AILING WOMEN.

Keep the Kidneys Well and the Kidneys Will Keep You Well.

Sick, suffering, languid women are learning the true cause of bad backs and how to cure them. Mrs. W. G. Davis, of Groesbeck, Texas, says: "Backaches hurt me so I could hardly stand. Spells of dizziness and sick headache were frequent and the action of the kidneys was irregular. Soon after I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills I passed several gravel stones. I got well and the trouble has not returned. My back is good and strong and my general health better."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Only Wanted a Square Deal.

"Prisoner," said the judge, "stand up. Have you anything to say why judgment of the court should not be pronounced against you?"

"I'd like to say, your honor," answered the prisoner, "that I hope you will not allow your mind to be prejudiced against me by the poor defense my lawyer put up for me. I'll take it as a great favor if your honor will just give me the sentence I'd have got if I had pleaded guilty in the first place."—Chicago Tribune.

To the housewife who has not yet become acquainted with the new things of everyday use in the market and who is reasonably satisfied with the old, we would suggest that a trial of Defiance Cold Water Starch be made at once. Not alone because it is guaranteed by the manufacturers to be superior to any other brand, but because each 10c package contains 16 ozs., while all the other kinds contain but 12 ozs. It is safe to say that the lady who once uses Defiance Starch will use no other. Quality and quantity must win.

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Double dealing ends in divided dividends.

Our seeking always secures His sending.

As soon as a nation becomes heartless its case is hopeless.

Codfish culture is never complete until conscience is killed.

Every time you put out any new life some old leaves drop off.

Slander is bad breath; its evidence applies only to its source.—Ram's Horn.

Ethics.

"Do you think we will ever be able to communicate with Mars?"

"My dear sir," answered the astronomer, "you surely do not think I would spoil pages of magazine articles yet to be written by endeavoring to prove the contrary. It would be very unprofessional."—Washington Star.

Troubles of Spring Days.

These are the days when the old hen gets in her work assisting the radishes to come up; when the house dog begins a system of excavating in the flower beds and when the neighbor's old cow walks leisurely across the freshly prepared lawn. — Chapman (Kan.) Outlook.

Pointer for Percy.

Nell—Percy Vere was telling me that he still hopes to have the luck to win you.

Belle—Well, Percy will find that it takes more than luck to win me. I'm no raffle.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Pat's Idea of an Isand.

Teacher—Patrick, describe an island.

Patrick—Shure, ma'am, it's a place ye can't lave widout a boat.—Pilgrim.

KNIFED.

Coffee Knifed an Old Soldier.

An old soldier, released from coffee at 72, recovered his health and tells about it as follows:

"I stuck to coffee for years, although it knifed me again and again.

"About eight years ago (as a result of coffee drinking which congested my liver), I was taken with a very severe attack of malarial fever.

"I would apparently recover and start about my usual work only to suffer a relapse. After this had been repeated several times during the year I was again taken violently ill.

"The Doctor said he had carefully studied my case, and it was either 'quit coffee or die,' advising me to take Postum in its place. I had always thought coffee one of my dearest friends, and especially when sick, and I was very much taken back by the Doctor's decision, for I hadn't suspected the coffee I drank could possibly cause my trouble.

I thought it over for a few minutes, and finally told the Doctor I would make the change. Postum was procured for me the same day and made according to directions; well, I liked it and stuck to it, and since then I have been a new man. The change in health began in a few days and surprised me, and now, although I am seventy-two years of age, I do lots of hard work, and for the past month have been teaming, driving sixteen miles a day besides loading and unloading the wagon. That's what Postum in the place of coffee has done for me. I now like the Postum as well as I did coffee.

"I have known people who did not care for Postum at first, but after having learned to make it properly according to directions they have come to like it as well as coffee. I never miss a chance to praise it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look for the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

BEAUTIFUL ALMONT

ROMANCE OF THIS HISTORIC SPOT ON THE HUDSON.

Home of the Livingstons, Famous Throughout the Country in the Eighteenth Century, Finds a New Owner.

Occasionally the early history of the country is recalled by modern transactions and such is the case with the sale of Almont, the picturesque country home of the Livingston family, in Barrytown on the Hudson. A New Yorker, Cord Meyer, has purchased the estate from Robert S. Livingston, a grandson of the original Robert S. Livingston, and thus there has passed out of the control of the family the famous country seat which has been held by them for upward of a century.

