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In gloves and mittens we can give you a splendid good article for 25c and 50c.  
Our stock of Hats and Caps have been carefully selected both as to style and values.  
In fancy bosom shirts we have a few to close at 50c each. Also a few dozen Negleege shirts at 50c each.  
Yours truly,

HOLMES BROS.

## FOR LITTLE FOLKS.

### BESSIE AND HER DOG.

How the Brave Newfoundland Lost His Life Defending His Mistress.

Wednesday morning Ranchman Sam Dodge, who lives 17 miles southwest of Caney, Kan., in the Osage country, went to Vinita on business, and shortly after he had gone Bessie, his 5-year-old daughter, wandered away from home in an attempt to follow him. Mrs. Dodge discovered her absence about two hours after her husband's departure. She made a thorough search of the premises, and, failing to find the child, notified the neighbors of her disappearance. They turned out in force and scoured the prairies all that day and all that night and all the next day searching for the little wanderer. Late Thursday



evening an Indian came upon her lying fast asleep just south of Post Oak creek in an old road known as the Whisky trail. Across her body stood a Newfoundland dog, which had always been her companion about the ranch. The dog was torn and bleeding, and near her feet lay the bodies of two wolves. Although her cheeks were stained with tears and covered with dust Bessie was unharmed. She and her protector were taken back to her home, a distance of 12 miles from where they were found, where the dog died of his wounds that night. He was given a decent burial, and Sam Dodge ordered a marble monument, which will be placed at the head of the faithful animal's grave.—New York World.

### The Toys Talk of the World.

"I should like," said the vase from the china store, "to have seen the world a little more."  
"When they carried me here, I was wrapped up tight. But they say it is really a lovely sight."  
"Yes," said a little plaster bird, "that is exactly what I have heard."  
"There are thousands of trees, and oh, what a sight it must be when the candles are all alight!"  
The fat top rolled on his other side. "It is not in the least like that," he cried.  
"Except myself and the kite and ball. None of you knows of the world at all."  
"There are houses and pavements hard and red, and everything spins around," he said.  
"Sometimes it goes slowly and sometimes fast. And often it stops with a bump at last."  
The wooden donkey nodded his head. "I had heard the world was like that," he said.  
The kite and the ball exchanged a smile. But they did not speak. It was not worth while.  
—Katharine Pyle in St. Nicholas.

### Torchlights From Cattails.

This is the time of year for torchlight processions. Just now the cattails or rushes in the swamps are brown and ripe, ready for the picking. Boys who wish to celebrate any event or to hold a striking initiation in some of their societies should gather a great bundle of the cattails and store them in some dry attic. In a few weeks' time they will have grown almost dry enough to crumble off and flutter away in the wind. Now dip them in kerosene oil, and when the procession is ready to start light them all at once. They will blaze up quite suddenly and burn for a long time with a bright, flaring light much better than the ordinary tin torches. For a boy's procession there is nothing like them.—Chicago Record.

### The Cobble Season.

The horse chestnut trees are catching it nowadays at the hands of small boys, or rather from stones and clubs impelled from their hands, for the cobble season is at hand. Cobble is a curious game. The horse chestnut is suspended by a string which passes through a gimlet hole and is knotted. One boy holds out his cobble at arm's length, and his opponent whacks it with his cobble. The nut which remains unbroken adds a tally to the other cobble, and when that is smashed it adds two to the successful youth's chestnut. And so it goes on until a peculiarly tough nut may get a record of several hundred.—Worcester Gazette.

### How Bad It Ached.

A dear little boy about 4 years old had the toothache. But he had a great deal of self control. Although he was so little, he was a very brave boy. He sat upon mamma's bed, not saying a word, although one could tell by his dismal expression how much he suffered. Mamma was very sorry.  
"Does your tooth hurt so very much, Earle?" she asked.  
"Hurt!" he exclaimed. "You bet it hurts! It just beats the cars, mamma."  
—Brooklyn Eagle.

### The Doll Edna Wants.

Edna wants a baby brother. She says: "A baby would be so nice to wheel around in a carriage, mamma. Dolls are always getting broken when the carriage tips over."  
—Philadelphia Times.

### Our Flag in the Clouds.

Two Denver boys have lately floated the stars and stripes by kites a mile above the summit of Pike's peak and claim that it is the highest point ever attained by Old Glory.

There are people who know what has become of every cent they ever had.

Mary Kyle Dallas.

