

CROSS-EXAMINATION

Could Not Weaken Such Testimony As This.

(From the Kalamazoo Telegraph.)

The following statement is one of great interest to many a citizen of Kalamazoo, and a man as well known as Mr. Wallace should carry more than ordinary weight with our readers. Here it is as taken down by our representative:

"My name is John A. Wallace. I am a member of the firm of J. A. Wallace & Co., doing business as tinners, etc., at 106 Eleanor Street, Kalamazoo, in which city I also reside. For the past nine or ten months I have been having attacks of kidney complaint, the pain in my back over my hips was very severe at times; my urinary system was also in a bad state of derangement, sometimes the urine was scanty and then again the amount would be excessive, and a difficulty of passage always existed. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills at a time when I felt that I was going to be sick, but their use warded off an attack, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organism has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. I am continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, with positive feeling that they will effect on me a permanent and speedy cure. I have unbounded confidence in Doan's Kidney Pills as a remedy for all kidney ailments; have good reason to be, as they have done so much for me."

Can you ask any more than this? Doan's Kidney Pills are relieving more backs of the burdens they have been forced to bear through the kidneys than all other means devised, and, better still, they are doing this right here in Michigan. Ask any one who has ever taken them and see what they will say.

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers, price, 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

Noosing a Sea-Lion.

A correspondent of Ram's Horn narrates a pulling match between a sea lion and a farmer; Near Tillamook, Ore., an old German farmer chanced to be driving along the beach, when his watchful gaze was greeted by the sight of a large sea lion some distance out on the sand, fast asleep. It was the work of a moment for Jacob to make a lasso of the stout rope he had in his wagon, fasten the end of it to the hind axle, and adjust the noose over the sea lion's head. Then Jacob jumped into the wagon and started homeward with his prize. The sea lion did the same, and as his team was the stronger of the two, Jacob started seaward at a good pace, and only saved himself and his "outfit" by springing quickly to the ground, grasping his jack knife and cutting the rope.

Insuring Workmen.

The German government provides a system of compulsory insurance for working men. Under this system a workman 20 years of age pays an equivalent of 40 cents a week for three years, and at the age of 65 he receives the sum of \$77, in the meantime having had an insurance against accidents. The annual premium is divided into three parts, one of which is paid by the workman, another by his employer and the third by the state. The report for 1896 shows that 18,389,000 persons were insured under the law, of whom 3,469,000 were employed in shops and factories, 12,290,000 were employed in agriculture and 690,000 were in the employ of the state. In that year the number of accidents was 74,897, of which 6,448 terminated fatally. The total expense of the system for the year was \$13,400,000.

In cases of burns, sprains, scalds, or any of the other accidental pains likely to come to the human body, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil gives almost instant relief.

An English provincial paper concludes a long obituary with the following unusual notification—"Several deaths are unavoidably deferred."

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To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1.00. Guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Ad. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Where you are is of no moment, but only what you are doing there. It is not the place that ennobles you, but you the place. Ambition it is that gives men the energy and the will to accomplish great things. One murder made a villain; millions a hero. Numbers sanctified the crimes.

Rugs Made From Your Old Carpets.
Latest improvement, new method of making reversible rugs from your old Brussels or Ingrain carpets, with border all around. Send for circular and price to S. Kross, 6211 Wentworth Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fails to cure, druggists refund money.

The only thing a man can do well when he is in a passion is to fight hornets and mosquitoes.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

If an American can't have his fun with pepper sauce on it he won't wait at all.

Coe's Cough Balsam
Is the oldest and best. It will break up a cold quicker than anything else. It is always reliable. Try it.

In most things success depends on knowing how long it takes to succeed. The man who goes to school to his mistakes will have the most to learn. Employment is nature's physician and is essential to human happiness.

ROAMING ROMANIES.

RACE THAT SHOWS NO SIGN OF EXTINCTION.

Interesting Facts Crisply Told by a Qualified Student of This Strange People—Blood Will Tell—Will Travel for All Time.



THE gypsy race shows no sign of extinction. The Romanies are as strong and as numerous today as they have ever been."

Thus spoke Mr. Paul Kester, playwright, ethnologist and student of the lives, habits and language of the gypsies. Mr. Kester is one of the greatest living authorities upon the American Romany. "There are many thousands of them in the United States, and they permeate all branches of society. I know of an eminent and respectable Episcopal clergyman in Boston who has Romany blood in his veins. Once a year the old wandering fever comes over this good man; and then, hey presto! the pulpit is temporarily abandoned, and he follows the patrin-trail or lounges contentedly among his kindred in the shade of the caravan tent."

