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The Appendicitis Fad.
Appendicitis is a fad of the medical profession. Genuine cases of this disorder are rare and, if genuine, usually could be cured by a proper regime, says Alice B. Stockham, in the Chicago Record-Herald. Frequently there are cases of bilious colic, gall stones and peritonitis, each of which would yield to treatment for its kind, that under latter-day medical science are called appendicitis. If people who lived on pork and hot bread in the old days and took their quinine by the stroke of the clock escaped appendicitis, what abominations are there in the present day domestic sciences to produce this frightful malady? At a medical convention on the Atlantic coast a celebrated surgeon, who has operated on more cases of appendicitis than any other American, made the confession that nine-tenths of his cases were spurious. He was supposed to be speaking behind closed doors to the fraternity. He was asked what he did when he found the appendix healthy. "I remove a piece of adipose tissue and show it to the patient and friends as an evidence of skill and as proof of diagnosis." Behold the genius of modern surgery! Blood poisoning and death might follow, but it was a fine operation. Is it not true that the common sense of the people made a protest against the fallacy of the profession. Fifty years ago the masses arose against professional assumption and the fashion of bleeding went out of existence. By the order of doctors fever patients were forbidden water, but by the might of third rates were broken and lives were saved, although often the water was procured by stealth. When man becomes his own physician through knowledge of the laws of mind and matter, he will cease to be the victim of experimental surgery, and no organ will be too insignificant to be preserved for its natural functions, even the appendix vermiformis.

Mormonism Outside.
Ordinary divorce is not sufficiently sensational to be the fashionable vogue. For awhile divorced couples followed the fashion of immediate returns into new matrimonial partnerships, but the latest divorce fad is for the man and woman to "marry over again." This, observes the New York World, is a novelty which will doubtless find imitators among the newly rich. In the last case of this kind the woman made proper terms with her husband in requiring him to pay \$82,000 to the man who in East side parlance would be called her "gentleman friend." This man and his wife were divorced, and he preferred marrying another previously married woman rather than the one who already owed him \$82,000. When one reads the accounts of these kaleidoscope affairs the Mormons seem decent and respectable by comparison.

The district attorney of Mojave county, Arizona, lost his hands several years ago in an explosion in a gold mine. Though he is handless, Attorney Dickson is able to perform all the tasks that fall to the lot of a man in his profession. He eats and dresses with no more difficulty than people who have the full use of their hands. Around Kingman, the county seat of Mojave county, Attorney Dickson has the reputation of being one of the swiftest performers on the typewriter. In using the typewriter Dickson fastens two short sticks, especially made for him, to the ends of his arms, and seated well above the typewriter, strikes down with unerring aim and with a rapidity that is marvellous.

ARE YOU GOING EAST?
In making your arrangements for your vacation this summer it would be well to consider convenience and saving of time. The Washburn with its over rail to St. Louis, Detroit, Toledo, Pittsburg and Buffalo is the shortest line, makes the best time and furnishes the best accommodations. Through service to New York and Boston. Ask your local ticket agent for tickets over the Washburn, they all sell them.

LIQUID AIR FOR THE HOUSE
Rooms Are Found to Be Cooled Easily and the Ice Man's Occupation Is Gone.
Skeptical housewives may smile when told that liquid air and its products, oxygen and nitrogen, will ever be of economic value to them in cooling the house. There is every indication, however, that within the next decade these commodities will be delivered at the door for cooling purposes, just as milk and groceries are delivered to-day, and at a minimum price. When this time arrives architects will plan for cooling pipes just as they do now for heating apparatus. Inventors have now perfected their system, however, to the extent that they are building a plant which will manufacture every 24 hours liquid air which in cooling effect will be equivalent to 200 tons of ice. At first they propose to use at one-twentieth of the present cost. Later, when its value is recognized, it will be delivered to the housewife in insulated containers ready to attach to the pipes leading to the coil overhead. This coil, by the way, will be made as ornamental and inconspicuous as possible and will cost no more than the heating pipes. As nitrogen is one of the most perfect preservatives known, it is predicted that when it becomes plentiful through the manufacture of liquid air it will be possible to do away with ice so far as the kitchen refrigerator is concerned.

