

WASN'T WORTH THE LIVING

Was Mrs. Bowling's Conception of Life at One Time—Thinks Differently Now.

Loveland, Ky.—"When I first wrote you, I was feeling so miserable, that life wasn't worth living." So writes, in a recent letter, Mrs. Anna Bowling, of this place.

"I was in bad shape, my left side hurt so, at times, I could hardly bear it, and I could not lie on that side at night, at all. I also had another serious symptom of womanly trouble.

I finally decided to give Cardui, the woman's tonic, a trial, so I purchased a bottle, and by the time I had taken it, I felt better in every way, so I got another bottle, and it straightened me out entirely.

I feel as well now as I ever did in my life, and I can be safe in saying that Cardui is the best medicine on earth for women. I had little faith in it before I commenced taking it, but now I would not exchange it for all the other medicines."

Are you one of those poor women sufferers, who feel that life is hardly worth the living? Have you that ever-lasting tired, nervous, worn-out, headache feeling? If so, get a bottle of Cardui and begin taking it today. No doubt it is the very medicine you need.

N. B.—Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. Adv.

Terrapin Catches Hawk.

Edwin Lowe, son of Edwin Lowe of McDaniel, Talbot county, Md., exhibited yesterday a young chicken hawk that he and his father had captured after it had been trapped by a common land terrapin.

Mr. Lowe and his son were walking in the road near McDaniel Tuesday morning when they saw the hawk hopping along in the road with something hanging to it.

Thinking the bird had been wounded, they approached it with a view of putting it out of misery, when they saw what was hampering its movements.

The hawk had evidently tried to capture the terrapin, but was captured itself, for one toe of the bird was held tightly in the terrapin's shell.

Both hawk and terrapin were picked up and taken to Mr. Lowe's home, and it was several hours before the terrapin released its grip.—New York Sun.

Cleanse the Wounds.

For injuries from rusty nails or any other external hurts, apply Hanford's Balsam. It should kill any germs, cleanse the wound and remove soreness. Then quick healing will follow. Adv.

Just Like a Husband.

"My husband is one of the most stubborn men in the world."

"He can't be any more stubborn than mine."

"O yes, I'm sure he must be. Yesterday I had an engagement to meet him at three o'clock."

"Yes?"

"Well, it was nearly 4:30 when I got there, and he won't admit yet that the rest he got while he was waiting did him any good.—Chicago Record-Herald.

RUB-MY-TISM

Will cure your Rheumatism and all kinds of aches and pains—Neuralgia, Cramps, Colic, Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Old Sores, Burns, etc. Antiseptic Anodyne. Price 25c.—Adv.

To Memory Dear.

Ted—I hope you gave your girl a birthday present that will cause her to long remember you.

Ned—I don't know about that; but it's a constant reminder to me, for I bought it on the installment plan.—Stray Stories.

Their Idea.

"What do you think of the two governors who went out and worked on the state highways themselves?"

"They evidently, in their official life, wanted a smooth road to travel."

Sympathetic Affliction.

"That inquisitive nobleman's rich wife and his creditors are now sympathizing with each other."

"On what grounds?"

"He beat both of them."

The Main Thing.

Mother—Katherine, what are the intentions of that young man you are permitting to call on you so often?

Daughter—Never mind that, mother; I know what my intentions are.

The Way of It.

"Miss May made a hit with Jack the first glance she gave him."

"I see—a sort of glancing blow."

Hot Springs Liver Buttons are in Town

People Coming for Miles Around for Wonderful Constipation Remedy that is Better, Safer and Surer Than Calomel.

Tune up your liver; clean your bowels of foul waste; drive poisonous gases from your stomach, end constipation and feel fine and full of energy in twenty-four hours.

Throw away calomel; it's dangerous; you know it; everybody knows it.

HOT SPRINGS LIVER BUTTONS are different. They are harmless; act gently yet surely on the bowels and do not cause a particle of after misery.

It's a joyful laxative and more; it's fine for dizziness, biliousness, sick headache, sallow skin and malaria and is as safe and splendid for children as for grown-up people. Everybody needs them; a box for a quarter at all druggists. Postcard brings you free samples from Hot Springs Chemical Co., Hot Springs, Ark.

The Reason.

"He looked daggers at me."

"No wonder you feel so cut."

SECURE SPECIMENS

Expeditions of Smithsonian Agents Narrated in Report.

Institution's New Pamphlet Tells of Work of Different Parties and of Many Specimens Received—Solar Rays Variable.

Washington.—Following the custom established in 1911, the Smithsonian Institution has just issued an illustrated pamphlet dealing with the many scientific expeditions conducted under its direction, or in which its representatives participated.