"Since the death of Matilda Stanley II, of Dayton, O., a few years ago, the American gypsies have had no generally recognized queen. The Irish-American and German-American gypsies have rulers of their own. There are 760 families of German-American Romanies, and their queen is Sophia Freyer, a Romany Chi of nearly 80 years. For many years old John Gorman was king of the Irish-American Romany. He was succeeded by his wife, Queen Bridget, who in turn gave place to her son, Bartley Gorman, the present king. King John Gorman and Queen Bridget came to New York from Ireland in the '40s, bringing with them their wagons. Since then they have roamed the country over and multiplied greatly. Their chief avocation is horse trading. Henry Palmer, a millionaire gypsy of San Francisco, who claimed to have succeeded Matilda Stanley II as sovereign of all the Romanies in America, died in 1894. His giant form and great wealth made him a familiar personage in California.

"All the gypsy families have two names—i. e., their Romany patronymic and its equivalent in the language of their adopted country. In the same way the gypsies have Romany names for most of the big cities in England and this country. They are quite opposite, too, as may be judged by the following short list, picked up around campfires and caravans: Kanlo-Gav,



ROMANY DOMESTICITY.
or Black-town (Pittsburg); Boro-Gav, or Big-town (Milwaukee and St. Louis); Pantomengo, or white city (Philadelphia).

"The nomadic gypsy bands are not so large as in less settled times, when the Romany was forced to travel in large numbers for self-protection. From 12 to 20 persons make up the average caravan today; although in some cases the bands number 50 or 60. A very large band is the famous one of which old Chivodine Lovel is the chief. Every year Lovel's band comes north and camps between Newark and Elizabeth, N. J., in the woods by the boulevard. These Lovels are over 60 in number. At one time they were suspected of having abducted Charley Ross; but the fair-haired boy found in their camp and supposed to be little Ross was proven a nephew of old Chivodine, and is now heir-apparent to the chieftaincy. Chief Stanley's big family yearly encamps on Crow hill, Kings county, N. Y., while branches of the royal Stanley family of Ohio encamp near Dayton, Cincinnati and Cleveland.

"The patrin is the code of signs by which gypsies tell each other the road to be followed. Nowadays, however, the gypsies are getting so unromantic that they do a great deal of telegraphing. Oddly enough, the great gypsy exchanges in the various cities are lively stables and pawnbrokers' shops.

"Their cooking and eating habits are often odd enough. For pork they have a great fondness, and in old times they were accustomed when passing a farm house to 'drab the baulo' (poison the pig) and beg the carcass from the farmer. The poison known as 'drab' is one of the Romany secrets. It is a curious drug which affects only the animal's brain, leaving the rest of the body unpoisoned. Many old Romany chals have admitted to me that they still occasionally yield to the temptation of 'drabbing the baulo' and thereby obtain fresh pork. English gypsies smack their lips over the memories of toasted atchivitchi, or hedgehog. The gypsy way to cook a fowl is to do it up, feathers and all, in clay, and bake it in the heart of the fire, for a little more than 30 minutes. The clay is then removed, taking with it the feathers,

the fowl is cleaned and the feast is ready.

"In so far as I know him (and I may safely say that I know him well) the American gypsy is one of nature's gentlemen—courteous, considerate and loyal. The average Gorgio, of course the Romany dislikes and distrusts; but win the gypsy's affection, and you keep it always. The vagrant tendencies of the race can never be crushed out. They are in the blood, bred in the bone, of the true Romany. So long as the pure gypsy strain exists, chal and chl will trade the patrin trail, tell fortunes, trade horses, woo the Gorgio's gold, and sleep with the broad arch of heaven for their canopy."

RELIGIOUS LIFE IN POLAND.

Intense Devotion and Fervent Piety of the Common People.

