

**SURGERY WITHOUT ETHER.**  
Latest Way of Relieving Pain of a Serious Operation.

**NO LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS.**

Ether and chloroform for surgical operations promise to be superseded to a large extent in the near future by simpler methods. Instead of the dread with which persons approach the operating table, partly on account of the fear of not awakening from the ether, the biggest surgical operations will be performed with the patient able to converse with those about him, and yet unconscious of the cut of the knife.

For many years past small operations have been performed by injecting solutions at the diseased point, but in large surgical procedure, ether or chloroform have been required. Apart from the struggles which usually accompany ether and similar substances, and the after sickness, these methods of total anesthesia are not devoid of danger to life.

The new method, which is a marked triumph of medical science, deprives the tissues of the body of their sensibility during surgical procedure, by means of injections of cocaine into the space surrounding the spinal cord. The largest operations, such as upon the abdomen for tumors, extensive excisions of bones and joints of the lower limbs, and even the amputation of any portion of the leg, may be done without the patient feeling the slightest pain, and still permit him to preserve his reasoning faculties.

At a few days ago an operation was performed upon for hernia, at the Jefferson Hospital, after "spinal anesthesia," as the new method is called, and during its progress—which lasted for over half an hour—he not only felt no pain, but conversed freely with the surgeons present.

The new method, while first suggested by an American, has been brought to its stage of perfection by the painstaking labors of Prof. Tuffier, of Paris. World-wide notoriety has followed the operations of this surgeon, which were performed last summer during the progress of the Medical Congress in Paris. It was a surprise to the surgeons who witnessed the work of this surgeon to be able to converse with the patient during the progress of major operations, the patient all the while evincing not the slightest indication of pain and even being unable to tell where the knife was being applied.

In carrying out this method of "spinal anesthesia," the patient is placed in a sitting position. After thorough and careful antiseptic precautions have been taken, he is instructed to bend forward, and the needle of a small syringe is inserted through the skin and muscles of the back until its point enters into the space surrounding the spinal cord. A few drops of the cocaine solution are then the required quantity of cocaine solution is slowly injected. The needle is then quickly withdrawn and the site of the puncture covered with a sterile cloth. In from four to 20 minutes, if the puncture has been successful, the patient has lost all sensibility to pain in the portions of the body below the site of the puncture.

The effect of the injection upon the spinal and other nerves affected by the solution has been shown in a large number of cases to be devoid of danger. Experiments upon the lower animals prove that either at time of injection of many months afterward, the nerve structures are unaffected, regaining their normal activity in every respect.

The method has been employed by surgeons both in this country and in Europe in many hundreds of cases, with the greatest possible success, since probably more than a thousand spinal cocainizations have been made for surgical purposes throughout the world, with no serious accident reported as a result of the operative procedure itself, it is obvious that the operation is, in normal condition of the spine, and in the hands of a careful operator, practically free from danger. The last number of the Philadelphia Medical Journal devotes considerable space to the details of the method, giving the experiences of the surgeons in some of the largest operations performed upon the human subject.

**THE UNION JACK**

Which floats over Britain and all her colonies is emblematic of the motto, "In union there is strength." The patriotic ladies of Canada can exemplify that adage, and indulge a patriotic sentiment, by assisting their English, Scotch and Irish cousins who produce the pure machine-made GIBBS Tea of Ceylon and India. Tea drinkers will find the Blue Ribbon, Monsoon and Salada green teas a pleasant change from Japanese—Colonist.

**Mr. C. C. James Chosen.**

Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has been chosen to represent Ontario on the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo. The appointment does not carry with it any emoluments, but Mr. James will carry on whatever correspondence is necessary between the Exposition and the Government.

**Honest and True.**

This is eminently the case with Polson's Nervine, and great pains were taken to remedy, for it contains the most powerful, the purest, and the most certain pain subduing remedies known to medical science. It is honest, for it does all it claims to do. It is honest, because it is the best in the world. It only costs 10 or 25 cents to try it, and you can buy a bottle at any drug store. Nervine cures sciatica, neuralgia, pain in the back and side. All pains are promptly relieved by Polson's Nervine.

