The City of the Dead.

They do neither plight nor wed
In the city of the dead,
  In the city where they sleep away the hours.
But they lie, while o'er them range
Winter blight and summer change
  And a hundred happy whisperings o flowers
No, they neither wed nor plight,
And the day is like the night,
  For their vision is of other kind than ours.

They do neither sing nor sigh
In that burgh of by and by,
  Where the streets have grasses growing, cool and long;
But they rest within their bed,
Leaving all their thoughts unsaid,
  Deeming silence better far than sob or song.
No, they neither sigh nor sing,
Though the robin be a-wing,
  Though the leaves of autumn march a million strong.

There is only rest and peace
In the City of Surcease,
  From the failings and the wailings 'neath the sun,
And the Wings of the swift years
Beat but gently o'er the biers,
  Making music to the sleepers, every one.
There is only peace and rest;
But to them it seemeth blest,
  For they lie at ease and know that life is done.

—*Richard F. Burton in the Century.*

CURRENT TOPICS.

MONTREAL *Star*: Importers are beginning to look upon their business very much as a game of chance. "Heads!" they win. "Tails!" one-third to the Crown, one-third to the seizing officers and one-third to the informer.

TELEGRAMS from Belgium say that the condition of Empress Charlotte, of Mexico, is now quite hopeless. Her strength is rapidly weakening, and she is expected to die at any moment. The unfortunate woman has never recovered her mind, which gave way on the execution of her husband.

THIS is getting to be a cold world for babies. Owners of tenement houses have a prejudice against them, hotel keepers frown on them, and now a New York court has granted an injunction against the erection of a baby asylum in that city. And yet the baby is a great institution that can't be wiped out.

J. A. VANDYNE, of East Liverpool, O., was recently in St. Clairsville, and from idle curiosity visited the jail. In Gertie Williams, a woman confined there on a charge of murder, he recognized his only sister, who left home mysteriously several years ago and whose whereabouts were unknown until the chance meeting.

LORD WOLSELEY says there is a greater danger now menacing England than the possibility of a foreign invasion – the extravagance of the English women. He has noticed, he says, ever since he was a boy an increase in the tendency of English women to spend a much larger portion of the incomes of their husbands than they were entitled to on articles of attire.

AMONG the passengers on the White Star steamer Britannic were five young men from Oxford University, England, two from Cambridge University, three from the University of Edinburgh, and one from the University of Utrecht. They are all on their way to the College Students' Summer School and Encampment for Bible study, to be conducted at Northfield, Mass., by D. L. Moody.

A GERMAN doctor has discovered that the masculine heart weighs more and is larger in proportion than the susceptible organ possessed by the gentler sex. This statement is another blow for woman to parry and explain away to her own satisfaction. She has been able to endure the physiological fact that her brain weighs less than tyrant man's, but when it comes to her own pet cardiac region, she hasn't the spirit of a mouse if she submits to any scientific shrinkage of its generous proportions!

THE fungus known as vegetable beefsteak, found on old oak trees, is really nutritious and wholesome. When broiled it is difficult to distinguish it from broiled meat. "There is a slight acid flavor in the fungus when cooked," says the *English Mechanic*, "which adds considerable piquancy to the dish; it is extremely tender, succulent and juicy, and resembles tender steak or tongue in a remarkable manner, the juice it distills being in taste and appearance like gravy from an excellent, broiled rump steak."

PROFESSOR CARTER, in his inaugural address before the British College of State Medicine, gave it as his opinion that every case of fever costs the community $10, and that the annual cost of scarlet fever in England is $2,000,000. When considering the question from this economic standpoint it may readily be understood that the cost of carrying out sanitary improvements and the labor of enforcing right methods of living would be far outweighed by the mere monetary saving which they would effect, without taking sentiment into consideration.

A MECHANICAL scarecrow has been invented. This new invention represents a man of "sportsmanlike" appearance standing with a gun in hand ready to fire at the first intruder. The arm holding the gun is made to move by clockwork, which is enclosed in a strong iron box at its feet, and at the proper elevation it fires a shot louder than an ordinary gun. After the report the arm lowers. The mechanism can be regulated at the owner's pleasure by a regulator like a clock, and only requires to be wound up twice a day. Mr. Wm. Maund, of Shobdon, Hereford, England, is the inventor.

