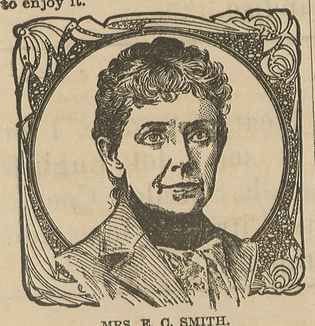
AN OPEN LETTER

Address to Women by the Treasurer of the W. C. T. U. of Kansas City, Mrs. E. C. Smith.

"MY DEAR SISTERS:—I believe in advocating and upholding everything that will lift up and help women, and but little use appears all knowledge and learning if you have not the health to enjoy it.



MRS. E. C. SMITH.

"Having found by personal experience that **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** is a medicine of rare virtue, and having seen dozens of cures where my suffering sisters have been dragged back to life and usefulness from an untimely grave simply by the use of a few bottles of that Compound, I must proclaim its virtues, or I should not be doing my duty to suffering mothers and dragged-out housekeepers.

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Mrs. Pinkham advises sick women free. Address, Lynn, Mass.

RICH FROM SUNFLOWERS.

"Ten years ago," says the Indianapolis News, "John McDonald, a shrewd farmer of Clark county, Indiana, heard that the sunflower seed was a crop on which money could be made. At that time even an inferior article paid six to seven cents a pound, and he could raise from 600 to 700 pounds an acre. John said nothing and planted sunflowers. His neighbors laughed and told him he ought to go to Kansas, but he kept on planting, and from a poor renter he became a comfortably situated man and has since retired. Then the neighbors stopped laughing and also planted sunflowers, and today the townships of Bethlehem, Owen and Washington have at least 1,000 acres under cultivation. But McDonald got the cream of the market, for now sunflower seed is worth only from two and a half to four cents a pound, according to quality. Still it pays better than wheat or corn. This commercial sunflower bears only one blossom, and that a very large one, sometimes yielding a quarter peck of seed. A New York firm handles most of the crop. Clark county—and perhaps no other—also raises spelt, a grain much like wheat, but with a husk which takes special milling to remove. It makes a finer flour than wheat, more delicate in color, more delicious in taste and more nourishing."

Farms Sold.—Delaware farms have been sold as follows: The William W. Harrington farm, in Duck Creek hundred, to John P. Jones, for $1,800; the Lydia A. Golt farm, near Clayton, to Nellie Talbot, for $1,800; the Ezekiel Reed farm, in Mispillion hundred, to Samuel Morris, for $1,000; the James M. Tee farm, in South Murderkill hundred, to George M. Jones, for $2,000; the Daily farm, near Dinah's Corner, to Mrs. Fluharty, for $2,900; the Lewis farm, near Cheswold, to W. R. Smith, for $3,000; the Baker-Cannon farm, in Mispillion hundred, to George W. Wilson, for $5,500.

STANDARD TIME.

A Table of the Hour Reckonings of All Nations.

The difficulty of appreciating the difference in time that prevails between different countries is very general, and the following list is printed for the purpose of a ready reference guide by which to calculate the time of any occurrence in another country. All nations except Spain, Portugal and Russia calculate their time from the meridian of Greenwich, accepting as standard some even hour meridian east or west of Greenwich. For instance:

Western European time, or that of the meridian of Greenwich, is legal in England, Belgium, Holland and Luxemburg.

Central European time, or one hour east of Greenwich, is legal in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Kongo Free State, Denmark, Italy, Servia, Sweden, Norway and Switzerland.

Eastern European time, or two hours east of Greenwich, is adopted by Bulgaria, Roumania, Natal and Turkey in Europe.

Eight hours east of Greenwich applies to the Philippines.

Nine hours east of Greenwich is adopted by central Australia and Japan.

Ten hours east of Greenwich is official in Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania.

Eleven and a half hours east has been adopted by New Zealand.

The United States, Canada and Mexico have adopted the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth hours west of Greenwich.

The Hawaiian Islands adopt the meridian of 10½ hours west.

In Spain the meridian of Madrid, 14 minutes 45 seconds west of Greenwich, is legal; in Portugal, that of Lisbon, or 36 minutes 39 seconds west, and in Russia, that of St. Petersburg, or 2 hours, 1 minute and 13 seconds east of Greenwich.—Detroit Free Press.

THE PIANO AT ITS BEST.

Four Times a Year None Too Often to Have a Piano Tuned.

"There are plenty of people," said a piano tuner, "who let their pianos go one, two, three years without tuning, and in some cases pianos thus neglected may not get very, very woefully off, but a piano should be tuned every three months. That would be none too often to keep it in order.

"As a matter of fact, a piano begins to get out of tune again at once after it has been tuned. How could it be otherwise? Nothing stands still. This difference would at first be so slight as scarcely to be perceptible to any but the practiced and sensitive ear of an expert tuner, but it is there. Doesn't a clock begin to run down as soon as it is wound up? Four times a year a piano ought to be tuned, but only a comparatively small percentage of people give their pianos that attention which is needed to keep them in their most perfect loveliness of tone. Piano makers and dealers of course are looking after the tuning of their pianos in stock scrupulously and carefully all the time. You don't hear pianos out of tune in a piano wareroom. They never let them get out of tune there. They aim, in fact, at keeping them as near perfection as they can.

"We are pretty sure to find in every new piano something pleasing and attractive. Some share at least of this pleasing quality comes from its being in perfect tune. In fact, to keep any piano at its best it must be kept in tune, and to attain the results most satisfactory to all, to the owner and the neighbors alike, a tuning tonic should be administered to every piano not less than four times a year."—New York Sun.

