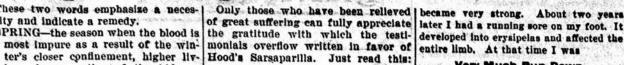
Spring Medicine

SPRING—the season when the blood is the gratitude with which the testi- developed into erysipelas and affected the

ing, slower action of the kidneys and liver; when humors of all kinds, boils, pimples and eruptions are most liable to appear; . when the weak, languld condition of the whole bodily structure demands and wel-

MEDICINE-that to which the millions turn at this season-Hood's Sarsaparilla. The original and only preparation especially adapted to the present needs of the human family; that which makes the blood pure and clean, as shown by its thousands of wonderful cures of dreadful blood diseases; creates an appetite and cures dyspepsia, as shown by its "magic touch" in all stomach trou- "C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.: bles: steadles and strengthens the





"Gentlemen:-My first experience with nerves, as proved by the people for- Hood's Sarsaparilla was when I used it Because of what it has done for others; merly nervous, now calm and self- as a tonic and spring medicine. It did because you ought this spring to take

entire limb. At that time I was

Very Much Run Down, as I had been troubled with dyspepsia. The drain on my system was so severe and my stomach was so weak I became a ready victim of malaria. I feared I could never regain my health. My stomach rebelled at the simplest food, and the medicines prescribed for me gave but little relief. I sent for a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I had taken this medicine but three days when I began to improve. Continuing with it. I am now better and stronger than I ever expected to be. It has nurified my blood and given good circulation. I have had no return of my old troubles since." MRS. W. KANE, Media,

Pa. Hood's Sarsaparilla is The Medicine for You

me so much good my faith in its merits! that which will do you the most good.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

America's Greatest Medicine, because it cures when all others fail. Be sure to get Hood's.

An external application for sore throat and cough has long been a favorite of the experienced nurse, who claims to have saved many lives by its use, and it is simple enough and certainly worth try simple choigh and certainly worth try-ing: Take a cup of mutton tallow and two large spoonfuls of spirits of turpen-tine; put into the turpentine all the gum emphor that it will dissolve, then add to the cup of tallow, melted, mix thoroughly, and keep where it will be convenient to apply to the throat or chest on a cloth when needed, covering warmly. This gives almost instant relief. It is good for

lung trouble, croup or cold. -Those who know Henryk Sienkiewicz say that he would rather go shoot-ing or tramping over the mountains, any day, than write. He writes his serials from week to week, and sometimes in the middle of one, when the most excit-ing situation is reached, he takes his gun and disappears. His publishers tear their hair, but his readers have to re-strain their curiosity till he returns; when he takes up the thread of his narrative and carries it on to the end, unless an-

other fit of restlessness seizes him. STILL THERE IS MONEY IN IT. Carl Vollen sold \$350 of Salzer's Cabbage. Labor, seed, rent and all did not cost him \$50, profit \$300. You can beat that and make lots of money on Early Radishes, Peas, Lettuce, Mushrooms, Onions, Sweet Corn, Tomatoes, Potatoes, etc. Salzer warrants his seeds the earliest in the world. Potatoes only \$1.50 per barrel. Millions of Raspberries. Cherries, Apples and small fruits. Catalogue tells all about them.

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"Poor Cuba," sighed Mrs. Callahan, "its sad fate is strikingly similar to the out 100,000 of their sample bottles of fate of many poor women—starved an' this positive cure for 25 cents a bottle "I don't see why you should have any complaint to make," replied Callahan, for I recognized you as a ballional series of the second series and the second series as a ballion of "for I recognized you as a belligerent twenty years ago."—Atlanta Journal.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed. Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

end for circulars; free.
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destruction of a colony of beaver on Douglas creek in McLean county, by me miscreant or poacher. -The Pioneer society of New Mexico has decided to celebrate with appropriate

ceremonies the 300th anniversary of the permanent settlement of that territory by the Spaniards on July 12.

