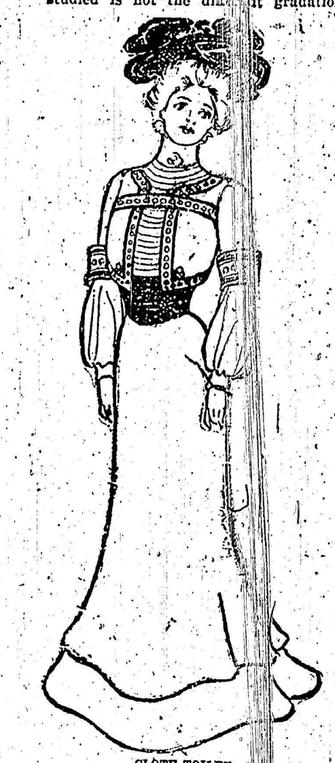
THE PRESENT MODE.

It Is All Eclectic and Allows Great Scope For Choice.

No one need feel anxie as to what to wear and whether such such a thing is according to the acc ed mode, because everything that i retty and becoming is now permissib fashion being more and more eclectic, What is to be studied is not the dif t gradations



CLOTH TOILET.

of style, but what is suitabl the occasion and favorable to the dividual. The really well dressed wo knows what color and what shades color best become her, what type of go best sets off her face and figure, wha materials are most advantageous to her

Today's cut shows a costu of dark blue cloth. The skirt has tr cent circular flounces edged with stit ing. The short bolero is trimmed with ton embroidery and has sleeves of length with embroidered cuffs. The h corse- let belt is of moss green velve the yoke and plastron of blue silk are ed with bands of embroidery, and th ing, full sleeves of blue silk are gath into a band of embroidery at the t. The hat of dark blue felt is orna ed with narrow folds of moss green v and is trimmed with a bow of the velvet, a jeweled ring and two bl ostrich plumes.

OUTER GARMEN

Old and New Styles of Diffe g Continuess.

Sleeves, in mantles as well gowns, have experienced a complete c ge from former styles. Some are wi full and gathered into a band at the w or laid in vertical, stitched plaits to a cuff; others are laid in stitched pla hrough- out their length; still others pagoda shaped, very wide and open, a point. When there is question o ery rich and elegant wraps, the long gote of velvet or broche silk, fitted lik princess gown and trimmed with beau l passe-

REDINGOTE.

menteric, is in the front ran This is a not particularly novel type, its costliness renders it exclusive. ong odd ideas, however, may be oned the loose sack of cloth, composed five successive scant circular flo es. Each flounce is bordered with a c g of taffeta and lined with white ty satin. The top flounce forms a sor polerine, from beneath which the sle s emerge. They are wide and are gathe in at the wrist with a cording of taffe

The picture shows a half th redingote of mastic cloth. It se fitting at the back and sides and raight in front. It is double breasted, d at each side of the front are two pla et in and secured at the top by arrow d stitches. There are triple pelerines d double revers, and all the edges, inc ling those of the collar and the cuffs the close sleeves, are finished with st ed straps of cloth. The coat fastens w horn buttons and is lined with broch k.

ALL ABOUT THE MICROBE.

BOSTON MEDICAL MAN SAYS THEY ARE REALLY LIFE-SAVERS.

Doctors Are on the Wrong Track—Dr. Page Propounds the Theory That Bacilli Are Scavengers Feasting Only on Decayed Matter.

Dr. Charles E. Page, of Boston, has pronounced the startling theory that bacilli are not the causes of disease, but are natural aids to its cure.

"The longer I consider the subject," he says, "the more thoroughly am I convinced of the practical accuracy of the position that in every instance of disease, or rather I should say, of sickness, which should always be regarded as Nature's means of curing disease, the so-called germ is actually the product or result, and not the cause, and that the germ theory as at present held is another instance in medicine of the cart before the horse.

"Micro-organisms are found everywhere. Myriads of them enter our bodies at each breath without doing the least injury. They are scavengers. Their legitimate work is to clean out the sewers of our bodies. Wherever there is decay or decomposing matter there life-savers are engaged in their business of neutralization, sanitation and purification.

NATURE'S PHYSICIANS.

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"Professor Jacobi says it may be possible that we will learn to poison and exterminate the so-called germs but in doing so we may kill the patient.

"At a meeting of the British Medical Association the president's address in the section on "State Medicine" was delivered by Dr. George Wilson, who spoke with great frankness on the relations of bacterial research and methods of treatment to preventive medicine. He begins by saying that Pasteur's preventive inoculations are based on errors and are the outcome of illogical inductions every one of them.

"The few disease-developing microbes which bacteriologists have discovered associated with human disease, and which they can isolate and cultivate, are those of tuberculosis, diphtheria, enteric fever, cholera and plague, 'but these,' continues Dr. Wilson, 'are found associated with decayed tissues, and it is open to argument whether, instead of being labelled the unconditioned causes of those diseases, they may not be performing a benign function in changing the decayed tissues into harmless products, just as various kinds of micro-organisms are necessary to change filth and all dead organic matter into harmless matter.'

