

A Grasshopper W. ather-Vane.

On the top of the Royal exchange, in London, is a curious weather-vane, not like any other in England, or perhaps in the world. It is a huge grasshopper, and the following account shows how it came to be put up there:

About 350 years ago, a woman, with a little baby in her arms, was trudging along a country lane. Presently, after looking to see that no one was watching her, she climbed over the gate into a field, and wrapping the baby in his little shawl, she laid it down in the grass, so gently as not to awake it, and then, never even looking behind her, she climbed over the gate again into the lane, on her journey.

The baby soon woke, and began to cry, and it cried for a long, long time. And at last, tired and hungry, and hot with the sun, for it was a fine summer's day, it was wearied out and dropped off to sleep again. "But God had heard the voice of the lad."

By-and-by down the lane came a schoolboy. He was whistling away, as happy as ever could be; he had come out of school and was going home. He lived at the farm-house a little way further up the lane. Now he gathered a few primroses, now he had a shy at a bird; but just as he came to the gate over which the woman had climbed, he heard a grasshopper chirping away so loudly that he sprang over the gate to catch him—and there was the baby, fast asleep! Far more pleased than if he had caught a hundred grasshoppers, the boy took up the little fellow and ran home with his prize. The kind farmer's wife, although she had many children of her own, at once determined to keep the little orphan who had been saved from death by a grasshopper.

Years passed away, and the baby became a strong boy, the boy grew to be a man; he went to London and became a merchant. God blessed all he did, and he rose to be the most noted man in the city. Queen Elizabeth was then on the throne, and often did she send for Sir Thomas Gresham—for the little deserted boy had become a knight—to consult him on the great affairs of state.

About three hundred years ago, Sir Thomas Gresham founded the Exchange. The queen came to dine with him and laid the first stone. And there, upon the topmost pinnacle, Sir Thomas placed a grasshopper; and there it is to-day, to tell the busy, toiling city that Almighty God can hear the infant's cry, and can save a valuable life by even such a little thing as a grasshopper.—N. Y. Observer.

The Frigate Bird.

I see a small blue point in the heaven. Happy and serene region, which has rested in peace above the hurricane! In that blue point, and at an elevation of 10,000 feet, royally floats a little bird with enormous wings. A gull? No, for its wings are black. An eagle? No; the bird is too small. It is the little ocean eagle, first and chief of the winged race, the daring navigator who furls his sails, the lord of the tempest, the scorpion of all peril—the man-of-war or frigate bird. We have reached the culminating point of the series, commenced by the wingless bird. Here we have a bird which is virtually nothing more than wings, scarcely any body—barely as large as that of the domestic cock—while his prodigious pinions are fifteen feet in span. The great problem of flight is solved and overpassed for the power of flight useless. Such a bird, naturally sustained by such a support, need not allow himself to be borne along. The storm bursts; he mounts to lofty heights, where he finds tranquility. The poetic metaphor, untrue when applied to any other bird, is no exaggeration when applied to him: literally, he sleeps upon the storm. When he chooses to soar his way seriously, all distance vanishes; he breakfasts at the Senegal; he dines in America.—Mechelet.

How the Bees Rode to Mill.

In the county of Surrey, England, there are great fields of lavender, and roses, and heliotropes, and geranium, where these sweet-scented things are cultivated for the perfumers.

I remember once riding through thirty acres of lavender when it was in full bloom.

Men, women and children were busy cutting the long stalks on which the pretty little purple buds nestled so close together, piling them on the carts to be carried to the crushing-mill and the distillery.

I think I never shall forget the sweet smell that floated over the country, or the hum of the bees as they followed the carts all along the road, settling down on the lavender, and sticking so closely to it that they can neither be shaken nor beaten off. And so, from their love of these sweet flowers, they say there are thousands of them crushed in the great mill; and I never see the tastily labelled bottles of lavender water in the perfumers' stores but I think of my ride through that great purple field, and of the poor bees' ride to the crushing-mill.—Youth's Companion

The Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York.