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—An elephant is possessed of such a delicate sense of smell that it can scent a human being at a distance of 1000 yards

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Chocolate,



than a century as a delicious, nutritious, and flesh-forming beverage, has our well-known Yellow Label

on the front of every package, and our trade-mark,"La Belle Chocolatiere," on the

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certain cure for Consumption in first stages, id a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once, ou will see the excellent effect after taking the st dose. Sold by dealers everywhere.

25c and 50c Per Bottle.

When out beyond the ebon gates we've passed, And standing in the sempiternal light Of life's young dawn, we see resolved at

rassed Are there made whole, and in our full-grown Are there made whole, and in our full-grown sight
The jealous wards of mystery wear trite—
When all is clear and naught is overcast—
Shall we not miss the pleasure of the pause.
The graceful play of judgment and—friend
"Chance."
Who never cared a rap for reason's laws,
But led old prudent science such a dance!—
Aye, sha'n't we miss then! "Tis a merry
doubt—

But, faith! we'll pay the piper finding out.

-Thomas D. Bolger in Harper's Magazine.

CURES RHEUMATISM, ETC.

Recent Discovery That Is Working Wonders.
The most prevailing afflictions that for a century have been engaging the most scientific skill of the medical world are rheumatism, neuralgia, catarrh, asthma, la grippe and their kindred ailments. The country is full of sufferers from these complaints. Althought the most learned experts of the medical profession have labored for a century to produce a curative, until quite recently no positive results were effected. To the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., 167-69 Dearborn street, Chicago, belongs the credit for having produced the new remedy. It is being extensively advertised under the trademark of "Five Drops." The trade-mark is self-explanatory. Five drops make a dose. The effect is magical. In days gone by other alleged cures have been marketed with the promise to .take effect in thirty days or more. Five Drops begins to cure at once. Immediate relief is felt. In order to more efpany will for the next thirty days send out 100,000 of their sample bottles of

rediate advantage of offer and write them to-day.

Fire-Destroying Powder. A new fire-extinguishing powder is or A new fire-extinguishing powder is on the market, of which great things are promised. It is said that a pinch of the powder will instantly extinguish a large volume of flame arising from burning naphtha, kerosene or other highly-inflam-mable liquid, which may be in either a floating or diffused state. It is stated floating or diffused state. It is stated that the manufacturers of the powder have taken it out of the incipient fire-extinguishing class. This step would appear to have ample justification, for an official record of the New York city fire commissioners sets forth that seventy cubic inches of the powder killed over 2,000,000 which inches 000 cubic inches of flame in seventeer

The powder is perfectly harmless to the person or fabric, and can be swept up and used over again if economy be sought. A handful thrown in any opening beneath the fire in a burning flue or chimney will kill it instantly, which is a manifest advantage over the ordinary method of fighting the fire from the top. It will keep for an indefinite time in any climate without any loss of efficiency. Its use does not necessitate any mechanical appliance and indefinite time in any mechanical appliance are trivial. pliance, as it is put up in a tin tube, open at one end, 22 inches long and two inches in diameter, weighing about three pounds. It has been adopted in many public build-ings for the extinction of incipient fires.

A Great Bridge Project. The scheme for connecting Western and Central Denmark by a bridge over the Little Belt is so far matured that it will shortly be laid before the Legislature of Dcnmark. At present the only ready means of communication between Jutland and the beautiful little island of Funen, and the beautiful little island of Funen, as travelers across Denmark will recall, is by a gigantic ferry which takes train and passengers, but this infrequently, and communication by boat, which is liable to interruption in bad weather. The only difficulty seems to be that of expense, the estimated cost of the undertaking being \$3,250,000. The distance to be spanned is about 4500 feet, and the spanned is about 4500 feet, and the bridge, if made, would be 130 feet in breadth. It would be 130 feet above sea level, supported by groups of four or six iron pillars from 800 to 1000 feet apart, and standing on foundations carried to a depth of 20 or 30 feet below the sea bed. Four years would be required to complete