**It Needed Renewing.**

When Nasr-ed-Din, the father of the present Shah, made his memorable tour of the principal European capitals some years ago, says the San Francisco Argonaut, he visited King Leopold, of Belgium, at the Chateau de Laeken. When he saw the queen surrounded by her ladies-in-waiting, the old Shah said to the King: "Your harem, sire!" The question took the king so much by surprise that he did not for a moment reply, and the Shah, taking his silence for consent, looked critically along the line and added, mildly but decidedly: "You will have to renew it."

**FADING AWAY.**

**The Condition of Young Girls Who are Anæmic.**

This Record is of Especial Value to Parents—it is a Message From a Mother to Mothers of Growing Girls.

Among the young girls throughout Canada who owe good health—perhaps life itself—to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, is Miss Hattie Althouse, of Camden, Ont. When a representative called at the Althouse homestead to make enquiries as to the particulars of the cure, he was cordially received by Mrs. Althouse, who readily consented to give a statement for publication. "Up to the age of fourteen years," said Mrs. Althouse, "my daughter Hattie had always enjoyed the best of health. Then she began to complain of weakness, and grew pale and languid. We tried several medicines, but instead of helping her she was steadily growing worse, and we became alarmed and called in a doctor. He told us that her blood was in a very watery condition, and that she was on the verge of nervous prostration. She was under his care for several months, but still kept growing worse. She had become very pale, had no appetite, frequent headaches, and after even slight exertion her heart would palpitate violently. As time passed, she seemed to grow worse and worse, until at last she could scarcely move about, and would lie upon a sofa most of the day. At this juncture she had occasional fainting fits, and any fright, as from a sudden noise, would bring on slight attacks of hysteria. Both my husband and myself feared that she would not live more than a few months. It was while Hattie was in this condition that I read an account of a girl cured of a similar ailment through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Then I decided that I should give them a trial, and procured three boxes. When she had used them there was an undoubted improvement in her condition, and we felt hopeful that she would regain her health. She continued using the pills, and from that on daily made progress toward complete recovery. Her appetite returned; color began to come back to her face, headaches disappeared, and in the course of a few months she was, as well as ever she had been in her life. It is now more than two years since she discontinued the use of the pills, and in all that time has enjoyed the best of health, with absolutely no return of the trouble. I can scarcely say how grateful we feel for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for my daughter, and I would strongly urge mothers whose daughters may be ailing, to give them Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at once, and not experiment with other medicines."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills create new blood, and thus reach the root of the disease. In the case of girls merging into womanhood they are almost indispensable, and their use is a guarantee of future health and strength. Other so-called tonic pills are mere imitations of this medicine and should be avoided. If your dealer does not keep them they will be sent post paid of 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

**WHEN A KISS WAS VALUABLE.**

Osulation as Practised in the Days of the Early Caesars.

The practice of kissing the hands was instituted by the early Roman rulers as a mark of subjection as much as one of respect, and under the first Caesars this custom was kept up, but only for a time. These worthies conceived the idea that the proper homage due to their exalted station called for less familiar modes of obeisance, so the privilege of kissing the Emperor's hand was reserved as a special mark of condescension, or distinction, for officers of high rank. No such restriction, however, was placed on the Emperors themselves, who, if they wished to confer special honor on any of their subjects, kissed either the mouths or the eyes of those they wished specially to favor—the kiss generally intimating some promotion or personal satisfaction of some achievement.

Roman fathers considered the practice of kissing of so delicate a nature that they never kissed their wives in the presence of their daughters. Then, too, only the nearest relatives were allowed to kiss their kindred of the gentler sex on the mouth, for in those days, as now, kissing was not a mere arbitrary sign, but it was the spontaneous language of the affections, especially that of love. Under the Romans, if a lover kissed his betrothed before marriage, she inherited half of his worldly goods in the event of his death before the marriage ceremony, and if she died her inheritance descended to her nearest relatives.—Frank H. Vizetelly, in Woman's Home Companion.

**Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.**

Train Cut Off Man's Nose.

Two unusual railroad accidents happened at almost the same spot on the Jersey Central Railroad. As Harry Vall, a block signal repairer, was sitting between the tracks fixing a wire, a fast express dashed by before he could get out of the way. His nose was cut off close to his face by something that must have projected from under one of the cars.