Hon. Hiram Hitchcock has been induced to take an interest in the Fifth Avenue Hotel on account of the impaired health of Mr. A. B. Darling, who is now in Europe. Mr. C. W. Griswold retains his active interest in the firm. On the 1st inst. the hotel commenced its twentieth year with a reduction of price from five to four dollars per day, and all extra accommodations in the same ratio. The incomparable situation of the Fifth Avenue Hotel and its superior accommodations throughout will continue to make it more

than ever the favorite resort of travelers.

Serve an Injunction on Disease

By invigorating a feeble constitution, renovating a debilitated physique, and enriching a thin and innoxious circulation with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the finest, the most highly sanctioned, and the most popular tonic and preventive in existence. It strengthens the stomach, remedies torpor of the liver and bowels, and gives a healthy impulse to the secretory and discharging functions of the kidneys and bladder. Not only does it arrest and prevent the recurrence of malarial fevers but it furnishes the only adequate safeguard against them to persons who have never been afflicted with those maladies, but would be liable to incur them if medicinally unprotected. It eliminates from the blood certain impurities which the most skillful pathologists assign as the exciting causes of those agonizing complaints, rheumatism and gout, and it is, moreover, an excellent remedy for an enfeebled or overwrought state of the nerves, and for mental despondency.

A dangerous Sickness can often be averted by prompt use of remedies; so if you have any disease of that delicate organ, the Heart, do not delay, nor promise yourself that you will be better in time, but procure a bottle of Dr. Graves' HEART REGULATOR, and find relief. It is guaranteed to cure all symptoms of Heart Disease, either organic or symptomatic. Among the many forms of Heart Disease are Palpitation, Enlargement, Spasms of the Heart, Stoppage of the Action of the Heart, Trembling all over and about the Heart, Ossification or Boney Formation of the Heart, Rheumatism, General Debility and Sinking of the spirits. Send for a circular of testimonials to F. E. INGALLS, Concord, N. H. THE HEART REGULATOR is for sale by druggist at 50 cents and \$1 per bottle.

TERRIBLY EXHAUSTING ARE THE NIGHT SWEATS which accompany Consumption. But they, as well as the paroxysms of coughing, are invariably broken up by Dr. Wm. HALL'S BALM FOR THE LUNGS, which conquers the deadly malady, as well as bronchitis, pneumonia, pleurisy, asthma, diphtheria, and all other affections of the throat, lungs and chest. It saves thousands from untimely graves and is invaluable in rescuing children from the croup, whooping cough and quincy. It is sold by all Druggists.

Cottage Gingerbread.

Take one cup of butter and lard melted together, add one cup of New Orleans molasses; stir into this one cup each of sugar and cold water, two large teaspoonfuls ginger, two eggs beaten, and four cups of flour, having in it three large teaspoonfuls DOOLEY'S YEAST POWDER. Bake in moderately hot oven.

For upwards of thirty years Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for children with never failing success. It corrects acidity of the stomach, relieves wind colic, regulates the bowels, cures dysentery, diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. An old and well-tried remedy. 25 cts. a bottle.

A Balm for Every Wound—GRACE'S SALVE is now so generally used for the cure of Flesh Wounds, Cuts, Burns, Ulcers, Felons, Sprains, and all diseases of the skin, that praise of it seems almost needless. Those who have tried it once always keep a box on hand and nothing will induce them to be without a supply.

We have a list of a thousand country weeklies, in which we can insert a one-inch advertisement one year for two dollars and a quarter a paper, or for the same price we can insert fifty-two reading notices (a new one every week), averaging seven lines each. For list of papers and other particulars, address BEALS & FOSTER, 10 Spruce Street, New York.

Windsor Hotel, New York.

Since the reduction of the rate per day to \$4.00 there has been an increase in numbers, and it would appear this was a most judicious move. The Windsor was never more attractive to the traveller than now.

