



#### Pearls in Cocoanuts.

The cocoanuts of the Malay Peninsula sometimes contain pearls that are highly prized by the natives. The stones are not unlike the pearls of the molluscs, and are similar in composition to the oyster pearls, having calcium carbonate and a little organic matter. The mollusc pearl is said to come into existence by the efforts of the oyster to dispose of irritating particles that have entered the shell; but the cocoanut could have no cause for producing these concretions, which, while they have great similarity to the pearl, are not pearls. These concretions form just beneath the stem, and a pure white pearl brings a high price, as it is supposed by the natives to possess some kind of a charm. Cases have been known where the cocoanut pearl has been sold as a mollusc product, but such instances are rare. —Family Herald.

#### Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia

**Found First Diamond.**  
The first diamond discovered in Griqualand, South Africa, was found by the children of a Dutch farmer, who for a time used it as a playing stone. The stone was later sent to Cape Town, where its true nature was recognized, and it was subsequently forwarded to Paris, where it was exhibited and sold for \$2,500. The valuable discovery soon led to other searches, and diamonds were unearthed in various places in Griqualand West, with the result that, 46 years ago, the country of the Orange, a mixed race sprung from Dutch settlers and native women, was annexed by Great Britain.

Diamond hunting was at first confined to the banks of the Vaal river, but in the year of the British occupation mines were opened in the locality known as "dry diggers," which has

La Roche Island, Lunenburg Co., N. S.

since received the name of Kimberly. In 1872 the world was startled by the discovery of the Stewart diamond of the 3 1/2 carats. The daily output of the consolidated mines at Kimberly just prior to the outbreak of the war was valued at \$220,000.

**How the Salmon Leaps.**  
Extraordinary stories of the wonderful leaps whereby salmon ascend waterfalls. One investigator, who has studied the salmon of southeastern Alaska, asserts that these fish do not select a particular point of attack in endeavoring to surmount a fall.

They show a remarkable lack of accuracy as well as of definiteness in their movement. While trying to ascend a fall their sail through the air, with the body rigid and the fins spread and held tense, and at the instant when the momentum of the jump is lost they impart a rapid and powerful vibration to the tail. This causes whether the jump is successful or not.

Should the fish reach water at the top of the fall this motion insures the maintenance of its position. In open water they jump sideways instead of lengthwise, and there is no movement of the tail.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

#### Persian and African Donkeys.

Two species of the Caucasian donkey hail from Persia, the other from Africa, says a nature student. Persia is also responsible for the ground mountaineers' fondness for chickens: our European ancestors got their roosters at some time during the historic period. Finally the famous Caucasus sheep took a day their departure from the broad plains situated between Persia and the Caspian sea.

#### A FREE BOX

Here's a chance to prove to your own satisfaction, and at our expense, that Zam-Buk does cure pain and heal sores and skin diseases.

Mail this advertisement and 1c stamp (for return postage) to Zam-Buk Co., Dept. St., Toronto, and we will send you free box.



**The Wedding Ring.**  
Who were the first wedding ring? That is a question even an antiquarian cannot answer. Probably some comely Egyptian bride of ancient times has the distinction.

It is an established fact that Egyptian women were first to wear circlets as symbols of wedded bliss.

The performances of marriage vows was indicated by the putting of a wedding ring not on the finger but on the arm.

The Greeks, after the conquest of the Persian Empire began to use a plain gold band on the third finger to signify the wedding vows.

The third finger of the left hand was used because it was believed to have a vein directly to the heart, and the circlet was regarded as emblematic of the sacred ties because being round, it was therefore endless.

#### NEW WAY TO REMOVE SORE, ACHING CORNS

Corn plasters be hanged, they always were troublesome and unsatisfactory. Try the new method! Shriveled up the corn first, get its roots separated from the toe. This you can do quickly by painting on Putnam's Corn Extractor. It sure does bring relief—takes away the sting, lifts out the whole corn in a day or two. Putnam's will really, surely cure the toughest of corns. Costs but a quarter in any drug store. Get it to-day.

#### "Here Passed the Hun."

The French have placed upon the ruins of the Cathedral of Rheims a tablet inscribed thus:—"Here Passed the Hun." —News Item.

Here passed the Hun, and here behind the impress of his vandal hand. The blight of Prussian "fraternalism" upon a fair and peaceful land.

Where Rheims Cathedral proudly stood, As cycling years their courses run, A ruined pile alone remains recalled. To testify:—"Here passed the Hun!"