But it was the career of the original owner, Col. De Veaux, a man of mystery, which made Almont famous throughout the country in those early days. Favored of the English nobility and a protege of the crown, Col. De Veaux was given considerable grants of land in South Carolina, but soon, for reasons best known to himself, he purchased from Gen. John Armstrong, of revolutionary fame, his country seat in Dutchess county known as Almont.

Apparently possessed of limitless wealth no one of his neighbors cared to inquire its source, for De Veaux brought with him into the heart of this center of the old aristocracy a reputation as a duellist and fire eater which discouraged undue curiosity about his affairs. He had been commissioned by the Crown to suppress some of the rebellions in the Bermudas and other English dependencies in the West Indies, and captured a number of the forts which were in rebellion. Reproductions of the forts so captured were afterward cut in

THE RUINS OF ALMONT.

stone and adorned the mantels in the old mansion of Almont.

De Veaux chose Almont as his permanent home more on account of the good anchorage and the shelter for his ships provided by the deep cove in front of the property, and back of the island, now known as Crugers, De Veaux's sloops always came under cover of darkness and the unloading was surrounded with the deepest mystery. He brought from the West Indies a corps of natives as slaves or servants whose chief duty it was to keep the inquisitive off his possessions.

When he came into possession of the Hudson river property, about a hundred and fifty of the 400 acres rounding the mansion had been cleared. The rest was a dense forest of huge oak and hickory, which was carefully preserved by the Livingston family, and there remains to-day some 200 acres of virgin forest.

De Veaux married Miss Catherine Ver Plank, whose father was one of the wealthiest Dutch settlers along the Hudson, and in the latter years of his life mingled in the society of the place to a considerable degree, and his mansion came to be a headquarters of royal hospitality. The old Van Alen mansion was improved in princely style. It was of brick and stone, 100x50 feet, two stories in height with artistic porticos and piazzas. The marble steps were imported by De Veaux in his own ships.

In the wall of the dining room over the sideboard the owner placed a decoration which was remarkable. Strips of solid silver were set into the wall in such a way as to represent the waves of the sea, and when lighted up either by the sun or from the huge log fire in the stone fireplace resembled the setting sun on the ocean. The walls and ceilings were studded with silver buttons.

The site of the Almont mansion commands a magnificent view for miles up and down the Hudson river. The Catskill mountains lie directly across the river, the Overlook hotel being in plain view. The late Frederick E. Church, in his day the leader of the so-called Hudson river school of artists, spent his summers at Almont as the guest of the Livingstons, as no place in the Hudson valley furnished such good material for the brush.

Almont was purchased by Robert Swift Livingston, the grandfather of the recent owner, in the early part of the last century. He brought the cleared portion of the property to a high state of cultivation, and the fertile acres were covered with fine orchards and vineyards. The wine cellar in the old mansion was said to have been stocked with the finest wines.

The famous old mansion was burned in 1878, leaving only the old farmhouse and barns standing. While the fire was raging Mr. Livingston seized a crowbar and rushed into the dining room to try to save the silver studded picture, but was compelled to retreat. The walls of the ruins are still standing.

PERHAPS IT CURED HIM.

Maybe the Wife Had Been Out, Maybe Not, the Effect Was the Same.

Capt. Mark Casto was being congratulated on his gift of $1,500 from the Carnegie hero fund for bravery in the wreck of the Cherokee, relates the New York Tribune.

"The gift was unexpected," said Capt. Casto with a modest smile. "It was as unexpected, though by no means as unpleasant, as the retort that a wife made to her husband when he came home at three o'clock in the morning.

"The man came home very quietly. In fact, he took off his shoes on the front doorstep. Then he unlocked the door and went cautiously and slowly upstairs on his tiptoe, holding his breath.

"But light was streaming through the kephole of the door of the bed room. With a sigh he paused. Then he opened the door and entered.

"His wife stood by the bureau fully dressed.

"'I didn't expect you'd be sitting up for me, my dear,' he said.

"'I haven't been,' she said. 'I just came in myself.'"

THOUGHTS FOR QUIET HOUR.

Don't call the world dirty because you have forgotten to clean your glasses.

If your religion is of the kind that can be easily hidden it can as easily be lost.

The only reason some men won't go to the church is because they are not invited into the pulpit.

If you want to make a rich man understand you must touch his pocketbook.

The people who are too lazy to prepare always have a lot to say about the way the prizes are distributed.

DISFIGURING SKIN HUMOR.

