

Ayer's Hair Vigor

What does it do? It causes the oil glands in the skin to become more active, making the hair soft and glossy, precisely as nature intended.

It cleanses the scalp from dandruff and thus removes one of the great causes of baldness.

It makes a better circulation in the scalp and stops the hair from coming out.

It Prevents and Cures Baldness

Ayer's Hair Vigor will surely make hair grow on bald spots, provided only there is any life remaining in the hair bulbs.

It restores color to gray or white hair. It does not do this in a moment, as will a hair dye; but in a short time the gray color of age gradually disappears and the darker color of youth takes its place.

Would you like a copy of our book on the Hair and Scalp? It is free.

Write the name of the book to the Editor, Ayer's Hair Vigor, Lowell, Mass.

The Acton Free Press

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The Young Folks.

AUNT LUCINDA'S COOKIES.

Cookie baker, you haven't, in all your shop, a cookie fit to be tried. For the art of making them came to a stop when my Aunt Lucinda died. I can see her yet, with her sleeves uprolled, as I watch her mix and knead. The flour and eggs, with their rinks of gold. The butter and sugar, just all they'll hold. And spice them with caraway seed.

Oh, that caraway seed! I see the nook in which it grew by the garden wall. And just below it is the little brook With the laughing waterfalls. Beyond are the meadows, sweet and fair. And all about the sun and shade: And all the beauties of earth and air. Were in those cookies, so rich and rare. My Aunt Lucinda made.

So add one more to the world's best arts. For the cookies you make are said, And they haven't the power to stir our hearts. That Aunt Lucinda had.

For I see her yet, with sleeves up-rolled, And I watch her mix and knead. The flour and eggs, with their rinks of gold. The butter and sugar, just all they'll hold. And spice them with caraway seed.

—L. A. W. Bulletin.

BALANCING ACCOUNTS.

A thick-set, ugly-looking fellow was seated on a bench in the public park, and seemed to be reading some writing on a sheet of paper which he held in his hand.

"You seem to be much interested in your writing," I said.

"Yes; I've been figuring my account with Old Alcohol to see how he stands."

"And he comes out ahead, I suppose?"

"Every time, and he has had had like sixty."

"How did you come to have dealings with him, in the first place?"

"That's what I've been writing. You see, he promised to make a man of me, but he made me a beast. Then he said he would brace me up, but he has made me go staggering round and then threw me into a ditch. He said I must drink to be social; then he made me quarrel with my best friends, and to be the laughing-stock of my comrades. He gave me a black eye and a broken nose; then I drank for the good of my health. He ruined the little I had, and left me 'wink as a dog.'"

"Of course."

"He said he would warm me up; and I was soon nearly frozen to death. He said he would steady my nerves; but instead he gave me delirium tremens. He said he would give me great strength; and he made me helpless."

"To be sure."

"He promised me courage."

"Then what followed?"

"Then he made me a coward, for I beat my sick wife and kicked my little child. He said he would brighten my wife, but instead he made me see like a fool and talk like an idiot. He promised to make a gentleman of me, but he has made me a tramp."

A SHORT SERMON.

The shortest sermon ever preached was perhaps the sermon which Dr. Wiswell was born of repeating from the text, "Man is born into trouble as the sparks fly upwards."

The sermon occupied barely a minute in delivery, the following being a verbatim report:

"All the world's this disease, into three heads: 1, man's ingress into the world; 2, his progress through the world; 3, his egress out of the world.

Firstly his ingress into the world is naked and bare. Secondly, his progress through the world is toilsome and care. Thirdly, his egress out of the world is nobody knows where. To conclude—If we live well here, we shall live well there, and I can tell you no more if I preach a whole year."

HIGH LIGHTS.

Babies have more sense than grown people; they will refuse to kiss unpleasant persons.

A boy is always eager to go to the grocery for any purchase which he can nibble on the way home.

The man who truly loves a woman will sometimes give up tobacco for three weeks after they are married.

No one can ever be great all by himself. Somebody always pops up and talks with a good mother in the rear.

When a girl tells a young man never to darken her door again, he sometimes finds her out on the piazza next evening—Chicago Record.

GOOD COUNTRY ROADS.

The great secret of success in road-making and road-keeping is to drain the roads, and keep the roads drained by keeping the ditches open, writes John Gilmer Speed on "How to Have Good Country Roads," in the August Ladies' Home Journal.