KINDS OF LIFE INSURANCE.
Statement of Actual Difference Between the Various Forms of Policies.
The fundamental principles of insurance policies are most simple. In the comforting assurance contained in Henry Wysham Lanier's article on "How to Buy Life Insurance" in the World's Work. There are, to begin with, two great divisions, "participating" and "non-participating" policies; that is, those in which the insured person shares in the "profits" of the company, and those that furnish protection against death for a given term, and nothing else. A man of 25 may be paying \$50 to \$75 a year now that, if he dies within ten years, his estate will receive \$5,000; but if he is still alive at the end of that time, he has nothing to show for his money. This whole class of policies can practically be disregarded, since, in this country at least, hardly anybody wants "term insurance," as it is called. Of the participating policies, the main kinds are: the "endowment," which pays to the insured himself a certain annual sum at the end of a term of years, the "full term," by which payments are made by him, until death, and the "limited payment," which calls for a higher premium through 10, 15 or 20 years. The subdivisions from these are various, but they are not necessarily complex.

WHIST ONCE A CRUDE CAME
First Known as "Triumph," Whence the Word "Trump" Is Said to Be Derived.
Whist was first called "triumph," a name which was afterward corrupted into "trump." The eighteenth century saw whist in its primitive form, the whole object of the game being to win tricks by leading high cards or by trumping. Then came the era of Hoyle, which may be said to have lasted from 1739 to 1830, and taught players to think not only of their own hands, but of the other hands also, and to take advantage of the positions of the cards in them. Hoyle also taught that trumps might be more profitably employed than in simple trumping, and showed that they might be used to disarm the adversary and to obtain secondary advantages, in trick-making by other suits of less apparent power. It was not until 1850 that the philosophical era can be said to have begun, and the origin of the new movement was a knot of young men at Cambridge, England, known as the Little Whist school. This body kept records of its games, but no one thought of making the data known until 1861. Coherence in the system of play was still wanting, and this was supplied in 1864 with Dr. Pole's essay on the theory of the modern scientific whist.

Life of Korean Women.
In no country is the life of women more pathetic than in Korea, where it might be termed imprisonment with hard labor from the age of seven until death. Little girls are secluded from the time of their betrothal. At ages varying from ten to 16 years they are married to men they have never seen and go away to take their places as menials.

Spaniards Emigrating to Cuba.
Out of a total of 20,211 immigrants to Cuba in the last fiscal year, 16,176 were from Spain. There were but 1,200 Americans among the immigrants, and out of the total there were but 3,500 women, as women do not seem to like Cuba—this is, other than Spanish women. One-third of the Americans and Canadians who go there are accompanied by their women folk.

Must Confess Before Execution.
In Sweden confession is necessary before capital punishment can be carried out. If, however, the culprit persists in protesting his innocence in the face of overpowering evidence, the prison discipline is made extremely strict and severe until the desired confession is obtained.

Codex Psalmarum Sold.
The sum of \$20,000 was paid at a London auction the other day for a "Codex Psalmarum" of the year 1459, of which only 20 copies were originally printed.

