

WEEK BACKS ARE BAD.



Bad backs are caused by sick kidneys. Most backache pains are kidney pains. Backache is the first symptom of kidney disorders. Neglect the warning of the back, serious troubles follow.

It's only a short step to urinary derangements—diabetes, dropsy, Bright's disease. Read how to be cured: **CASE NO. 24,613.**—Mr. Joseph Calmes, foreman of the Harter mills, Fosteria, O., says: "I just as ardently recommend Doan's Kidney Pills to-day, and it is the month of October, 1899, as I did in the summer of 1896, when, after taking a course of the treatment, they cured me of kidney complaint and backache, which was often so acute that I was unable to sleep at night and had difficulty in remaining on my feet all day. I am still free from the lumbago or any annoyance from my kidneys, and unhesitatingly declare that I am only too pleased to re-endorse my opinions of Doan's Kidney Pills."

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PITY FOR THE ANGELS.

Shouldn't Do for Them to Put Snow on that Woman's Front with a Step. The little boy stood at the window watching the snow falling upon the pavement and blowing together into dusty patches. "Aunt," he said, "do the angels send the snow?" "Yes, dear," said aunt, without looking up from her book. "There was silence for awhile. From out the house across the way a white-capped maid came with a broom and swept the sidewalk and the steps. She was the servant maid of Mrs. S. County, Florida, fussy old lady, who has a strong dislike for both children and dirt. Indeed, she seemed to regard the words as synonymous. Only that day she had sent little Jack and his chums away from her side of the street. "Jack watched the maid for awhile—then he started his aunt with this statement: "Well, I'd pity the angels if Mrs. S. catches them putting snow on her steps!"

The Seaboard Air Line Railway, of Portsmouth, Va., is advertising a beautiful, but comparatively little known, region on the West Coast of Florida in three booklets called "The Land of Manatee." They are issued by the Seaboard, but can scarcely be termed a railroad advertisement, as the only mention of the road is in a brief and modest note printed on the inside of one of the cover pages. They are, in fact, a description of the Manatee County, Florida, with some account of its history and its many interesting features which will appeal equally to the general reader, the investor, the fruit and vegetable grower, and the tourist and sportsman. The author is Mr. Morton M. Cassady, a writer of experience. The beauty of the Manatee country is well described, and the marvelous fertility of the soil and equally wonderful healthfulness of the climate are told in a way to leave no doubt in the reader's mind. Manatee county must be the garden-spot of all Florida, and the wonder is that it has not sooner been settled and the latent riches of its soil turned into good American dollars. A most charming feature of these booklets is their typographical appearance. They are printed on hand-made paper, and are delightfully illustrated with photographic half-tone plates and ornamented with decorative designs in flat monochromes that make them really valuable brochures. Persons interested in Florida, and especially in the possibilities of orange growing and truck gardening below the frost line, will find these booklets not only interesting, but full of valuable and practical information. They may be had from representatives of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, or upon application to the General Passenger Agent, Portsmouth, Va.

Settled Him. Mr. Pitt looked with something like contemptuous amusement at the collection of oriental curios in his wife's boudoir. "So that's what you call your 'Japanese cover,'" he said. "It looks like rather a childish business for a full-grown woman to waste her time on." "Yes," she replied, "it may be somewhat childish, but it's entirely honest and respectable. Can you say as much for the wheat corner you are putting your time and money into building up?"—Chicago Tribune.

Virtue, being its own reward, doesn't always attract the shrewdest talent to its pursuit.—Puck.

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Price, 25c. and 50c.

THE BIG POULTRY SHOW.

All the Northwest is interested in the exhibition of birds at Minneapolis the last week of the month.

Proud poultry will reign supreme in Minneapolis for a week beginning Jan. 28. The seventeenth annual exhibition of the Minnesota State Poultry Association will be held in that city Jan. 28 to Feb. 3, and in connection with this event will be held the third annual cat show. Visitors to the poultry exhibition on the second day will have a rare opportunity to see Dan Patch, the champion harness horse of the world, just bought by M. W. Savage of Minneapolis for \$60,000. Dan has been entered at the winter horse show to be held on Park avenue Jan. 29 by the Minneapolis Riding and Driving Club. The petted and pampered Dan Patch showing his paces over a winter road will be a sight well worth a trip to the big city, let alone the opportunity of seeing also the highest bred and most costly of the feathered biped family in the country.

The annual cat show is a revelation to those who have never had the opportunity of observing the ways of anything but the homely household tabby. A cat that will hop into the tub and sport luxuriously in a water bath seems an incredible thing, but the Angoras do this. The person that is familiar only with the striped house variety of common cat will see many eye opening things while strolling through the cat section; eye opens in regard to the intelligence of this animal.