While it is conceded that women culti-vate and practice daintier table manners than most men acquire, they are given up to be the worst possible gastronomers. They early form a taste for unwholesome dishes, and have no judgment, or use none, in the kind of food they consume. Lobster salad and tea or beer is thought to be a sufficiently hearty lunchern for the fagged-out storage. often ice-cream and meringue cakes. The a glass or two of sodawater through the afternoon whips up the tired stomach. Men, it is well known, dread to be obliged to order a meal for a woman unless that rara avis is found, a woman who knows how to eat. And yet these same women will order the most delicious dinners for their families and serve them

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC.—
Many imitations of Walter Baker &
Co.'s well-known chocolate in blue wrappers and yellow labels have been put on
the market. The genuine article bears
the name of Walter Baker & Co., Limited, Dorchester, Mass., and their trademark, "La Belle Chocolatiere," is on eyery package.

"Pshaw!" he said; "that's nothing. Why, when I was a boy I fell out of a third-story window and struck right on my head. Of course it hurt me some at the time, but I got over it all right." "How do you know you got over it all right?" his wife asked. "It's barely possible that you would have had ordinary good sense if that hadn't happened to you."—Cleveland Leader.

Pretty little Margaret was sitting on her father's knee. She held a mirror in her hand, and after viewing herself in the glass, she turned towards her stern parent and said: "Father, did God make ime?" "Yes, my child," was the reply. "Father, did He make you?" she asked, after a moment's pause. "Yes, my after work hetter work

after a moment's pause. "Yes, my child." "Well, He is doing better work now, isn't He?"—Truth. shall we endure or cure ACHES AND PAINS?

LET THE LADY STAND.

Unemployed Man Explains Bitterly Why He Would Not bise.

I saw a little episode in a Main street

car one night last week which illustrates peculiar condition of society in the average American city. The car was average American city. The car was humming along through the upper part of town. It was a rainy night and the car was well filled. At every street corner women were crowding in laden with water-soaked bundles and all looking more or less bedraggled and out of sorts. At Main and Mohawk streets a smart-looking, well-dressed young woman entered the car and stood hanging to the straps. Directly in front of her sat a sad-faced but very respectable-looking man. He looked up at the young woman but gave no indication that he intended to give his seat to her. One by one the men give his seat to her. One by one the men had surrendered their seats to the women until only two or three remained sitting. Standing next to the smart young woman was another young man, evidently a man of position, who knew her. As the car rushed along toward Cold Spring the smart young woman swung about on the straps and showed signs of weariness. Still the young man in front of her made no motion toward surrendering his seat. no motion toward surrendering his seat.

"Oh, I'm so tired it seems as though I would drop down," she said to the young man standing by her side. Of course, that was too much for her gallant friend, and, stooping over, he said to the sad-faced young man sitting down: "My friend, would you have the kindness to give this young lady your seat? She is very tired."

The sad-faced young man folded his arms resolutely and replied: "No I will

The sad-faced young man folded his arms resolutely and replied: "No, I will not have the kindness to give this young woman my seat. Last Monday morning she took my place in Blank & Co.'s as book-keeper, because she would work for \$3 a week less than I was getting. If she can take my place in business she can take my place in the street car. I have a wife and a little baby starving at home. I have been tramping the streets all day trying to find work. I am tired too."

Everybody in the car turned to listen to the sad-faced young man's words. Everybody in the car turned to listen to the sad-faced young man's words. They were very earnest. The smart young woman turned with a sneer and looked into the face of the young man who stood beside her. Nothing more was all —Buffalo News.