The old method was to run a plow through the side ditches and throw the disturbed soil, sod and all, in the middle of the road. There it would stay till a heavy rain came to wash this soil back into the ditches and fill them up again. If there was money enough this kind of thing would be done over and over again, as often as four times a year. Where there were wet spots broken stone or gravel would be placed in the road and left for the passing wagons to wear this material into ruts. The money spent was absolutely thrown away.

By the new process all the road-maker needs to do is to provide ditches and outlets for them, and shape the road that the water falling in a rainstorm will run off at once into the ditches. The water must not be suffered to run in the road, but off the road. The rainfall, being thus simply and efficiently disposed of, becomes a most beneficial instead of a destructive agent; it cleans, and shapes, and hardens the roadway, instead of washing it away and deepening the ruts. When there are wet places, such as springs, in the roadway, gravel and broken stone will not cure such things. The water must be drained off underneath the roadway and into the ditches by means of pipe or blind drains. The whole thing is so simple that any one can easily master the principles and put the details into practical operation."

A DOG'S ADVENTURE.

Dorothy's dog Jack had a friend of his in the garden for a romp the other day, a lively little terrier named Tippi. Jack and Tippi were rolling on the grass, barking merrily at each other.

They finally became so engrossed in their play that they did not notice just where they were rolling until suddenly, with an awful howl, Tippi fell down an open cellar window. This greatly surprised Jack, and he stood at the open window peering down into the cellar with a very puzzled expression on his face.

It happened that he saw a very funny sight below, for right under the window were the stationary wash-tubs, and in one of them the girl had been bluing the clothes. Into this poor Tippi had tumbled, and instead of his white fur he had changed to a wily washy blue. The girl had to go down, fish him out and give him a good wash. Jack and Tippi were soon romping away on the grass again, but they were careful not to get too near the cellar window.

When the Honest Physician

Is called upon to prescribe for a weak, debilitated, nervous and run-down man, or woman in the hot weather, he never hesitates to recommend Pain's Compound, that extraordinary and popular medicine. Past years of truly astonishing work in life saving has drawn the attention of the medical men to Pain's Compound, and they have not been slow in recognizing its powers and virtues for the banishment of nervousness, sleeplessness, debility, dyspepsia, rheumatism and all diseases of the kidneys and liver.

If you seek health? Are you signing for freedom from disease and suffering? If you are, use Pain's Compound, a medicine that will give you prompt and cheering results after your long experiences of failures with other medicines.

Patience begins at home but does not end there.

That aching head can be instantly relieved by taking one of Milburn's Sensitive Headache Powders. 1 powder box, 3 for 10c, 10 for 25c.

Patriotism begins at home but does not end there.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

It is superior to small emollients and cathartics.

A Strong Nation

Consists of strong men and healthy women, and health and strength depend upon pure, rich blood, which is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla. A nation which takes millions of bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla every year is laying the foundation for health, the wisdom of which will surely show itself in years to come.

Hood's Pills are prompt, efficient, always reliable, easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

Life is a crazy-quilt arrangement in flesh and blood.

Anxious mothers find Dr. Low's Worm Syrup the best medicine to expel worms. Children like it—worms don't.

Hicks—Hello, Winks; stopping at this hotel? Winks—Stopping! Not a bit of it. Ever since I got here I've been kept running around for somebody to look after my things.

Nature makes the cure after all.

Now and then she gets into a tight place and needs helping out.

Things get started in the wrong direction.

Something is needed to check disease and start the system in the right direction toward health.

Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil with hypophosphites can do just this.

It strengthens the nerves, feeds famished tissues, and makes rich blood.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

Sympathy, as well as money, is often thrown away.

Regular action of the bowels is necessary to health. Loosely fitting pills are the occasional cathartics for family or general use. Price 25c. Any drugist.

Fools are too unique, and please so be classified.

A MERCHANT'S SHREWD SCHEME.

A flour merchant in Edgar let the story got out that while he was stopping over his flour bin a \$150 diamond ring had slipped from his finger into the flour. He appeared to be greatly exercised over the loss, got a notice in the local paper, but finally announced with a sigh that he would have to give it up; that the ring was in the flour somewhere; that he supposed it would turn up in a sack of flour, but he had no idea what one. Well you ought to have seen the hoop that gossamer men had in the flour trade. For the next week he had to hire extra help to fill sacks out of that bin. One man who never bought a sack from him before came and laid in a wister's supply. And the smooth merchant whisked softly as he filled the sacks and winked his other eye.

GLADSTONE'S ADVICE TO YOUNG MEN.

