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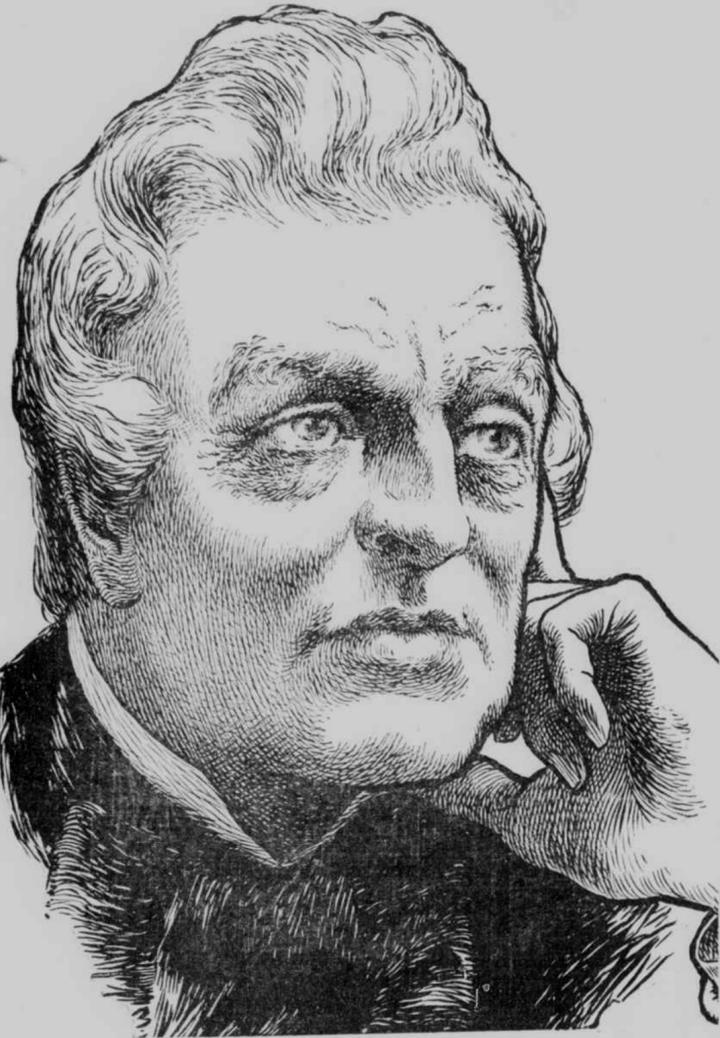
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Gives Each Heir A Portion Before Death.

Like a patriarch of old Edward H. Nash, of Westport, Conn., not entering his 91st year, expecting death and having an estate of \$700,000 to leave called his son and daughters to his bedside a few days ago and formally gave them their portions.

Mr. Nash, who has been ill since January, 1899, decided that his usefulness on earth was over. His mind is clear and he has an abiding faith in his judgment.

It is said by lawyers that he saved his heirs about \$40,000 in inheritance tax, which they must have paid had his fortune been distributed by will.

He made a will several years ago, and his provisions are unchanged by his recent action. Among those he consulted regarding his antemortem division was his nephew, former United States Treasurer Daniel N. Morgan and former Representative Levi Warner.

These, with his son and daughter, were summoned to his bedside and each child from the old man's hand received a transfer of an equal share. The heirs are Lloyd Nash, Margaret Slipper and Fanny Stearns, of Westport and Louise Robinson, of Troy, N. Y.

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Of woman's rule in politics
May we a sample see,
Through studying China's weird old
rite,
The Dowager Empress An?
The dungeon cell, the prison draft,
The knife or rope her plan
For dealing with her party foes,
This terrible Empress An!

Kwang Su is dead from knock-out
drugs,
Li Hung's a frightened man,
Pa Ohn can't call his life his own
With the Dowager Empress An!
O woman, would our men be thus
If you the country ran?
We can't but ask you contemplate
The terrible Empress An!
—R. D. Saunders in St. Louis Republic.

MR. PIERSON OF COLONIAL BEACH.

He is Living on a Liquid Diet

The following letter written by Dr. F. F. Nindel, the popular treasurer of King George county, was published in the Washington Post a few days ago:

"My attention has been called to an article in the Post of January 29 from Druggist R. H. Reh, Colonial Beach, Va., which states that Mr. J. A. Pierson, of that place, has taken no solid food for one and one-half years, subsisting solely on milk and whisky. Having been Mr. Pierson's family physician since 1891, I can vouch for the facts stated by Mr. Reh, and, furthermore, add that from 1893 to 1898, his system gradually accommodated itself to a liquid diet, and for the last two years an absolute liquid diet has been taken. It may be of interest to your medical readers to know some of the particulars of this remarkable case. I first treated Mr. Pierson November, 1893, and he has been under my care ever since. He suffered with a most aggravated case of indigestion, the stomach, liver, bowels, and, in fact, the whole digestive tract being involved. From 1891 on, after article of solid food was gradually eliminated from his bill of fare, until two years ago he took only soups, milk and whisky. The soups not agreeing with him, six months later were discontinued. Since that time, one and a half years ago, as Mr. Reh says, the only nourishment taken is milk and whisky. As will be noted, he gradually came to liquid diet, and for the last two years has lived exclusively on liquid nourishment. The quantity of milk consumed every twenty-four hours ranges from three pints to a half gallon. The milk is always mixed with whisky—three ounces milk to one ounce of whisky. This portion is taken at short intervals during the day from the time he arises in the morning until his bed time about 9 or 10 o'clock. Mr. Pierson did not adopt this mode of living to demonstrate any pet theory, nor to gain notoriety, but solely to benefit his health. While his health is far from being good, his condition at this time is much better than when he was taking solid food. His weight is 143 pounds, which he tells me has been his average for the last six or fifteen years. He is sixty years of age. Mr. Pierson is the proprietor of the Washington House, Colonial Beach, Va., and can be seen any day at his place of business."