A YOUNG lady of New York amuses herself with humming-birds as pets. They build their nests in the lace-curtains, and have raised little families in the parlor. There are plants for them to fly about in, and every day the florist sends a basket of flowers for them to extract the honey from. They are like little rainbows flying about the room, and they light on the head of their dainty mistress with perfect freedom. She has an especial affinity for the feathered race, and pigeons, canaries and bull-finches are included among her household favorites.

IN a paper by Dr. Arthur Ransome (English), entitled "Some Evidences Respecting Tubercular Infective Areas," attention is called to the frequency with which groups of several cases of deaths from consumption in one family occur in small, badly ventilated cottages situated on damp clay soils. It is dampness and want of ventilation that make a house or group of houses dangerous, and they probably do this, in large part at least, by causing or promoting slight inflammations of the air-passages, sore throats, bronchitis, etc., which lower the vitality of the tissues and so make them fit to support the tubercular bacilli.

THE most beautiful chamber ever seen was one recently fitted up by an English Duke for his bride. Her favorite flower is the daffodil, and it predominates in the decorations. The ceiling and the walls are of a pale, grayish green and gold. The fringe and dado are of dull-gold canvas silk, hand embroidered in white daffodils and narcissi. The chandeliers have for globes opaline glass on the same flower designs. The velvet carpet is gray-green, sprinkled with golden flowers. The furniture is of heavy English oak, carved with winged loves' heads, and the draperies and window hangings are of Spanish lace, in conventional designs of daffodils.

UP to date the last person who has made public a device for utilizing the current of Niagara is John. R Greene, of Oneonta, N Y., brother of the Rev. Dr. Rufus S. Greene, of Buffalo. His plan provides for a $25,000,000 tunnel from South Buffalo to the whirlpool, giving a fall of 210 feet here, and 320 at the lower terminus. Cross tunnels are included. It is estimated that 500,850 horse power would be provided, which, at a rental of $15, would yield $7,512,750 per annum. The subscriptions for the prize for the best device have reached the sum of $108,000. Erastus Wiman was the last signer.

AN experienced and highly respectable physician gave a valauble hint the other day which others may find a useful hint as I did, writes a correspondent. "I am convinced," said he, "not only from practical personal experience but on theoretically scientific grounds also, that a safeguard against much prevalent summer illness lies in the free use of lemon juice. Citric acid helps to supply the place of the fluids which are unduly dissipated through the pores of the skin in hot weather. Eat plenty of lemons, and you can stand the heat infinitely better than those who do not make use of the fruit which nature has supplied tropical countries."

QUEEN VICTORIA has been unusually successful this year in the sale of her yearlings. They went at an average price of 475 guineas apiece, and a very smart crowd gathered at Hampton Court to bid for them. The Duke of Portland drove his coach from town to the sale, and made the two biggest bids of the day, paying 2,600 and 1,500 guineas respectively for two of St. Simon's yearlings. Lord Randolph Churchill was on hand to bid, as were a lot of other distinguished individuals. Prince Henry of Battenberg did not have the luck of his royal mother-in-law. He sold two hunters at the same sale which fetched 55 and 30 guineas each.

THE gentleman who has just succeeded to the Earldom of Seafield, Scotland, went through some curious vicissitudes a few years ago. He was then in New Zealand, hard pushed to earn a livelihood, and he was acting as a bailiff in the New Zealand town of Oamaru, in 1884, when his father (the uncle of the earl he succeeded) became Earl of Seafield. The news was brought to the bailiff, who was at that moment "in possession" of a house in his official capacity, that he was now Viscount Reidhaven. A substitute was willing to take his place, but the bailiff viscount stuck to his post for other two days. Subsequently he stood for Parliament out there, but was not elected.