In the car turned to listen to the sad-faced young man's words. They were very earnest. The smart young woman turned with a sneer and looked into the face of the young man atmosphere of tea-drinking, sewing, and sailmaking. Jan was at the wheel, motionless, with eyes fixed, alas! not on the compass, but on the far-off horizon between the compass and the compass has a compass the compass that the compass has a compass the compass the

At the beginning of the Eighteenth century a soldier belonging to one of the French garrisons in India became en-amored of the eyes of Brahma in the temple of Serringham. These eyes were emple of Serringham. These eyes were liamonds, more brilliant than ever hone under the eyebrows of Crapaud's and, yielding to the might of the god of the temple, doubtless trusting Brahms of the temple, doubtless trusting Brahma to protect his own. But on a stormy night the convert disappeared, and with him one of the idol's eyes, the other having resisted all his efforts to dislodge it. So Brahma was left squinting, and the perfidious Frenchman sold his prize to a captain in the English navy for about \$10.000. Leter it was beauth by to a captain in the English navy for about \$10,000. Later it was bought by more than five times this sum, and shown by him to Catharine of Russia, who of-fered for it about \$400,000, a life pension of \$18,000 and a patent of nobility Schraffas refused this offer, and substitution quently sold the diamond to Gregory Or-loff for the same sum, without the patent of nobility. Orloff, part author of Cath-arine's greatness, and raised by her to the steps of the throne, for whom she the steps of the throne, for whom she struck medals, raised triumphal arches and dedicated palaces "par l'amitie reconnaissante," to whom she offered secret marriage and whom in another caprice she banished—Count Gregory, being reinstated in favor, offered his importal mietross two tokens of reconsiliaperial mistress two tokens of reconcilia-tion, the St. Petersburg arsenal and the Orloff diamond.—Neith Boyce in Lippin-

A Norwegian Festival.

An international fishery exhibition will e held this summer at Bergen, the most Norway. The exhibition promises to be a very interesting one, and will no doubt be much frequented by the large number of English tourists who visit this picturesque town on their holiday trips to Norway. One of the great attractions will be a musical festival under the auspices of Dr. Edvard Grieg, the Norwegian composer. A large hall, holding about 3000 people, will be specially built for the occasion. Only Norwegian compositions will be performed, and the fes-Norway. The exhibition promises to positions will be performed, and the fes-tival will last from June 27 to July 3.—

A Tree Stump of Pure Coal. In the large show window of the R. P. Elmore company, Germania building, there is now on exhibition a beautiful there is now on exhibition a beautiful piece of pure mammoth vein anthracite coal, in the shape of a tree stump, which was found 843 feet below the surface. The ridges of bark and ends of broken branches are well defined. The stump is about two feet high, and fifteen inches in diameter. This specimen is said to be the only one in the West, and the members of the firm are very much pleased at their good luck in securing it. at their good luck in securing it.

An Ocean Race. The ships Tacoma and Indiana sailed and San Francisco respectively on Oc-tober 12 last. The voyage of the Tacoma, the winning ship, was 700 miles longer than that of her rival; but she traversed the entire distance of 10,000 miles in 138 days, and arrived at her destination before the Indiana reached San Francisco. Considerable money had been wagered on the race before the ships sailed.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for in the Children's Home in New York. cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and destroy Worms. Over 10,000 testimonials. They never fail. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Little Arthur Garcon is a sweet little chappie of just that age when his analogies are often strikingly and curiously expressed.

The other morning Arthur was called into his ma's room. There he was formally presented to two new little brothers just arrived.

"Gracious!" he cried, "the Lord has sent us duplicates!"

DUPONCEAU'S VOW.

(An Incident of the Revolution.)

O, my flag that flies in a land so wide
That here it shall float on the eastern
breeze,
While there is shall stream on the airy tide
That inviting from the annet seek

Need of friends that were fearless and

Twas frosty December, with flying snow, When Steuben to Portsmouth harbor came And his gallant men, their souls aglow With chivalry's generous flame.

Then the sweetest flower of all Portsmot town,
Simple and sweet, the favor bestowed.
Gray was the sky, and the snow came down,
And the rose on her pure cheek glowed. In the days that were dark, when men must

And women at home in prayer do bow, Did the maiden say, as she thought of the knight,
"I helped him to keep his yow!"

-Edith M. Thomas in New York Sun.

ONE OF THE MAINE'S DEAD.

BY M. K. BREWSTER. He was the boy of the miscellaneous crew of a merchantman sailing from New York in the fall of 1893.