The recent sudden death of Mary Kyle Dallas of New York was a shock and a sorrow to a host of friends and admirers. For many years she was a contributor to the New York Ledger at a large salary, and also wrote short stories for Lippincott. Latterly her work has been seen in the daily papers, and her essays on woman for the American Press Association commanded wide attention. Mrs. Dallas was a member of Sorosis, the first vice president of the Woman's Press club and a prominent member of the Hidden Hand club, whose purpose is to expose the fake advertisements which prove a snare and a delusion to unsuspecting women. Mrs. Dallas was tall, with a beautiful, aristocratic face and stately bearing, while her manner was so gracious and her acts so kindly that she endeared herself to all who knew her. She was 50 years of age and began to write at the age of 8, when she composed a play that was produced in her father's kitchen. In 1888 she estimated that she had written and sold at least 8,000 stories and as many sketches.—Boston Woman's Journal.

### The Popular Jacket For Next Winter.

"The tendency of the winter jacket is toward the blouse effect, which is obtained by darts," writes Isabel A. Mallon in The Ladies' Home Journal. "Yokes, collars, cuffs, pipings in fur, whether it be mink, Persian lamb, ermine, sable, silver and black fox or monkey, will be popular. Velvet and silk braid of all widths are much used. Satin cloth is really the novelty of the day and obtains in heliotrope, green, mode, golden brown, silver gray, royal blue, dove and Lincoln green. In this are seen not only the fur decorations mentioned, but also a very thick, coarse, black woolen braid and tiny straps of leather matching or contrasting with the cloth in color. Collars continue high, are gored and undulating and may be lined with fur, velvet or lace. Watteau effects are seen. Capes will continue to be worn. The novelty in their trimming is a flounce of the same material about the edges, described by the French modiste as 'cut in round.'"

### A Solicitor of Patents.

Miss Edith J. Griswold of New York city is a solicitor of patents, and she carries on her business in a room on the fifteenth floor of one of the big downtown office buildings. Although Miss Griswold is youthful in appearance she has been in her present business for 12 years. After being graduated from the Normal college in 1883 she took a special course in mathematics and patent office drawing, taught mathematics for a year and studied patent soliciting. Since she started out in business for herself she has been very successful. Miss Griswold not only obtains patents for people all over the United States and in foreign countries, but gives opinions on patents and trademarks, and in what leisure she secures a studying law, with the intention of passing the New York bar examination. With all her work Miss Griswold finds plenty of time for exercise. She rides a wheel, is a fine swimmer and practices several other branches of athletics.

### Never Strike and Seldom Complain.

There is one class of laborers, says The Woman's Journal, which never strikes and seldom complains. They get up at 5 o'clock in the morning and never go to bed until 10 or 11 o'clock at night. They work without ceasing during the whole of that time and receive no other emolument than food and clothing. They understand something of every branch of economy and labor, from finance to cooking. Though harassed by 100 responsibilities, though driven and worried, though reproached and looked down upon, they never revolt, and they cannot organize for their own protection. Not even sickness relieves them from their post. No sacrifice is deemed too great for them to make, and no incompetency in any branch of their work is excused. No essays or poems are written in tribute to their steadfastness. They die in the harness and are supplanted as quickly as may be. These are the housekeeping wives of the laboring men.

### Autumn Shades.

All the warm, soft shades of red and brown and yellow are worn this autumn. The old fashioned wallflower, if it were still in bloom, would be quite correctly garbed as far as colors go, and the sunflower, violet and peony would not be very far behind the fashion. All shades of rosy pink, from delicate anemone to watermelon tint, are in demand by the makers of evening gowns and by the trimmers of smart little bonnets for evening wear or for calling.

Golden, reddish and russet browns are used for the elaborately trimmed street gowns and for smooth cloth coats.

Purples in wonderful shades of iris and orchid and "fleur de Russie" are seen in ribbons, in dress goods and in velvet. Blues in half a dozen more shades than are worn usually are shown for cloth suits.—New York Commercial.

### Hats and Bonnets.

The first autumn hats and bonnets in colors are darker tones of the oddly braided, gay hued styles that have been so popular all summer. The iris, violet and periwinkle shades are repeated, the various dyes in green and brown straw, and these and other showy colors will rival the black models that are to usurp no small portion of the domain of autumn fashions in millinery, and wholly black trimmings will rule very largely to the exclusion of the mass of color that has so predominated for seasons past. There will be great use of large, broad, fluffy ostrich plumes, with little or no use on hats of real elegance of the little stark, stiff, stuffed, tricolored effigies with dyed beaks and legs, bead eyes, and wired wings that have so long been looked upon as an essential decoration of all fashionable hats.—New York Post.