Two Anecdotes of Colonel Ingersoll.

Senators Morrill, Voorhees and Gorman were conversing together outside the senate chamber. Colonel Ingersoll chanced to pass by. Mr. Voorhees greeted him and said: "We are discussing the meaning of 'improbable.' What is your definition of the word?" Promptly Colonel Ingersoll replied, "It is a negro going in an opposite direction from a brass band."

Colonel Ingersoll was a temperate man, but not a teetotaler. One day Mrs. James G. Blaine was passing through Fifteenth street opposite the treasury department, when out from a liquid refreshment saloon came Colonel Ingersoll and a friend. "My dear colonel," said she, "you would not be seen coming out of such a place, would you?" "My dear madam," replied he, "would you expect me to stay there all the time?"—Washington Times.

Making the Choir Sing.

Many conscientious ministers have had trouble with wayward choirs, but not all have had Dr. Samuel West's witty address or management. There had been difficulty with the singers, and they had given out that they should not sing on the next Sunday. This was told to Dr. West. "Well, well, we will see," he said and on Sunday morning gave out his hymn. After reading it he said very emphatically, 'You will begin with the second verse:

"Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God."

The hymn was sung.

A Scoop.

"What did your wife do when she found those poker chips in your overcoat pocket?" asked the practical joker.

"She took the matter very coolly. She found out where they came from and sent a messenger boy to get them cashed."—Washington Star.

Quick and Effective.

Willie—How did you break your wife of the "advanced woman" craze?

Wise—Told her everybody thought it meant "advanced" in years.—Kansas City Independent.

Gratitude

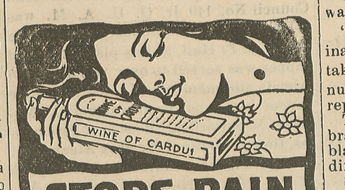
Always seeks to find some expression for itself, and womanly gratitude will not keep silence. Cynical people sometimes say Why do women write these testimonials to the value of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription? The answer can be put in one word, *Gratitude.* When, after years of agony a woman is freed from pain, when the weak woman is made strong and the sick woman well, the natural impulse is to write a word of grateful thanks for the medicine which caused the cure.



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Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness, and sick headache. They should be used in connection with "Favorite Prescription," whenever the use of a laxative is indicated.



STOPS PAIN

Athens, Tenn., Jan. 27, 1901.

Ever since the first appearance of my menses they were very irregular and I suffered with great pain in my hips, back, stomach and legs, with terrible bearing down pains in the abdomen. During the past month I have been taking Wine of Cardui and Thedford's Black-Draught, and I passed the monthly period without pain for the first time in years. NANNIE DAVIS.

What is life worth to a woman suffering like Nannie Davis suffered? Yet there are women in thousands of homes to-day who are bearing those terrible menstrual pains in silence. If you are one of these we want to say that this same

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For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

NEBRASKA'S RABBIT PLAGUE.

The farmers of west Nebraska are suffering from the depredations of Jack rabbits which have lately appeared in that part of the State. Fruit trees and winter wheat have especially been injured.

Last summer the rabbits multiplied with surprising rapidity. There were no heavy rains to drown the young and the extreme heat caused them to grow rapidly. The old rabbits in many cases produced three and four litters, each brood numbering from six to eight healthy young rabbits.

The disappearance of the coyote is another factor connected with the present plight of the farmer. The coyote preyed on jack rabbits. But there was a bounty for coyote scalps, and besides the animals were the enemies of the sheep owners.

So coyotes have been thinned out. And now the jack rabbits flourish and increase in number.

In the eastern part of the State the rabbits have made no noticeable increase, but in the central and western regions their increase has been alarming.

Raids are planned by the farmer for the winter months. Poisoned corn and grain can sometimes be used to advantage on farms where there are no fowls. Sometime the poison is placed about the edges of young orchards and partially protects the trees from the teeth of the rabbits.

"Jack rabbits are the pest which will give the farmer the most trouble for the next couple of years," said Prof. Lawrence Bruner, head of the department of entomology at the State University. "I have just returned from an extended trip in the western part of the State and was surprised at the number of rabbits.

"I know of no rapid plan of exterminating them. Organized hunts and raids take time and money, while the actual number of rabbits killed often does not repay the efforts made by the farmers."

Two species of jack rabbits infest Nebraska. They are commonly known as black tails and silver tails. There is no difference in their size, food or habits:

Several scientists connected with the entomological department of the State University are now making a detailed study of the pest, with a view to inventing some scheme for their rapid extermination.

Young jack rabbits are very palatable as food, but after three or four months they become too tough to eat, and game dealers are charry about buying them.

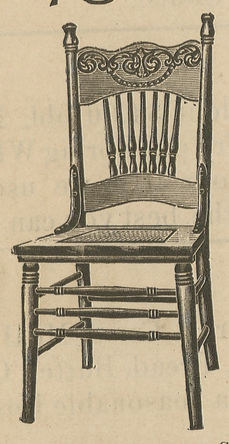
AN Alabama delegate who died suddenly while in attendance upon the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in London was at one time a director in a Selma bank. The bank failed. Thereupon he disposed of all his property, devoted the proceeds, so far as they would go, toward paying off the bank's indebtedness—and died poor. There is no doubt about the religion of a man like that, and it was eminently fitting that he should represent his church at a gathering where its great men met "to stimulate one another to good works and better ways."

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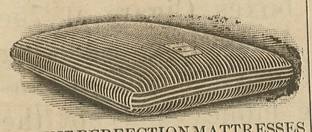
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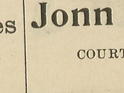
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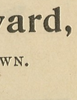
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