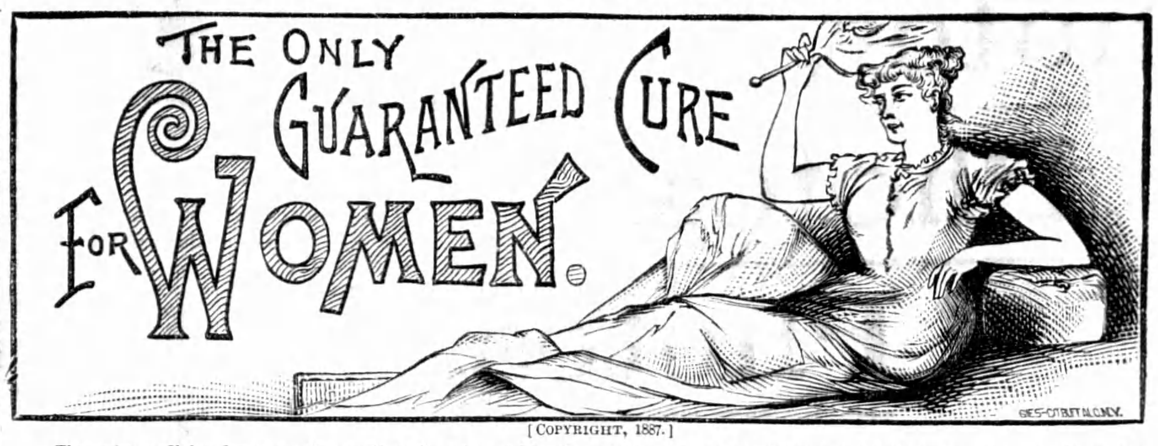
IN a recent article on Indian railroads and Indian wheat production, Mr. Samuel Smith, M.P., who is a retired Liverpool cotton broker, makes a statement which possesses some interest for Canadian and American wheat-growers. "It is evident," he says, "that it is to England's interest to do what she can to develop the vast capabilities of India as a grower of wheat, since India accepts British goods in payment for her wheat without any tariff robbery. The cotton famine consequent upon the American civil war led us to encourage cotton-planting in India; and the hostile tariffs of such wheat-growing nations as the United States and Russia are in like manner hastening the day when India shall be the chief granary of the world."

THE deleterious effect of arsenic upon the skin was recently discussed in the Pathological Society of London, after a communication had been read by Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson. The skin is the tissue on which arsenic has perhaps its most marked influence. The poison may spoil the complexion instead of improving it by making it muddy and unsightly. A similar action is exhibited in all parts of the skin, and may lead to the development of soft corns, not warts, on the palms of the hands and soles of the feet, where a roughened condition also grows up under its influence. Mr. Hutchinson expressed the belief that arsenic can produce epithelial cancer.

THE proclamation of Christianity as the national religion of Japan will probably soon be made. The question, according to the Japan *Weekly Mail*, is now under discussion, and many of the leading publicists, statesmen and professors are taking an active part in the discussion. It is not claimed that Christian doctrine, in its purely religious side, is generally acceptable, but it is claimed that Christian civilization and Christian sentiment are gaining the mastery; that the old Japanese beliefs are dead or dying fast; that Japanese ethics are gradually giving place to Christian ethics, and that Christianity has, among other things, this in its favor—that it is the religion of the most highly civilized countries.

REPORTS from Brazil indicate that the freedmen have exhibited a steadiness and industry surprising to the most hopeful, and that many of them are in the employ of their former owners. Leading planters are employing greater numbers of laborers than they formerly owned slaves, are paying their employees fairly and treating them well, and making better profits under the free than the slave labor system. Malcontents among the former slave owners are said to be the only disturbing class, and whatever injurious results may follow the emancipation will, it is confidently stated, be due to these men rather than to the freedmen. The final act of emancipation has apparently been accompanied by much less disturbance than was to have been expected.

As one result of the invasion scare, arrangements are being made at the British War Office for instructing gentlemen of influence in the counties of England and Scotland, and who are willing to accept the duty, to inquire into the extent and efficiency of local transport and equipment for the Volunteers under the mobilization scheme, and also as to the possibility of organizing in some way the many thousand Volunteers who have served a certain time in the ranks and have for various reasons ceased to be active, but who, if occasion should arise, would be willing to serve again. It is known that forty thousand men left the service voluntarily during last year only, and the whole number of such men fit for service has been estimated at over half a million.



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TREATING THE WRONG DISEASE.

Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion, or prostration, another with pain here or there, and in this way they all present alike to themselves and their easy-going and indifferent, or over-busy doctor, separate and distinct diseases, for which he prescribes his pills and potions, assuming them to be such, when, in reality, they are all only *symptoms* caused by some womb disorder. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, encourages his practice until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better, but probably worse by reason of the delay, wrong treatment and consequent complications. A proper medicine, like DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION, *directed to the cause*, would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery.

