hen I first came here, writes Bill from Asheville, N. C., I began to about me for a good, fluent barber, whom I could associate during the er; one who would not be ashamed seen conversing with me, and, thal, a man who could administer clean shave without pain.

I fell into the hands of a tall brunette

orphan about 55 years of age, named Plum Levy—pronounced Levi. Everybody said that Plum was a good harcutter, and, very likely, a good shaver, too. It was even reported that people came here frequently from New York to get their hair trimmed.

The first time I visited the shop Plum wasn't there personally. I took the chair of an assistant. It was a very disagreeable chair, with caked places in it. It was upholstered with body brussels, and the seat had bones in it. The room is heated by means of a fire-The room is heated by means of a specific place, and the water for shaving is boiled in a sauce-pan on the coals. The with a hickory until he felt as if he had with a hickory until he felt as if he had with a hickory until he felt as if he had been of a saint fresh from assistant was a perfect gentleman, though. He did everything he could in a social way to make me forget my troubles. For half an hour he just simply dazzled me with his conversational powers and threw every influence told me so much about the country and its resources that when he got with wet eyes. This may seem to be a all physical impossibility, but I did it.

children into a more thorough state of out from every pore. tam. Now and then I would go into the shop, however, hoping that Plum might be there, and in that case I would have one more old fall. would have one more old-fashioned would inhale a little smoke from the fireplace and go away. Later on I decided that I would give the other assist"Well, you tole 'em a lie." ant a hack at my beard. He looked like a likely young man whose parents waitin' fur me now at the cross-rwere dependent on him, so one day I and I'd ruther not disappoint 'em.' got up into his chair.

His chair was not so hard to sit in up now and do ez you're told." as the first one, but it had a very feverish breath and the head-rest occacolored plush around the suburbs of my neck like a middle-aged Mormon on his way to the endowment house.

In two weeks a man who claimed to be friendly to my interests came to me and in a hoarse voice informed me that darkened with dust and sandy hair and Plum Levy was at work in the shop.

I went there at a rapid rate. In the corner near the chair, with a blue flyinto his old red chair, knocking out the dust and hair of forgotten generations, keep out of sight, say:
and Plum Levy ran his skinny black "Now I reckon you'll do ez yer tole." fingers over the desolated site of my once hair. It did not take him long to decide that it was doubtless a shave sobs that I desired. I like to meet a man, "I' be he white or black, who can jump at a conclusion that way with the utmost agility and always hit it right.

He got some hot water out of the sauce-pan, slashed his brush around in it, banked up my nostrils with lather. and when I had to open my mouth in order to get a place to breathe through, he stabbed that full of the most unpalatable soapsuds I ever ate.

He then paused, in order to try on ny eve-glasses, which T on the sink. Evidently they did not fit fibers of muscle. It is well known that him, for he resumed his own with a a thin animal is always tough, comsigh. All this he did with the utmost freedom.

I can imagine how such a man would act when he got a chance at emancipa-Wouldn't he gorge himself? Wouldn't he like to get away into the woods somewhere by the side of a carload of freedom and just kind of founder himself? I wot so.

He picked out a razor with a white handle, such as agricultural papers offer to boys for one new name, and he mowed around over my fluffy cheek. turning my head over so that the midday sun could shine into my works, until I moaned in a low key in spite of myself. Oh, how I wanted to go home! How I begged to see my family once more! How I told Mr. Levy that I written things about the Southern climate that were too severe, and that would not do so, but, oh, would he not before he cut upon the other side of whatever their age. mv neck?

At last he relented, and I went to the office of a physician.

