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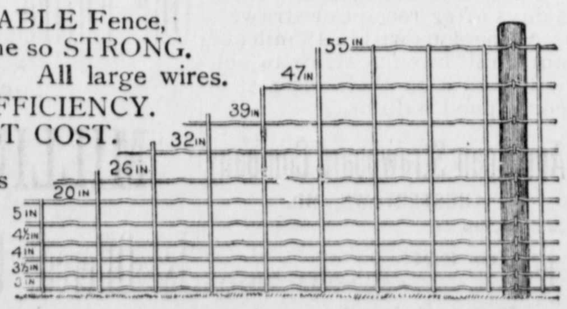

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Let me tell you my own experience, boys, in securing my first job in the city. I spent my boyhood days on the farm. When very young I lived in a little town way down in Arkansas, but in 1864 after three years of privations incident to the war of the Rebellion, and being surrounded by both armies, I took advantage of the Government's offer of transportation to the North and came home with the returning soldiers. For the next seven years I worked on the farm. I wanted to become a business man and tried in vain to secure a position of some sort in town. After the great Chicago fire in 1871, I secured through an old friend, a job in a drug store, sweeping the store, washing the bottles and windows for my board and I accepted it.

Before the proprietor was up in the mornings, I had the store opened and swept, ready for business. At the end of one month I received fifteen dollars a month and my board. In six months I had charge of the store and bought the goods. Without an education, excepting enough to enable me to read and write, I could fill the most difficult prescriptions.

As I look back over the thirty-one years that have elapsed since the day I walked into town with my wardrobe wrapped in a newspaper, to begin my new life, I remember how the proprietor eyed me from head to foot, and noted my poorly fitting suit, which cost less than ten dollars, and how he said, "Well, what do you know about drugs?"

"Nothing," I replied.

"What can you do here?" came next.

"I don't know," I said, "what I can do with the drugs, but I can learn if you will give me a chance. But one thing I can do," I went on, for my temper was rising, "I can clean the windows and wash the bottles and make them look different from what they do."

"Let him try it," said a man behind the counter, who was the leading physician of the town, "they need it bad enough."

The bargain was made. Working for one's board until the employer considers it worth more, is not a very bright future for a boy, but that is how I started.

This was late in October and on Christmas eve I sold in cash over one hundred and forty dollars worth of drugs, books and toys, and nearly as much on Christmas day.

Boys, you who have a good home on the farm, don't leave it for the city, but set your stakes high in life and "hew to the line and let the chips fall where they may." There are opportunities in the city in all kinds of business. There never was a time when good, honest, industrious boys were in greater demand than now. I have found positions for half a hundred of my boys here and there; but you must never look for snaps. Fortune only favors the brave. The boy who will shuck off his coat and clean out the barn, or build the fires and sweep the office without being told and who makes his employer's business his business, will never have to look for a job, but he will have many opportunities of declining positions. Work early and late and prove your worthiness, and you will always win in the great battle of life, whether on the farm or in the shop, or wherever it may be.—Uncle Silas.

Sing On, Oh Children!

Little Muriel was radiant on her return from school one day.

"We learnt a new song this morning, mummy!" she announced.

Mummy expressed her exceeding joy of the news and thinking that probably Muriel's dainty little fingers would be kept out of the domestic jampot if she were employed, she asked to hear it.

"This is it, mummy!" she said, and the little voice was upraised in song:

"I am a little greenhorn
Among a half of cheese,
And——

"Oh I don't know any more, mummy; but isn't it a funny song?"

Mummy agreed that it was certainly a funny song—so funny, indeed, that she considered further investigation necessary. But she felt somewhat relieved to find that Muriel had mistaken the words of the melody, which was really a highly moral ditty, commencing:

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That seasickness is a malady to which most of us succumb sooner or later, from the seasoned globe trotter to the modest tripper whose experience of foreign travel is limited to an occasional run to Paris, is a fact which is none the less disquieting because it is so obvious. There is, of course, no infallible cure for seasickness except perhaps the proverbial one of Punch, "Don't go to sea." This negative cure is, of course, impracticable for many of us. But, though there is no absolute cure, there is no doubt that a common sense regime before embarking on a long voyage—short passages need not be considered—would do much to lessen the risks of seasickness or minimize the attack. The principal causes of this distressing malady are: First, effusion of blood to the brain; disturbance of the digestive system—and certainly those of weak digestion are susceptible to attacks of mal de mer; third, overeating and also undereating.

Those who are subject to seasickness should treat themselves for a few days before they start, live very simple and take a mild aperient. In short, the preliminary treatment rowing men undergo before beginning strict training might well be followed. Then, it is undeniable that most people on board ship eat far too much and take too little exercise. The indulgence in the usually rich and greasy cooking at the long and elaborate meals of the first-class saloons of the big ocean steamers—where even at breakfast there are more courses than most passengers are accustomed to at dinner—is a bad preparation for a protracted bout of seasickness. During the attack sufferers are naturally disinclined to eat at all. Consequently it is not surprising that this alteration of repletion and starvation plays havoc with the digestive organs.

When the patient actually succumbs, drugs are of some use in alleviating the malady. If the attack is severe, apply a mustard leaf to the stomach and a hot water bottle to the feet. Three to four drops of chloroform on a lump of sugar often prevents vomiting. Give also a tumbler of hot milk, which prevents training on an empty stomach, or a dose of fifteen grains bromide of soda and five grains antipyrine to one ounce of water. Some doctors recommend cocaine tablets (one twentieth grain) every hour. Many medical men consider that if drugs must be taken, the best all-round remedy is chlorobrom (not chloroform), a compound of chloralamide and bromide of potassium, while some pin their faith to five grains of bromide of ammonia.

Popular remedies are not, as a rule, of much use. An exception may, however, be made in favor of yanatas, which is at all events one of the best palliatives known, while it has proved efficacious as a preventive. As to beverages, the popular one of stout is probably the worst a seasick person can take. Iced dry champagne is about the most suitable though it is more useful in the depressing and exhausting stages of a long attack than at the beginning. It must, in short, be regarded as a preventive rather than a palliative. In obstinate cases it will sometimes be found that wearing an ice belt minimizes the feeling of nausea, or, if ice be not procurable, applying cold compresses all along the spine is nearly as effective. Even tightening an ordinary belt will sometimes reduce the nausea. But mal de mer remedies are as the sands of the seashore in number. For instance, one experienced traveler recommends eating a couple of apples directly the feeling of nausea is experienced. There is no doubt that nerves have much to do with seasickness. With some reason medical men declare that fear is the most potent of all remedies. If the ship is really in danger, seasick folk, they argue, seem automatically cured. Then, no doubt, imagination is a potent and important factor in the case, while visual impressions certainly pre-dispose travelers to mal de mer. For this reason it is a good plan when on deck to shut the eyes.—*London Travel*

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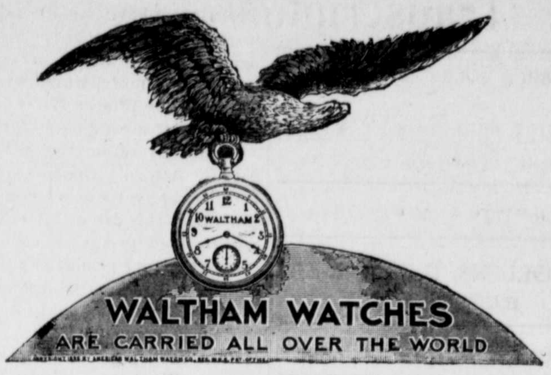

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