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Provincial Board of Health, Ontarie. Dr. Middleten will be glad to answer questions on Public Health matters through this column. Address him at Spadina House, Spadina Crescent, Toronto.

A correspondent inquires about mentation in the stomach and intesasthma. She says she has been tines, and it is not by any means imtroubled with it for twenty years and probable that the irritation caused by has tried all kinds of treatments, in- the fermentation of the stomach might extend to the lining mucous memcluding patent medicines.

The great trouble in advising treat- brane of the lungs. ment for asthma is that it is not one In all asthmatic conditions, there the baby. He is more or less confined disease, but several. Because one man fore, it would be wise to omit from to stuffy, badly ventilated rooms. It is benefited by a certain line of treat the diet all pies and pastry, sugars is so often stormy that the mother ment, it does not follow that the and starchy foods, including bread. So does not get him out in the fresh air treatment will apply to every indi- it would seem that first and foremost as often as she should. He catches ridual. The proper plan is to make a the thing to do in trying to effect a colds which rack his little system; careful study of each case, and have it cure for asthma, or at least bring his stomach and bowels get out of made before the disease has progress about relief from it, is to try and get ed too far. Consequently, there is no at the root cause. Why did the asthma one treatment that applies to all cases. start in the first place? What were What helps one asthmatic is of no the conditions associated with its apservice to the next. For instance, by pearance. Had the patient a persist-having his nose treated, one man will ent cough with loss of weight for some find great relief, another receives no time previous to the onset of the up colds. They are sold by medicine benefit from nose treatment, but gets asthmatic condition? This is importrelief by going to a dry climate, where ant to know because many cases of the throat and chest secretions dry up. bronchial asthma are in reality con-Again, there is a class of people who sumption. Some cases are due to benefit greatly by changing to a vege- heart disease, some to Bright's distarian diet, leaving out meats, milk, ease, some to growths in the nose. eggs and similar articles of diet which What must be done is to find out if are rich in amino-acids. Some author- there is a curable cause and then to Ities hold the opinion that asthma is cure it. Cases of asthma which have associated with fermentation of the no apparent cause are about as hard stomach with the resulting irritation to treat as any disease that affects and perhaps inflammation. It would mankind.

thus appear that the eating of cer-tain foods and certain combinations of than anything else, but even this fails food might have a very decided effect sometimes and only palliative treat- firmed his view. in increasing or decreasing the symp- ment can be resorted to. The so-called toms of asthma. For instance, the asthma cures seldom do good, and if ger eel, dory, dogfish, bass, and all flat eating of starches and sugars in ex-taken indiscriminately may do harm. fish sleep periodically resting usually cessive amounts tends to produce fer- Some often lead to drug habits.

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No cloud marred his life's horizon. He knew neither fear nor pain. But only that day chases silv'ry night And that sunshine succeeds cool rain.

She is a dainty lady, In satin and rare old lace. But her beautiful form and features But mirror her soul's disgrace, For over her fair white shoulders

Is hanging the mother's hide.

And the bright glossy wing in her burnished hair Was torn from the singer's side.

-Geraldine E. Lyster.

## WINTER HARD ON BLEY

The winter season is a hard one on order and he becomes peevish and cross. To guard against this the mother should keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets in the house. They regulate the stomach and bowels and break dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

#### When Deep Sea Denizens Take Forty Winks.

Having no eyelids, fish do not appear to sleep. That they rest as regularly as human beings was the opinion of Aristotle over two thousand years

Among marine fish, the wrasse, conon the bottom of the sea.

Being exceedingly light sleepers, it it difficult to observe the nocturnal habits of fish in aquariums, for the slightest increase in light arouses them. The salt-water blackfish, or tautog, is an exception. Lying on its side with its mouth open, the tautog is an exceedingly sound sleeper. As it settles down to slumber faint stripes and spots of black appear all over its body, which give the impression that it has changed its clothes.

### Changing Their Color.

More noticeable still are the variawhen awake, the fish descends among men a "radio" face. the seaweeds when drowsiness comes. The strain of trying to catch every Stripes of darker grey or brown appear word of wireless broadcast constantly almost immediately, and very soon it puckers the lines around the woman's is not easy to distinguish the sluggard forehead and draws more lines around from its surroundings.

As a quick-change artist, however, Women who have been untiring liserous reddish brown spots appear on and placid. its body.

Placed in an aquarium having a plain green bottom, the parrot fish retains its coat of green and does not rope like this." put on night clothes. But if a few large stones are dropped into the want?" aquarium, corresponding blotches appear on the sleeping fish.

#### Is This Your Hobby, Collecting Music?

How is it that more people do not take up as a hobby the collecting of music? Many people collect books, pictures, and stamps, with a view to retaining these against all time. Not many do this with music. Why not start collecting classical music, songs of good quality, and dance piecesboth old and new publications, and also old scores? Think how interesting to present-

day dance lovers would be a series of bound volumes of the dance music since 1900 to the present day. The idea could be carried further and periods could be particularized in when dances are held. As an example. what could be called "the 1906 dance" could be given, when every item should consist of dance music in 1906. Then again think how useful such collections of music would be to our children and their children. Standard pieces of music such as we all as children have to learn, would always be in the music cabinet. Pamela could see when she was learning a Grieg sonata just where her mother had difficulty by the marking on the page. Such collections of music would be exceedingly valuable—as vafuable as any libraries.

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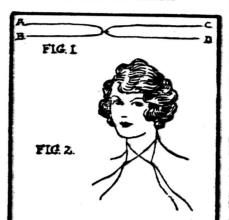
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#### EASY TRICKS A Circus Trick



This is an old time circus trick which, in other days was performed in front of the side-show as a sample of the wonders to be seen within. The performer took two pieces of tape and tied them around his neck. After a long, but shockingly incorrect explanation of "how it was done," he pulled the tapes and they seemily passed through

his neck. The two tapes were doubled and the centers tied together by a frail piece of thread (Fig. 1). The performer held his hand over the point where the tapes were tied together and the tapes appeared to be side by side and without preparation. When he put the tapes around his neck, his collar hid the function of the tapes or he carefully kept his face to the spectators. Taking the ends A and C he tied them together close to his neck. The ends B and D were tied close to his neck, also. When he grasped the tape and gave them a vigorous pull, the thread broke and the tape came away. Because of the method of tying, the appearance of the tape was then exactly as if it had

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### Wireless Wrinkles.

Women are in fear of developing wireless wrinkles."

Concentration night after night by tions in color of the common scup or the fireside listening closely to the porgy. When bedtime comes it takes sounds coming from the loud speaked a surprisingly short time to don a or sitting with earphones jammed nightdress. Clothed in silvery grey against the ears is likely to give wo-

the sides of the mouth.

the parrot fish has few equals. Swim-teners for months are beginning to ming about in the tropical waters, the notice that where their faces have parrot fish is a clear turquoise green hitherto been absolutely smooth and during the daytime. Finding a quiet unwrinkled, a faint network of lines nook among the stones and weeds, its is beginning to appear. Their habitual color fades to a dull clive. Further expressions, instead of being alert and changes go on whilst it sleeps. Num- intelligent, have become mechanical

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