



Mrs. Anderson, a prominent society woman of Jacksonville, Fla., daughter of Recorder of Deeds, West, who witnessed her signature to the following letter, praises Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—There are but few wives and mothers who have not at times endured agonies and such pain as only women know. I wish such women knew the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is a remarkable medicine, different in action from any I ever knew and thoroughly reliable.

"I have seen cases where women doctored for years without permanent benefit, who were cured in less than three months after taking your Vegetable Compound, while others who were chronic and incurable came out cured, happy, and in perfect health after a thorough treatment with this medicine. I have never used it myself without gaining great benefit. A few doses restores my strength and appetite, and tones up the entire system. Your medicine has been tried and found true, hence I fully endorse it."—Mrs. R. A. Anderson, 226 Washington St., Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Reed, 2425 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia, Pa., says:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to write and tell you the good I have received from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I have been a great sufferer with female trouble, trying different doctors and medicines with no benefit. Two years ago I went under an operation, and it left me in a very weak condition. I had stomach trouble, backache, headache, palpitation of the heart, and was very nervous; in fact, I ached all over. I find yours is the only medicine that reaches such troubles, and would cheerfully recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all suffering women."



When women are troubled with irregular or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, flatulence, general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles.

The experience and testimony of some of the most noted women of America go to prove, beyond a question, that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will correct all such trouble at once by removing the cause and restoring the organs to a healthy and normal condition. If in doubt, write Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., as thousands do. Her advice is free and helpful.

No other medicine for women in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Refuse to buy any substitute.

\$5000 FORFEIT If we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness. Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

Strawberry and Vegetable Dealers

The Passenger Department of the Illinois Central Railroad Company have recently issued a publication known as Circular No. 12, in which is described the

best territory in this country

for the growing of early strawberries and early vegetables. Every dealer in such products should address a postal card to the undersigned at Dubuque, Iowa, requesting a copy of Circular No. 12.

J. F. MERRY, Asst. Gen'l Pass'r Agent.

MEXICAN Mustang Liniment

cures Sprains and Strains.

GLASSES ACCURATELY ADJUSTED.

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DROPSY Cured. Gives quick relief. Removes all swelling in 2 to 20 days; permanent cure in 30 to 60 days. Trial treatment free. Write Dr. H. H. Green's Sons, Box 5, Atlanta, Ga.

When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

W. N. U. HOUSTON—NO. 42, 1904

WILSON'S CURE FOR BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, HOARSENESS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE THROAT AND LUNGS. Sold by druggists.



Buyer Fertilizers.

Our state legislatures are doing what they can to protect the people against low grade fertilizers. Some of the states require the experiment stations to publish special bulletins on fertilizers and send them to all the farmers that want them. This is to spread the information among the farmers as rapidly as possible. If our farmers would avail themselves of these opportunities more than they do they would be the gainers. The fertilizer trade is already a very large one in the East and is growing rapidly in the West. All the information that can be gained should be laid hold of. Our best fertilizer firms are selling only good materials and are as anxious as the farmers can be to keep the poor goods out of the market. Any attempt to enforce the fertilizer laws always has the support of these companies, for their worst enemies are the small companies that are selling inferior goods at a low price. The farmer thinks he is getting a bargain in buying these cheap goods and so goes to the man that sell him the poorest stuff and make the most out of him. If the man that are selling the cheap fertilizers sold it as low as do the men that sell only high grade fertilizers the men that sell the poor stuff would have to go out of business. They sell the poor stuff and make money by really getting for the fertilizers contained a greater price than the others do. The farmer is finding this out only slowly.

Some of the large firms stoop to create bogus companies that sell this material. The writer happened in the territory of one such firm doing business in the southern part of Illinois. The large firm in question had an agency in the place and this agency sent out two sets of agents, one set representing the agency and the other representing a fictitious company supposed to be located in the same place. The cheap material was worked off under the name of the bogus company and generally on farmers to whom could not be sold the high-priced goods, but who wanted something cheap. It was found best to sell mostly to farmers too far away to come to the place and look up the headquarters. But one day a farmer who had been buying the cheap goods came into the agency referred to and said he was very much dissatisfied with the fertilizers of the company he had been buying of, and he wanted to be directed to their store. The agent informed him that the company he was looking for had formerly been located in that neighborhood, but had been burned out and had gone out of business, but that he would be glad to supply the farmer with goods that could not be found fault with.