Be sure that every one you see has his place and vocation in the earth, and that it suits him to himself to find it. Do not believe those who too lightly say: "Nothing succeeds like success." Effort, honest, manful, humble effort, succeeds by its reflected action, especially in youth, better than success, which, indeed, too easily and too early gained, not seldom serves, like wincing the throes of the die, to blind and stupefy. Get knowledge, all you can. Be thorough in all you do, and remember that though ignorance often may be innocent, pretension is always despicable. But you, like men, be strong and exercise your strength. Work toward and upward, and win the blessing of the Most High unto your career, clear your vision, and crown your labors with reward.

GEMS OF IRISH LITERATURE.

I picked up two delicious literary curiosities during my stay in Ireland.

The following notice was printed in a pleasure boat belonging to a steamship company on the four: "The chairs in the cabin are for the ladies. Gentlemen are requested not to make use of them till the ladies are seated."

The time I was in the country was just after the visit of the Duke and Duchess of York. I clipped the following delicious advertisement from a Kingston paper: "James O'Mahony, wine and spirit merchant, Kingston, has still on his hands a small quantity of the whiskey which was drunk by the Duke of York while in Dublin."—X. X. in London Spectator.

Elderly gentlemen seem to have a penchant for younger ladies.

Much in Little

Is especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine.

Hood's Pills

They are ready, always efficient, always satisfactory, never a cold or fever, cure all liver, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. 25c. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

She—Can your friend do any tricks with the bicycle?

He—I should think so. He succeeded in getting the one he rides on credit.

Liver Complaint.

"I have great faith in Burdock Blood Bitters for Liver Complaint and Constipation, as it cured me. I consider there is nothing equal to it." Mrs. William Johnson, Balmoral Man.

Sunday hantaman, boasting—Hardly had I been hunting a quarter of an hour when a dead hare lay at my feet. Don'ting friend—Do hares ever commit suicide?

Some persons have periodical attacks of Canadian cholera, dysentery or diarrhoea, and have to use great precautions to avoid the disease. Change of water, cooking, and green fruit, is sure to bring on an attack. To such persons we would recommend Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial as being the best medicine in the market for all summer complaints. If a few drops are taken in water when the symptoms are noticed no further trouble will be experienced.

When a man is too sharp in business he dulleth trade.

DR. FOWLER'S EXT-OF WILD STRAWBERRY REMEDY FOR DIARRHŒA, DYSENTERY, AND SUMMER COMPLAINT.

Is alleged to have made \$100,000 out of his book on Arctic exploration, to say nothing about his earnings from lectures.

Excellent reasons exist why Dr. Thomas' Electrolytic Oil should be used by persons troubled with affections of the throat or lungs, sores upon the skin, rheumatic pain, cures, bunions, or external fungus. The reasons are, that it is speedy, pure and unobjectionable, whether taken internally or applied outwardly.

Merchants who have many prices lose both caste and custom.

A Baptist Minister.

Rev. M. P. Campbell, the highly esteemed pastor of the Baptist Church, Essex, Ont., says: From my personal use of Doan's Kidney Pills I can say they are an excellent remedy for all kidney troubles.

A brainless man is about as useless as a trainless railroad.

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What is CASTORIA

Castoria is Dr. Samuel Pitche's prescription for Infants and Children. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It is a harmless substitute for Paregoric, Drops, Soothing Syrups and Castor Oil. It is Pleasant. Its guarantee is thirty years' use by Millions of Mothers. Castoria destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. Castoria prevents vomiting Sour Curd, cures Diarrhoea and Wind Colic. Castoria relieves Teething troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. Castoria assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. Castoria is the Children's Panacea—the Mother's Friend.

Castoria. "Castoria is an excellent medicine for children. Mothers have repeatedly told me of its good effect upon their children." Dr. O. C. Osmond, Lowell, Mass.

Castoria. "Castoria is so well adapted to children that it is a superior to any prescription known to me." H. A. ARCHER, M. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE FAC-SIMILE SIGNATURE OF

Charles H. Pitche

APPEARS ON EVERY WRAPPER.

The man who makes up his mind that he will retire from business when he has money enough hangs on working until he dies, because he never has enough.

Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup

For the most and most effective remedy for worms of all kinds. Never any trouble in getting the children to take it.

Fire is a good thing in a merchant, but it is a bad thing in his store.

Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator has the largest sale of any similar preparation sold in Canada. It always gives satisfaction by restoring health to the little folks.

Grumbling over unproductive business: It keeps it from flourishing.

SCROFULA.