From The New Review: The amount of real fervor—for going to church here is not dreamed of as a thing that looks well; it is too common, too universal, too vulgar (if I may say so) to be in the slightest degree respectable—is, of course, a quantity known to God alone. Yet, if we may judge by certain exterior signs, lukewarmness is by no means the shortcoming of Polish Catholics. Look at that old woman hobbling into church. She bears on her arm, I am sorry to say, her purchases from the market; sometimes a couple of fowls are heard cackling in her basket; sometimes a heavy thump on the pavement breaks a bottle of vinegar, or of sour beetroot juice for the barszez at dinner. But she comes in, kneels down, and lifts up both hands in prayer, in the attitude of a priest saying the collects. Presently sighs are heard; tears trickle down her cheeks, she is so absorbed that she does not hear the crowd passing to and fro, and jostling her; for she has knelt right in the middle of the passage up the nave. And now she bends down, touching the pavement with her forehead, in an ecstasy of devotion, and remains in that posture till the end of mass. Her action is not at all extraordinary; you may count hundreds in the very same attitude. Sometimes a peasant or a working man will stretch himself prostrate on the pavement, with his arms extended and his hands open, as if crucified. I have a painful remembrance of one such case. The church was crammed, and those who wanted to get to the communion table had to push and struggle, so dense was the press. One of them, not noticing the man lying on the ground, accidentally set his foot upon the penitent's fingers. I saw the lifted heel from a distance, and, unable to prevent it coming down, could hardly keep from calling out in church. But the man who lay there did not even stir. At the moment of the elevation, and often at any very striking passage in a sermon, people will be heard to utter a long "Ah—h—h!" of astonishment and devotion. These simple, childish outbursts (which, in truth, are the reverse of extraordinary, if we remember that all Catholics believe that Christ becomes really present on the altar at that solemn moment) are rarer in towns, but very frequent in the country. I once was present at the opening sermon of a mission preached by six Jesuit fathers, at the rate of four sermons a day, for a couple of weeks, to a congregation of about twelve thousand peasants, come from all the neighboring villages. The sermons were, of course, delivered in the open air, outside the church. The father spoke in vigorous, homely language, and waxed louder and louder, more and more vehemently earnest, as he went on. After some time, I became aware of a strange, thrilling tremulous sound, somewhat like the many noises of a running brook, that filled the pauses between each sentence. It was the suppressed weeping of the whole assembly, unable to repress their emotion, and I saw not only the women but the men with big tears running down their rough cheeks. It made a peculiar and quite unexpected impression upon me, for the stolid, heavy faces had seemed to denote anything but an impressionable race.

Fresh Air for Bed-Fast Patient.
"As all the world knows, there is no more perfect means of ventilation than an open fire," writes Mrs. Burton Kingsland, telling how to nurse the sick, in the Ladies' Home Journal. "It is continuous, and attended with no danger of draught. A more equable temperature is obtained with wood than with coal, and the thermometer should be frequently consulted in a sick room. As fresh air is the best tonic, it is said that a window may be opened at the top on a sunny day, no matter how ill the patient be, if in the opening a wooden frame covered with flannel is fitted. The air strained through the woolen material is deprived of all power to harm. An umbrella covered with a swawl makes a good screen when the windows are open, the patient being sheltered under it as in a tent. A folding clothes-horse may also be utilized as a screen frame. As a person lying on his back is deprived of the protection of his eyelids from the light, the blinds and curtains should be adjusted with regard to that fact. A room a little shaded is more restful to a person in illness, but if a patch of sunshine can be let in somewhere in the room it makes a cheery spot for him to turn to if so minded. The Italian proverb says, 'Where the sun does not enter the doctor does.'"

Why They Don't Mourn.
"Why don't the Bifftons appear in mourning? Wasn't Charley Biffton, who was drowned last week, a member of their family?"
"Yes; but he rocked the boat."—Cleveland Leader.

MORE YELLOW FEVER.

Mobile in a State of Panic—Trouble at Jackson, Miss.

The yellow fever has begun to spread quite rapidly at Mobile, Ala., 11 new cases being announced in one day. A quarantine line has been drawn from Chicahobogue creek, north of Mobile, some five miles northwesterly to the Mississippi line so as to present an absolute embargo against Mobilians penetrating by land into the interior of Alabama. This trocha is guarded continuously and when some 2,000 people started out into country intending to take refuge with the farmers, they encountered the guards at the trocha and were stopped there and remained in the open air fearing to return to the city. The people of Mobile are in a great panic and all are leaving who can, although experienced physicians and the older citizens try to quiet the alarm by showing that the fever is not progressing with anything like old time rapidity.

Governor Barred the State Capital.

When the rigid quarantine was established at Jackson, which is the capital of Mississippi, Gov. McLaurin was at his home at Brandon. Now he wishes to enter the capital, but the board of health is no respecter of persons and refused to admit him. The scare at Jackson is growing and the people are determined not to allow the disease to get a foothold there. They have torn up the tracks of the Alabama & Vicksburg railroad, a short distance west of the city, and also burned the trestle on the same road because the company refused to run trains through the city at the rate of 25 miles an hour. Indignation is at fever heat and the people say that, if necessary to compel observance of their quarantine regulations, they will burn every bridge between there and Vicksburg. Gov. McLaurin has ordered out the Capital Light Guards, in order to protect the property of the railroads.

NEWSY CONDENSATIONS.

The Ohio State Liquor league held its annual meeting at Columbus.

The Austro-Hungarian government will demand full satisfaction for the injuries to its subjects at the massacre of strikers at Lattimer, Pa., and also the severe punishment of the persons inflicting the injuries.

Prof. E. Benj. Andrews has withdrawn his resignation as president of Brown university at Providence, R. I., upon the request of the trustees, the latter having removed the causes of President Andrews' disaffection.

