

PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS.

Interesting Notes About Duels and Duellists. Even in Germany the popularity of the duel is on the decline. Its prevalence is due not so much to a desire for a combat as of fear what people will say if there is no fight.

During the occupation of Paris by the Allies there were duels every day. The Frenchmen usually being the challengers and the victors, as they were very skillful with the small sword. Sometimes, however, they made a mistake, as when they feared at an English officer once losing his leg at Waterloo.

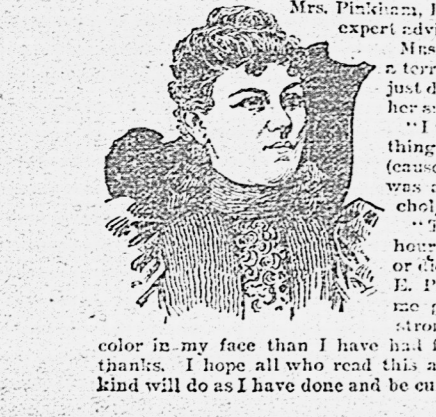
The most tragic duel in England was between Lord Byron, grand-uncle of the poet, and a kinsman. It was fought in the dining room by the light of a tallow candle. Lord Byron was tried for murder, but got off on manslaughter.

Two men, followed by the hunt, gulched on and less than a mile off came upon a ruddy constructed bridge. The dogs crossed it, again took up the hunt and killed the fox. Asked for the reason for asserting that there was a "hound's nose" in the river, the answer was three or four cottages clustered together on each bank of the river, and I thought the people living in them would be tempted by their social feelings to contribute a means of visiting each other. That same in fact of same named me one of my battles.

Woman's Nerves.

Mrs. Platt Talks About Hysteria.

When a nerve or a set of nerves supplying any organ in the body with its due nutriment grows weak, that organ languishes. When the nerves become exhausted and die, so to speak, the organ falls into decay. What is to be done? The answer is, do not allow the weakness to progress; stop the deteriorating process at once.



Nothing is better for the purpose than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It will work a cure.

FARM AND GARDEN.

PHOSPHATE AND SUPERPHOSPHATE OF LIME.

The true phosphate of lime as found in bones is mixed, while the bones are fresh, with some animal matter whose decomposition makes the phosphate more soluble than it would otherwise be. But drying by exposure to air and by the heat from cooking removes the gelatine and leaves the phosphate only very slightly soluble.

BETTER FOR HOUSE PLANTS.

It is better for house plants if the soil be loosened about the roots once a week. This allows the air to reach the roots, and assists the evaporation of the excessive moisture when it has been too much wetting.

WASHING PROXY WINDOWS.

Often the window glass requires to be cleaned, but it is so cold and the air so full of frost that it does not seem advisable to wash the glass with water.

THE BEST USES OF OATMEAL.

Oats yield most of their nutriment principles to boiling water, therefore oatmeal gruel and oatmeal water represent a fair proportion of their nourishing strength.

CREAMY PUDDING.

One large cup of sugar, one of flour, six eggs and a pint of cream. Beat together the yolks and sugar; whip the cream and put into a large bowl.

SAVORY MILK OF BEEF.

One pound of cold roast beef into thin slices, and fry with two tablespoons of butter and a small minced onion until brown; stir in two tablespoons of flour and add a pint of white broth or water.



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CLEANLINESS IN DAIRY WORK.

The daily cleaning of dairy utensils is one of the important factors in promoting cleanliness. All the milk in or on a dairy utensil should first be rinsed off with water for below the leading point before any first water is put on it.

BUY GRAPE FRUIT FOR ORANGES.

There are a great many people who buy grape fruit thinking that they are getting nice, large oranges. As soon as they have tasted a grape fruit, however, the fruit has been found immediately goes up.

A SERVICEABLE SOUND SILENCE.

I built and still run the first silo built in this section, writes W. L. Fish of Johnville, Canada. It is a square one, but the round silo is far ahead.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

THE GOOD OLD THINGS.

We used to have old-fashioned things, like hominy and greens. We used to have just common soup made out of pork.

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REMARKABLE RECOVERY.

Of a Young Lady of Gasport, New York from Anemia. From the Courier, Buffalo, N. Y. Miss Lulu Stevens, daughter of Gasport, Niagara County, New York, has recovered from her illness, by not dying five months ago, when the physicians said she could not live.

This was quite a remarkable case. The young woman, who is very well known, on account of her musical ability, had been a very healthy girl, until about one year ago, when she began to fall, and grew so pale and apparently bloodless, so weak that after a few months she was given up to die.

Last winter a physician who was a visitor at Gasport met Miss Stevens, and seeing her emaciated condition, and hearing from the local doctors that the disease was anemia, prevailed on the girl's mother to make her try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Every one in Gasport knows that Miss Stevens' mother had been a visitor at Gasport for five months ago, when the physicians said she could not live.

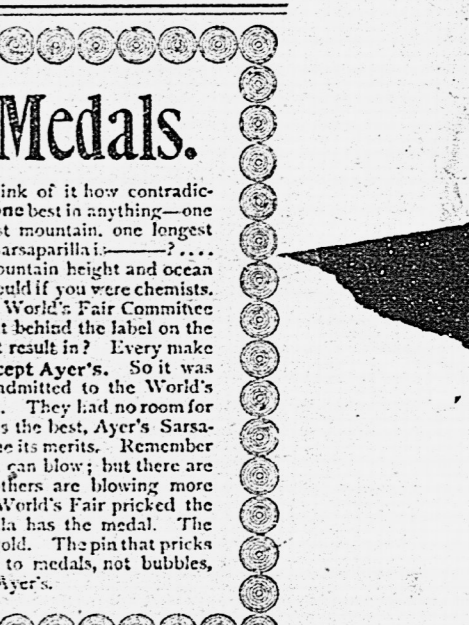
I have used much land and sea, and mixed with much people, but never yet could find a spot unoccupied by human kind.

Over 40,000 cured. Why not let the New-England Free-Trade Society, or the National Free-Trade Society, send to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

What is your nephew doing now? For the last five years he has been choosing a profession.—Jugend.

Bubbles or Medals.

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