"My little boy, aged 7 years and 12 months, was a victim of Scrofula on the face, which the doctors said was incurable. To tell the truth he was so bad that I could not bear to look at him. At last I tried a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters, and before it was half used he was gaining, and by the time he had got three bottles used he was completely cured. I cannot say too much in recommendation of Burdock Blood Bitters, as it has cured." JOSEPH P. LABELLE, Hamilton, P.O. Que.

There can be no question about it. Burdock Blood Bitters has no equal for the cure of Sores and Ulcers of the most chronic and malignant nature. Through its powerful blood purifying properties, it gets at the source of disease and completely eradicates it from the system.

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

There are promises it is more honorable to break than to keep.

The Wholesale Friend.

No physician should be without a bottle of Hagar's Yellow Oil. It takes out all stiffness and soreness of the joints and muscles. Relieves pain and takes down swelling in an instant. 25c.

Only single men know—Do you know how to manage a woman? Why of course not. I'm married.

Dyspepsia or Indigestion is occasioned by the want of action in the biliary ducts, loss of vitality in the stomach to secrete the gastric juices without which digestion cannot go on; also being the principal cause of headache. Fernalde's Vegetable Pills taken before going to bed, for a while, never fail to give relief and effect a cure. Mr. F. W. Ashdown, Ashdown, Ont., writes: "Fernalde's Pills are taking the lead against other make makes which I have in stock."

A salesman should have good character as well as good goods.

Hagar's Yellow Oil cures all pain in man or beast, for sprains, cuts, bruises, callous lumps, swellings, inflammation, rheumatism and neuralgia it is a specific.

Brownleigh, visiting friends in the country—I don't often get such a good supper. Johnnie, son of host—Neither do we.

Weak Kidneys.

Always Cured by Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mr. J. Patterson, Croft St., Amherst, N.Y., makes the following statement: "Having been troubled for some time, with distressing backaches and weak kidneys, I decided to try Doan's Kidney Pills. They acted promptly and effectively in removing the trouble with which I was afflicted, and restored me to my old-time form. It is a pleasure for me to recommend them to others."

Doan's Kidney Pills are the most effective remedy in the world for Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Backache, Gravel, Sediment in the Urine, and all kinds of Kidney and Urinary Troubles. Price 50c a box or 3 boxes for \$1.25. The Doan Kidney Pills Co., Toronto, Ont. Remember the name, "Doan's," and refuse all others.

An ounce of practice is worth a pound of theory.

Don's neglect that nasty cough. Dr. Wood's Wormy Flax Syrup can cure it. Best cough remedy made. 25c., all dealers.

Some men overlook themselves trying to live without work.

And feelings of faintness that come over you are only nature reminding you of the weak condition of your heart. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills make the Heart strong, then all feelings of faintness disappear.

Dispy Spells

It is possible, of course, to get too much of a good thing, but most of us seldom do.

The Right House

Corner King and Hughson Sts., Hamilton.

Special July Purchases

LOT NO. 1.—2,000 yards of Fancy Blouse and Dress Silks, purchased at about half the regular value, fine quality, bright finish, 14 designs, regular value 75c. to 85c., special price 55c.

LOT NO. 2.—Ladies' Blouses, 35 dozen new, up-to-date, made of fine Plaid Muslin, detachable collars, regular price \$1.25, special price 72c.

LOT NO. 3.—22 dozen new up to date Blouses, fine Plaid Percal, detachable collars, regular price \$1.25, special 85 cents.

Special July Reductions

17 only Colored Fancy Pattern Dresses, this season's goods, regular value \$7y to \$10, clearing at \$3.50 each.

10 only French Pattern Dresses, very stylish design, regular price \$10 to \$14, clearing at \$5 each.

8 only White Swiss Robes and Skirts, extra quality, new designs, very stylish skirts, made in one piece, hemstitched and insertion trimmings, 1 each, regular price 6.50 for 5.00, 8.50 for 6.50, 10.00 for 8.00, 12.00 for 9.00, 13.50 for 10.50.

Millinery.

Children's Sailor Hats in Straw, regular 25c. for 15c., regular 35c. for 20c., 75c. for 35c., 1.25 for 75c.

Ladies' Straw Sunhats, regular 25c. for 18c., regular 50c. for 25c., regular 65c. for 40c., regular 1.00 for 50c.

Leghorn Hats, regular 1.25 for 50c., 1.75 for 1.00.

Samples on application. Purchases of \$5 and over prepaid to your nearest railway station in Ontario.

Thomas C. Watkins.