The tale of ruthlessness thus told, An outrage upon the sun may not forget, Even when the sun of centuries As yet unborn shall rise and set;

And ever when the earth is shocked By deeds that even Hell would shun, The "Tomb" of crime shall be recalled, And men will say, "Here passed the Hun!"

Dark lowers the cloud of war to-day— A sable pall o'er land and sea— But still God's star of justice shines And lights the way to victory!

And on the final battle field, As sinks for aye the Prussian sun, This epitaph shall written be, In lines of blood:—"Here passed the Hun!" —Daniel Stauson in N. Y. Herald.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, Etc.

#### Plant Nomenclature.

You remember, maybe, the story about the two dear old ladies who were discussing animal nomenclature. The first one said that God must have had a hard time thinking up names for all the animals, to which the second one replied, "excepting, of course, the pig, for any one would know what its name was by looking at it."

But who named the weeds and common wild flowers? Some names suggest themselves—Duchman's breeches, tear thumb, Indian pipe, stick seed, and thimble head. Blue-eyed Mary, innocents, black-eyed Susan, foxglove, Queen Anne's lace and butter and eggs were all named by ladies or lovers. Practical man, as he went about his farm and encountered the weeds or old wild growths, named them appropriately, though not always ethetically—blindweed, shepherd's purse, sheep poison, pepper root, stinkweed, ink berry or hobbie bush. But where some of the names came from is a mystery. Who named and why the viper's bugloss? Or why the larkspur or pucoon? And why, oh why, Jack-by-the-hedge and sauced, alone? —Ohio State Journal.

#### CHILDHOOD AILMENTS

The ailments of childhood—constipation, indigestion, colic, colds, etc.—can be quickly banished through the use of Baby's Own Tablets. They are a mild but thorough laxative, which instantly regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach. They are guaranteed to contain no harmful drugs and can be given to the youngest baby with perfect safety.

Concerning them, Mrs. Alcide Lapage, Ste. Beatrix, Que., writes: "Baby's Own Tablets were a great help to my baby. They regulated his bowels and stomach and made him plump and well." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

#### Has a House Sent Home.

When Timothy Loughlin, a coal dealer of Greenwich, Conn., bought the 23-room house of John A. Topping in Belle Haven, L. I., he could not shove it in his pocket and take it home with him. And so far as the parcel post is concerned there was the size limit.

But Mr. Loughlin did not lose any sleep about it. He just gave Welcome Steinmetz, an architect of Greenwich, a contract to ship the house to his address. And Mr. Steinmetz is now busy shipping it.

All Mr. Steinmetz has to do, according to his way of looking at it, is merely to toss the house on a couple of coal barges that have been lashed together, then tow it four miles across Greenwich Bay, a neck of Long Island Sound, and then roll it off onto what Mr. Loughlin plans will be his front-door yard. —New York World.

#### Technical Bits of News.

New York has jumped into first place as the coffee trade centre of the world.

The war has caused a greatly increased demand for coffee.

Government airplane engines are tested in a concrete building where the atmospheric conditions of a height of 2,000 feet are exactly duplicated.

A western salesman drives around the country with a farm tractor loaded on a man and takes orders for coffee.



#### Profit in Pine Trees.

Twenty-one per cent. of the kingdom of Norway is covered with forest—that is, about seventeen million acres. That is, about fifteen million acres is productive forest. The Government owns about two million acres. The commercial forest under Government supervision comprises about one million acres. The rest, or about twelve million acres of productive forest, is private property. Seventy-five per cent. of the timber is spruce (pineae excelsa), and pine (pinus silvestris) in about equal quantities, as well as some oak, ash, elm and basswood. Birch is found everywhere. The annual forest growth or increment per acre is about 21 cubic feet. Nearly all the cut timber is hauled on sleds to the river in the winter and floated to the coast in the spring. The falling is now nearly all done by piece work, which has proved to be a great success.

The value of forest products exported is about \$30,000,000 annually. Until recently the export consisted chiefly of logs and staves, but pulp, planks, boards, doors and windows, etc., have now come into prominence. The pulp represents about 50 per cent. of the export value.

The people have awakened to the importance of improved and conservative methods, and planting in the coast districts has also been encouraged. Most of it is done by school children. Douglas fir, imported as seed from the Pacific coast and raised in nurseries, is being planted quite extensively in some parts of Norway. Forestry is taught in all public schools and instructors give lectures in the country districts. —Canadian Forestry Journal.

#### HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine. Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five years, and has become known as the most reliable remedy for catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces, expelling the poison from the blood and healing the diseased portions.

