

THE DOCTORS SAID "THERE MUST BE AN OPERATION"

"Fruit-a-tives" Saved Mrs. McCready Untold Suffering and Almost Certain Death.

"Publish this for humanity's sake," writes Mr. C. McCready, of Putnam, Ont., in his letter to the owners of "Fruit-a-tives." Physicians said that only an operation could save his wife's life. But again "Fruit-a-tives" proved its wonderful powers. The doctors were wrong—Mrs. McCready is to-day well and strong—and "Fruit-a-tives" have made friends of every one for miles around Putnam.

"Dear Sirs—My wife suffered for over a year from Indigestion and Bowel trouble. Several doctors treated her for this trouble and advised her that only an operation would save her life, as they stated it was a tumor that was causing the trouble. The operation was to cost \$200.00 and, while she was debating in her own mind about being operated on, she was advised to try "Fruit-a-tives," which I procured for her from our local merchant. From the first box she improved, and after having taken four boxes she is completely cured and is now as well as ever.

I decided then that "Fruit-a-tives" was the most wonderful remedy in the world and it certainly saved my wife's life. She still takes one tablet every night, we also give them to the children with excellent results, and they have to thank "Fruit-a-tives" for the fact that their mother is now with them, they fully expected she would be in her grave. Publish this for humanity's sake."

(Sgd.) C. McCready. For Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Constipation and Biliousness—for all troubles due to defective action of Bowels, Kidneys and Skin, "Fruit-a-tives" is a certain cure. These tablets are made of fruit juices and tonics, are pleasant to take and quick to act. Trial size, 25c—regular size, 50c a box or 6 for \$2.50.

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POPE LEAVES THE VATICAN FOR THE FIRST TIME.



The greatest earthquake in Italy was responsible for the remarkable movement on the part of the pope. Immediately after the announcement of the disaster, his holiness wished to set

out for Calabria and Sicily. This he was persuaded not to do, but he decided all precedent by visiting survivors of the earthquake in the vatican hospital. Thus, for the first time for

many years, a head of the Roman Catholic church set foot on Italian soil. The vatican and its grounds enjoy the right of extra-territoriality, but the vatican hospital, although it belongs to the pope, is on Italian ground. Not only did his holiness thus show his compassion for the suffering, and his good will toward the Italian government, but he evinced what may, perhaps, without offence be called a great breadth of mind when he caused the vatican to answer the query of the mayor of Rome as to whether refugees could be received at the vatican in the affirmative, for Signor Nathan, the mayor, is not only a Jew, but an ex-grand master of Free masons, who has always been an enemy of the vatican.

H.M.S. NEPTUNE.

Work Begun on a Huge £2,000,000 Warship.

London Standard. Portsmouth, Jan. 19.—The laying of the first keel-plate of his majesty's ship Neptune in the dockyard was not attended by any ceremonial such as has marked the commencement of her three predecessors on the building slip at Portsmouth—the Dreadnought, the Bellerophon and the St. Vincent. The reason for this departure from custom was that Lady Fanshawe, wife of the commander-in-chief, who was to have performed the inaugural ceremony, was indisposed, and a family bereavement also conduced to the cancellation of the original intention.

The Neptune is to cost in round figures two millions sterling and her dimensions are worth comparing with those of the nameship of her class as shown in the following table: Dreadnought, Neptune. Length..... 490 ft. 510 ft. Breadth..... 82 ft. 86 ft. Displacement 17,900 tons 20,250 tons. The new battleship is, therefore, to have about a thousand tons more displacement than the Dreadnought, recently launched from the same slip. She will be provided, like her predecessors, with turbine engines of 25,000 horse-power and be armed with ten 12 in. guns for her main armament, but the arrangement of these will be modified to increase the range of effective broadside and stern fire, and her secondary armament, to repel torpedo boat attacks, will probably consist of new pattern 4.7 guns. The vessel is to be ready to hoist the pennant within two years.

Miss Corelli's Income.