The farmer that is always looking at the price and not at the quality at the same time is always getting beaten in his trades. It is impossible that it should be otherwise as long as there are unscrupulous men that are making a living in commercial ventures.

Professor Hopkins has been telling the farmers that they must ignore everything in fertilizers except the elements that they are looking for, and he is right. It is not a question of how many tons of fertilizing material a farmer buys, but of how many pounds of potassium, phosphorus and nitrogen he is getting, and at what cost per pound.

Another Combination.

"Few medicines combine effectiveness, economy and convenience as does Cheatham's Laxative Tablets. They are the best remedy for malarial and bilious troubles I ever used."

S. E. WOOTEN, Pickwick, Miss.

25c per box.

The beautiful are never desolate, for some one always loves them.

There may be plenty of room at the top, but it is also well to get in on the ground floor.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 4-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 16-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

None are less eager to learn than they who know nothing.

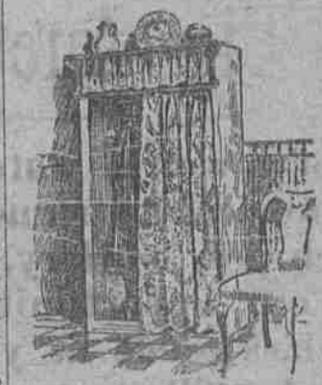
IMPROVEMENT FOR THE HALL.

Arrangement That is Both Useful and Ornamental.

The hall is certainly more worn than any other part of the house, since not only can no room be gained without going through it, but the occasional visitor who gets no further has also to be reckoned with.

One difficulty to contend with in the harmless necessary hat and coat. These are a serious handicap to a pretty hall, yet we must admit that it is part of its duty to harbor them. They are generally tucked away in the darkest corner, and only dimly discerned as a bulging, unsightly mass, those in least frequent use having a fine opportunity of collecting dust.

But at very small outlay an arrangement can be made to hide and protect the hats and coats, and afford an incident pleasing rather than otherwise in the hall. Two shelves about twelve inches wide are the foundation of the affair; they are connected with a back and two sides, and the top one is fitted in front with a small



brass rod. On the bottom shelf rests the headgear of the master of the house, snugly protected by the shelf and the little silk curtain hanging down in front. Below this shelf are two side pieces, and under it a strong lath is fitted, with brass hooks, whence hang coats, probably both masculine and feminine, for it is a luxury to have an old wrap handy to throw on before a turn in the garden.

A curtain of some handsome tapestry runs on a second rod across the cupboard part, and by the time some bits of old blue willow pattern, or odd pieces of brass and copper work have been stowed on the top shelf the creation must be declared quite an imposing feature in the hall.

To Fasten a Kicking Cow.

A dairyman describes his method of tying the hind legs of a cow to prevent kicking while being milked, as follows:

"The method I shall describe is effective and humane, and generally only a few lessons are necessary to convince the most unruly cow that she must stand still while being milked. I take a hame strap from a harness, which is one inch wide and about two feet long. Standing on the right side of the cow, the strap is taken by the buckle end on the left and passed around the cow's left hind leg just over the gambrel; the end of the strap is brought back between the cow's legs, and is given one or two turns around itself. It is then passed in front of the right leg, brought around and securely buckled tight enough so it cannot be pulled down over the joint, but not tight enough to prevent the cow from standing comfortably as long as she behaves herself.

"The cow is not so badly frightened with her legs confined in this way as she is with one tied to the floor, and it is impossible for her to kick or lift either foot sufficiently to disturb the milker. If no harness is used she soon finds that being milked is not such an awful hardship after all, and gracefully submits."

Chemical for Destroying Woodchucks.

C. R.—Some time ago I read of a method of destroying skunks and woodchucks by the use of a chemical placed in their burrows. Please name the chemical and describe its use.