Strong Healthy Boys

WEAK, ILL-FITTING CLOTHES

Bad for the boys
Bad for the clothes
Bad for the pocket-book

Shorey's READY TO WEAR CLOTHING FOR BOYS.

is made in almost as many sizes and proportions as boys are—and though they are stylish, smart and up-to-date they are made for Boyish Boys, for good hard wear and will last until the boy grows out of them.

Shorey's do not ask people to buy at one particular shop. That system makes the garments cost more. Every good dealer sells Shorey's "Ready to wear Clothing" and guarantees it to give satisfaction. You will find the Guarantee Card in the pocket.

J. A. Speight & Co.,

Shops and Warehouses
West of Willow St.
Calls attended to
Day or Night.

UNDERTAKERS AND EMBALMERS, Acton, Ont.

Latest Styles,
Experienced Attention
First-class Hearses,
Moderate Charges.

FURNITURE

OF ALL KINDS.
A well-assorted stock at Reasonable Prices.
Your inspection invited.
J. A. SPEIGHT & CO.
Orders left with J. N. STINSON-Rockwood will receive immediate attention.

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By the people who have money to buy with.

By the people who pay CASH for their purchases.

By the people who make desirable customers.

By the people whom the advertiser is in quest of.

By the people who know a good thing when they see it.

By more people in Acton and vicinity than are reached by any other paper circulating in the district.

By everybody who wants good, fresh, crisp, spicy, local news and reading matter.

By the people who are possessed of enterprise, who are progressive, and who believe in a bright, original, progressive local newspaper, that keeps its constituency and its interests to the front.

That is why the Free Press should receive your advertisement.

When a staid dude says "I don't think" every one believes him.

Out of Sore's—Symptoms, headache, loss of appetite, furred tongue, and general indigestion, develop into acute disease. It is a safe saying that "a ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," and a little attention at this point may save months of sickness and large doctor's bills. For this complaint take from two to three of Fernalde's Vegetable Pills on going to bed and one or two for three nights in succession, and a cure will be effected.

Yes, said the veteran mind reader, I can read a woman's mind, but Bob's pretense to be able to understand it.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Grand Trunk Railway.

GOING WEST.

GOING EAST.

THREE OF CLOTHING MAIL.

Going West—9 40 a.m. and 6 50 p.m.
Going East—10 25 a.m. and 8 50 p.m.
This time table went into effect on Monday May 16th, 1898.

Bring your Custom Logs in and Take the Lumber Home with You.

SAYERS' Lumber & Planing Mills, Nasagaweya.

P. SAYERS, Proprietor.

Has constantly on hand a full line of Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Cedar Posts, Wood, Etc. Custom Logs and Mill Stuff cut to order on short notice. Planing and Matching done to the best of satisfaction. Prices very cheap and made to suit the customer's pocket.

P. SAYERS.

An Attractive Pair

An attractive pair of shoes add to the general appearance of any one—man, woman or child. We keep the stylish kind. The comfortable kind, and the kind that wears well, and to which rough usage may be given. All styles, all prices, all qualities and all as representative as we have a complete assortment including

Boots and Shoes.

ALL SIZES

Rubbers, Slippers, etc.

ALL STYLES

Trunks and Valises.

EXTRA VALUES

We are prepared to guarantee that our prices are lower than those paid in the general stores where trade is taken for goods, and dealing exclusively in Boots and Shoes and having over twenty years of practical experience, we are able to select better goods and at better advantage than dealers who handle everything salable.

CUSTOM WORK AND REPAIRING GIVEN PROMPT ATTENTION.

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Steel Wind Mills and Towers

For Power and Pumping with Internal Covered Gear Patent Roller and Ball Bearings.

Maple Leaf GRAIN GRINDERS

TWO SIZES FOR ANY POWER.

No. 1 has 10-inch reversible burrs
No. 2 has 8-inch single burrs.

Both have ball-bearing burr plates, roller and shaft. Grinding fine and fast with least power. Always guaranteed. A trial given. Hundreds in use.

We make patent Roller and Ball-bearing Steel Windmills of all kinds—the finest in the market. Best material. Lightest running. Send for illustrated catalogue.

JOHN MCQUEEN

Agent for the above, has changed his warehouse to building on W. E. Smith's property, John Street, where he may be seen.

FROST & WOOD BUILDERS

AND A COMPLETE LINE OF Farm Implements and all kinds of Repairs.

In my absence Mr. John T. Elliott, who resides on the property, will attend to the wants of customers.

JOHN MCQUEEN

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