In the early days of that voyage, when

the mammoth blue wall of sea came rolling from northward, and the last little birds, swept off shore by the gale and. exhausted beyond fear, lighted about a deck-chair that held a burden of reawakening personality, Jan Neilson's was the first face to impress itself among the many strange ones of those who came and went in turn from the wheel.

A stolid, round face it was, above a neavy little body always clothed in blue "dungarees," save when the squalls came; then his wet, red cheeks glistened above yellow oilskins and under a drip-ping sou'wester. Soon all the men were

blue days that seem born off Brazil, where the sun is dazzling on the violet ripples, the air hot, but livened by the sweetest of all breezes that come when the "trade" is caught and the tranquil mind is centered on the log-registered progress southeastward that each hour shows.

youd which they were trying to follow thoughts that had gone to a home in Denmark. Or, perhaps, still farther, into that region where his destiny now has carried him. But a rough "How's she head?" brought a rude restoration, and we were discovered enough points off our course.

The experience of Miss Bertha Reed, discovered enough points off our course to be merrily making homeward, which is a luring direction, but diametrically op-posed to that of Australia. Jan stood at the wheel a long time after that, and my heart ached for the something pathetic that there was about his poor little prestient young figure as the day waned and he sun grew more and more trying.

I do not remember just when I was surprised by the discovery that Jan wa really sweet-looking. Perhaps it was surprised by the discovery that Jan was really sweet-looking. Perhaps it was a sunny morning in Newcastle when the heat sizzled in the deck planks, and I came upon him polishing brasses that already vied with the sun. In the relaxed discipline of a crew-deserted ship, I stopped to speak with him, and noticed then how steady his eyes were and the goodness of his expression in the shy, pleased brightness that warmed his face

leased brightness that warmed his face After that I always noticed him, though another long passage with no opportunity for speech followed. But it was the keenest pleasure to hear certain statements made on his behalf in the cabin, and gradually verified by his action on the decks. He was constantly in demand and always cheerful. He ran and fetched and carried from the beginning to the and carried from the beginning to the end of his watch as the boy must, and then was at all the men's work. Always unobtrusive, but always learning steadily and well. The time came when in the roughest seas he was sent for to take the wheel—a fine atonement for his bitter days of learning—and no man watched for and carried us over the staggering seas more steadily and better than he. He always was a quiet man, and that

was greatly in his favor among a crew of this kind, and he slowly won the respect of every grade on board. When the mate's interest at last be-came almost fatherly, we learned more about Jan. He kept sover in port—an-other rare virtue—and from his scant earnings a portion was sent to the poor mother in Denmark. His honest, placid face reflected the pleasure of the rest of us the day we left the bleak Atlantic waters behind, and, towing up the Thames in the sweet breath of the hawthorn bedges, passed, off Gravesend, the white cruiser Chicago and two American

flags dipped just at sunset on foreign Greenwich. The sailors, dressed in their best and dragging their boxes, were swallowed up ashore. Jan preferring, and this time chosen, to stay by, became sole occupant of the forecastle. He kept watch at night and slept by day, and living on chin fare grow, stoyter, and were ing on cabin fare grew stouter and more comfortable-looking than ever. Again h comfortable-looking than ever. Again he resisted the taverns and passed evening after evening of those lonely, smoke-stained twilights of a London summer, in solitude, with an accordion that he never produced before the crew, but from the homesick strains of which when by himself he seemed to gather solace. nimself, he seemed to gather solace. Night after night, when we came down the electric-lighted wharf his round head bobbed above the rail to investigate, after receive wraps and parcels. Night after night his steady tramp went at intervals past our windows, until the early morning bour when he was relieved.

From I do not know just what time there had strengthened in me the desire to know and tell Jan's story. It is surprising now in looking over old journals to see the number of notes made all along to that effect, for I could not have to that effect, for I could not have dreamed then how fate had taken his short course in hand and would perfect its ending. Masters and mates are not given to detecting the romance of their men. That is left to the woman passen-

ger's conjecture, and my opportunity came unexpectedly. ger's conjecture, and my opportunity came unexpectedly.