My friends who recommended Mr. Levy now get out of it by stating that they supposed I wanted my hair cut. They say they never claimed that Plum Levy could shave for sour apples, but

he can just more than cut hair

Beating the Market Man. The sample dodge is an old and mean trick by which some sharpers in a small way beat the market man out of a dinner now and then. If you stay here long enough you'll see one of them. I usually get from two to a dozen visits from them every day. Many of them are men, old men, usually of respecta-ble appearance, though occasionally you find a well dressed woman in the business and now and then a child. It is worked like this: The sample fiend comes up when you are not busy and tell you that he has not laid in his winter stock of vegetables yet. And then he talks about different kinds of potatoes and wants to see what we have got. He takes a potatoe out of each barrel, says he will try them all and see which he likes best, and moves coolly Of course we never see him

Now that seems like a very small kind of a confidence game for grown people to be at, doesn't it? But there are scores of families who depend on just such little tricks for the chief part of their sustenance. Anyway, we have lots of them down here. I have known them to come and "work the racket" and go away and then be at some other stand on the same errand an hour later. I actually believe some of them gather enough vegetables in this way out of this market in a day to last them all live tegether, and see if I don't excel wintor. Of course heavens were equal my parent in pany, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany, "Read in the lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany," "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany," "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the pany," "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the lady archly replied," "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "As far as "Blessed is the loan.—New Orleans Pications of the lady archly replied," "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied, "Pray, miss, how far have you got in your Psalter?" The lady archly replied the pany archly replied the pany archly replied the pany archly replied the pany archly repided the pany archly replied the pany archly replied the pany ar winter. Of course beggars we would your mother!"

fire out of here in a holy minute, an persons who didn't look respectable w shouldn't allow to take a sample. Bu shouldn't allow to take a sample. But what can you do when nicely dressed persons, who, for all you know, may own a brown stone block and be able to buy you out a thousand times, come along and work you this way?—Stall-keeper in New York Commercial Advantages

She Ruled the Roost.

Jim Akers was a small, two-headed knock-kneed man, with irregular teeth which made his mouth look like a steel trap twisted out of plumb. His wife was a large, raw-boned woman, fully a head taller and fifty pounds heavier than Jim. She had the temper of a half-famished wildcat, and no darky just "gittin' religion" was ever half as much afraid of the devil as Jim was of her. He had reason to be. When she

a gridiron.
One bright, golden, delicious afternoon in the latter part of May, Jim left the patch where he had been hard at work about me to make me contented. He all day and "snuck een" to his cabin by the back way. He proceeded to doff his every-day clothes and don his Sunthrough with me I wrung his hand day garments. casting furtive glances with wet eyes. This may seem to be a all the while at the black-browed, terrible dame sitting in the front door-For some time after that I decided way knitting. With trembling haste not to shave any more. My beard is he completed his preparations, and was ginger colored with a dash of red in it; shambling out again, when his wife, but others have risen to affluence and previously apparently oblivious of his won a deathless name who wore this presence, shot a fierce glance at him kind of beard, so I thought I would let which made him jump almost out of it grow and thus be able to horrify my his shoes and brought the perspiration

"Well, you 'lowed wrong. You jest whell, you 'lowed wrong. You jest shave before I abandoned myself to the wild and woolly depths of a tough, red beard; but Mr. Levy was engaged in building a wing on his house, and so I

"But I done tole the boys I wus

"But Ed Sykes and Hank Evans is a waitin' fur me now at the cross-roads, "Well, I'd ruther you would. Shut

Jim gasped and quaked with fear; but for the first time in many years, he sionally slipped a cog and fell about thoroughly realized the tyranny under four inches, like the cellar door of a which he was crushed. His heart was gibbet. I stood this until I got shaved set on going to the fish-fry, and in that down to a line even with the angle of feeble, fluttering little organ a faint the jaw, and then I said I did not care shadow, a dim etdolon of spirit became about having my throat whiskers thoroughly aroused. He hesitated a shaved off. I paid my reckoning and went away with a red tippet of gingergaze of those glowing, wrathful eyes, and then started, saying: "Well, I'm a-gwine."

Great Jehosaphat! Houp la! She swooped down on him like an owl on a mouse. The air was filled and

agonizing shrieks. Ed Sykes and Hank Evans, at the "cross-roads," became convinced that net on it, stood a tall gentleman of African descent. He smiled pleasantly was perishing in the flames. They rushed on me through a pair of iron-bound in all haste to his assistance, but as spectacles and told me in a haughty they neared the spot the clatter cubmanner to be seated. I sprang gayly sided, and they heard a stern, feminine voice, which caused them to halt and

Then they recognized Jim's piping voice, protesting between convulsive

"I'd sorter gin out gwine befo' you spoke."-San Francisco Alta.