Later in the day Charles Toner, 13 years old, who had gone to the spot to see where Vall was hurt, was amusing himself by jumping on and off trains. He tried to jump from a train close to the spot where Vall was hurt, and in doing so lost his footing and rolled under the wheels. His left foot was cut off at the knee, his head was cut and his spine injured. It is not expected he will live.—New York Press.

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**MAGNETIC PHENOMENON.**

**Startling Hypothesis to Account for Gravitation.**

The connection of electro-magnetic phenomena with such forces as gravitation, inertia, and chemical affinity is rapidly becoming more intimately associated in the minds and writings of the foremost physicists and electricians of the day. In the Electrical World Prof. Reginald A. Fessenden, who has been pre-eminent in theoretical work along these lines, advances a simple but satisfactory hypothesis, which accounts for the laws of gravitation by a secondary electric effect. Prominent in the foundation work of the new conception is the recent discovery of J. J. Thomson to the effect that the atom is not really the smallest particle of matter that can exist, as has been heretofore taught, but that each atom is made up of a great number of corpuscles, each of which possesses its own electric charge. After developing his theory mathematically, Prof. Fessenden remarks—"Since I have now found that the inertia and gravitational forces are electric phenomena, it is evident that we are now reduced to deal with but two things, namely, the electric charge and ether. The electrician, a modern Aaron, is but come into the presence of the elder magi, yet his subtle and protean servant has already swallowed them. In our textbooks we may now logically take as our starting point the four electrical equations."

**Deafness Cannot be Cured**

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is often followed by an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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**With Long Ends.**

American women do not take kindly to wraps, for some reason, greatly preferring a trig jacket or a half-fitting or box coat to any sort of a "mantle" or mantilla shape. This is not always to their advantage, as a wrap has its good side for some figures. The only variety of the wrap for which predilection is shown in midseason is the shoulder wrap with long ends. These are very much trimmed with ruches or pinked-out flounces, and usually lined, with white silk or satin.

**Practical Patriotism.**

Ladies of Canada—Inter-mental trade is the true basis of the federation of the Empire. So far as possible, one colony should consume the produce of another. Canadians and India and Ceylon tea planters fought side by side in Africa. About 10 per cent. of the latter volunteered for the war.

The teas of Ceylon and India are the best and purest the world produces. Already the Black Teas of those colonies have captured the Canadian market. The Green is now fast displacing Japan's colored article. Quality and sentiment unite to recommend it. Canadian ladies who drink Japan tea should help the British planter by drinking Ceylon green tea. Blue Ribbon, Monsoon and Salada packets are ready for you.

Colonist.

**Light.**

"You first saw the light on June 15th."

The Boston girl frowned impatiently.

"You misunderstand me," she exclaimed. "I first saw the light on June 16th. I was born on June 15th, but I was not fitted with glasses until the next day."

We could not help but be struck with her dignified manner in discussing this delicate subject.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

Portieres and Curtains.

Green velvets and green moresen are triumphantly produced by the draper for you to examine. It is true the rich crimson draperies are shown to help your selection, but the patient saleswoman knows these are often introduced as a foil in order to exhibit the full value of the verdant coloring. Moresen is durable, but it is not beautiful. You see a great deal of it just now.

Statements are made at Paris and Odessa that a secret treaty has been concluded between Russia and China for the Russian occupation of Manchuria.

**Prosperity in France.**

While the French population is stationary, there is a steady progress in prosperity, which is indicated by the increasing consumption of meat and the decreasing consumption of bread.

**Why Limp About**

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**Jap Colonists in Mexico.**

The acquisition by Japan of Formosa, the Pescadore and the Ryukyu something of an outlet for population. Some seven or eight years ago Viscount Yenomoto established a Japanese colony in the state of Chiapas, Mexico. The Jap does well in Mexico. The Government is glad to have him come, and the two peoples, Mexican and Japanese, seem to have a pronounced temperamental affinity. The Japanese have also gone in large numbers to British Columbia, where they have been employed in coal mining, arousing strenuous opposition on the part of the white man.