Impossible to Get Employment, as Face and Body Were Covered with Sores—Cured by Cuticura.

"Since the year 1894 I have been troubled with a very bad case of eczema which I have spent hundreds of dollars trying to cure, and I went to the hospital, but they failed to cure me, and it was getting worse all the time. Five weeks ago my wife bought a box of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap, and I am pleased to say that I am now completely cured and well. It was impossible for me to get employment, as my face, head and body were covered with it. The eczema first appeared on the top of my head, and it had worked all the way around down the back of my neck and around to my throat, down my body and around the hips. It itched so I would be obliged to scratch it, and the flesh was raw. I am now all well, and I will be pleased to recommend the Cuticura Remedies to all persons who wish a speedy and permanent cure of skin diseases. Thomas M. Rossiter, 290 Prospect Street, East Orange, N. J., Mar. 30, 1905."

Skiddoo!

The young man was trying to think of something else to say when the young woman suddenly spoke up.

"By the way, Mr. Lingerlong," she said. "I tried to call you up by telephone this morning, but I didn't get any response."

"You tried to call me up by telephone?"

"Yes; I wanted to ask you a question."

"Why, I haven't any telephone number."

"O, yes you have. Double six four seven."

The young man made a rapid mental calculation.

"Twenty-three!" he gasped, reaching for his hat.—Chicago Tribune.

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Nothing Alarming.

Next Door Neighbor—I was about to say—what's that terrible racket upstairs? Is somebody having a fit?

Mrs. Hewjams—No. That's John. He's rehearsing the speech he is going to deliver to-morrow before the Universal Peace society.—Chicago Tribune.

One Question Settled.

Ketchum A. Cummin—Have you decided where you will spend the summer months?

Hedzi Wynne—Yes; I have decided to spend them at any darned place my wife and daughters can agree upon. Saves me a heap of trouble.—Chicago Tribune.

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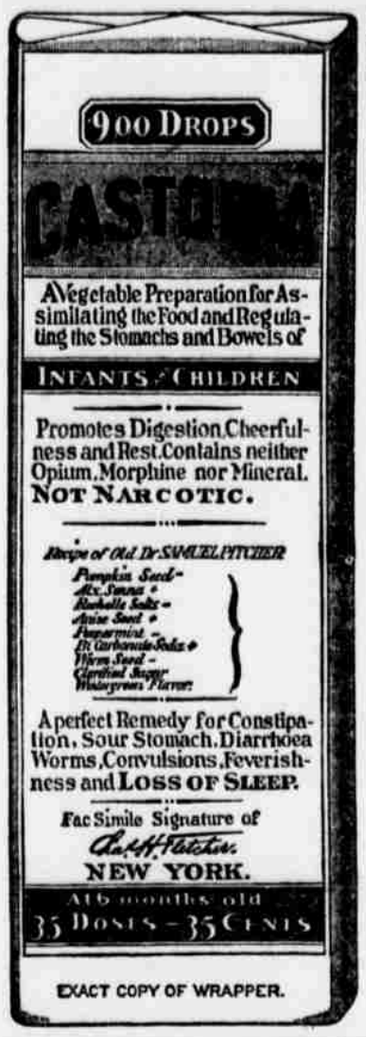

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Feet.

Tess—Isn't that Chicago girl tall? She must be nearly six feet.

Jess—Yes; and if she stood on tiptoes she'd be seven feet.—Philadelphia Press.

Particulars Wanted.

"Ah, dearest," sighed young Brokeleigh. "I can not live without you."

"Why not?" queried the girl with the obese bank balance. "Did you lose your job?"—Columbus Dispatch

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Genius is often merely well-advertised egotism.—N. Y. Times.

He Pitied Them.

A little boy was on his first country excursion, relates the Brooklyn Citizen. Some birds were flying high overhead, and his hostess, a young woman, said:

"Look up, Tommy. See the pretty birds flying through the air."

Tommy looked up quickly, and then he said in a compassionate tone:

"Poor little fellers! They ain't got no cages, have they?"—Detroit Free Press.

Time to Get Busy.

Her Husband—I thought you were going to visit your mother.

His Wife—And so I am.

"Well, you had better begin to pack your trunk at once. The train leaves in 48 hours."—Chicago Daily News.

The Pessimist.

"Every rose has a thorn."

"But that isn't the worst of it; there are lots of thorns without any roses."—Detroit Free Press.

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