

Kidney Troubles of Women.

Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets the Most Successful Treatment of Kidney Ailments That Cause Women Untold Suffering.

There are so many women suffering from backache, headache, dragging pain in the loins, and weary, worn-out feelings, who attribute all their troubles to some form of "female complaint." Nine cases out of ten the kidneys are at fault,



and the poisons which these organs should filter out of the blood are circulating through the system and making havoc with the health. No woman can enjoy good health and be free from pain whose kidneys are not acting properly.

No woman whose kidneys are out of order can afford to delay one day in procuring Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets.

No other medicine ever received such overwhelming endorsement from the women of Canada.

AS A LAST RESORT.
Mrs. May Goddard, 382 Adelaide Street West, Toronto, whose portrait appears on the opposite column, speaks in the following terms:
"After enjoying the most perfect health for many years it was a sore trial for me to realize that my health was failing. I had, in the first place, acute pains in the small of my back, and was losing flesh rapidly. Then other complications arose, which so weakened me that it was only with the greatest amount of determination that I could attend to my work. I tried a number of remedies and consulted several physicians without obtaining more than temporary relief, and as a last resort I thought I would try Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets. Their beneficial action was almost instantaneous, and the results highly gratifying. The pain in my back disappeared in a short time, and my general health improved greatly. I am now feeling fine, and am glad to have this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of so valuable a remedy."

BACKACHE AND HEADACHE.
Mrs. A. Craigie, Lighthouse Street, Goderich, Ont., relates her experience:
"For some time I suffered with a good deal of backache and kidney trouble, and with a severe headache which continued to grow worse. I heard of the many cures Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets were making and determined to try them. I procured a bottle from our druggist, Mr. P. M. Dunham, and they acted splendidly, stopping the backache and headache and curing the kidney complaint. I strongly recommend these Tablets to any one suffering as I did."

Mrs. John Wiseman, Woodham Street, St. Mary's, Ont., says: "During a recent sharp attack of lumbago, due to exposure to cold, I used Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets with complete relief. I did not use the entire bottle, which speaks well for their ability to cure backache kidney troubles."

BROADBRIEN'S LETTER.

Was Personally Acquainted With John W. Mackay.

WAS A LARGE-HEARTED MAN

GAVE FREELY BUT QUIETLY TO CHARITY.

Started in Life as a Miner—How He Made His Fortune—Strikes Exist Everywhere—Co-operation the Only Remedy.

(Whig correspondence, letter No. 1,315.)
New York, Aug. 1.—When the spirit went out of the temple of clay it departed from all that was mortal of one of the richest men of the twentieth century and the trial balance sheet was struck by the recording angel for John W. Mackay. Time had ended and eternity had begun. Do we realize that there is no such thing as chance in any mortal life? From the youngest and oldest, from the greatest and least, are governed by an unchangeable law and by an eternity which never ends. John W. Mackay was a miner and up to middle age there was nothing phenomenal in his life; his associations were those of the miners about him; he was not what the world would call an educated man and yet in his later station in life we find him it was as though some guardian angel had been a lamp to his feet, guiding him upward and onward to a higher and nobler destiny and riches beyond the dreams of avarice. I saw him in a miner's cabin, surrounded by all the rude implements of a miner's life. I knew him before the second strike on the Comstock lode had marked him as one of the richest men known to history since time began. I shared the hospitality of his palace in one of the gayest and richest cities of the world. Yet there, where education and wealth were the indorsements to rank and consideration, he lost no taste, but stood the equal of the best men of his time.

The remarkable thing about John W. Mackay was that notwithstanding the change in his life and associations he never lost his head—tempted as he was—where men of less power and wealth have sunk into hopeless ruin. He was a self-reliant man, seldom asking any man's opinion, listening carefully to whatever came in his way; though a cautious talker he was a careful listener, but gathered wisdom and felt his way cautiously to wealth and power. Up to middle age his life was that of most men of his class. At this time we find him, a miner, but with an observant mind that gathered knowledge from the characteristics of the silver ore which from that time out was to be his guiding star. He had no money of any consequence, but in San Francisco he had two good friends—Flood and O'Brien—to whom he disclosed what among miners is known as the straight tip that silver in wondrous quantities was near James G. Fair, being a mining engineer, was taken into the confidence of Mackay, Flood and O'Brien and these four men formed what was known as the great quartette who, massing their strength together, defied misfortune and chance to ruin whatever project they might undertake. For a long time the mines, which were afterward known as the Consolidated Virginia, had been subject to the most onerous and burdensome assessments. This was Mackay's opportunity, Flood and O'Brien were holders of the original property, who were almost ruined, and after all the stock that was subject to assessment was gathered in by Mr. Mackay and his friends the stock suddenly leaped up to 600. The scene that took place on "change defied description. Men went mad. The stock exchange in San Francisco seemed to be crowded with lunatics. People parted with their lands and personal property for the purpose of buying Consolidated Virginia stock. The poor miner of one day became the multimillionaire of the next. Mr. Mackay's immediate friends parted with a great portion of stock on the first phenomenal rise. John Mackay held on to his stock and it was not long before his wealth exceeded that of all of the other partners. Men tried to ascertain the extent of his fortune. "But he never wore his heart upon his sleeve for daws to peck at."