3 PHYSICIANS FAILED.

MRS. E. F. MORGAN, of *No. 71 Lexington St., East Boston, Mass.*, says: "Five years ago I was a dreadful sufferer from uterine troubles. Having exhausted the skill of three physicians, I was completely discouraged, and so weak I could with difficulty cross the room alone. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and using the local treatment recommended in his 'Common Sense Medical Adviser.' I commenced to improve at once. In three months I was *perfectly cured*, and have had no trouble since. I wrote a letter to my family paper, briefly mentioning how my health had been restored, and offering to send the full particulars to any one writing me for them, *and enclosing a stamped-envelope for reply.* I have received over four hundred letters. In reply, I have described my case and the treatment used, and have earnestly advised them to 'do likewise.' From a great many I have received second letters of thanks, stating that they had commenced the use of 'Favorite Prescription,' had sent the $1.50 required for the 'Medical Adviser,' and had applied the local treatment so fully and plainly laid down therein, and were much better already."

Retroverted Womb.—MRS. EVA KOHLER, of *Crab Orchard, Neb.*, writes: "Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done me a great deal of good. I suffered from retroversion of the uterus, for which I took two bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription,' and I am now feeling like a different woman."

Doctors Failed.—MRS. F. CORWIN, of *Post Creek, N. Y.*, writes: "I doctored with three or four of the best doctors in these parts, and I grew worse until I wrote to you and began using your 'Favorite Prescription.' I used three bottles of it and two of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' also one and a half bottles of the 'Purgative Pellets.' I can do my work and sew and walk all I care to, and am in better health than I ever expected to be in this world again. I owe it all to your wonderful medicines."

A VOICE FROM CALIFORNIA.

MRS. ED. M. CAMPBELL, of *Oakland, California*, writes: "I had been troubled all my life with hysterical attacks and paroxysms, or spasms, and periodical recurrences of severe headache, but since I have been using your 'Favorite Prescription' I have had none of these. I also had womb complaint so bad that I could not walk two blocks without the most severe pain, but before I had taken your 'Favorite Prescription' two months, I could walk all over the city without inconvenience. All my troubles seem to be leaving me under the benign influence of your medicine, and I now feel smarter than for years before. My physicians told me that I could not be cured, and therefore you will please accept my everlasting thanks for what you have done for me, and may God bless you in your good works."

Later, she writes: "It is now four years since I took your 'Favorite Prescription,' and I have had no return of the female trouble I had then."

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A Hard-Working Girl.

Miss Tosa Jones, aged 18, of Argonia, Kan., has this season broken forty-five acres of ground and planted it in corn, and intends to cultivate it herself. She attends to the feeding of a large number of cattle every winter.

By supplying herself with the purest artesian well water, Memphis, Tenn., thinks she has broken the "best holt" of all contagious diseases.

JAPANESE HORSEWOMEN.

An Interesting Feature of the Spring Races in Tokio.

A Tokio letter says: The spring race have occupied the attention of the capital' upper and lower circles for the past thre days, and the sports and fashion model have paraded the lawn before the grand stand as they might at any race course in western countries. A feature of one day's entertainment was the riding of six Japanese ladies, and natives and foreigners were equally interested in the spectacle. Tokio is not behind other cities in a rage for riding schools, and in addition to the number of army officers and men who learned the foreign style abroad, every official or well-to-do citizen now aspires to lessons in equestrianism. There is a flourishing riding school near Shiba Park, and a number of Japanese ladies belong to the classes. They wear the foreign riding dress, and look well in the Amazonian habit, although a French tailor would groan at the outlines of their figures, that are largest at the waist, have no hips and the most sloping shoulders. The six Amazons who bounced in the saddle around the Uyeno race course the other afternoon mounted in the paddock, and the mounting was unique; *bettos*, or grooms, clasped their hands together like a cradle, the Amazons stepped on with both feet, and the *betto* slowly raised them straight up in the air until they reached the level of the saddle. The feat was entirely the *betto's*, and the man who holds the 100-pound dumbbell or plays with cannon balls hardly equals them.

"Doubting Thomases,"

remarked an eminent divine, "must exist in ratio to the too credulous." The habit of cautiousness is not, as a general thing, inborn, but is the result of a naturally generous and confiding nature repeatedly victimized by the cunning and crafty. So the many disappointments, and often injurious effects, arising from the use of various vaunted remedies have induced an undue cautiousness, and, in many cases, entire abandonment of the use of any. We call attention to the remedies of Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, which physicians are employing in their practice with the most beneficial results. His "Golden Medical Discovery," for diseases of the lungs and kidneys, heart affections, fever and ague, dropsy, and *all* diseases of the blood, has never failed when put to the test.

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