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Reform in Spelling.

Superintendent Andrews, of the Chicago public schools, has put in motion machinery which he hopes in the course of time will work a great reform in spelling. He does not think the change can be wrought in a few months, but trusts that it will gradually come about. As a "starter" he has advised his teachers to begin the use of the twelve words recommended by the National Educational Association. These words, with their modified orthography, are as follows:

program, programme,
tho, though,
altho, although,
thoro, thorough,
therefore, thoroughfare,
thro, through,
throout, throughout,
catalog, catalogue,
prolog, prologue,
decalog, decalogue,
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Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

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to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

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Excused—Benjamin Wilson.

The following members appear not to have been present, as there is no tally opposite their names in the list from which we quote:

Alfred Barbour, Robert E. Grant, Addison Hale, John R. Kirby, Paul McNeil, John Q. Marr, Thomas Martin, Peter Saunders, Sr.

The New Willard's Hotel in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Joseph E. Willard, owner of the famous hotel bearing his name, has completed the plans for the demolition of the present building, which will be begun very soon, and the erection in its place of a structure that will surpass in magnificence of architectural construction, in size and elegance of interior decoration, any hotel in the city.

Mr. Willard has engaged to prepare the plans for his new hotel the firm of architects who designed and erected the Waldorf-Astoria.

Workmen will soon begin tearing down the old structure. From the architects' plans the side facing Pennsylvania avenue will be demolished first, leaving the Fourteenth and F

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BALTIMORE, FREDERICKSBURG AND RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER ROUTE.

Beginning Sunday, December 31st, Steamers will run as follows:

Leave Pier 2, Light St. Wharf, Baltimore, daily except Saturday and Sunday at 4:30 p. m., and on Sunday at 2:30 p. m., for the Rappahannock as far as Tappanhook, extending the trip from Baltimore on Friday to Fredericksburg, calling at all landings on the river. On Tuesday and Saturday only, Steamers will leave Pier 2 for Baltimore and will call there from Baltimore only on Tuesday and Saturday from Baltimore. Steamers will call at Middlebrook and Merry Point on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. To Baltimore will call Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. At Weems and Leedstown, Steamers from Baltimore will call Saturday and Sunday only. For Baltimore, Steamers will leave Tappanhook at 8 a. m. Tuesday and Saturday, and 4 p. m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All wharves except as above mentioned. Will leave Tappanhook at 8 a. m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Will leave Norfolk at 4 p. m. Wednesday for Fredericksburg and all landings on the river, leaving Tappanhook at 8 a. m. Thursday. Leave Fredericksburg for Baltimore at 5:30 p. m. Monday and Friday, going as far as Leedstown. Will leave Leedstown Tuesday and Saturday for Baltimore at 4:30 a. m.

NORFOLK ROUTE

Will leave Tappanhook for Norfolk at 12 m. Tuesday. Will leave Norfolk at 4 p. m. Wednesday for Fredericksburg and all landings on the river, leaving Tappanhook at 8 a. m. Thursday. Leave Fredericksburg for Baltimore at 5:30 p. m. Monday and Friday, going as far as Leedstown. Will leave Leedstown at 4 p. m. Tuesday and Saturday for Baltimore at 4:30 a. m.

POTOMAC RIVER ROUTE.

Beginning Saturday, December 31st, steamers will run as follows:

Leave Pier 2, Light St. Wharf, Baltimore, every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, at 5 p. m., for the Potomac River, calling at Miller's, Brown's, Bacon's, Green's, Lovellett, Bundick's, Coward's, Walnut Point, Cook, Kinzie, Mundy's Point, Longwood, James' Point, Abell's, Leonard's, Coburn's, Piney Point, Abell's, Leonard's, Coburn's, Howard's and Stone's. On Tuesday only for Leedstown, Middlebrook, Riverside, Middlebrook Point, Glymont, Alexandria and Washington. Steamers will leave Pier 2, Light St. Wharf, Baltimore, at 4 p. m. Thursday, calling at all the above mentioned wharves, leaving Leedstown at 4 a. m. Monday and Friday, Kinzie at 12 m. Miller's at 4 p. m., Grayson's at 5 p. m. and Bacon's at 8 p. m., arriving in Baltimore early Tuesday and Saturday mornings.

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