The pamphlet describes the work of about twenty different parties, and the territory covered includes certain portions of British East Africa, Abyssinia, Algeria, Eastern Siberia and Mongolia, the Altai mountains, Borneo, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, British Columbia, Alberta, Newfoundland, Labrador, the Panama canal zone, and the Bahama Islands, and many sections of the United States.

The institution was represented by two small parties in Borneo. Dr. W. L. Abbott, who financed the Dutch East Borneo expedition under Mr. H. C. Raven, and who has presented many large collections to the National museum, has been carrying on a personal investigation in Cashmere, where he has been trapping and studying the smaller mammals of that country, specimens of which have been sent to the museum.

Through the invitation of Dr. Theodore Lyman of Harvard university, the institution was enabled to cooperate with the Museum of Comparative Zoology in an expedition to the Altai mountains of Siberia and Mongolia.

George Mixer, another collaborator of the museum, also visited Siberia, where he secured certain mammals from the region about Lake Baikal, among them bear and seal.

Of particular interest was a trip made by Dr. Ales. to Siberia and Mongolia, to study the physical anthropology of the natives. His particular object was a search for data concerning the race which is supposed to have peopled America. He draws the conclusion that there exist in several places in Siberia, Mongolia and Tibet numerous remains of an ancient population, which was physically identical with and in all probability gave rise to the American Indian.

The hunting trip carried on by Paul J. Rainey in British East Africa, in which the institution was represented by Edmund Heller, was terminated in December, 1911, and since then the collection has been received at the National museum. Altogether the trip was a remarkably successful one; nearly 4,000 mammals, 1,000 reptiles, and 400 birds were obtained.

The astrophysical observatory of the Smithsonian Institution again sent an expedition to Bassour, Algeria, for the continuation of the observations relative to the heat of the sun, an investigation on which the observatory has been working for the past seven years, with observing stations on Mount Wilson, Cal., and during two seasons in Algeria. Mr. Albert, the director of the observatory, states that the observations of the last year prove conclusively the supposed variability of the solar rays.

SPONGES FOR FERTILIZING.

The department of agriculture, through its bureau of soils, has recently completed analysis of the Loggerhead sponge, which grows abundantly in the waters of Southern Florida, to determine its value as a fertilizer. This sponge, according to Mr. Thomas E. Reedy of Key West, grows in countless thousands and to an enormous size in shallow water, where it is easy to procure. Mr. Reedy also states that the farmers of the Florida keys use the Loggerhead sponge with wonderful results and hardly ever use chemical fertilizers. Dr. H. F. Moore of the United States bureau of fisheries cites the use of this sponge by citrus fruit growers of the Florida mainland and states that he has seen this sponge growing in such quantities that he has long thought it should be exploited.

A specialist of the department recently made analyses of samples from Key West which verify the value of this sponge as a fertilizer. The analyses show that the approximate results on air dry material show four per cent. of nitrogen, three-quarters of one per cent. each of potash and phosphoric acid, five per cent. of lime and 40 per cent. of organic matter. The specialists say that it is evident from the composition of this material and its demonstrated efficiency as a fertilizer that it has considerable value to farmers and fruit growers who have easy access to it in the shallows of the sea. The department is conducting further investigations to determine the feasibility of extending the use of this sponge as a fertilizer.

SEEKING INFORMATION.

While strange letters are not a rarity in government departments, the secretary of agriculture recently received a letter which breaks all records for inquiry having to do with drugs and medicine. This letter, which is printed below, omitting the name and address of the writer, gives an insight into a certain type of persons who think they can use all sorts of drugs and poisons in making patent medicine. An exact copy of the letter follows:

Mixed Metaphors.

"Jones has certainly a bad way of mixing up things in his talk."

"What's the matter now?"

"He says at his house staining the bare floors is the topic just now on the carpet."

Why?

"Why do people speak of 'the human race'?"

"Because men and women are always running after each other."—California Pelican

Secretary of Agriculture, wood this all bee allowed in medicine and wood it have to be patent before it could be sold and Arsenic Dovers Powders Quinine Epinephrine Salts and then a number of herbs that grow here such as Mullin and Barks, how much Arsenic wood be allowed to say a gallon of Chili Tonic please write me at once. My Mother wants to make this Medicine and I want to know the Rules before it is done. Respectfully,

July 3rd, 1912

and how much 185 alcohol wood be allowed in one gallon this to preserve it only I think some youses 8% in Volume please tell just how much the law wood permit.

It is needless to say the experts of the bureau of chemistry did not encourage the writer to enter the patent medicine field. He was given specific warning as to the danger of preparing such substances in haphazard fashion, and also given full warning as to the federal law governing the matter.