The evil consequences resulting from impure blood are beyond human calculation, so are the vast sums expended in worthless remedies. *Purson's Purgative Pills* make new rich blood, and take one a night for three months will change the blood in the entire system.

The relaxing power of *Johnson's Anodyne Liniment* is almost miraculous. A gentleman whose leg was bent at the knee and stiff for twenty years had it limbered by its use, and the leg is now as good as the other.

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The Celebrated
"Matchless"
Wood Tag Plug
TOBACCO

THE PIONEER TOBACCO COMPANY,
New York, Boston and Chicago.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Farmers, Families and Others can purchase a Remedy equal to Dr. TOBIA'S VENETIAN LINIMENT for the cure of Cholera, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Croup, colic and Sea-sickness, take internally—it is perfectly harmless; see each a companying each bottle and externally for Chronic Rheumatism, Headache, Toothache, Sore Throat, Cuts, Burns, Swellings, Bruises, Mosquito Bites, Old Sores, Pains in Limbs, Back and Chest. Dr. VENETIAN LINIMENT was introduced in 1847, and no one who has used it but continues to do so. Many ailing, if it was Te. Dollars a Bottle they would not be without it. Thousands of Certificates can be seen at the Depot, speaking of its wonderful curative properties. Sold by the Druggists at 40 cts., Depot 42 Murray St. New York.

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AND FREE HOMES
IN THE WEST

500,000 acres taken in four months by 25,000 people. Good climate, soil, water, and building stone, and good society. Address: R. J. Gilmore, Land Com'r., Salina, Kansas.

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WM. D. ANDREWS & BRO
Joint Owners and
Attorneys for the Patentees.

YOUNG MEN learn Telegraphy and earn \$40 to \$100 a month. Small salary while learning. Situation furnished. Address: R. Valentine, Manager, Janesville, Wis.

BOSTON TRANSCRIPT,

Daily and Weekly, Quarto,

BOSTON, MASS.

The Largest, Cheapest and Best Family Newspaper in New England, edited with special reference to the varied tastes and requirements of the home circle. All the foreign and local news published promptly. Daily Transcript, \$10 per annum, in advance. Weekly " " \$2 per annum, in advance. (Copies to one address) \$7.50 per annum, in advance.

SEND FOR SAMPLE COPY.

Geo. P. Rowell & Co.,

10 Spruce Street,

New York.

THE OBJECT OF OUR ESTABLISHMENT.

Our Newspaper Advertising Bureau, No. 10 Spruce St., New York, is an establishment intended to facilitate the converting and systematic placing of advertisements in newspapers. It is conducted upon the principles which we conceive to be the right ones for securing the best results to the advertiser.

We undertake to represent American newspapers, not only the newspapers of the city of New York, and of all the American cities, Religions, Agricultural, and other class newspapers—but also the small country journals. We receive regularly and keep on file the daily and weekly newspapers of every description throughout the land.

CONFINED STRICTLY TO NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING, AND TO AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS.

We confine our transactions to newspapers, and do not accept or undertake the management of other classes of advertising, such as books, sign-boards, posters, or job printing.

By adhering to one branch of advertising we make ourselves masters of it.

We also restrict our dealings to newspapers published within the geographical limits of the United States and Dominion of Canada.

THE NATURE OF THE SERVICE WHICH IT IS OUR BUSINESS TO RENDER TO THE ADVERTISER.