The recent publication of the income of Miss Corelli, as sixty thousand dollars, is exciting envy on more than one continent. Even Mrs. Humphrey Ward must fall into second place, so far as financial returns from novel-writing are concerned. It will not be said, even by those who find Corelli's fiction too vehement for their taste, that this popular writer has regard chiefly for the shekels. No one can doubt Miss Corelli's sincerity, no one can help admiring the vigor with which she pommels the vices of lofty and lovely alike. Her "Holy Orders" has done more, it is said, to rouse the nation to temperance reform than all the sermons preached in the United Kingdom and it is high time for Britain to recognize the evil done by the "chemical beer" which is poisoning the lower classes. Miss Corelli is no respecter of persons when there is a vice to be exposed or attacked. The bishop is no more held in awe by this vigilant lady than the poorest drunkard in the tavern. Miss Corelli, of Stratford-on-Avon, may come dangerously near to being a shrew, but she is no snob. Her industry and fearlessness, to say nothing of her vivacious imagination, are such that no one need grudge her one dollar of the sixty thousand which flow in an annual stream from the publishers.

Who Owns the Railroads?

Detroit News Tribune. Holdings of prominent men in railroad corporations, which it is asserted are approximately correct, were published, yesterday, in a Wall street journal. The holdings of the Vanderbilts in the New York Central, for instance, are given as about \$14,000,000, of which W. K. Vanderbilt has \$10,000,000. Harriman & Co. are credited with holding \$1,475,000 of this stock. John S. Kamm, is declared the largest holder of Northern Pacific, having \$10,000,000 par value. James J. Hill owns \$8,000,000. Henry C. Frick is given as the largest individual stockholder in the Pennsylvania, owning \$9,320,000. E. H. Harriman is credited with holding \$75,695,000 of Southern Pacific common and \$30,000,000 of Southern Pacific preferred, while Kuhn, Loeb & Co. are the registered holders of \$29,000,000 Union Pacific common and a similar amount of preferred.

A Slight Change.

Chicago Post. Henry Keller, the retired magician, was talking in Philadelphia about stage magic. "It's not," he said, "so good as it used to be. The younger magicians do not study, and practice as we of the previous generation did. Hence nowadays stage magic appears rather tame. "But the young magicians don't think so. They are like an elderly fat man who I saw at my tailor's the other day. "Let me see, sir," said the tailor, "you haven't been in for two or three years. Perhaps I had better remeasure you. "All right," said the fat man. "You'll find no change in my figure, though. "The tailor got to work with his tape. The measurements were called out and jotted down. The fat man said at the end: "Well, the measurements are about the same as they used to be, eh? "Yes, sir, about the same," was the reply. "Chest a trifle lower down, that's all, sir."

Not Exorbitant.

The summer resident looked sharply at Mr. Jameson's guileless moon face and burst at the mild and non-too-sprightly horse—he was offering for sale. "Don't you think \$150 is rather a stiff price to ask for a horse like that?" asked the summer resident. "How old is he?" "He's only just thuddy," said Mr. Jameson, calmly. "Thirty years old, and you expect to get \$150 for him?" "I don't know as I expect to get it," said Mr. Jameson, without rancor, "but it seems as if I'd ought to have full as much as that. It don't come to but \$5 a year, and he's cost me a good deal more'n that most years."

Ever notice how things that are none of your business will interest you?

There's some good in everything and everybody looks for it.

NO SCENERY, SAYS SHAW.

Playwright Wants Curtains Only on Stage.

George Bernard Shaw, despite his bad health, is deeply interested in the forthcoming production of his play, "Admiral Bashville," in Trov's theatre, London. He says he wrote it in the Shakespearean style of Elizabethan style, "just to show how easy it was."

Elizabethan scenic effects will be used. Shaw considers the influence of scenery on plays is enormously exaggerated and prefers to return to the times when merely curtains were used. He says: "It is my own experience as an author behind the scenes that when a play is first put into rehearsal, say in some room, not on the stage at all, the scenes go more easily and naturally than when the actors find themselves surrounded by wide scenery. The effect upon them of scenery is desolating, destructive of illusion."

"I believe that in the same way the scenery distracts the attention of the spectators. You have only to watch the faces in the audience at the reading of a big play to see how their interest is held. It amuses me to hear people pitying Shakespeare because his plays were given without scenery. It is my opinion that he made no use of it because he did not wish to. Elaborate scenery was used for masques, and Shakespeare could no doubt have availed himself of it."

