As to Matches.

It is estimated that we use annually in the United States over 30,000,000,000 matches. These indispensable little articles were first used in this country less than seventy years ago, and at that time a box containing twenty-five was sold for 25 cents. Imagine matches at 1 cent apiece! To-day we buy 1000 for 5 cents, and a New York man has a new machine which may put them on the market at half that price.

A whistler or singer possesses a happy heart.

A radical change is being made in the appearance of the baggage, mail and express cars on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. The platforms and the hoods are being removed to increase the element of safety and save weight. The favorite riding place of tramps is also eliminated when the platforms are removed. General Manager Underwood has also issued an order to remove the numbers from locomotive tenders; so that in cases of emergency, those of the same style will be interchangeable.

THE very word "operation" strikes terror to a woman's soul.

Nearly always these operations become necessary through neglect.

If the menses are very painful, or too frequent and excessive, get the right advice at once and stop taking chances. It will cost you nothing for advice if you write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., for it, and if you let the trouble run along it will surely cost you a great deal of pain and may mean an operation.

WOMEN AVOID OPERATIONS

MISS SARAH J. GRAHAM, Sheridanville, Pa., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I had suffered for several years with female troubles and doctored until I was discouraged. I felt wretched and tired of living. I had disease of kidneys, bladder trouble, dropsy and bloating, bad womb trouble and a large tumor had formed; in fact all my organs were out of fix.

"Seeing a woman's letter praising your remedies, I wrote to her and she begged of me to try it, telling me all that it had done for her. I bought six bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and now cannot express my gratitude to you. The tumor began to come away in pieces and I got better all the time. I believe now that I am entirely cured.

"My doctors could not believe it at first, as they all had told me that my case was a hopeless one, and no human power could do me any good. They were astounded. If I can say anything that can help other women, I shall be glad to."

It is not safe to wait until the last moment. Head off trouble by prompt attention to it. Don't be satisfied without Mrs Pinkham's advice.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

If there is one thing on which the housewife prides herself, it is that of having her laundering done nicely, so that the wearing apparel may be the admiration of all. The washing is a small matter, any one almost can do that, but to have the linens present that flexible and glossy appearance after being ironed requires a fine quality of starch.

Ask your grocer for a coupon book which will enable you to get the first two packages of this new starch—"Red Cross" trademark brand, also two of the children's Shakespeare pictures painted in twelve beautiful colors as natural as life, or the Twentieth Century Girl Calendar all absolutely free.

This is one of the grandest offers ever made to introduce "Red Cross" laundry starch, J. C. Hubinger's latest invention.

Be methodical in everything you undertake.

Are You Using Allen's Foot-Ease?

It is the only cure for Swollen, Smarting, Burning, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Novery—sergy. Price, 50c.

A polite person never wants for friends.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Consumption cured me of a bad lung trouble.—Mrs. J. Nichols, Princeton, Ind., Mar. 25, 1895.

Bad habits are hard to dispense with.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

No soap can cleanse a man's character.

Lost Sight

restored and the eyes cured by using FINDLEY'S EYE SALVE. No pain, sure cure or money back. 25c. 100. All druggists, or by mail. J. F. HAYNES, Decatur, Texas.

Simplicity is synonymous with sweet innocence.

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PRAISES PERUNA,

The Great Catarrh Cure.

JOE WHEELER'S CHARGE AT SAN JUAN HILL.

Major General Joseph Wheeler, commanding the cavalry forces in front of Santiago and the author of "The Santiago Campaign," in speaking of the great catarrh remedy, Pe-ru-na, says: "I talk with Senators Sullivan, Roach and McEnery in their condemnation of Pe-ru-na. It is recommended to me by those who have used it as an excellent tonic and particularly effective as a cure for catarrh."

United States Senator McEnery.

Hon. S. D. McEnery, United States Senator from Louisiana, says the following in regard to Pe-ru-na:

"Pe-ru-na is an excellent tonic. I have used it sufficiently to say that I believe it to be all that you claim for it.—S. D. McEnery, New Orleans, Louisiana."

United States Senator Sullivan.

"I desire to say that I have been taking Pe-ru-na for some time for catarrh, and have found it an excellent medicine, giving me more relief than anything I have ever taken.—W. V. Sullivan, Oxford, Miss."

United States Senator Roach.

"Persuaded by a friend I have used Pe-ru-na as a tonic, and am glad to testify that it has greatly helped me in strength, vigor and appetite. I have been advised by friends that it is remarkably efficacious as a cure for the chronic catarrhal complaint of catarrh.—W. N. Roach, Larimore, North Dakota."

A free treatise on catarrh sent to any address by The Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg. Co., Columbus, Ohio.

DEWEY IS THE IDOL.

He Is Given a Welcome at Washington Excelled by None.

IS HONORED BY ALL.

