queen of six carriages is now in course of construction at Swindon, England, and its elaborate internal and external decoration is engrossing the attention of the most expert artists employed by the Great Western Railway. The only wood used is mahogany, and the doors of the Queen's carriage are so contrived as to allow the entrance of two attendants, one at either side of her majesty. It is also arranged that the approach to the royal saloon is to be on a level with the platform, so as to dispense with any necessity for steps.