RAISING A BEARD.
It was partly owing to the fact that Chemorley's razors needed honing and partly the beautifully trimmed beard that Siever had raised during his year's absence abroad. Siever said that at last he had known something of the joy of living since he had acquired this hirsute adornment of his. "Some of the men let their hair grow long, too," he told Chemorley, "but I think that carrying it too far, I can stand for a haircut once a month, but this thing of shaving every blessed day and wasting the precious hours of a man's life is too much."
Chemorley, having in mind his morning martyrdom of the past three weeks, was disposed to agree with his friend.
He talked it over with Mrs. Chemorley, as in duty bound. She did not seem to entertain the idea favorably.
"I think you look well enough the way your are," she said. "I don't know that I'd like you in a beard at all."
"Well, if it was too bad I could shave it off again," argued Chemorley. "You don't know what a bother it is, this shaving."
Accordingly, he put in an appearance at breakfast the next morning unshaven. Mrs. Chemorley looked at him and snuffed: "I shouldn't think you would want to go downtown looking like that," she said.
"It does take a little strength of mind," admitted Chemorley. "But I'm going to do it, just the same."
Nobody noticed him that day, but the day following, when the stubble had attained a quite respectable length, the comment began. It is not necessary to recount what was said. It was about the usual thing. By the end of the week Chemorley had a decidedly ramshackle appearance.
"Never mind," he said. "If it keeps growing at this rate it will be long enough to trim in a couple of weeks more."
The week following, however, the beard did not seem to progress at the same rate. The growth was almost imperceptible. Still, it was growing, and, in spite of the jeers of his friends and business associates, Chemorley let it grow. At the week's end, though, Chemorley received a letter from an important business connection in San Francisco. The business connection, whose business was worth a great deal to Chemorley, was to arrive in Chicago, it appeared, and he wanted Chemorley to meet him. Chemorley talked that over with his wife.
"I shall entertain him in style, of course," he said. "I'm anxious to make a good impression on that man."
"You are sure to do that with a face bristling like a scrubbing brush," said Mrs. Chemorley, sarcastically. "It may seem a small thing, but there really is a good deal in first impressions," she continued. "If I were you, I would shave."
Chemorley got to thinking it over, and he shaved—for that occasion only.
A week later, just as the stubble had attained a hesitating point, Melba came to town. Chemorley had been rather stunning society, but there was no getting out of taking Mrs. Chemorley to the Auditorium and—
"Well, would you be willing for me to go the way I am?" asked Chemorley.
"If you think you can stand it, I might," replied his wife. "But," she added, "it isn't so very far along now. Don't you think you might shave it this once and then take a fresh start?"
"I don't think so," answered Chemorley, but he shaved.
He was determined to have that beard, however. The week went by and he bristled out finely. Every morning he would remark to Mrs. Chemorley on the blissfulness of not having to strop a razor, lather and scrape for ten, valuable minutes and then being under no necessity of washing out a shaving mug, cleaning, drying and incasing the razor.
The second week was passed. The growth did actually begin to look like a beard. Then—
"My dear," said Mrs. Chemorley, one morning. "Bertha writes me that she is going to make us a little visit and she is going to bring with her—whom do you think? Your old sweetheart, Ella Rogers. It seems that Ella is on her way to New York, and Bertha and she will start east together. So Bertha thought we might like to entertain her for a few days. I'm sure I don't mind you are beginning to look so nice and domestic with that beard. No, I shall not be uneasy."
Chemorley says that some of these days he will join a popular expedition and then he will raise that beard. For the present he has given up the idea.—Chicago Daily News.

WINE IS MIXED WITH FOOD.
Cure for Drunkenness That Proves Highly Efficacious in Norways.
There are few places in the world where the war against alcohol has been carried on so persistently as in Norway, not only by private associations, but by the established authorities as well. In that country drunkards are treated as invalids and every kind of drink cure has been tried.
It is interesting to learn that the most successful treatment has been found to be the cure of drink by drink. The patient is placed upon a diet of wine-soaked food; at first he likes it, but after a day or two disgust sets in and he begins to detest the taste and smell of drink. It is asserted that the most obdurate dipsomaniac can be cured by this treatment in less than a week.
The plan is an old one, but has been found the most obdurate dipsomaniac can be cured by it. It is held to be better than the gold cure, though perhaps a strict trial would show that the apple cure (which the patients are fed on apples) is just as effective and infinitely pleasanter.

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SAME OLD TACTICS.
Field Marshal Oyama Advancing With Lines Extended to Envelop the Russians.

St. Petersburg, April 1.—The news from the front indicates that Field Marshal Oyama has begun a genuine advance of his main army with wings far extended. Heavy reconnaissances are being made against the Russian center with the object of enveloping the Russian position. A telegram from Gushu pass says Gen. Linovitch has forbidden the inhabitants of Harbin and children, to leave that place without special permits, fearing that the town may be decimated by workmen.