It was the August evening that ended a London bank holiday, a day of rollicking that naturally extended even to the city's dock fringes. The scant ship population had decreased until lastly, after tea, the steward and stewardess, in the blissful inconvertency of a bource. chappie of just that age when his analogies are often strikingly and curiously expressed.

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Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price, 25 and 50c.

Hair Cutter (to parent)—"Shall I give your boy a bang on his forehead, sir."

Parent (busily)—"Yes; and if hat doesn't quiet him give him one in the neck. He's been warned not to fidget in the birst of the healthy of the light of ship etiquette such in the barber's chair."—Life.

It was the August evening that ended a London bank holiday, a day of rollick, and of soliday, and yor folick, and of soliday. The ware deer at 30 francs, had in the course of its service saved its owner a snug forther time, the was rich, and was known to be so throughout the theatrical world, and his opportunities of making small alons to impoverished actors were quite unrivaled. The artist would state his case, and the great man would listen symphone period, drifted out for a peep at the excitement that existed beyond the dock gates, and a great lonelliness settled over the ship. Each trip to the forward doorway showed me Jah either on his beat or puffing at his pipe, resting against the rail and gazing, as sailors do when off duty, to the horizon's edge, which here in London was smoke-veiled until its golden sunset color looked brans. Even to our isolated berth came faint shouts, singing, and laughing now and then.

I hesitated about going out to Jan, because in the light of ship etiquette such

an irregular course might embarrass the boy. But eventually I went, and I am sure that he was as lonely as I, and as grateful for companionship. So there in the damp brown evening, shut in by the rows of coal and storage-sheds and the more distant weaving of masts, yards and smokestacks, we talked for hours, as

sometimes people will talk who never spoke together before or will not speak again.

He told the story of his twenty years, of his birthplace on the shore of a big river. How he always felt the river urging him to the sea, while his mother held him back. Of a childish escape from her, when, embarking in a tub, he made his first voyage down the rushing river, only to be rescued by chance from the hand that death on the waters stretched towards him then. And, at last, of his light;
Scholar and scribe—he could dance with the best,
And could fight as well as write!

As the gray weeks passed on the wintry wave,
And the land now rose o'er the good ship's bow,
Not one of those voyagers, jocund and brave,
But had heard of Duponceau's Vow!

How bleak was the wind, how bare was the tree,

the characteristic of the widowed mother and his nine young brothers and sisters.

On an English ship he went to Calcutta, and there were few countries that

How bleak was the wind, how bare was the tree,
How frowning the face that the heavens wore;
"I shall keep my word by land as by sea,"
And he smilled as he stepped ashore.

As he stepped ashore in the flying snow,
Under the sky as frowning and gray,
The winsomest flower the town might show,
With a rose face passed that way!

"Lady, I pray you, grant me this:
Ere I lift my hand for your land to fight, I vowed I would ask of that maiden a kiss
Who was first to meet my sight!

"A kiss, in token of good success;
As a favor I carnestly seek it now.
The cause that you love you thus shall bless
By helping to keep my vow."

On an English ship he went to Calcutta, and there were few countries that the had not seen since. After experience on American ships, his ruling ambition and desire was to enter the United States navy. As far as his limitations had allowed, he had investigated the matter, and his plan of action, formed to be followed upon his next return to New York, showed how deeply he had deliberated upon it. But he wanted confirmation and advice, and as he questioned for this there gradually grew in his face that which was an assurance that in the end he would accomplish whatever he set out for, whether outside help came or not.

Some months later we came into New York. Jan had so risen in favor that a regular berth and promotion on the ship regular berth and promotion on the ship was in store for him if he wished to remain. Some time before, to the great satisfaction of my own interfering sense of the fitness of things, the "ordinary scaman" that had marked his name dif-ferently from the others of the crew list on the articles had been changed to able seaman, with the slight advance in wages that that alteration of title implies. But before leaving the ship I was pleased to hear that the determination he had confided remained. A word to the kindly mate secured a little aid as to his course in control of the state of the secured as the se in applying at the Brooklyn navy-yard, and not long afterwards Jan Neilson was

a seaman in our navy.