Shaw also believes the mission of the theatre is not to amuse people, but to teach. Its object should be to make them think. "Frequently during the performance of my plays there is plenty of applause early in the afternoon, but over and over again the curtain fell upon a complete silence. The people would crawl out utterly exhausted after three hours of hard thinking, yet they were glad to feel they had got their money's worth."

Mrs. Charles Smith, of James, Ohio, writes: "I have used every remedy for sick headache I could hear of for the past fifteen years, but Carter's Little Liver Pills did me more good than all the rest. If a woman nags her husband it's up to him to supply her with plenty of cause."

PLAN TO AID TOILERS.

State Insurance and Sick Benefits Suggested.

An attempt will be made at the coming session of the Wisconsin legislature to pass some law providing for state insurance, giving workmen not only sick benefits, but also old-age annuities. A report covering such a system has already been prepared by State Labor Commissioner Eck.

Efforts are being made to enlist the sympathy of Gov. Davidson in behalf of the plan, and he has been hearing arguments in its favor for some time. It is probable that a state commission will be asked for to look into the system more thoroughly with the view of adopting a plan similar to that in vogue in Germany. Mr. Beck has found that the premiums now demanded for insurance of the kind desired are too high and could be reasonably reduced without running the risk of appreciating the security offered.

A Laughing Baby.

When baby laughs, and gurgles and crows mother knows he is well and happy. When he is cross, fretful and sleepless give him a dose of Baby's Own Tablets and see how speedily they will change him to a happy, smiling child. These Tablets cure all the minor ailments of childhood and bring healthy, natural sleep, because they remove the cause of sleeplessness. If the little teeth are coming through they help them along painlessly. Mrs. Octave Paulin, Caracquet, N.B., says: "I have found Baby's Own Tablets a splendid medicine for stomach and bowels troubles, and to promote sleep. I strongly advise mothers to use them when their little ones are ailing."

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With The Minstrels.

"Yes," said Mr. Bones, as he twisted his moustache, "my sistah Lucy am a great belle. Last night she had two beans callin' on her at once. One was named Mistah Little and one was named Mr. Long. Sistah just at deh singin' de whole ebenin'." "Sistah, deh singin' de whole ebenin'." "Mistah Bones?" broke in Sambo. "What was de song de young lady was singin'?" "Why, Lub Me Little, Lub Me Long."

ALMOST SENSATIONAL.

There is General Surprise at the Great Number of Persons in Kingston Who Praise Booth's Kidney Pills. It's but a short time since the first box of Booth's Kidney Pills came to Kingston. What a work this stranger has accomplished? Dozens of citizens benefited and cured of lame backs and aching backs, urinary and kidney troubles. It is remarkable; the reason for it is Booth's Kidney Pills are a new blend of vegetable ingredients, having a peculiar action on the kidney tissue that brings quick help.

Mrs. A. McBride, of 397 Barrie street, Kingston, Ont., says: "I have found Booth's Kidney Pills an excellent remedy for headaches and dizziness resulting from inactivity on the part of the kidneys. I had suffered frequently with these miserable symptoms and very often I would have pains of a dull, bearing-down nature across the back and extending into my shoulders. Although I had tried several prescriptions I had found little or no relief. I learned of Booth's Kidney Pills through an advertisement and procuring a box at Mr. Mahood's Pharmacy I used them. I soon found Booth's Kidney Pills to benefit me. The pains left my back, the headaches and spells of dizziness ceased and I have not been troubled since. I can thank only Booth's Kidney Pills.

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BRAID TRIMMED BOLERO.



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This odd little bolero effect adds great character and individuality to a simply made frock of satin. The bolero is cut in one piece and braided with soutache exactly matching the color of the satin. Straight sash ends of satin fall from braided ornaments on the shoulder seams and passing through slits in the bolero, fall to the knee, where they are weighted by silk tassels.

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Ernest Bartlett, of 21 Northern Place, Toronto, just escaped this. He had a terrible finger. This is his story: "I accidentally knocked the joint of my finger and it turned to blood poison. I tried lots of remedies but the hand got worse. Finally I secured a sample of CUROL. This did so much good that I bought a 25c box and in five days the wound was doing nicely and I finally healed. Had I used CUROL earlier it would have saved me a lot of suffering. I certainly advise everyone to use CUROL for all sores and injuries."

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