A boy is never too trifling to learn to whistle real loud through his fingers.

## Woman's Ills

are as often caused by kidney disease as by affections of the womb.  
Among the most certain symptoms of this disease are Backache, Bad Complexion, A Tired Feeling, Depressed Spirits, Headache, Nervousness, Sideache, Neuralgia, Too Frequent Urination, Dragging Pains, etc.

## CURED

I have taken the Sparagus Kidney Pills you sent me, and can say they have helped my backache the most of anything I have ever taken. I thank and praise the Lord who bless you for what you are doing for suffering humanity.  
MRS. M. MATHER, Matheron, Iowa, Mich.

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## HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

### WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquors, wine or beer, and overcomes the unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention the BELDING BANNER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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HOUSES and Lots can be bought of the Belding Building and Loan association cheap and on easy terms. Enquire at their office in the new Belding block Cor. Main and Bridge st., also houses to rent and money to loan. ADAM WAGNER.

The BANNER and the Detroit Weekly Tribune one year \$1.35.

The three-year-old boy of J. A. Johnson, of Lynn Centre, Ill., is subject to attacks of croup. Mr. Johnson says he is satisfied that the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, during a severe attack, saved his little boy's life. He is in the drug business, a member of the firm of Johnson Bros. of that place and they handle a great many patent medicines for throat and lung diseases. He had all these to choose from, and skilled physicians ready to respond to his call, but selected this remedy for use in his own family at a time when his child's life was in danger, because he knew it to be superior to any other, and famous the country over for its cures of croup. Mr. Johnson says this is the best selling cough remedy they handle, and that it gives splendid satisfaction in all cases. Sold by Fisk Bangs, druggist.

On one day, a few weeks since, the people of Barcelona were startled to see the sea rise and fall three feet at intervals of about ten minutes for several hours. The same thing was observed fifteen years ago, during the eruption of a Sumatra volcano; and his latter phenomenon was doubtless due to a similar cause.

"Painless and Delightful Catarrh Remedy" is the good word which John A. Holmes, Wababack Bridge, N. S., has to say of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal powder, after having suffered from catarrhal Deafness for years. In 10 minutes from the first application he had relief, and after using but one bottle his hearing was restored in all its natural acuteness. Not an excuse for sparing of a cure with such a remedy within reach of you. Sold by W. I. Benedict, and Holmes & Connell.—18.

"The worst cold I ever had in my life was cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes W. H. Norton, of Deer Creek, Cal. "This cold left me with a cough and I was expectorating the time. The remedy cured me, and I want all of my friends when troubled with a cough or cold to use it for it will do them good." Sold by Fisk Bangs, druggist.

Little things done every day by the ablest members of our order, may bring it to perfection, and surely perfection is no little thing.—Oregon Register.

"Have You a Skin Disease?"—Tetter, rheum, scald head, ringworm, eczema, itch, barber's itch, ulcers, chaps, chronic, erysipelas, liver, prurigo, psoriasis, or other eruptions of the skin—what Dr. Agnew's treatment has done for others it can do you—cure you. One application relief.—35 cents. Sold by W. I. Benedict, and Holmes & Connell.—19.

M. Thirswend, of Groesbeck, Tex., that when he has a spell of indigestion, and feels bad and sluggish, he takes two of DeWitt's Little Early Buds at night, and he is all right the morning. Many thousands of us do the same thing. Do you?—Benedict, Druggist.

There is no need of little children being tortured by scald head, eczema, skin eruptions. DeWitt's Witch Salve gives instant relief and permanently. W. I. Benedict, druggist.