We undertake to maintain an established credit with every newspaper, and to have at hand a schedule of charges for advertising space in its columns, to be able to quote the rates to an advertiser who wishes one or several, and to procure the prompt insertion of the advertisement without any extra charge for the service rendered; which service consists of quoting the price, printing or writing as many duplicates of the advertisement as may be required, forwarding the copy for insertion at our own expense for postage or messenger service; examining the papers to see that the advertisement

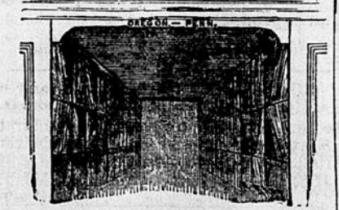


ment appears, when, and in the manner that it ought, to checking each subsequent issue of the advertisement, in each paper, in a book kept for that purpose at all times subject to the inspection of the advertiser, and a marking plainly in each paper the advertisement as it appears; so that when the advertiser or commissioner (or sends) for the purpose of having the advertisement examined, he may light promptly upon his advertisement, without the labor of searching a whole paper or page. If errors or omissions occur, it is our duty to notify the publisher, at our own expense for labor, postage or messenger, and to see to it that the publisher of the paper actually does render the specified service for which the advertiser contracted.

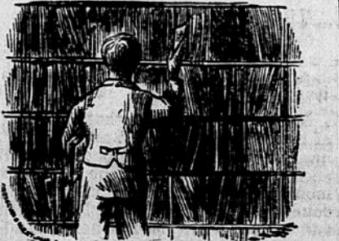
Our Promise.

We promise those advertisers who entrust their advertising patronage to our management that we will not at all overcharge them in any instance, any more than the publishers' schedule rates; that we will procure for them the acceptance of any advantageous offer definitely made to them by any newspaper publisher, advertising agent, or canvasser of responsibility. We are unwilling to do work without a profit, and never offer to do so, yet in conformity with the promise made above, we sometimes find it advisable.

THE SYSTEM OF ARRANGEMENT FOR NEWS PAPER FILES.



We have a perfected system for filing newspapers separate spaces secured to each, and labeled with the printed name of the paper it is intended to accommodate. A ranger can place his hand upon



any paper he wishes to examine with the same readiness with which he would find a word in a dictionary, a name in a directory, or a book in a library catalogue.

THE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO BE EXPENDED.

Persons who have had little experience as advertisers often have a pretty clear understanding of what they would like to do, but are entirely ignorant of the probable cost.

We have made out for such a person a plan of advertising calling for an investment of \$5,000 and on submitting it for approval, found our customer, if made at the magnitude of the expense, he does not have contemplated an expenditure exceeding \$200 or \$300. In such a case labor would have been saved. If at the commencement of the negotiation the question had been asked: "How much money are you prepared to devote to this advertising?"

THE CONFIDENCE OF OUR PATRONS A MATTER OF PRIME IMPORTANCE.

It is a matter of prime importance to us, for the purpose of maintaining our influence with publishers, that it shall come to be understood among them that our statements about the advertising to be done, or not to be done, are to be relied upon, and that the end our dealing with our advertising patrons must be upon a basis of mutual confidence and good faith.

OUR CUSTOMERS ENTITLED TO OUR BEST SERVICES.

Whenever we are doing the advertising for any individual, or firm, we consider them entitled to our best services. If they suggest using a paper which we know to be not the best for the purpose, we say so and give the reasons. We often expend a good deal of time for very small advertisers, much more than the profits on their patronage would warrant; but we are content, as they entrust to us what they have to disburse, and in consequence of our direction the patronage of their friends and acquaintances.

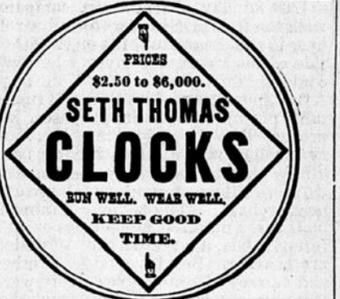
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Geo. P. Rowell & Co.,

10 Spruce Street,

New York.



FLY BRICK ALLAN'S FLY BRICK

The Little Giant Fly Killer!
KILLS all the FLIES in a room in TWO HOURS.
10c worth will kill more flies than \$10 worth of Fly Paper.
No dirt, no trouble, Sold by Druggists EVERYWHERE.
Botanic Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

FOR \$750

We will insert a one-inch advertisement, thirteen times, in one thousand American weekly newspapers. Advertisement may appear three months every week or every other week six months.