In his routine there and my own absence from the country I lost track of certainty that accompanies some horrors, for the published list of the dead of the battleship Maine. With it came the name battleship Maine. With it came the name that I knew was printed there.
Yet, even now, it is hard to realize that that enduring little figure lies under the yellow waters of Havana harbor. I have seen again so many pictures in which he stands—often at the wheel, sometimes in the luminous nights of the tropics, when we sang on deck and told stories in his hearing and he held the big wheel so carefully, lest its sudden jar break the peace of it all and the flow of the narrative; sometimes, in winter gales, lashed at the wheel, muffled against the frozen spray that swept on the steep, washed deck.

above yellow oilskins and under a dripping sou'wester. Soon all the men were familiar, but he remained marked among the others in the general duties of hauling, stowing, oiling, tarring, scraping, polishing and painting of that voyage. A boy's life on shipboard is not an easy one, and besides that Jan carried a superficial appearance of stupidity. His sluggish Northern movement and his dumpy stature denied him the alert and picturesque attraction that some boyish scamen have.

He came into prominence one day in the South Atlantic—one of those intense blue days that seem born off Brazil, where the sun in dazgling on the violet for the steep, washed deck. Some show him as he used to be, awed and conscious, when the captain loomed near and let his keen gaze sweep wheel and compass; always anxious but unflinching then, and with his own eyes, blue as the "dungarees" he wore traveling rapidly from binnacle to overhanging sails. Others paint him barefooted, with his old straw hat pushed from his dripping forehead, pattering busily about our decks, or as he modestly waited in the sailors came aft for slops; and sometimes, as on bright Sunday mornings in port, when he came aft in clean shirt, sir." and more often than all, borne aff from the lookout on the bow, his steady, cheerful "All is Vell!"—New York Even-ing Post.

We—the cabin trio—sat on the house in WOMEN AND THE WHEEL. From the Gazette, Delaware, Ohio. The healthfulness of bievele riding omen is a disputed question.

Used in moderation it surely creates for women a means of outdoor exercise, the benefit of which all physicians concede. Used to excess, like any other pastime, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. J. R. Reed, 335 Lake street, Delaware, Ohio, may point a moral for parents who, like Mr. and Mrs. Reed, have experienced some concern for their daughters who are fond of wheeling. In the fall of '96 Miss Bertha, who had rid-



to temporary n e r v ousness when he examined her, he watched her closely, but her pulse continued at that rate for her high pulse and steadily wasting condition that she was suffering from anac-mia or a bloodless condition of the body. She became extremely weak, and could not stand the least noise or excitement. In this condition of affairs they were recommended by an old friend to get some of that famous blood medicine, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They did so, and almost from the first dose Bertha began to improve. She continued to take the pills and was by their means made entirely well, and more grateful people than her parents cannot be found.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have proved boon to womankind. Acting directly on the blood and nerves, they restore the requisite vitality to all parts of the body creating functional regularity and per-fect harmony throughout the nervous

system. The pallor of the cheeks is changed to the blush of health; the eyes brighten; the muscles grow elastic, ambition is created and good health returns. A Cornish Fireman.

Canon Hammond, in his recent book, "A Cornish Parish," relates an incident of a Cornish fireman of a small town, whom the sudden clang of the fire bell summoned from his daily labor to the scene of the fire close by. He viewed the flames for a mount or two with a the flames for a moment or two, with a critical eye, and then, turning to a neighbor in the crowd, remarked placidly:
"'Tis a proper fire, sure 'nough; I must
go home and put on my uniform!"
Not less leisurely was the behavior, as
related by the Youth's Companion, of a
fireman of a certain small New England town which had but recently be-There had been several quite needless alarms since the advent of the gorgeous they had been rung in, in part to a willingness on the part of the general population to see the fire engine turn out. So, when the sound of the bells aroused him at midnight, this hero thrust his head out of the window and hailed a boy running by

"No!" the boy called back over moulder as he turned the corner.
"Tchk!" said the fireman, thoughtfully clicking his tongue against his teeth. Just then a man raced down the street. "Hi there, you!" he called to him as he dashed past, "is it a hencoop?" "No!" the man shouted back, "it's a "Then, Maria," said the fireman to his wife, resignedly, as he began groping for his boots, "I kinder guess I might's well be startin' along."