After you have taken Hall's Catarrh Medicine for a short time you will see a great improvement in your general health. Start taking Hall's Catarrh Medicine at once and get rid of catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

J. CHERRY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, etc.

#### Condensed Good Humor.

"I have long meditated," said Mr. Binkinton, "a plan for canning, bottling or otherwise storing good humor. high spirits, cheerfulness."

"We say of some chap we know that he fairly bubbles over with good humor. In fact I find myself as a rule in that happy condition. Just to be alive is a joy to me. I am likely most any time to find myself humming a tune or whistling softly. Just over-flowing with cheerfulness, good spirits, good humor. So with me as a rule; but—"

"There are times even with me when I don't feel that way at all; when things look far from rosy; indeed I fancy there are very few people, however cheerful they be constitutionally, who do not feel down occasionally; and what I would like to do is to be able in some way to shake up some of my excess cheerfulness by me, and thus be able when I needed it to open up a can or bottle of same to uplift me and tide me over to my more commonly accustomed state of natural cheerfulness."

"We could use it not only to help ourselves over periods of depression but we could use it also to help other people."

"You take the grouchy man in the office who makes everybody around him uncomfortable. Now suppose that when he came into the office in the morning and began to spread his gloom—just suppose I could pull out a drawer in my desk and reach in and unhook a bottle and liberate a spirit that would permeate the air, that would charge the atmosphere with a cheerfulness so potent that it would fairly change the grouchy man into a man of good humor!"

"My goodness! When I think of

**GIBSON FUNNEL DAMPER**  
THE WONDERFUL FUEL SAVER  
Pat. Nov. 1917  
Manufactured by The Collins Mfg. Co., Toronto, for Eastern Canada and O.R.O. Mfg. Co., Winnipeg, for Western Canada.

#### Wood Oil in Commerce.

Wood oil has many uses. It is used as a disinfectant in the manufacture of lacquer varnishes and mixed with lime and bamboo shavings it is used by the Chinese in calking their boats. Chinese or Indian ink is made from the soot resulting from the burning of the oil or the fruit husks. The product is also used as a dressing for leather, in the manufacture of soap, and as a varnish for fine furniture. In foreign countries wood oil is chiefly used for the manufacture of varnish from cheap gums. Other oils require a higher and more expensive quality of gum in order that the resulting varnish be of equal grade. This feature, together with the rapidity with which wood oil varnish dries, has caused the demand for the product to increase steadily.

#### Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere

#### Epitaphs and Obituaries

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Major, Who has left this here world and gone to that there.

Beneath this silent stone is laid A noisy, antiquated maid. Who from her cradle talked till death, And never before was out of breath.

Here lies Fred, who was alive and is dead. Had it been his father I had much rather. Had it been his brother still better than another.

Had it been the whole generation still better for the nation. But since it's only Fred, who was alive and is dead, There's no more to be said.

From Lyons, N. Y.  
Last ray of departing hope! Thou didst leave this world while thy father was far away, and thy sainted mother in heaven.

But the father of thy dear departed mother did see that thing obsequies were properly performed.

Here lies interred a man of might, His name was Michael Downie; He lost his life one market night By falling off his ownie.

Many stood round though none could save This blooming youth from a watery grave. Great search was made the corpse to obtain. But all their searching was in vain. Long time elapsed, the corpse did rise, And eager hands did seize the prize.

I'm coming, sweet Willie, and so is your Ma. For to meet you in glory, along with your Pa. Come, meet us a flying, and light on each breast.

Here lies one whose wit, without wounding, bit And green grows the grass that's above her. Having sent every bean to the region below. She's gone down herself for a lover.

Released from sorrow and from sighing, Here rests the body of poor Will, Who while he lived was always lying. And in his grave is lying still.

Two from Middletown, Conn. Sacred to the memory of Charley and Varley. Sons of loving parents who died in infancy.

This lovely, pleasant child, He was our only one; Although we've buried three before, Oh, cruel Death, thou wert unkind, To take the first and leave I hind.

Let us venerate the bones Of patient Mercy Jones, Who lies beneath these stones.

Here lies poor Thomas and his wife, Who led a pretty jarring life; But all is ended, as you see, He holds his tongue and so does she.

Here lies the body of Jonathan Stout, Who fell in the water and never got out. And still is supposed to be floating about.

At Doncaster, England. Here lies two brothers, who misfortune

**A New Use for Soap Suds.**  
Soap suds are preservative. Try them on your cut flowers. Sprinkle the flowers first with fresh cold water.

Then make some strong soap suds and place the stems in them.

The soap suds take the place of roots, and the flowers should be placed loosely in the receptacle.

Each morning take the flowers out of the suds, dip the stems very slightly and lay the flowers down sideways in cool water.