The chemical used for killing woodchucks, etc., is the same as for destroying bugs in peas, viz., carbon bisulphide. This is a liquid which readily evaporates into gas which is heavier than air. To kill woodchucks or skunks in burrows, about two or three ounces of the chemical should be poured on to a piece of cotton waste or rag which should be thrown down the hole. The hole should then be quickly filled in with earth and well tramped down. The gas will settle to all sections of the burrow and destroy the inmates. This chemical is very inflammable, so that no fire should be brought near it when exposed.

Not for Us.

Rev. Goodman—You know what the "golden rule" is, of course? Pyrrus—Oh, of course! It's a rule of conduct we lay down for other people to follow.

WHAT ROME THINKS

THE POPE'S PHYSICIAN ENDORSES AN AMERICAN REMEDY.

Dr. Laponi Uses Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in His Practice Because Results Meet His Expectations.

Dr. Laponi, the famous physician to the Vatican, whose name has recently come so greatly to the front on account of his unremitting attention to His Holiness, the late Pope Leo XIII., and the high esteem and confidence with which he is regarded by the present Pope, His Holiness, Pius X., in a man of commanding genius. He is more than a mere man of science; he is a man of original and independent mind. Untrammelled by the "etiquette" of the medical profession, and having used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in his practice with good results, he freely avows the facts and endorses the value of this remedy with an authority which no one will venture to question.

Dr. Laponi's Letter.

"I certify that I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in four cases of the simple anemia of development. After a few weeks of treatment, the result came fully up to my expectations. For that reason I shall not fail in the future to extend the use of this laudable preparation not only in the treatment of other forms of the category of anemia or chlorosis, but also in cases of neurasthenia and the like." (Signed)

GIUSEPPE LAPONI, Via del Granchi 232, Rome.

The "simple anemia of development" referred to by Dr. Laponi is, of course, that tired, languid condition of young girls, whose development to womanhood is tardy and whose health at that period is so often imperiled. His opinion of the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People at that time is of the highest scientific authority and it confirms the many published cases in which anemia and other diseases of the blood, as well as nervous diseases, such as nervous prostration, neuralgia, St. Vitus' dance, paralysis and locomotor ataxia have been cured by these pills. They are commended to the public for their efficiency in making new blood and strengthening weak nerves. After such an endorsement they will be accepted by the medical and scientific world at their full value.

ONLY SEEMING GOOD LUCK.

Young Lieutenant's Fortunate Find Led to His Death.

Senator Vest used to tell a story of good luck and hard luck without a counterpart. He says: "One day, while I was a member of the Confederate Congress I lost a month's pay, somewhere on the streets of Richmond. Just as the woman in Scripture who lost a piece of silver called together her friends and neighbors and sought diligently until she found it, I called my friends and went with them on what seemed a hopeless search through the snow covered, dimly lighted streets of Richmond. The chances were a thousand to one against success.

"We hadn't been out fifteen minutes when a young lieutenant in our party stooped down and picked up my lost roll. I was in high glee and wanted to treat. We were piloted to a cafe which, pending some repairs, had a ladder of about a dozen rungs instead of stairs. We all climbed up, considering it a great lark, all the while talking about what a lucky fellow the young lieutenant was and predicting great things for him. As we climbed down again the young lieutenant fell from the ladder and broke his neck."—Saturday Evening Post.

No man is ever in such a hurry that he won't stop to look at a dog fight.

When you feel like telling your troubles, write them down—then burn the paper.

Cure to Stay Cured.

Wapello, Iowa, Oct. 10 (Special).—One of the most remarkable cures ever recorded in Louisa County is that of Mrs. Minnie Hart of this place. Mrs. Hart was in bed for eight months and when she was able to sit up she was all drawn up on one side and could not walk across the room. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure Mrs. Hart says:

"Yes, Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me after I was in bed for eight months and I know the cure was complete for that was three years ago and I have not been down since. In four weeks from the time I started taking them I was able to make my garden. Nobody can know how thankful I am to be cured or how much I feel I owe to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

This case again points out how much the general health depends on the kidneys. Cures the kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills and the ten-tenths of the suffering human family is healed, will disappear.