A dispatch from Osgood, Ind., says that more bloodshed is feared at Versailles. It is said that the relatives of the five men who were lynched are threatening and it is not unlikely that the county buildings may be burned.

Dispatches from Nuevitas state that Mendez Capote was chosen president of the Cuban republic at the recent election. He is a lawyer, was formerly governor of Matanzas, and is said to have received the support of Gen. Gomez.

John E. Redmond, Parnellite leader, takes a gloomy view of Ireland's future and says that dire famine stares the people in the face, owing to the failure of the crops. He says the government must come to the aid of the people at once if they are to be saved.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York	Best grades... \$1 00 13	\$1 00	\$2 25	\$4 50
Lower grades...	75 75	3 00	5 00	4 30
Chicago	Best grades... 4 85 13	3 90	5 50	4 25
Lower grades...	2 75 13	2 50	4 00	4 05
Detroit	Best grades... 4 00 13	3 75	5 25	4 25
Lower grades...	2 50 13	2 40	4 00	4 10
Buffalo	Best grades... 3 75 13	4 50	5 50	4 45
Lower grades...	2 50 13	3 00	4 50	4 25
Cincinnati	Best grades... 4 50 13	3 85	5 35	4 25
Lower grades...	2 75 13	2 25	3 75	4 10
Cleveland	Best grades... 4 00 13	3 75	5 65	4 25
Lower grades...	2 25 13	2 00	4 00	4 05
Pittsburg	Best grades... 4 75 13	4 40	5 75	4 45
Lower grades...	2 50 13	2 50	4 00	4 25

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat	Corn	Oats
New York	No 2 red... 91 00 13	31 00 13	25 00 13
Chicago	90 00 13	28 00 13	22 00 13
Detroit	95 00 13	31 00 13	23 00 13
Toledo	95 00 13	30 00 13	20 00 13
Cincinnati	91 00 13	31 00 13	21 00 13
Cleveland	91 00 13	31 00 13	21 00 13
Pittsburg	95 00 13	31 00 13	21 00 13
Buffalo	97 00 13	32 00 13	22 00 13

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy, \$8.30 a ton. New Potatoes, 40c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 75c per lb; fowls, 6c; ducks, 7c; turkeys, 8c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 15c per doz. Butter, dairy, 14c a lb; creamery 15c.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

The end of the bituminous coal strike and the return of many thousand men to work at advanced wages adds to the purchasing power of the people. The starting of many mines and works, enormous exports of wheat and corn, the favorable news as to those crops and cotton, the fall in sterling exchange, and the report showing that gold imports began in August, exceeding exports by \$2,500,000, while merchandise exports exceeded imports by \$400,000, have all contributed to forward the improvement in business. The replenishment of stocks cannot be half finished, though some who could see no sign of improvement a few weeks ago are now finding it so vast and rapid that they fear reaction. The wheat market declined over the past week on account of better crop reports, and corn and cotton are both a little lower for like reasons.

During the recent docking of the U. S. battleship Indiana at Halifax, her bottom bulged under the forward turret. The weight of the turrets was so great that the bottom sank enough to seriously affect the turrets upward. It is also reported that one of her 13-inch guns has been seriously injured. The trouble is a large crack in the powder chamber, just forward of the breech block. An investigation to fix the responsibility for the accident will have to be called.

The Eagle flouring mills were damaged \$6,000 by fire at Kalamazoo.

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Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It is the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired aching feet. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

There are two reasons why some people don't mind their own business. One is that they haven't any mind; and other, that they haven't any business.

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 distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

Jillson says the owner of a menagerie may occasionally lose track of some of the other animals, but he invariably has all his leopards spotted.

Read the Advertisements.

You will enjoy this publication much better if you will get into the habit of reading the advertisements; they will afford a most interesting study and will put you in the way of getting some excellent bargains. Our advertisers are reliable, they send what they advertise.

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What is the difference between a goose and a defeated adversary? One gives down and the other gives up.

Does your head feel as though someone were hammering it; as though a million sparks were flying out of the eyes? Have you horrible sickness of the stomach? Burdock Blood Bitters will cure you.

Stranger—Is the climate variable here? Native—No; same sort right along. Four or five kinds of weather in one day.

Travelers are frequently troubled with dysentery, diarrhoea or other bowel complaint brought on by change of water and diet. One dose of Dr. Fowler's Ext. of Wild Strawberry will bring relief.

Cholly—Do you think it takes nine tailors to make a man? Algy—Not at all, provided he has credit with one.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Decision of character will often give to an inferior mind command over a superior.

I believe my prompt use of Pilo's Cure prevented quick consumption.—Mrs. Lucy Wallace, Marquette, Kans., Dec. 12, 1896.

He who has not a good memory should never take upon him the sins of lying.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

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March 8, 1897: *Samuel Pitcher, M.D.*

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