The President Receives Him at the White House and Then He Reviews the Parade Arranged in His Honor.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The home coming of Admiral George Dewey—for henceforth the national capital is to be his home—was made the occasion for the greatest tribute ever paid by Washington to any individual. After the preliminary welcome in New York, itself unsurpassed in its kind, it remained for the highest and greatest in the official world to hold out the hand of greeting to the famous admiral, and to join with the people who are to be his fellow citizens in bidding him welcome. The citizens had made every preparation to make the occasion worthy of their hero. The decorations were elaborate. Pennsylvania avenue was one mass of colored bunting along the entire line of march from the station to the White House, and not content with this, few private citizens failed to make some display of color on their residences.

Unique designs in fairy lamps dotted the horizon, great searchlights threw broad beams of bright light across the blue sky of a clear October evening, and the stately capital stood revealed in its queenly beauty in the powerful rays of

THE DEWEY SWORD.

many concentrated lights. The same device was used effectively in the case of other public buildings which stood within the range of vision of the distinguished party which stood to review the great throng of people which passed slowly along beneath the prow of the white Olympia which projected in bold relief from the stand at head of Pennsylvania avenue, whereon stood Dewey, the central figure of the demonstration. On the facade of the newly completed government postoffice building flamed forth two inscriptions set in electric points: the one recalling the famous message of the president directing Dewey, ten thousand miles away in the far east, to go forth to destroy the Spanish fleet, and the other setting out the immortal admiral's direction to the lamented Gridley: "You may fire when ready, Gridley," which marked an epoch in the history of the United States.

A number of civic organizations paraded before him, besides tens of thousands of non-organized citizens, and in a roar of cannon, rockets and the blaze of red fire and the thunderous cheering of the populace and the warm greeting of the head of the nation, Dewey came to a welcome such as has not been here hitherto.

All along the route from New York to Washington Dewey was given an ovation, such as kings alone would envy. When he reached Washington the climax was reached.

Crowds greeted him as has never greeted a human being in the national capital, not excepting any inauguration of any president.

Dewey was driven to the White House where he was received by President and Mrs. McKinley, the cabinet and other distinguished guests, and after this he was taken to the reviewing stand to see the parade in his honor.

Admiral Dewey gave frequent acknowledgments to the cheers for him and quitted his place early, and with the party, followed by the members of the cabinet, left the stand. It was five o'clock when the fatigued recipient of the day's demonstration reached the residence of Mrs. Washington McLean, mother of the Democratic candidate for governor of Ohio, on K street. He was accompanied by Chairman Mosby, his two aides, Lieutenant Brumby and his son, George Dewey, arriving at the same time. Mrs. McLean welcomed the admiral and turned over the house to him for his home during his stay in Washington.

Presently the people surged in on all sides. A loud cheer rang out announcing the admiral, the crowd cheered and finally Admiral Dewey came to a window and bowed his acknowledgments. Cries of "speech, speech," were heard on all sides but met with no response. Lunch was served by 8:30 and then the admiral retired.

Elaborate exercises took place late afternoon in presenting the sword to Admiral Dewey, voted to him by congress.

TOWN WIPED OUT.

Every Business House in an Arkansas Town Destroyed by Fire.

Texarkana, Tex., Oct. 4.—Bloomburg, a flourishing town on the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf railroad, 50 miles north of Texarkana, has been wiped off the map by fire. Forty-four business houses, including banks and hotels were destroyed. The fire started in a small restaurant and raged until it swept five blocks. It burned everything in its path. The loss is estimated between $350,000 and $400,000. The insurance will not exceed $15,000.

The following is a list of the heaviest losers:

Burt Johnson, wholesale feed, horses; Clemons' bank; William Allen, dry goods and groceries; William Davis, drygoods and groceries; W. C. McKean, drygoods and groceries; Kirk Bros., drygoods and groceries; Lambright Bros., drygoods and groceries; Mrs. Emma Welcome, millinery; W. R. Hicks, drygoods; Finney Dry Goods company; Williams Bros., general merchandise; Cone & Co., hardware; McClure Hurt, drugs; C. D. Barton, furniture; T. A. Valentine, groceries; Commercial hotel; Silver Moon hotel; Denver hotel; Henry & Morris, saloon; Morrison & Heik, saloon; Berry Aiken, saloon; De Queen Bee, newspaper; two barber shops and 50 small stores, eating houses, fruit stands, etc., were also destroyed.

Big Order for Canned Goods.

Chicago, Oct. 4.—It is reported here that the British government has placed large orders for canned meats and tinned fruit with some Chicago large packing concerns. An official of one of the large packing concerns, who did not wish to be quoted, said it was understood that one firm had secured a large contract with the English government for the shipment of canned meats with which to supply the army in The Transvaal. Officials of other packing companies are loath to impart any details, stating that, so far as they and their companies are concerned the matter is simply a rumor. It is said the contract was let through a London branch of the house concerned, and it calls for the largest shipment of canned meats ever exported from this country.

War on Lumber Dealers.

Austin, Oct. 4.—The indictment of a number of the wealthiest and most prominent lumbermen in Texas by the grand jury of Dallas county on the charge of being members of the so-called lumber trust is only a forerunner of a concerted effort that is to be made in a number of other counties of the state to bring indictments against lumber dealers for being in the alleged combine to control the price of lumber. It is reported that the attorney general will assist in the prosecution of these cases. The suits will have a serious effect on the extensive lumber mill interests of east Texas.