Let the posies soak for a few moments, sprinkle with fresh water, arrange them and return them to the suds in which they had been.

It is necessary to change the suds but once in three days, and to follow the plan regularly, the surprising result being that the flowers in many cases will last a month or more.

#### RELIEF AT LAST

I want to keep you if you are suffering from bleeding, itching, blind or protruding Piles. I can tell you how, in your own home and without any one's assistance, you can apply the best of all treatments.

#### PILES TREATED AT HOME

I promise to send you a FREE trial of the new absorption treatment, and references from your own locality if you will write and ask. I assure you of immediate relief. Send no money, but tell others of this offer.

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**WANTED.**  
WANTED—GENERAL BLACKSMITH. Send Bros. Hamilton, Ont.

**HELP WANTED—MALE.**  
FIRST-CLASS CARPENTERS WANTED for inside and outside work, also shop work, winter work for carpenters, mechanics. Apply W. J. Hickey, general contractor, Welland.

**WANTED—PLUMBER WHO CAN** work at plumbing, steady job. S. E. McChung & Co., Toronto, Ont.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
MEN ORDERING GOODS BY MAIL, send a Dominion Money Order.

**OR SALE COKE SCREENINGS** in car lots. Selling cheap. Apply Thos. Myler's Sons, Hamilton, Ont.

#### FARMS FOR SALE.

**112 ACRES—MORE OR LESS—LOT 27, Concession 2, Eramosa, near Speedville, for sale; on the premises is a good stone house, up-to-date bank barn, good stables, with water, closed in shed, also, pigsty; henhouse, sheep pen, cover falling well, windmill, good orchard, farm in good state of cultivation, well fenced, well watered; five miles from Fergus, ten from Guelph; school-house and two churches close by. Apply on premises, Mrs. Lena Leybourne, Rockwood, R. No. 3, Ont.**

**BLOCK OF LAND, 22 ACRES.** 12 Farms of 100 acres each. All in the Province of Ontario. 1 Farm of 100 acres in Manitoba. 6 Private Dwellings in North Bay, Ont. will be sold cheap for cash.

**LOANS WANTED** on North Bay Properties gift edge, one of \$7000, and one \$5000. Particulars will be furnished on application. Apply to William Martin & Son, North Bay, Ont. Box 325. Phone 6.

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**FOR SALE—2 H.P. GASOLINE ENGINE** Mair Bros. Dry Dock Co. Port Dalhousie, Ont.

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**ANTED—1000 AGENTS ANYWHERE** in Canada to sell the wonderful Gibson Funnel Damper; positively saves from one-quarter to one-half the fuel, gives more heat for stoves, furnaces, hot water or steam boilers. Apply to patentee, A. Gibson, 391 Yonge Street, Toronto.

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**FOR SALE—CHOICE WINTER APPLIES**—Baldwins, Greenings, American Golden Russet, Waller's Tuffa & Son, Mount Pleasant Fruit Farm, Rt. No. 4, Welland.

**FOR SALE—BUSH LOT 3 1/2—LOT 3** Concession 10, Tecumseh; 100 acres near Weston. Apply John McCoy, 46 King Street East, Hamilton.

**surrounded.**  
One died of his wounds and the other was drowned.

She once was mine, and now to Thee, O Lord, I her resign, and am your obedient, humble servant, Robert Kemp.

From Massachusetts.  
I came in the morning—it was Spring, And I smiled; I walked out at noon—it was Summer, And I was glad; I sat me down at even—it was Autumn, And I was sad;

I laid me down at night—it was Winter, And I slept. Here I lie, and no wonder I'm dead, Since the wheel of a wagon passed over my head.

He got a fishbone in his throat, And then he sung an angel note. Sir Goldsworth Gurney.

He originated the electric telegraph, high speed locomotion and flashing lightning signalling. He invented the steam jet and oxy-hydrogen blowpipe.

In Trinity Churchyard, New York. On a stone when first erected was inscribed:

Lord! She was Thine. But time broke off the corner of the stone and it read to the amazement of all beholders, until it was removed several years ago.

Lord! She was Thine. From Saragossa, Spain.

Here lies the body of John Quebec. Precursor to my lord, the King, When his spirit shall enter the kingdom of heaven, The Almighty shall say to the angelic choir,

"Silence, ye voices! and let me hear John Quebec. Precursor to my lord, the King.

From Winchester Cathedral, England. Here lies in peace a Hampshire Gentleman; He killed himself by drinking too much small beer. Soldiers, be warned by his untimely fall, And when you are hot, drink strong or not at all.

Even the fellow who spouts hot air has to buy coal, just the same.



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