The federal authorities, however, have no legal power under the food and drugs act to prevent these people from making this medicine containing poisonous substances. While there is strict legal regulation over the practice of medicine and the filling of prescriptions, the same legal control does not extend to the manufacture of patent medicine, provided the makers of these patent medicines state on the label the presence of all substances which the law says shall be so noted, and do not use a label that misbranded the article or misleads the purchaser as to its contents, and do not make any excessive or false claims as to its remedial powers, the federal authorities cannot stop the sale of the article in interstate commerce or otherwise.

CALENDAR REFORMED.

Thirty days hath September, April, June and November; All the rest have thirty-one.

You know the rest. Over in the office of the comptroller of the treasury they don't believe in the second line of this old saying, but they stick absolutely to the first.

A case in point is that of Dr. Charles W. Richardson. He was ordered to active service on May 31, for that day only. His service was to deliver an address to the graduating class of the army medical school.

Doctor Richardson completed his active service by turning in his bill for one day's active service. When the matter came to the attention of Assistant Comptroller Warwick that official decided that in all cases where compensation is rated on a monthly basis each month, February included, the month is presumed to have thirty days and under the law the government does not pay for the thirty-first day. Therefore Doctor Richardson was refused pay for his labor on the 31st day of May.

In further explaining the decision treasury officials said that Doctor Richardson had delivered his address on February 28, would have received three days' pay.

The only thing left is to figure it out for yourself.

SENATOR WAS CURIOUS.

Senator-elect Robert E. Broussard of Louisiana is a wiseman now. The geological survey made him so.

Mr. Broussard was one of the first persons to venture out of his hotel after the severe storm that swept Washington a few days ago. On the sidewalks, where he traveled, he found thousands of pebbles of many shapes and colors. He noticed among others gray, blue and reddish-tinted stones. Believing that the storm had blown such pebbles out of the air or some distant planet, he became curious to know where they came from and whether or not they contained precious metals. He saved a handful of them, and without saying anything about his find, took the little stones to the geological survey for examination. He received a note saying:

"Pebbles, blown from the roof of a house that was being covered, some painted blue and others red."

RED TAPE TANGLED.

The red tape of the United States government simply gets tangled up until it costs the government a pretty penny. Recently an army officer sent in his gas and electric light bills, and these were tied up in so much red tape in the department that the government was finally penalized for the amount, and had to lose the discount. The auditor for the army held the officer responsible and deducted the amount from his credit, but the controller relieved him and allowed him the amount of the difference.

TO RESTORE PLATE.

The bronze plate placed on the mainmast of the battleship Maine in 1900 by the Daughters of the American Revolution of Havana, Cuba, is to be restored to the historic old spar, when it is erected in Arlington cemetery to mark the graves of the unknown dead of the ill-fated battleship. The Habana chapter of the daughters recently won the consent of the navy department archives when the work of raising the vessel was begun.

Overindulgence.

"My wife will know I drank too much at the banquet."

"Why, you are walking straight enough."

"But look at the bum umbrella I picked out."

Dreadful Slam.

"I guess I ain't much of a hit with Mrs. Wombat."

"Why not?"

"At the party last night, she left me to talk to her husband."

Prolonged Function.

"The rich lady next door is very gracious of late."

"I know the symptoms. She is going away for the summer, and hopes to jolly us into entertaining her cat while she is away."

Loud.

"That young Jones is bound to be heard from," said the Old Fogey, as he turned away from the window.

"Yes," remarked old Grouch. "I no tied his clothes this morning."

Luxury for Ostriches.

Dealing with the anti-plumage campaign in England, the Cape Times in a leading article remarks that: "Were it not for the commercial value of its feathers, the ostrich would today be as rare in civilized South Africa as the hippopotamus. The ostrich is really a much pampered bird, living a life of pure luxury. He is bred and kept in condition merely for the sake of his feathers, and generally he lives to a ripe old age. The feathers are not pulled out from the sockets by the roots, but are cut with a little pain to the bird as is caused to a sheep by the shearer."

THE BEST TREATMENT FOR ITCHING SCALPS, DANDRUFF AND FALLING HAIR

To allay itching and irritation of the scalp, prevent dry, thin and falling hair, remove crusts, scales and dandruff, and promote the growth and beauty of the hair, the following special treatment is most effective, agreeable and economical. On retiring, comb the hair out straight all around, then begin at the side and make a parting, gently rubbing Cuticura Ointment into the parting with a bit of soft flannel held over the end of the finger. Anoint additional partings about half an inch apart until the whole scalp has been treated, the purpose being to get the Cuticura Ointment on the scalp skin rather than on the hair. It is well to place a light covering over the hair to protect the pillow from possible stain. The next morning, shampoo with Cuticura Soap and hot water. Shampoos alone may be used as often as agreeable, but once or twice a month is generally sufficient for this special treatment for women's hair.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 22-p. Skin Book. Address postcard "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

Delaying the Law.

