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LINES TO MY UMBRELLA.

A! what is that companion dumb
That autumn, winter, spring or summer,
Me, I should always have? My umbrella!
But off it when showers come—
What is, as Yankees say "at hand"?
I have left behind? My umbrella!

What does too off a loan become—
To friends whose honesty is dumb?
(Friendship meets no return.) My umbrella!

Benevolent, then, foul or fair, by gum!
—Whether or not they hold the drum,
I'll never just from this my umbrella!

Benevolent, too, I'll my latest crumb
My latest drop, my fortune's sum.
Give to my friend. Not my umbrella!

NAPOLEON THE GREAT.

His Infirmary Repeated in the Experience
of a Leading Public Man—Truths
for the Aged.

(Syracuse, N.Y., Courier.)

"How long has he been in public service?"

"Before the memory of the oldest inhabitant."

"And he has kept his name unmarred during all that period?"

"Absolutely."

"He is a man I should like to meet."

The above conversation occurred between two gentlemen at one of our leading hotels.

The interrogator was from abroad, the other a resident of this city. The conversation had drifted into politics and Hon.

Thomas G. Alvord was the man whose record and qualities were being discussed.

To trace the history of public men who have grown old in the service is a task both interesting to the investigator and entertaining to those who read his investigations. It was with this truth in mind that the writer set out to call upon the man, about whom those politicians were so earnestly talking at his spacious residence Turtle street.

Mr. Alvord, who has been and is, familiarly known as "Old Salt," owing to his advocacy of the salt interest, is now well advanced in years, being on the shady side of seventy. He has long, white hair and a snowy beard which give him an appearance both dignified and grand. His voice is full and clear, and the moment any stranger comes into his presence he carries but be impressed with the inherent power of the man. Indeed he was endowed by nature with an unusually strong organization, both mentally and physically, which all the strain of public life, both as speaker of the Assembly and Lieutenant-Governor, failed, for many years, to tax in any way undermine.

It was during the year 1851, while Mr.

Alvord was a member of the Assembly at Albany, that he first began to feel most peculiar sensations. At that time he was in the midst of very important work which was seriously interfered with by reason of the mysterious trouble which seemed to assail him. He felt uncontrollable nausea almost constantly, accompanied by occasional violent retching. History recounts that Napoleon the Great, while in the midst of his public career, was frequently attacked by an enemy greater than any he had ever faced, which came in the same insidious yet violent manner as the terrible troubles that overtook Mr. Alvord, and are to-day menacing so many thousands of others. In speaking on this subject to the writer, Mr. Alvord said:

"This same bitter experience came to me again in 1862 while I was a member of the Assembly, with symptoms identical with those I had felt the year before. I believe it was largely caused by my advanced years; for I had a worn out feeling that was terrible. This conclusion is evidently the correct one, for I was again attacked last summer while away from all care and resting at my island in the St. Lawrence river. I experienced a painful sense of faintness in the lower portion of the body, accompanied by sensations of feverish heat or chilling shudders. All efforts to move my limbs or body were followed by intense weariness or exhaustion. Those who have reached my years can appreciate my sensations."

"And did neither yourself nor the physicians understand the cause or nature of these troubles?"

"It seems not entirely, for the physicians failed to relieve me and I kept growing worse. I suffered intensely and the only relief I could possibly obtain was by lying upon my back and this was only temporary."

"But you are looking well and strong now, Mr. Alvord. How did you bring about the change?"

"By using a remedy which is very popular and which I have found wonderfully efficient—Warner's Safe Cure. Indeed it has proven remarkable in its power over me. I believe in it and therefore recommend it to others, especially to those who are advanced in life; who feel a breaking down when there is no necessity and whose lost vitality and manhood remind them of their increasing years."

The interview then drifted to other topics just as the reporter gazed at the man whose experience is so ripe and who has seen so much of the different phases of life he could not but wish that those who are suffering from the various forms of physical ailment, and especially those persons who are advanced in years, might see and converse with the veteran whose experience and knowledge have been so rich, and who is a firm believer in the efficacy of the remedy that cured him. There is no excuse for shortening life, as so many have done and are doing. There is no necessity for "breaking down" early in years. Premature decay and death are a disgrace to our modern civilization. They are wholly needless and men or women who permit them when they can be so easily avoided should blame no one but themselves."

The more incredulous are forced to admit that for perfumed to enjoy the Triangle Dyce have no equal. Ask for three cornered package, and see that you get it. We at J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store.

Use the Star Dye if you want brilliant and fast colors.

Use the soft, pleasant, and effectual worm killer, Mackerel Extract Worm-Eatermator; nothing equals it.

From the Liver and Kidneys arise fully half the sickness. Dr. Carson's Stomach Bitters stimulate both Liver and Kidneys and lures one against disease; it is not an alcoholic stimulant. In large bottles at 50 cents.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine for every one in the spring. Emigrates and travellers will find it in an effectual cure for the eruptions, boils, pimples, sores, etc., that break out on the skin—the effect of disorder in the blood, caused by dietetic and life on board ship.

Salt Rheum Cured.

Are you troubled with Salt Rheum, Rough Skins, Pimples or Canker Sores? go to our store, Dr. Carson's Drug Store, and get a package of Calvert's Carbolic Cerate. Price twenty-five cents. It was never known to fail.

Pope & Bielleau, druggists, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, writes: We have never sold any medicine that gives such satisfaction to the consumer and pleasure to the seller as Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil. Can we refer you to numbers that have used it for diarrhea with entire satisfaction and success?

A First-Class Hearse for Hire.

W. H. Howard, of Geneva, N.Y., suffered with pain and general uneasiness, and spent a small fortune in advertised remedies, without avail, until he tried Burdock Blood Bitters. It purified and revitalized the blood, caused it to circulate freely, and quickly restored him to health.

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