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Mrs. S. Hawkins, Chattanooga, Tenn., says, "I feel better than I have for years."

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WORSE THAN SLAVES.

NEGRO COLONISTS LURED TO A MEXICAN SIBERIA.

Twelve Hundred People Taken From Various Southern States Surrounded by Armed Guards—Escaped Persons Relate Tales of A fearful Brutality.

Some months ago a scheme was formulated whereby a few men hoped to get rich. This was to settle a section of land which had been obtained from the Mexican government with negroes from the southern states.

The advertisements offered glowing inducements to the negroes. Railroad fare was to be advanced, to be paid back out of crops made in four years.

From their arrival in Mexico the colonists began to be disillusioned. They were loaded in wagons and taken 30 miles into the country.

When they finally arrived, however, they found that they had been swindled. No houses were there, and they were compelled to sleep as best they could.

The commissary, established by the company and controlled by the only white man in the colony, a German, dispenses food.

All are compelled to work together. The day begins with the first signs of dawn. Mexicans hitch up the teams, so that there will be no chance of any escaping.

Sunday is a day of rest only because the colonists absolutely refuse to work on that day.

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A cheap and practical method of signaling between vessels at sea is suggested by Superintendent Houghton in his annual report.

With a spreader and lanyards at the end it could be shown between the rigging to advantage.

The title of South American revolution has now swept to Ecuador. That is the only country in South America where there has not been a revolution or an armed insurrection against the government within the last three years.

Henry Clay knew personally and remembered the names of thousands of his constituents. It was his strong point during a canvass.

In 1201 an ox was sold at Cambridge for 13 shillings. The price of oxen there now is \$14.

EDMUNDS ON SILVER.

The Ex-Senator From Vermont Gives His Views on Currency.

Ex-Senator Edmunds of Vermont, who has been in Washington for some days, is deeply concerned over the probable results of the present agitation in favor of the unlimited free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

"Do you agree with Senator Allison that the adoption of the gold standard was a mistake?" was asked him.

"I do not," answered the ex-senator, "with considerable emphasis. The mistake lies in the fact that we have not stuck to it. The whole trouble lies in the fact which always has existed and always will exist, that people are in debt. If there were no debts to pay, there would never be a word said about the character of the currency of the country.

"There is no witchery, no magical power, inherent in gold and silver, or either of them, that takes them out of the category which includes all other metals. They are subject to the law of demand and supply, and the idea that, by the expression of somebody's will, this condition can be changed is what makes trouble."

"Do you apprehend any serious results from the present agitation?" was asked.

"Unless it be met by a campaign of information and intelligence, many persons within their own observation, and who do not know the history of all similar movements, will be led astray. Finding nothing to refute the assertions made in speeches and publications of the silver propagandists, those to whom they are addressed will conclude that they are true.

The duty of the patriot, especially the young patriot, is to engage in this campaign."

FOUND THROUGH A NOVEL.

Octavia Clouston Hears of Relations in Orkney, N. B.

Octavia Clouston, the authoress who wrote "A Title Rejected," is daily reminded that her book is widely read by the readers of letters from persons many of whom are too ardent admirers to suit her husband.

The latest addition to her mail came a few days ago in the shape of a letter dated West Nether Bigging, Steunes, Orkney, N. B.

Without ceremony the writer addresses the authoress as "Dear Cousin." He says he is the eldest son by second marriage of the late T. Clouston and "name son" of the late "W. Clouston of Camargo, Maryland."

An estate which is purported to belong to the Clouston family, of which the authoress is convinced she is a member, is now awaiting claimants in Wheeling. Mrs. Clouston's identity was discovered through her book.

The authoress' name attracted the attention of the Orkney island relatives, who claim exclusive right to the name of Clouston.—New York World.

SHE WAS A WONDER.

Catharine Scott Was 103 Years Old, Yet Had Not a Gray Hair.

In the death of Catharine Scott, which occurred recently, Brooklyn lost its oldest inhabitant. Her descendants, which include 12 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren, are confident that she was at least 103 years old.

She had three daughters and one son, all of whom she survived. She retained all her faculties until a few hours before her death. She was of dark complexion, medium height and of slight build, weighing only 90 pounds. She had not a single gray hair in her head, and her memory was so perfect that she could clearly recall incidents which occurred over half a century ago.

Her death resulted from a shock following a fall, which was an early riser all her life and occasionally indulged in a whisky punch or a glass of ale.

Prophecy of a Revival in Horse Breeding. The advance fever will next strike the horse growers. Consumption goes steadily on, but for two successive years breeding operations have been restricted.

Memorial Day in Florida. The Florida house of representatives has passed a bill providing that the 26th of April shall be observed as a legal holiday for the purpose of decorating the graves of Confederate soldiers.

Almost El Dorado. The tide of South American revolution has now swept to Ecuador. That is the only country in South America where there has not been a revolution or an armed insurrection against the government within the last three years.

A Foolhardy Seventy-year-old. Robert McCallum, a 70-year-old Nova Scotia, expects to start from New York in May on an attempt to cross the ocean alone in a small open boat, only 14 feet on the keel. He should know better at his years.—Boston Journal.

BELDING, MICH., APRIL 30

At Hotel Bricker From 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Consumption No Longer An Incurable Disease by my new methods of Treatment. No Experiment. One Month Free.

DR. A. E. ELMER The Great Clarivoyant Physician

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Take one candid thought before it is too late. A week or a month may place your case beyond the reach of hope.

My method of treatment will speedily and permanently cure the most obstinate cases and absolutely restore perfect manhood. Young men, who have become victims of solitary vice, that dreadful and destructive habit which annually sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of young men of an exalted talent and brilliant intellect, may call with confidence.

Epilepsy or Fits positively cured by a new and never failing method. Curing of Piles guaranteed. Will give five hundred dollars for any case a failure.

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No money required of responsible parties to commence treatment. Free Examination of Urine. Each case analyzed for treatment should be subjected to chemical and microscopical examination.

Remarkable cures perfected in old cases which have been neglected or unsiftfully treated. No experiments or failures. Parties treated by mail or express, but where possible, personal consultation preferred.

Private parlors, Hotel Bricker. Special terms to all callers before May 14.

Persons who sympathize with the afflicted will rejoice with D. E. Carr of 1255 Harrison street, Kansas City. He is an old sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, but has not heretofore been troubled in this climate.

Last winter he went up into Wisconsin, and in consequence has had another attack. "It came upon me again very acute and severe," he said. "My joints swelled and became inflamed; sore to touch or almost to look at. Upon the urgent request of my mother-in-law I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm to reduce the swellings and ease the pain, and to my agreeable surprise, it did both. I have used three fifty-cent bottles and believe it to be the finest thing for rheumatism, pains and swellings extant. For sale by Holmes & Connell, druggists.

A lady at Tooleys, La., was very sick with bilious colic when M. C. Tisler, a prominent merchant of the town, gave her a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. He says she was well in forty minutes after taking the first dose. For sale by Holmes & Connell, druggists.

For whooping cough Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is excellent. By using it freely the disease is deprived of all dangerous consequences. There is no danger in giving the remedy to babies, as it contains nothing injurious. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Holmes & Connell, druggists.

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Come our way. We can still wait on a few more customers in the Grocery Department.

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The greatest discovery for sufferers of catarrh is Mays' Magnetic Catarrh Cure. Its wonderful cures since its discovery are known to thousands.

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I am my dear sir, Yours faithfully, HENRY CARRINGTON ALEXANDER, Sept. 12th, 1888.

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