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Telegraph Poles Used by Birds.

Mexico has a clever bird called the melaharpes, which has discovered a new use for the telegraph pole. At the foot of the post this bird makes a large hole, in which it rears its family. Somewhat higher up the post it makes an observatory, for which bored holes permit it to observe the horizon in every direction. Still higher this sagacious bird makes its storehouse, and thus the pole serves as its house, fortress and warehouse.

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He that was never acquainted with adversity has seen the world but one side, and is ignorant of half the scenes of nature.—Seneca.

**HEART DISEASE**

is a symptom of Kidney Disease. A well-known doctor has said, "I never yet made a post-mortem examination in a case of death from Heart Disease without finding the kidneys were at fault." The Kidney medicine which was first on the market, most successful for Heart Disease and all Kidney Troubles, and most widely imitated is

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**GERMANY'S COAL WEALTH.**

Estimate of the Resources of the Two Great Regions.

Privy Councillor Schulz, one of Germany's foremost mining experts, has just given out some interesting figures on the coal deposits of the two great German mining districts, the Silesian and the Upper Silesian. The former, the professor says, extends over an area of 60 square miles, and to a depth of 1,000 meters there are yet available and workable 11,000,000,000 tons of coal; from that depth to 1,500 meters there remain 43,300,000,000 tons. Professor Schulz believes that science will improve our present conditions to such an extent that it will be possible to carry on operation at a depth greater than 1,500 meters, whereby another 75,000,000,000 tons of coal would be made obtainable. Even if the present output should double or triple the output would still last for more than 900 years.

The Upper Silesian coal regions extend over even a greater area, and it is estimated that there are still more than 300,000,000,000 tons of coal to be mined, lasting for at least two thousand years to come. In 1890 the deepest shaft was only 594 meters, and the total output in the Upper Silesian district during that year amounted to 23,500,000 tons.

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**HORRORS OF SIBERIA.**

**Henry Norman's Visits to the Famous Russian Prison at Irkutsk.**

Of course I visited the great prison of Irkutsk, and was most courteously allowed to spend several hours there, and to examine it closely and converse freely, through my own interpreter, with any of the prisoners. It is a straggling mass of buildings, many of wood, and all old and in need of repair. These are surrounded by a palisade of great posts, twenty feet high, with pointed ends. I went in to every part of the prison that I could see, including the hospital, the workshops, the laundry, and the kitchens, and visited every one of the large rooms and almost every cell. In all these I found but two things to find fault with—the practice of herding together criminals of all ages, tried and untried, and the long time, in some cases amounting to two years, which many of the prisoners spend there before their cases are finally judged. This latter evil is caused partly by the great difficulty of collecting evidence from many parts of Siberia, but chiefly because the central authorities do not supply magistrates enough to cope with the numbers of those awaiting trial. An additional difficulty is the variety of languages spoken by the criminals themselves: three times during my visit was the governor, who accompanied me most of the time, obliged to send to another part of the prison for a prisoner to interpret a request made to him as we passed.

The prison is supposed to hold only 700 criminals, but it contained 1,024 men on the day of my visit, 12 women, and 10 children accompanying their mothers. Of these no fewer than 221 were awaiting trial, 138 were condemned for definite periods, not exceeding three years, which they will serve in this prison, and 286 were "in transit," mostly either to the great convict prison of Alexandroiek, forty-five miles from Irkutsk, or to the island of Sakhalin. The convicts condemned to long periods or to Sakhalin had half the head shaved, as shown in the group photograph, and a number of the worst characters were in chains. The majority of the prisoners were there for theft and robbery with violence, a number for unnatural offenses, and several in solitary confinement, either for using forged passports or for having no passport and refusing any information about themselves.—From "Russia to-day," by Henry Norman, in the November Scribner's.

**Curious Clock Movement.**

One of the novelties of the horological section of the Paris exposition is a clock, represented to be a perpetual motion clock, but which is actually operated by means of small steel balls which were allowed to fall on a wheel. There are a large number of these balls, and the "winding up" is accomplished by simply taking the balls once a week from the bottom of the clock, where they have accumulated, and placing them in a receptacle at the top of the clock.

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