"The bacteriologist so dominates the public press that we almost seem to live in a bacillus-stricken world, and so far as preventive medicine is concerned bacteriology has rather led us on false lines in assuming that the disease developing microbe of any disease is the cause of that disease."

A FATHER'S STORY.

He Tells How His Son Regained Health and Strength.

Had His Spine Injured and for Two Years Was Unable to do Any Work and for Most of the Time Was Confined to the House.

Mr. M. D'Entremont, a well known farmer living at West Pubnico, N.S., writes:—"I believe it is only right that I should let you know the benefit your medicine—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—have been to my son, Constant, sixteen years of age. For several years he was almost a constant invalid, the result of an injury to his spine while working with his brothers on the farm. He grew weak and listless, had no appetite, and for two years was unable to work and was for the most of the time confined to the house, and for a part of the time to his bed. He suffered considerably from pains in the back; his legs were weak; and he had frequent headaches. At different times he was attended by two doctors, but got no benefit from the treatment. Then I procured an electric belt for him, but it was simply money wasted as it did not do him a particle of good. One day while my son was reading a newspaper he came across an article telling of a cure in a somewhat similar case through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and he then decided to give them a trial. After the second box was taken there was a marked improvement in his condition. He continued the use of the pills until he had taken eight boxes, and they have restored him to health. His appetite has returned; the pain has left his back; he has gained flesh; is able to ride a bicycle, enjoys life and is able to do a day's work as well as any one of his age. This letter is given gladly so that others may learn the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and find a cure if ailing."

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FIVE DOCTORS FAILED.

IN A SEVERE CASE OF KIDNEY DISEASE AND LAME BACK.

Dodd's Kidney Pills Cure Mr. Anderson, of Waterside, N.B., After Five Medical Men Have Pronounced His Case Absolutely Incurable.

Waterside, N.B., March 18.—Special.—"I have been so often induced to try patent medicines by the reading of the wonderful cures said to have been effected in similar cases, that now, when I feel it my duty to write the story of my own cure by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills, I am carefully avoiding any comment of my own or any complimentary words. I simply state the absolute facts of my case as follows:

"I have been treated by five different doctors, and have taken a large amount of patent medicine during the last four years for Kidney Trouble and Lame Back, from which I have been suffering. I was very bad. My life at times seemed a burden. I got no relief until I was persuaded to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I cheerfully give this unsolicited testimonial, that I have received more benefit from six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, than from any and all other sources."

Mr. Anderson is in earnest. His straight-forward statement of facts carries conviction. Lame Back and Kidney Disease do not seem able to exist where this wonderful remedy is used. It has been made very popular in this community by the hearty endorsation of Mr. Anderson, who is a well known and very highly respected citizen. The success of Dodd's Kidney Pills in cases like those of Mr. Anderson, has created a demand, which the local druggists have reported as unprecedented.

King Edward VII. is a member of the Church of England, Protestant, and attends the Established Church in Scotland, like the Queen.

MUSKOKA COTTAGE SANITORIUM.

A Correspondent Tells of the Facilities Provided for the Patients.

This institution is devoted to the treatment of persons in the early stages of consumption of the lungs. "W. J. B.," in a recent issue of a Toronto daily, after speaking of the beautiful scenery and handsome buildings he found on the shore of Lake Muskoka, says:

"In all cases the patients occupy separate rooms. The table-board is excellent, and everything seems to be conducive to their happiness. Facilities are provided for all kinds of winter and summer outdoor sports. The patients spend from eight to ten hours each day in the open air. In zero weather I saw men reading, napping and playing games on the piazza, and ladies doing fancy work and writing letters in perfect contentment. The sunlight, open air, rest and medical treatment seem to be yielding wonderful results. One patient told me he had gained 22 1-2 pounds in four weeks. Dr. DeWitt, of Wolfville, Nova Scotia, who came with a patient to the Sanitorium, said he felt safe here, as he saw no possibility of contagion where only cases in the earlier stages of the disease are admitted. He claimed that those fifty or more patients, gathered from all over the Dominion of Canada, and some from across the sea, were not only saving their own lives for further usefulness, but saving thousands of precious lives from infection. Most of them will return to their homes cured, and will become missionaries of health to their families and friends."

The doctors tell us that from one-sixth to one seventh of all deaths are from tuberculosis. One out of every four of those between fifteen and fifty-five years of age result from this cause. It is astonishing how many diseases spring from it. It annually claims more victims than smallpox, diphtheria, typhoid fever, yellow fever, Asiatic fever, leprosy, measles and whooping cough combined. In Europe the State municipalities, manufacturies, insurance companies and private agencies are united in battling with the ravages of this disease. All praise is due to Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Sir William Meredith and those associated with them, who have started this movement in Canada, and have provided such excellent facilities for the successful conduct of the work.

STAIN UPON CHRISTENDOM.

Excesses by the Allied Troops in China Confirmed.