At Sea in a Coffin.  
It was the French assassin Lupi who escaped to sea from Cayenne in a coffin. He managed to get some nails, tar and cotton, and one dark night he got into the coffin shed. He selected a fine, stanch and seaworthy coffin, fastened the lid in order to turn it into a deck, leaving a cockpit sufficient to enable him to crawl in. He called all the joints as well as he could, and when this work was finished he made a pair of paddles out of two planks. Then he brought out his craft with great precaution. Without much difficulty he reached the water's edge. Silently and slowly he proceeded in the hope of reaching either Venezuela or British Guiana, 150 nautical miles distant. Fortunately or unfortunately for Lupi the steamer Abeille, returning from the Antilles, off Paramaribo, picked him up, half drowned and almost in a fainting condition, and a few hours later he was in irons in his cell.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Poker in the Postoffice.  
"Give me three aces," said a sporting man at the stamp window of the postoffice, just before noon, a couple of days ago.  
The stamp clerk passed out three 1 cent stamps.  
"Now deal me a pair of deuces," said the man.  
The clerk passed out the 2 cent stamps.  
"I see you understand the game," said the man.  
"Yep," said the clerk. "Ante up."  
The man placed 7 cents on the shelf.  
"My pot," said the clerk as he scooped it in.  
The men smiled as they parted.—New York Commercial.

Nutrition For Consumptives.  
The following is recommended as food that would be nutritious for one suffering from chronic consumption, since ordinary foods had become repugnant: One hard boiled egg, which when perfectly cold is pressed through a sieve so that the albumen and hard yolk may be thoroughly triturated; then add to this by thorough stirring two heaping tablespoonfuls of perfectly roasted peanuts which have been ground or chopped very fine. This will make two intermediate meals, say one at 11 a. m. and one at 4 p. m. A cracker or glass of hot milk will help the ingestion and secure perfect nutrition.—Hygienic Gazette.

His Own Master.  
"We have come," said the chairman of the committee, "to ask you to take this nomination. The city needs a man like you—strong, brave, self made, self reliant, owning no master, fearing no man."

The great man was visibly touched.  
"I'll not deny," said he, "that your kind words have shaken my resolution. I trust that if elected I may justify your confidence and prove that I am indeed strong, brave, self reliant; that I own no master and fear no man. Suppose you wait a minute till I see if my wife will let me accept?"—Strand Magazine.

The Transom.  
It is a peculiar fact, though an admitted one, that transoms are of little or no use except to accumulate dust, but no builder will honestly declare it. If you really believe in the ventilating value of a transom, remove the window entirely and supply its place with a silk curtain, loose at the lower edge, which will flutter to and fro, not unpleasantly. You may close the transom entirely and cover the opening with a drapery, which will be a good background, and just below it may fix a shelf, which will hold a plaster cast or two and a pot of some bright colored ware. Sometimes there is light enough in the hall to admit of having a jar filled with long sprays of German ivy or tradescantia growing in water set upon such a shelf. Again, you may conceal your transom with a mass of the dried palm leaves which are sold in the oriental shops. Or a panel of fretwork may take the place of the discarded window, and the transom still be useful as a ventilator. When two transoms come close together, try the shelf and drapery arrangement for one and the palms for the other, arranging the latter so they will rest partly against the drapery. Against the inner or flat side of a transom you may with advantage hang a picture of such shape and size as to entirely conceal the opening and its frame, fastening it flat against the wall.—New York Commercial.

Imitating Ground Glass.  
For a bathroom door or window or any place where ground glass is needed the desired effect may be gained easily and inexpensively. Any one who has been unfortunate enough to break a pane of glass of this sort knows by experience how much more costly it is than ordinary window glass.

To imitate ground glass a diamond pattern is simple and satisfactory. Prepare an ordinary pane of glass by first having it thoroughly clean and dry, and then cover on the inside with a coat of white lac varnish. Fold a piece of white tissue paper the size of the pane lengthwise over and over again, as one used to do in cutting out the kind of paper dolls that were always united like the Siamese twins. Make a diamond pattern from a piece of stiff cardboard and cut out this pattern through the several thicknesses of tissue paper, put this on the glass, give another coat of white lac varnish, and after the few minutes it takes to dry the work will be complete. The first coat of varnish should be still damp when the paper is applied.

Earsache.  
Earsache is such a common symptom, especially in children, that domestic remedies are often used until the disease demands the advice of a specialist. By that time often great harm has been done and perhaps serious consequences have resulted. Dr. F. W. Hinkel calls attention to the grave significance of earsache and the importance of early treatment. Earsache in children may be the first indication of an approaching meningitis.

An earsache should not be passed over with a superficial examination, but the child should be given hot footbaths and put to bed. The bowels should be freely acted on. Hot, dry applications are better than moist ones. It is better not to inject solutions of laudanum, morphia or cocaine into the ear. Opium, too, often masks the pain and conceal the real trouble. Delays are dangerous, and in case of approaching rupture the tympanum should be freely incised. No physician should ever hesitate to call in an aurist when in doubt.—Exchange.