Tough vs. Tender Beef.

The question is often raised, what makes meat tough? A contemporary lately stated that "the toughest and most tasteless meat is that of a 2-vearold steer fed fat from calfhood and then allowed to shrink in transit to market." Tasteless it undoubtedly would be. since the loss would be in the juices and fatty matter deposite paratively, and according to age, and for the reason before stated. muscles are not filled with the fluids that render them readily disintegrable. For the same reason an animal thin in flesh, unless very old, if quickly fat-

than lean and dry.

But the mistake should not be made as between firm flesh and that which is tough. Where the animal is fully fed from birth until killed, whatever the age, the flesh will be firm, but not tough; but the longer it is kept the firmer the flesh will be. If kept up to that trim when it can no longer be made to gain steadily then the flesh will become really tough, and in this sense an knew I had done wrong, and that I had animal arrived at full maturity and allowed to shrink becomes tough in the true sense of the word. The shrinkage if I had my life to live over again I of such an animal is also inevitable in transit, since so good conditions of ease give me one more chance to reform? and feeding cannot be given as when at Would he not let me look once more home. This is also approximately cornpon the faces-of my wife and children rect in all highly-fattened animals, and feeding cannot be given as when at.

The most juicy, firm-fleshed, and tender beef is that killed where fed and then transported in refrigerator cars. It is also the most healthful to eat, since fever and other disorganizing influences are constantly at work from the time the animal leaves the stall or pasture until killed. The most juicy and palatable beef is that which has been well wintered and then quickly fattened on flush, succulent pasture, killed, and shipped dead in proper cars. worse meat is that transported from the far west, thousands of miles to Atlantic hauled away for all they were worth, railways seem determined to continue to discriminate in favor of carrying live reason is probably a business one not difficult to guess.—Chicago Tribunc.

Pages and Their Pay.

At the beginning of a session of Congress it is a common thing to see rich ladies alight at the Capitol from their splendid equipages, leading their petted sons in to ask that they be appointed pages. Members of Congress bring pages. Members of Congress bring their boys to put them on the pages' roll. "Oh," said one lady of wealth, when asked why she consented to have her darling son serve as a page, "his pay makes such convenient pin money." hese attendants upon Senators and Representatives get \$2.50 a day during the session of Congress.—Chicago Time:

THE following naive promise was offered as an irresisstible temptation to a fair inamorata: "I thank you," said the girl to her suitor. "but I can't leave home. I am a widow's only darling; no husband can ever equal my parent in kindness." "She is kind," replied the CURIOUS FACTS.

THE present cost of operating the rail-roads of the country with steam power is in round numbers \$502,000,000 per annum; but to carry on the same amount of work with men and horses would cost the country \$11,306,500,000.

Some one with a mathematical mind has figured it out that all the gold on earth to-day, in whatever shape—that is, mined gold, or, to put it plainer, the gold in use in all nations and the product of all ages—if welded in one mass, would be contained in a cube of less than thirty feet than thirty feet.

THE soil of the Nile delta has proven to be thicker than was supposed, borings by Royal engineers having failed to reach a solid bottom at a depth of 200 feet. Specimens of the soil have been sent to London, and an appropriation has been made for continuing the geologically important borings.

A PAVORITE prescription of Chinese physicians for chronic indigestions is to cut up and digest chicken gizzards in hot water until they are reduced to a pulp, and then add some spices. A tablespoonful or two of the resulting paste is taken at each meal until the patient has entirely recovered.

THE carrier-pigeon service in Paris is now most carefully organized, and the latest census shows that there are 2,500 trained birds, which can take dispatches in and out of the capital in the roughest weather. Some are taught to go the neighboring forts and towns, others to distant parts of the provinces.

Ar Middletown, Conn., the other vening, a company of friends called at house, where they were asked to put their wraps on a bed where a babe was sleeping. The little one was unusually sleeping. The little one was unusually quiet that evening, and it was found dead when the guests had gone, having been smothered by the garments piled upon it.