HALF INCH..... FOR \$425
FOUR LINES..... FOR \$250
THREE LINES..... FOR \$225

For cash payment entirely in advance, five per cent discount. No extra charge for making and sending cuts.

For catalogue of papers and other information address

BEALS & FOSTER,

10 Spruce Street, New York.

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THE GREAT REMEDY FOR CORPULENCE.

ALLAN'S ANTI-FAT

is purely vegetable and perfectly harmless. It acts upon the food in the stomach, preventing its being converted into fat. Taken in accordance with directions, it will reduce a fat person from two to five pounds per week.

CorpuLENCE is not only a disease itself, but the harbinger of others. So wrote Hippocrates two thousand years ago, and what was true then is true the less so to-day.

Sold by druggists, or sent, by express, upon receipt of \$1.50. Quarter-dozen \$4.00. Address,

BOTANIC MEDICINE CO.,
Proprietors, Buffalo, N. Y.

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Are now used in thousands of families and in large number of schools and conservatories, giving entire satisfaction.

BEST BARGAIN!

Piano, with stool and cover, only \$275, payable, \$10 per month. Warranted as good as any \$400 instrument. Send for catalogue.

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60 EAST THIRD STREET, ST. PAUL.

Brown's Bronchial Troches for Croup and Colds.

\$50 to \$12 a week with our popular Books, Hobbies, Games & Maps Goodspeed's Pub'g House, Chicago.

\$9 a day to Agents to sell a Household Article, Address: BUCKLEY'S BROS., Marion, Ohio.

BOOKS, Papers, Want Agents. Send stamp. L. L. FAIRCHILD, Rolling Prairie, Wis.

\$3300 A YEAR. How to Make It. New Agency. Address: C. C. YOUNG, St. Louis, Mo.

12 sewing Machine Needles for any Machine sent by mail on receipt of 25 cts. Address: B. F. ALMY, St. Paul, Minn.

ORGANS retail price \$200 only \$65. PIANOS retail price \$100 only \$135. Great bargains. BEATTY, Washington, N. J.

\$7 side Visitation en vassing for the Fire-dress. P. O. VICKERY, Aurora, Maine.

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Superior in design. Not equal in quality, or as timekeepers. Ask your Jeweler for them. Agency—S. Cortlandt St., N. Y.

DECATOR TEMPERANCE CURE.—A cheap Temperance Weekly. Full of life, vigor, amusement. A powerful document. Four months, 15 cents; three months, 10 cents. Specimens free. Agent: a wanted East, West, North and South. G. F. Kimball, Decatur, Ill.

TEAS.—The choicest in the world—Importer's prices—Largest company in America—Trade continually increasing—America wants every where—No inducements—don't waste time—send for circular to ROBT WELLS, 43 Vesey St., N. Y. P. O. Box 1287.

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The Largest Stock at Wholesale and Retail. One price Clothing Store. Minneapolis.

GOOD BED FOR 2 DOLLS

EASY TO TAKE DOWN, PUT UP OR CLEAN. SEND FOR CATALOGUE. GILBERT HUBBARD & CO. CHICAGO.

\$10 or \$25 per day to Agents. Novelties Illustrated. Outfit Free by mail on Catalogue & \$1.00 application to J. H. BULLFORD'S SONS, Manufacturing Publishers, 141 to 147 Franklin Street, Boston, Mass. Established nearly fifty years.

EVERYBODY HIS OWN PRINTER.

Send for handsome catalogue. NATIONAL TYPE CO., Philadelphia, Pa. Largest assortment. Lowest prices.

Paints Ready for Use

FOR FARMERS AND MEN'S.

They are uniform in shade, and the color can all ways be matched. Any one can paint with them. They are very superior covering properties, and do not, like the so-called patent paints, contain either water, benzine, or alkali. These paints are in Liquid Form, and are sold in Gallon Cases and Barrels. They are also put up in cans of one to five pounds. Send for samples, showing different shades. F. W. DAVOE & CO., cor. Fulton and William Sts., New York.