The foreign ministers at Pekin have prepared a list of high Chinese officials whose execution they demand as a punishment for their complicity in the Boxer outrages and the attack on the legations. Of the expediency of this demand, in certain instances, there may be some doubt; but of its subsnattial justice, assuming that the officials did what they are reputed to have done, there can be no question.

While the attempt is being made to distribute responsibility and to exact penalty for these crimes, neither the foreign ministers at Pekin nor the powers which they represent can afford to be indifferent to certain other crimes, still more inexcusable and atrocious.

The first reports of excesses by the allied troops seemed impossible to believe, but they have been confirmed by too many witnesses to be any longer questioned. The work began at Taku last June, when three hundred coolies, who had been employed in loading ships and had never lifted a finger against a foreigner, were slaughtered by Russian troops without a single shot being fired in return.

The capture of Tientsin, the march from Tientsin to Pekin, the occupation of Pekin, the expedition to Paoting, and the so-called "punitive expeditions" in various directions from Pekin have been attended by wholesale robbery, outrage and murder. The worst crimes committed by the Boxers, the worst crimes imagined as committed by them last summer, when it was believed that the foreigners at Pekin had fallen into their hands, have been duplicated at a score of places in the province of Pechili; but the victims were unarmed Chinese men and helpless women and children, and the criminals were men who wore the uniform of the allied powers.

It is impossible to read the detailed narratives of these occurrences without a thrill of horror. That the accusations are true unfortunately admits of no doubt. Those who make them are absolutely trustworthy. If the Boxers deserve punishment, the perpetrators of these crimes, which are a disgrace to civilization and to Christianity deserve it still more.

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The ninetenth annual meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at the office in Hamilton, on Thursday, the 7th instant. In the absence of the President, Hon. illness, Mr. William Kerns, Vice President, was appointed Chairman and Mr. David Dexter Secretary.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The directors presented their annual report, as follows:

Your directors have the honor to present the report and financial statement of the company for the year which closed on the 31st December, 1900, duly vouched for by the auditors.

The new business of the year consisted of four thousand nine hundred and forty-seven applications insurance, aggregating $2,091,735, of which thirteen hundred and nine, for $1,383,535, were accepted; applications for $98,500 were rejected or left incomplete.

As in previous years the income of the company shows a gratifying increase, and the assets of the company have been increased by $211,452.22, and have now reached $ exclusive of guarantee capital.

The security for policyholders, including guarantee capital, amounts to as at the year to $2,149,055.92, and the liabilities for reserves, all outstanding claims and showing a surplus of $1,025,317.55. Exclusive of uncalled guarantee capital, the policyholders' surplus is $147,802.85.

Policies on sixty-five lives became claims by death, to the amount of $ which $18,500 was reinsured in other companies.

Including cash dividends and dividends applied with annuities, $ 929.56, the total payments to policyholders during the year were $

Careful attention has been given to the investment of the funds, and the mortgage securities and loans on the company's investments have yielded results better than the leading business in Canada.

Expenses have been confined to a reasonable limit, having regard to the business.

The field officers and agents of the company are much credit for their able representation of the company, and the office staff have also proved faithful in the discharge

Having decided to increase the guarantee capital, which is now $ authorized by contract of incorporation, your directors have issued 3,000 shares, at a premium of 40 per cent. or the whole of which have been subscribed and taken by the existing shareholders. Through the agency in bi-monthly instalments, the premium on the above portion of the stock will be paid up.

The assurances carried by the company have been reinsured in other companies, company holds reserves to the full amount required by the Government standard, as above shown.

JAS. H. BEATTY,
President.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the President and Directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company.

Gentlemen: We have made a careful audit of the books of the company for the year ending 31st December, 1900, and have certified to the correctness of the following statements.

The securities have been inspected and compared with the entries relating thereto.

The financial position of your company, as shown by the accompanying statement, is a very satisfactory one.

Hamilton, 1st March, 1901.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Premium Income.....
Interest and Rents.....
Capital stock.....
Premium on stock.....

Paid to Policy-Holders for Death Claims—
Endowments, surrender values and profits.....
Expenses, taxes, dividends and reinsurance premiums.....
Balance.....

ASSETS, DECEMBER 31st, 1900.

Debentures and Bonds.....
Mortgages.....
Loans secured by policy reserves.....
Cash in bank and other assets.....

LIABILITIES.

Reserve Fund.....
Claims unadjusted.....
Present value of claims paid by instalments not due.....
Present value of dividends applied on temporary additions of reversionary bonuses.....
Surplus.....

Guarantee Capital.....

Surplus security.....
Policies were issued assuring.....
Total Assurance in force.....

On motion of Mr. Kerns, seconded by Mr. T. H. Macpherson, the report was adopted.

The Medical Director, Dr. A. Woo verton, presented the mortality of the company for the past and previous years.

The retiring directors were re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting Kerns and Mr. J. H. Beatty was re-elected President, Lieut.-Col. Kerns and Mr. J. H. Beatty Presidents.

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