A PHOMINENT life insurance man in Hartford, Conn., is reported as saying that his experience and the records life insurance have shown him that young men of 20 years of age who abentirely from all kinds of intoxicating drinks have a good prospect of living to be 64 years of age; while the moderate drinker of 20 years of age can only expect to live to be 351 years.

METAL is now being substituted for card-board in bookbinding. This novelty is known as the "British Pellisfort" binding, and it consists in the use of thin sheet metal for covers. The metal is specially prepared, and the cover be bent and straightened again without perceptible damage. It may, in fact, be safely subjected to such treatment as would destroy ordinary covers. The metal is, of course, covered with the leather usually employed in bookbinding, and the finished book presents no difference in appearance except in the greater thinness of the

A NEW industry has lately sprung up in Sweden, and promises shortly to become a most important one. Oil for illuminating purposes is now manu-factured in that country from the tumps and roots that remain in the forests after the timber has been cut. These are subjected to a process of dry listillation, and besides wood-oil many other products are obtained, amongst which are turpentine, creosote, acetic cid, wood charcoal, tar, oils, etc. This oil cannot be used in ordinary lamps, as containing a large proportion of car-bon it gives off a great deal of smoke during combustion. When mixed with benzine, however, it may be used in ordinary benzine lamps; but when burnt alone a special lamp must be adopted. The trees that furnish the greatest amount of oil are the pine and There are now about forty lishments engaged in this manufacture in Sweden.

A Terrible Sea Monster.

The first time I struck the bottom I couldn't believe I was there. It was as clear as air and the fishes swimming around might have been taken for birds. I landed on a kind of sand-hill when they lowered me and had to walk about fifty feet down into a valley like They were pefore I struck the shells. all in a bunch, stretched along in a ridge, looking like a black mark against the white bottom. I was dragging the hamper and when I got alongside I began to toss them in. I reckon I had filled half a dozen or so, when all at once I saw tened, will be juicy and tender; that is, the muscle will be fat and juicy rather a kind of shadow moving over me. At first I thought it was the schooner, and then, perhaps some of the other divers coming down, and then it left; but all at once it came again and grew so dark in a second that I turned quick and looked up, and I'm telling you the truth, mister, if my hair hadn't been held down by a copper cap it would have riz right on end. There, a-movin' over me was what I took to be a bird about thirty feet across. It was wheeling round and round, flapping its big wings, just as you've seen buzzards or eagles do, overhead. Down it came, lower and lower, and I a-crouching as flat as I could get. The nearer it got the bigger it looked, and as I see it was asettling on me I took the pike I always carried, and as it wheeled around over me I let drive. Hit it? Well, I reckon I did. The next thing I knew I was standing on my head, rolling over and over, then yanked sideways, half drownded, and then I reckon I lost my half senses, and when I came to I was lying

on deck and all hands looking at me. You see, the critter had given the water such a swirl that I was knocked end for end, and my pipe and line twisted around and around so that I couldn't breath, and, of course, that pulled the line and the men. Ithought I had jerked it to come up so they cities or to Europe alive. And yet and that's what saved my life. What was it? Why, nothin' but one of those to discriminate in favor of carrying live animals instead of dead meat. The reason is probably a business one not row run for it. That was the way, accordin' to their say, that the fish goes to work to get away with a man. They first settle down on you like a blanket, and there you are. There wasn't a man that would go down after that for several days .- Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.

"Hello, when did you return?" asked Snopson of his friend Binns, whom he met in the street. "Why, I haven't been away," replied the latter. "You haven't?" incredulously asked Snopson. Why, you look so worn out and near dead that I positively thought you had been away to one of the watering-places for a few weeks for the benefit of your health.

THE Reverend Mr. W- paid his devoirs to a lady who was prepossessed in faver of a Mr. Psalter. Her partiality being very evident, the former took oc-casion to ask, in a room full of comDEATH IN THE WATER.

Is the Element We Drink Deci mating the People?

How a Universal Menace to Health May be Disarmed.

A few years ago the people in a certain sec-tion in one of the leading cities of the State were prostrated with a malignant disease, slid upon investigation it was found that only those who used water from a famous old west

those who used water from a famous old was were the victima.