Forty-Horse Horses Perish.

Colorado Springs, Oct. 4.—The El Paso Livery and Feed stable at Manitou was destroyed by fire. It was a huge fifty-horse house, probably the largest in Colorado. It was filled with hay, buggies and boarding horses. Of the latter, 43, including several thoroughbreds, perished with the building. The timely arrival of the Colorado Springs and Colorado City fire departments saved the Becker House and the business portion of the town. Loss about $10,000; partially insured.

More Union Miners in Jail.

Carterville, Ills., Oct. 4.—Three more arrests have been made here in connection with the recent riots. Deputy United States Marshal Dowell arrested John Kelly, William McIntosh and Dick Lemon for violating an injunction of the Federal court. They were taken to Springfield to answer to the charge. So far only union miners have been arrested. It is claimed that warrants for the arrest of 20 more citizens have been issued.

Chinese Disturbed.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The Chinese colony in this city are considerably excited over the fact that large placards, containing revolutionary proclamation, are posted in China-Town. The document appeals in behalf of the deposed Emperor Kuang Hsu, and called for aid to defeat the dowager empress. It is signed by Kang Yu Wei, one of the emperor's confidential advisers, and a close friend.

Serious Coal Strike.

Fort Dodge, Ia., Oct. 4.—The most serious strike in the history of Webster county has begun at the coal mines. Every mine in the district is closed down with 400 miners idle. One serious result of the labor trouble is the coal famine which it has caused. The local schools are closed and all factories are running short of fuel and may have to suspend operations.

To be Admitted to the Bar.

Springfield, Ills., Oct. 4.—More than 400 applications for admittance to the bar of Illinois will be submitted by the state board of law examiners in this city, commencing today. This is the largest class that ever came before the board. The examination will be conducted in regular twelve hour.

Demand for Spanish Coins.

New York, Oct. 4.—A representative of the firm of W. Hogg, Kind & Smith has received a cable of inquiry from a London firm, enquiring if Government might dispose of Spanish coins. Director of the Mint Leach, General Black, etc., said:

ONE WOMAN'S FANCIES.

Most people are either too busy or too idle to be happy.

It is only a very independent woman who can afford to be just in her estimate of her own sex.

Have you noticed the woman with the new silk petticoat is always very much afraid of spoiling her gown?

It doesn't always follow that because a woman wears paste diamonds she is vulgar but it isn't apt to make the world think more of her.

Is your breath bad? Then your best friends turn their heads aside. A bad breath means a bad liver. Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick headache. 25c. All druggists.

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In spite of British rule, India is still virtually a soapless country. Throughout the villages of Hindostan soap is indeed regarded as a natural curiosity, and it is rarely, if ever, kept in stock by the native shopkeeper. In the towns it is now sold to a certain extent, but how small this is may be gathered from the fact that the total yearly consumption of soap in India is about 100,000 hundredweight—that is to say, every 2500 persons use on an average only 112 pounds of soap among them, or, in other words, considerably less than an ounce is the average consumption a person.

SHORT SERMONS.

Our debt to the dead is unspeakable. For good or ill, the world is largely ruled by the dead.—Rev. B. Fay Mills.

How many people really know as to the immortality of the soul? Some argue we are bound to accept it because God's word says so.—W. J. Colville.

Religion is altogether a matter of faith; a matter in which the feelings are involved, but with which the intellect has nothing to do.—Rev. B. W. Carr.

Dewey Celebration.

Americans are quick to appreciate merit. The Dewey celebrations prove that, and it is again forcibly demonstrated in the praise and confidence which is accorded Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, one of the most meritorious remedies ever compounded for indigestion, constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, liver or kidney disease or any trouble arising from a weak stomach.

Great Increase in Bridge Cost.

It is estimated that the rise in the price of steel and steel wire will increase the cost of New York's new East river bridge $2,000,000. The contract for the main span has not yet been let, and specifications for the cable wire have yet to be issued.

DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (Teething Powders.) Prof. Charles P. Ord, A. M., Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., says: "We cheerfully attribute the recovery and continued good health of our little boy to TEETHINA. Your three powders are worth to Doctors and Nurses." Costs only 25 Cents. If not found at your Druggist's, mail 25 cents to C. J. MOFFETT, M. D., St. Louis, Mo.

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No. 110. Ladies' Rain Coat. Handsome Coat, made of high grade double texture wool cheviots in navy blue or black, lined throughout with fancy plaid silk, very comfortable and desirable shape, with five pearl buttons, tailored with two stitching, slit pocket in back, one slant pocket and opening in side seam to allow access to dress pockets; buttonholes all worked with silk and all seams strongly sewed. The manufacturer's guarantee for quality satisfaction goes back of every garment; this coupled with the way Jones prices are made should tell all people as to the value. A good Mackintosh is a wise investment, whether a poor one is money thrown away. Our strong points are perfect knowledge of quality and buying in large quantities at the lowest cash prices; these advantages we extend to our customers. One of these mackintoshes will protect you from rain and damp, and give best of satisfaction. Sizes 34 to 44 inches long as larger. Price

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