"How in the world will you dig up more evidence to get me a new trial?"

"Don't worry about that," replied the lawyer. "All you have to do is to dig up more money."—Judge.

Heroic.

"I saved a life this summer."

"You don't say so? Whose was it?"

"My own. I didn't get in swimming."

Better than a plaster—Hanford's Balsam when thoroughly applied. Adv.

Song of the Husbands' club: "What Are the Wild Wives Saying?"

SHARKS BLOW SHIP WHISTLE

Then Sailors Know the Much Hated Fish Has Been Caught on Their Hooks.

Sharks are numerous in Magdalena bay, on the west coast of the Peninsula of Lower California, says the Wide World. The monsters at this point seem to take almost any kind of bait, and it is rarely that a warehouse is seen at anchor without from one to a half dozen lines dangling from its stern. Watching a shark line is a tedious business, but it is strictly necessary in order that the fisherman may know when the monster is hooked, as its frantic rushes, if allowed to go unchecked, are pretty sure to cause some part of the line, leader, or even a part of its own anatomy to give way, and result in its escape.

The old scheme of tying the line around one's big toe and going to sleep would probably work all right so far as rousing the fisherman was concerned, but the sequel might not leave him in a condition to give undivided attention to landing the prize. To this end the officers and sailors have hit on an ingenious plan. Instead of taking in their lines when the dinner gong sounds or when for any reason they are on duty elsewhere, they run a stout piece of marlin twine from the sharkline up to the steam whistle, leaving it for the man eater himself to announce the event of his being hooked by sounding a toot.

No. SIX-SIXTY-SIX

This is a prescription prepared especially for Malaria or Chills and Fever. Five or six doses will break any case, and if taken then as a tonic the fever will not return. 25c.—Adv.

The Difference.

"I see your new cook is rare."

"Yes, she is, but all her meats are well done."

For chronic pain in the back apply Hanford's Balsam. Rub it on and rub it in thoroughly. Adv.

Its Class.

"My incubator has been stolen."

"Then you have suffered a fowl wrong."

Ambitious Youth.

"My boy is preparing for college."

"Has a tutor, eh?"

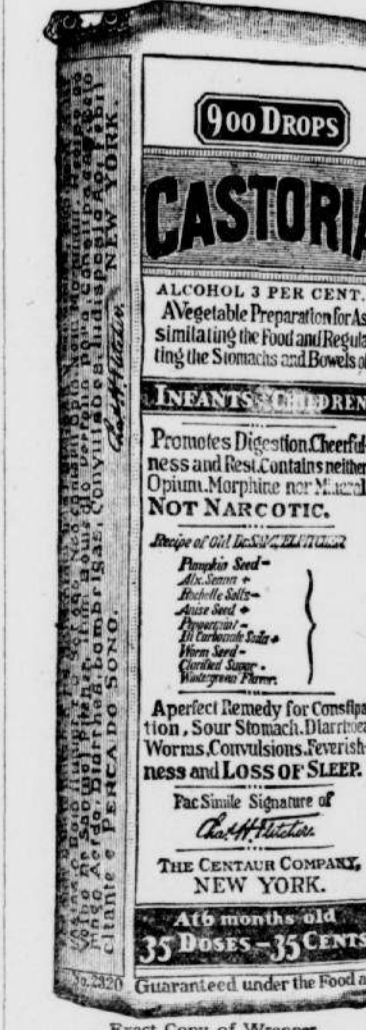
"No, a trainer."

Dr. Peery's Vermifuge "Dead Shot" kills and expels Worms in a very few hours. Adv.

Getting a husband is an art; keeping him is a domestic problem.

Physicians Recommend Castoria

CASTORIA has met with pronounced favor on the part of physicians, pharmaceutical societies and medical authorities. It is used by physicians with results most gratifying. The extended use of Castoria is unquestionably the result of three facts: First—The indisputable evidence that it is harmless; Second—That it not only allays stomach pains and quiets the nerves, but assimilates the food; Third—It is an agreeable and perfect substitute for Castor Oil. It is absolutely safe. It does not contain any Opium, Morphine, or other narcotic and does not stupefy. It is unlike Soothing Syrups, Bateman's Drops, Godfrey's Cordial, etc. This is a good deal for a Medical Journal to say. Our duty, however, is to expose danger and record the means of advancing health. The day for poisoning innocent children through greed or ignorance ought to end. To our knowledge, Castoria is a remedy which produces composure and health, by regulating the system—not by stupefying it—and our readers are entitled to the information.—Hall's Journal of Health.



Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. B. Halstead Scott, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria often for infants during my practice, and find it very satisfactory."

Dr. William Belmont, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "Your Castoria stands first in its class. In my thirty years of practice I can say I never have found anything that so filled the place."

Dr. J. H. Taft, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria and found it an excellent remedy in my household and private practice for many years. The formula is excellent."

Dr. R. J. Hamlen, of Detroit, Mich., says: "I prescribe your Castoria extensively, as I have never found anything to equal it for children's troubles. I am aware that there are imitations in the field, but I always see that my patients get Fletcher's."

Dr. Wm. J. McCann, of Omaha, Neb., says: "As the father of thirteen children I certainly know something about your great medicine, and aside from my own family experience I have in my years of practice found Castoria a popular and efficient remedy in almost every home."

Dr. J. R. Clausen, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "The name that your Castoria has made for itself in the tens of thousands of homes blessed by the presence of children, scarcely needs to be supplemented by the endorsement of the medical profession, but I, for one, most heartily endorse it and believe it an excellent remedy."

Dr. R. M. Ward, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Physicians generally do not prescribe proprietary preparations, but in the case of Castoria my experience, like that of many other physicians, has taught me to make an exception. I prescribe your Castoria in my practice because I have found it to be a thoroughly reliable remedy for children's complaints. Any physician who has raised a family, as I have, will join me in heartiest recommendation of Castoria."

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

The Kind You Have Always Bought

In Use For Over 30 Years.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

But a Fiction. "That Styx ferry business was fine," said one manager.

"How so?" asked another.

"Its ferryman had a way of making all the deadheads pay their way."

Remedy for Stains.

For removing flower pot stains from the window sills, fine wood ashes are excellent.

Suitable Partner.

"Poor Jinks is well-eyed."

"How lucky! Just the fellow to dance with the wild flowers at my party."

You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR DRESSING. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

Women Avoid Operations

When a woman suffering from some form of feminine disorder is told that an operation is necessary, it of course frightens her.

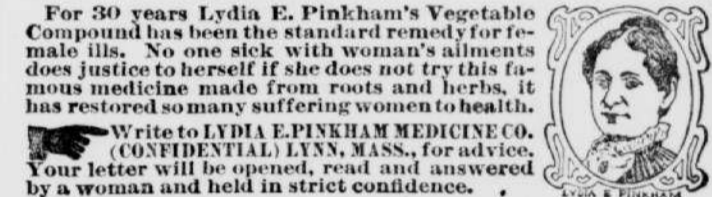
The very thought of the hospital operating table and the surgeon's knife strikes terror to her heart, and no wonder. It is quite true that some of these troubles may reach a stage where an operation is the only resource, but thousands of women have avoided the necessity of an operation by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This fact is attested by the grateful letters they write to us after their health has been restored.

These Two Women Prove Our Claim.

Cary, Maine.—"I feel it a duty I owe to all suffering women to tell what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for me. One year ago I found myself a terrible sufferer. I had pains in both sides and such a soreness I could scarcely straighten up at times. My back ached, I had no appetite and was so nervous I could not sleep, then I would be so tired mornings that I could scarcely get around. It seemed almost impossible to move or do a bit of work and I thought I never would be any better until I submitted to an operation. I commenced taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and soon felt like a new woman. I had no pains, slept well, had good appetite and was fat and could do almost all my own work for a family of four. I shall always feel that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved my health. I never would get well unless I had an operation. A friend advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I gladly say that I am now enjoying fine health and am the mother of a nice baby girl. You can use this letter to help other suffering women."—Mrs. ROSA SIMS, 16 Wyona St., Charlotte, N. C.

Now answer this question if you can. Why should a woman submit to a surgical operation without first giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial? You know that it has saved many others—why should it fail in your case? For 30 years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has been the standard remedy for female ills. No one sick with woman's ailments does justice to herself if she does not try this famous medicine made from roots and herbs, it has restored so many suffering women to health.

Write to LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICINE CO. (CONFIDENTIAL) LYNN, MASS., for advice. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.



Expensive Lawmaking Body. France has the most expensive parliament. It costs \$1,500,000 a year.

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills put the stomach in good condition in a short time. Try them for Sick Stomach, Biliousness and Indigestion. Adv.

The Reason. "Miss De Pepper is one of the hottest dressers I know of." "She ought to be, she buys her clothes at fire sales."