He was reticent of his condition and in a very few years his most trusted bookkeeper could not tell the extent of his fortune. His power to conceal his thoughts was marvelous, but some estimate might be formed of his wealth by the fact that he desired to lay the greatest ocean cable ever conceived by man and solely with his own capital. In a little time it absorbed every thought or act of his life and he was being expensively educated, he could retire from active work and look on at the triumph of that which was the dream of his life and the crowning glory of his ambition. He called to his aid the most experienced men of his time and spared no outlay to fulfill the great hope of his life. The machinery for the manufacture of his tremendous cable and the cost of the improvements that poured in on him from every side, and which would have appalled other multi-millionaires, but they never frightened him. When cash was wanted it was furnished on the instant, as if it were drawn from the dazzling cave of Aladdin. Like Mides of old, everything he touched seemed turned to that glittering metal for which the world seeks and men hourly peril and give up their lives and souls, yet, like the Hebrew prophet of old, he was destined to die in sight of the promised land whose glory he once hoped to enjoy. He had longed for the hour when he might exclaim with the prophet of old, "I have fought the good fight, I have won the victory. Bless the Lord that mine eyes have seen it; now let thy servant depart in peace. Never within my life have I read of the success that crowned John W. Mackay's existence. In any of his projects persecution or envy never seemed to have followed him; he was not a large giver, either to hospitals or colleges, but he used his great capital to favor projects which gave employment to the poor. No record was ever kept of his charities, he never mentioned them himself and seldom desired other people to do it.

In 1878, the time of the Paris ex-

position, Patrick Gilmore, with a band of fifty musicians, visited Paris for the purpose of contesting for the musical prize that France had offered for the most perfect band in the world, but the wretched swindler to whom he had entrusted the care of preparing the way to musical victory and success had squandered his capital and lost to Gilmore what he hoped would be the victory of his life. Patrick Gilmore with his band landed in the City of Paris to find that his agent had fled and he knew not where to go, in this dire extremity. He wrote to John W. Mackay for help. I was just about to leave Mr. Mackay when the messenger entered with the letter. He cast his eye over it hastily and throwing it to me, said: "Do you know anything about that?" I looked at it and replied: "No, I know him as a musician, nothing more." "Go down and see him; ascertain what he wants," said Mr. Mackay. I went down to the hotel where Mr. Gilmore and his band were stopping and asked him what he desired. He told me that he was there with his band almost destitute. He was unable to get away if he attempted from Paris. He might be arrested and eventually imprisoned and that his band might lose their instruments, which would be to them very much like a sentence to death. "How much would it require to relieve you, Mr. Gilmore," I said. "About \$5,000 at the least," he replied, and I desire to say that I never saw him again to pay it, so I will make no promise to that effect. Whatever I get must be in the way of a gift. I tell you this as an honest man." I returned to Mr. Mackay and related Mr. Gilmore's expectations.

"How much does he want?" said the great millionaire. "Five thousand dollars," I replied. "The devil he does," said Mr. Mackay. "What are his securities?" "He has none," I answered. Mr. Mackay paused for a few minutes and then said: "Tell him to go around among the American merchants and rich men; if they will subscribe one-half I will give the other." I started for the door when he cried: "Come back, just hand me my cheque book." He drew a cheque for \$5,000, saying, "D— it, there is no use making two bites of a cherry." He then asked me, "What are you doing to-morrow?" "Nothing," I replied. "My time is entirely at your service," I replied. "The devil he does," said Mr. Mackay. "What are his securities?" "He has none," I answered. Mr. Mackay paused for a few minutes and then said: "Tell him to go around among the American merchants and rich men; if they will subscribe one-half I will give the other." I started for the door when he cried: "Come back, just hand me my cheque book." 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