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It known to all Cash Buyers of Boots and Shoes in the Western country that we have established a

Cash House in Chicago

For their special accommodation, where prices are made an inducement to all Cash Purchasers.

BUEL, COOK & CO. XA

211 and 213 Madison Street, Chicago, Ill.

27 No Old Goods. Stock entirely new and purchased for Cash.

GRACE'S SALVE.

JONESVILLE, Mich., Dec. 27, 1877.—Messrs. Fowles sent you 50 cents for two boxes of Grace's Salve. I feel that I would have used them on an ulcer on my foot, and it almost well. Respectfully yours, C. J. VAN NESS.

Price 25 cents a box at all druggists, or sent by mail on receipt of 35 cents. Prepared by SETH W. FOWLE & SON, 56 Harrison Ave., Boston, Mass.

MINNESOTA

EYE & EAR INFIRMARY.

Surgeon, FRANCIS ATWOOD, M. D.

Cor. of Third and St. Peter Streets, ST. PAUL.

SWEET CHEWING JACKSON'S BEST NAVY TOBACCO

Awarded highest prize at Centennial Exposition for fine chewing qualities and excellent and best of any made of sweetening and flavoring. The best tobacco or pipe. As our pipe and pipe-making is carefully imitated an inferior goods, send for *Johnson's Best* in an every plug. Sold by all dealers. Send for sample, free, to C. A. JACKSON & CO., Mfrs., Zanesville, O.

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THE DUMB SPEAK!—Prompted by sympathy, a St. John druggist induced a daughter of Joseph Armstrong, Esq., of Greenhead, to substitute Fellows' Hypophosphites in place of using a blister, which had been recommended to restore her power of speaking.

The surprise was as delightful to our apothecary as to the patient, when an hour after taking the first dose, the lady returning, audibly thanked him for having restored her voice.

The unique strengthening effect produced upon the nerves and muscles explains the very striking efficacy of Fellows' Hypophosphites in Wasting Diseases, Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, Congestion of the Lungs, Coughs, Difficulty of Breathing, Debility from long illness, such as Liphthoria, Fevers, Excesses in Life, or Irregular Habits, Prostration from residence in unhealthy localities or hot countries, from nervous or mental depression, hypochondria, &c.

Fellows' Hypophosphites is the most genial blood and flesh producing agent known.

The name of JAMES L. FELLOWS, the inventor, is seen in every wrapper, the yellow wrapper, by holding it before the light. To avoid disappointment use name but Fellows' Hypophosphites.

[From the Minneapolis papers.]

TO THE CITIZENS OF MINNEAPOLIS.—Our experience in the handling of Dr. E. B. Halliday's Blood Purifier is such that we are not afraid to tell you that it is the most wonderful "Blood Searcher" of the present age. No medicine ever went out of our store that has given such universal satisfaction as it is giving to-day. For Catarrh, Kidney and Urinary Diseases, Female Weakness and Nervous Debility we endorse the statement of Dr. Halliday, that it has no equal. CROSSMAN & PLUMMER, Druggists, Minneapolis.

Have you weak or sore eyes, caused by Uterine or Gonorrhoeal Diseases? If you have, loose no time, but cleanse your blood with Dr. H. H. Day's Blood Purifier, and your eyes will become all right. Try it and you will be surprised at the result. For Kidney Complaints, Female Weakness, and Nervous Debility, it has no equal in the civilized world. As this medicine has been extensively counterfeited, see that "S. Blackford, Agent," is blown in the back of every bottle. Ask your druggist for it, and if he does not keep it, write to the order to our agent, address S. BLACKFORD, 87 Washburn street, St. Paul, General Agent, NILES BROS. & OUTLER Wholesale Agents, St. Paul.

St. P. N. U. No. 33.

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