A Handy Watch, M. Nado, director of a Parisian thea-er, had a silver watch which, though lear at 30 francs, had in the course of

A BEAR AT GRAND HAVEN. Bruin is Pursued by Dogs, but Manage

It has been a long time since wild ani mals have been seen in this locality savs a Grand Haven (Mich.) dispatch. The other morning, however, at an early hour a bear tried to get into the hog pens of Cyrus Wise, located across the river. When the steamer Nyack got in Mate George Honner noticed the animal plodding along at the foot of the big hill. The dogs were heard barking just before and undoubtedly frightened the bear from the pen. The next day the tracks of the bear could be plainly seen and Cyrus is at the head of an expedition in search of the animal. It is believed to be in the region about the sag. Two or three years ago a bear was seen near the Estes place. A year or two before that a deer jumped into the river from the north pier and swam to the pens of Cyrus Wise, located across the from the north pier and swam to the south beach. Wild cats have been killed in very recent years in the woods near Ferrysburg.

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True Friendship. True friendship has a broadening influonce, and takes small account of things which might serve to weaken the charms of mere acquaintances, philosophizes writer in the Youth's Companion. "Are you habitually lame, or is you limp caused by some temporary trouble?" inquired the lawyer in a case of assault and battery, addressing a witness for the defendant. The man bore every indica-tion on his face and person of having been in some recent catastrophe which the lawyer hoped to prove was the particular

affray then before the court.
"Oh, Oi'll be all right in a day or two," said the witness, cheerfully. "It was jist a friend of mine kicked me the other evening, and Oi'm a bit stiff in the jints, that's all!"

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M. Hanotaux has narrowly escaped prosecution for cruelty to animals. A nonkey, which had been presented to him by the minister of the colonies, and which was too savage for the house, was which was too savage for the house, was chained up in the courtyard, where an inspector of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals discovered that the chain to which it was attached had chafed its body. A notice was served upon the minister for foreign affairs, who immediately took steps to place the monkey in a more comfortable. fairs, who immediately took steps to place the monkey in a more comfortable

The Rev. Dr. Webb's Epitaph. A monument is to be erected at the n Huntington, W. Va. He died of grief soon after his son William was murdered last fall. The monument will bear this "Here lies the body of J. Wesley Webb, a firm believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, Jeffersonian Democracy, and the Methodist Episcopal church." Relatives say that Dr. Webb made the above request on his deathbed. He was in the Methodist Episcopal conference for more than thirty years, ten years of which he was stationed at Wheeling, W.

Wisconsin Patents. Patents for the following Wisconsin nventors are reported for this week by Erwin, Wheeler & Wheeler, 58 and 59 Loan and Trust building. Milwaukee, Wis. These attorneys will furnish the Inventors' Handbook free: T. Ellenbecker. Sawyer, attachment for mowing machines; H. W. Hoeft, La Crosse, safety umbrella rack; B. S. Kerr, Monroe, washing machine; O. Scheller, Phillips, plano, action; J. K. Severson, Madison, adjustable tool holder; T. J. St. Louis, West Superlor, loghauler; J. N. Moehn, Milwaukee, hook.

Ted was invited out to tea with his mother one day, and among other delicacies a saucer of orange-gelatine was set before him. It was a new dish to the little fellow, and he eyed it disparagingly a minute, then said, very politely:

"If you please, 'um, thank you. I

rather guess you can have it back-it keeps waggin' so."-Puttsburg Bulletin. There is a Class of People Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without di tress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-fourth as much. Children may drink it with great Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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