The rare prizes offered by the management of the poultry show have stimulated entries until the list of prize chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese has already reached 1,500. The hen has risen above the designation of barnyard fowl and has attained the distinction of having specially built houses costing hundreds of dollars. Some of these birds which will be on view at Minneapolis have brought as high as \$75 apiece. Although the utilitarian side of this exhibition will be pronounced in an endeavor to interest the farmers of the state in the raising of poultry to make the egg and dressed poultry products of the state aggregate well with the celebrated north star bread and butter, the pigeon, and carrier bird department will not be overlooked, for the benefit of the pure fancier in this kind of stock.

Beside the cat section prizes are offered for Belgian hares and other pet stock including fancy mice, rats, cavies and guinea pigs. "Competition open to the world" is the ambitious announcement of the poultry association. Entries from all parts of the country are sought. Letters are being received daily and before the lists close at 8 p. m. Jan. 24 sufficient individual entries will be registered to fill the large store building on Fifth street with a population of crowing, clucking, squawking, mewling bright eyed pets.

Pigeon racing will be feature of the show which will appeal to everyone. Dan Patch's performances on the frozen earth will pale into insignificance with the beautiful gyrations and flight of the homing pigeons as they are released daily in numbers of fifty. Some of these pigeons have won races which would be the undoing of mighty locomotives. A 1,000 mile dash is nothing to some of them. Air races for prizes will be held daily.

The remarkable enthusiasm shown by the Commercial Club and by the business men of the city over the three coming events has resulted in the possibility of making a long list of prizes. The business men have even gone so far as to insist on supplying all the ribbons, stationery, printing, entertainment of the judges during the week. The taking of this expense off the hands of the association permits it to double the premium list.

Impartial treatment will be given to all. One principle of this association is to show special favors to none, so that at this exhibition the humblest entry stands on even terms with the winner of scores of blue ribbons. G. A. Loth, the assistant secretary at Minneapolis, Box 28, is busy answering inquiries and preparing for the reception of all guests from outside the Twin Cities. The judges of poultry have been appointed as follows: Sharp Butterfield of London, Ontario; D. J. Lambert of Apponaug, R. I.; and George D. Holden of Owatonna. R. W. Wales of Iowa City, Iowa, will judge the pigeons and Mrs. Charles Hampton Lane will come from Chicago as connoisseur of blood-ed cats.

The railroads of the state have been generous in helping on the good cause by granting round trip rates to Minneapolis and St. Paul, equal to a fare and one-third from all points in Minnesota, and from all points in Wisconsin from which the regular one way fare is not more than \$1.50.

News Notes. The building improvements of Red Wing for 1903 amounted to \$300,000. Joseph Cohen, of Minneapolis, was fined \$25 for selling impure meat. During 1902 the people of Minnesota saved \$2,122,281.96 more in savings banks than in 1901. These figures are from the bank examiner's annual statement. From the way things look at present it will only be a question of a very short time before Minneapolis will be connected with an electric line with La Crosse, Wis., 140 miles away.

A PASTOR WHO WAS REFRIGERATED BY AN EMPEROR SAVED BY PE-RU-NA.



Rev. H. Stubenvoll, of Elkhorn, Wis., is pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran St. John's Church of that place. Rev. Stubenvoll is the possessor of two bibles presented to him by Emperor William of Germany. Upon the fly leaf of one of the bibles the Emperor has written in his own handwriting a text. This honored pastor, in a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, says concerning their famous catarrh remedy, Peruna:

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Prominent note is made of the fact that a woman clerk in the post office department at Washington gave up her husband rather than lose her situation. The order of the postmaster general is cruel. No telling how many poor husbands will be driven out this cold winter to make their own living.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Pe-ru-na Almanac.
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No Need of Impatience.
It is only 87 more years until we start another century, and if they slip along as fast as those that are just gone it will be here before we know it.—Pittsburg Times.

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To-morrow is a great day for doing things.—Chicago Daily News.
Count not your miles before they are pedaled.—Judge.

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Safe.
Mr. Crimmonbeak—I see a Brooklyn woman has discovered a way of preventing her losing her hair.
Mrs. Crimmonbeak—Indeed! And what does she do?
"Locks it in the safe."—Yonkers Statesman.

Six and a Half Dozen.
Mrs. Winthrop—Can we really afford to go south for the winter, my dear?
Winthrop—It can't cost any more than staying here and buying coal.—Town Topics.

"Don't be envious," said Uncle Eben; "remember dat if you had been Julius Caesar himef you'd have had to take de 'assination along wif de res' of it."—Washington Star.

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