Professor B. A. Lattimore, analyst of the New York State Board of Health, upon analyzing water from this well, found it more deadly taan the city sewage!

The filing up of the old well stopped the ravages of the disease.

Not long since the writer noticed while some men were making an excavation for a large building, a stratum of dark-colored earth running from near the surface to hard pan. There it took another course toward a well near at hand. The water from this well had for years been tainted with the drainage from a receiving vault, the percolations of which had discolored the earth!

Terrible!

A similar condition of things exists in every village and city where well water is used, and though the filtering which the fluids receive in passing through the earth may give them a clear appearance, yet the poison and disease remains, though the water may look never so clear.

clear.

It is still worse with the farmer, for the drainage from the barn yard and the slops from the kitchen eventually find their way inthe family well.

The same condition of things exists in our

The same condition of things exists in our large cities, who e water supplies are rivers fed by little streams that carry off the flith and drainant from houses. This "water" is eventually drunk by rich and poor alike with great evil.

Some cautious people resort to the filter for purifying this water, but even the filter does not remove this poison, for water of the most deadly character may pass through this filter and become clear, yet the poison disguised is there.

They who use filters know that they must be renewed at regular periods, for even though they do not take out all the impurity, they soon become foul.

Now in like manner the human kidneys act as a filter for the blood, and if they are filled up with impurities and become foul, like the filter, all the blood in the system coursing through them becomes bad, for it is now a conceded fact that the kidneys are the chief, means whereby the blood is purified. These organs are filled with thousands of hair-like tubes which drain the impurities from the blood, as the sewer pipes drain impurities blood, as the sewer pipes drain impuritie from our houses.

blood, as the sewer pipes drain impurities from our houses.

If a sewer pipe breaks under the house, the sewage escapes into the earth and fills the house with poisonous gas; so if any of the thousand and one little hair-like sewer tubes of the kidneys break down, the entire body is affected by this awful poison.

It is a scientific fact that the kidneys have few nerves of sensation; and, consequently, disease may exist in these organs for a long time and not be suspected by the individual. It is impossible to filter or take the death out of the blood when the least derangement exists in these organs, and if the blood is not filtered then the uric acid, or kidney poison, removable only by Warner's safe cure, accumulates in the system and attacks any organ, producing mine out of ten aliments, just as sewer gas and bad drainage produce so many fatal disorders.

Kidney disease may be known to exist if there is any marked departure from ordinary health without apparent known cause, and is should be understood by all that the greatest peril exists, and is intensified, if there is the least neglect to treat it promptly with the

should be understood by all that the greatest peril exists, and is intensified, if there is the least neglect to treat it promptly with that great specific, Wainer's safe cure, a remedy that has received the highest recognition by scientific men who have thoroughly investigated the character of kidney derangements. They may not tell us that the cause of so many diseases in this organ is the impure water or any other one thing, but this poisonous water with its impurities coursing consumers that the coursing consumers that the course of the consumers of the course of the ous water with its impurities coursing con-stantly through these delicate organs un-doubtedly does produce much of the decay and stantly through these delicate organs undoubtedly does produce much of the decay and disease which eventually terminate in the fatal Bright's disease, for this disease, alike among the drinking men, prohibitionist, the tobacco slave, the laborer, the merchant, and the tramp, works terrible devastation every year. It is well known that the liver, which is so easily thrown out of gear," as they say, very readily disturbs the action of the kidneys. That organ when deranged immediately announces the fact by sallow skin, constipated bowels, coated tonguo, and headaches, but the kidney when diseased struggles on for a long time, and the fact of its disease can only be discovered by the aid of the microscope or by the physician who is skillful, enough to trace the most indirect effects in the system to the derangement of these organs, as the prime cause.

The public is learning much on this subject, and when it comes to understand that the kidneys are the real health regulators, as they are the real blood purifiers of the system, they will escape an infinite amount of unnecessary suffering, and add length of days and hampiness to their lot

necessary suffering, and add length of days and happiness to their lot.

Plant Allies. While some forms of fungus are most destructive to vegetat on, it is now render assistance to the plants on which they live. Frank found that the fungus overing the young root points of certain forest trees, as the beech and the oak, seems to help in the nutrition of those trees. Another interesting case has lately been studied in Germany by Wahrlich, who finds that a yellow bladder-like fungus of the root-tissue of orchids works no perceptible harm to the plants, but on the contrary probably aids them by changing woody matters into a form that they may more readily

Common Sense.

The proprietors of the Moxie Nerve Food, that is creating such an excitement all over the country as a remedy for the liquor habit and nervous exhaustion, or results of overwork, talk the best sense yet. They say the nervous system is the seat of life, and controls the functions of the body. The functions of the body. trois the functions of the body. The func-tions of the body are to take nutrition and get rid of a corresponding amount of old and im-pure material. If the nerves are strong enough to do this, we are well, and the blood purifies itself every day; if not, we are ill. That is the whole system of health in a nutshell.

The Lesson It Taught.

Sunday-school Superintendent--Have you ever thought, my dear children, of the value of time, and how necessary it is we should seek shelter before it is

Children—Yes, sir. Superintendent-Yes, I heard to-day of a remarkable case; a sailor entered a mission chapel, became converted determined to lead a better life, and the very next morning he fell from a yard-arm and was killed; now, does not

that look like a Providence? Bright Boy-Yes, he took him when he had a chance. - Omaha World.

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we have been among them," said Sluv vins to his wife, as they promenaded along Wabasha street. "So do I," she responded earnestly. "Yes, I've no-"You've just dropped your bustle," the fiend replied. With a shriek she fled the scene.

A great obstacle in many sections of our country to successful cultivation is the insufficient rainfall. To remove this obstacle it is only necessary that a system of irrigation be adopted. To irrigate successfully requires a large amount of technical knowledge and skill and the expenditure of much labor and money. Irrigation belongs, in fact, to progressive agriculture, and pays best when applied to valuable land by intelligent men. Under such circumstances it pays for itself many times over by rendering large tracts of land otherwise valueless highly productive. In proof of this assertion are many suc-cessful efforts with irrigation in our own country. A notable instance at hand is the State of Colorado, with its 800 miles of first-class irrigating canals, 3,500 miles of secondary canals, and 40,-000 miles of smaller ditches, which have cost in the aggregate about \$11,000,000, and will irrigate 2,200,000 acres. The largest canal is taken from the Rio del Norte. It is ninety-eight feet wide at the top and sixty-five feet on the bottom, with a carrying capa-

Irrigating Canals.

Stories of Gold.

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The main line is forty miles long, and

it is designed to irrigate 200,000 acres.

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5,000 men and 1,200 teams.

Alaska produced \$300,000 worth of gold and \$2.000 worth of silver last year.

The United States produced \$31,000,-000 of gold and \$51,000,000 of silver The gold production of the world last year was \$101,580,000 and of silver

\$125,000. "Montana Turnips" is the name by which \$600 or \$700 lumps of bullion

are known in that Territory. Eight thousand dollars was found in an old apron of a venerable woman who died at Port Pleasant, N. J., lately. Twenty-one years ago the steamer Brother Jonathan went down off the Oregon coast with \$2,000,000 in specie on board. Various unsuccessful efforts have been made to get the money, and now another effort on an elaborat scale is to be made.

One of the largest and finest gold nuggets ever unearthed in California is now on exhibition in San Francisco. It is about the size of an ordinary Derby hat, weighs thirty-five pounds, and is worth about \$6.000. Great "gobs" of gold hang out of its sides.

The Western Settler's Chosen Specific. With every advance of emigration into the far West, a new demand is created for Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Newly peopled regions are requently less salubrious than older settled ocalities, on account of the miasma which rises from recently cleared land, particularly along the banks of rivers that are subject to freshets. The agricultural or mining emigran soon learns, when he does not already know, that the Bitters afford the only sure protection against malaria, and those disorders of the tomach, liver, and bowels, to which climate changes, exposure, and unaccustomed or unnealthy water or diet subject him. Consequent ly, he places an estimate upon this great house-hold specific and preventive commensurate with its intrinsic merits, and is careful to keep on hand a restorative and promoter of health so implicitly to be relied upon in time of need.

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