Charged With Embezzlement.
Ottawa, Kan., April 1.—Carroll Whiteman, a telegraph operator, said to be known also as J. H. Stanley and Charles Ferguson, was arrested here on a request from Brinkley, Ark. charging embezzlement. Whiteman denies that he is the man. He says his father died Friday in St. Louis and that he had just been summoned home.

Lightning Strikes School Building.
Kansas City, Kan., April 1.—While 650 children were playing in the Riverside school grounds, in this city, waiting for the nine o'clock ball to ring, Friday morning, lightning struck the tall flag pole on the school building. The current splintered the pole, tore off the cupola that rose eight feet above the roof, ran down the walls to the basement and dislodged several of the foundation stones. One pupil, Edna Patton, nine years old, was badly hurt.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE NOW Will Make Independent Investigation of Standard Oil Methods in Kansas Field.

Topeka, Kan., April 1.—The department of justice at Washington will proceed independently of Commissioner Garfield in making an investigation of the situation in the Kansas oil field. It was learned Friday that the federal officers in Kansas have been directed to furnish the department with all information they have of the Standard Oil company's methods in the field. In addition to this information the departments also will receive reports from five secret service men who are now at work in the oil field. These secret service men have been in the field for more than a week and their reports are expected to supplement the information in the hands of the federal officers.

Too Near the Japs.
Columbia, Mo., April 1.—Two Russian students at the state university requested the university authorities re-assign them seats for the reason that they had been given places on the same bench with four Japanese. The Russians claimed that they were embarrassed by the laughter and jokes of the other students. The request was granted.

Snow in Dakota.
Deadwood, S. D., April 1.—Two feet of snow have fallen in the Black hills in the last few days. Trains into the mining region were abandoned one day. The storm did not reach beyond the foothills.

CHARGE CONSPIRACY
J. Morgan Smith and Wife Indicted by New York Grand Jury.

ARRESTED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

It is Alleged That They Conspired with Nan Patterson to Murder Caesar Young.

New York, March 31.—The grand jury in this city yesterday handed down indictments against J. Morgan Smith, Julia Smith, his wife, and Nan Patterson, charging them jointly with conspiracy. The indictments are based on a letter alleged to have been written by Julia Smith to Caesar Young, in which it is alleged, was a threat and a demand for money for the Patterson girl.

This action by the grand jury followed a hearing at the criminal courts building at which several witnesses, including the widow of Caesar Young, William Luce, were examined by Assistant District Attorney Rand, who conducted the recent trial of Nan Patterson, charged with Caesar Young's murder which resulted in a disagreement by the jury.

The arrest of Smith and his wife at Cincinnati, according to the local authorities, will have an important bearing upon the new trial of the Patterson girl on the charge of murder, set for April 19. At a previous trial an attempt was made to prove that the revolver with which Young was shot was purchased by Smith and a woman the day before the tragedy.

A deputy sheriff of the district attorney's office left here yesterday for Albany with requisition papers for Smith and his wife which Gov. Higgins will be asked to sign. As soon as the governor's signature is obtained the deputy will start for Ohio. Assistant District Attorney Garvin will leave for Cincinnati to represent the New York authorities in the extradition proceedings in case Smith later decides to fight the case.

In addition to the conspiracy charge Smith is also under indictment for contempt of court in failing to respond to a subpoena in the preliminary examination before the grand jury. Nan Patterson had not been informed of the arrest of her sister and brother-in-law up to a late hour.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT.
The Proposition of the Dominican Government as Finally Revised.

San Domingo, Republic of Santo Domingo, March 31.—The proposition of Santo Domingo for the payment of the foreign creditors of the republic as finally revised, contemplates the payment to the government of 45 per cent of the customs revenues for current expenses, the remaining 55 per cent to be deposited in a bank in the United States for the creditors and to remain in such depository until the American senate and the Dominican congress act upon the Dawson-Sanchez convention; then, if the convention is ratified the moneys on deposit to be paid to the creditors in fair proportion, but if the convention is rejected the moneys shall be handed over to the Dominican government for the payment of creditors as may be agreed upon between the government and the creditors. Under the proposed plan the American government will appoint a receiver of the customs revenues. Pending a decision as to the fate of the convention all payment of claims will be suspended. All duties, including port charges, will be payable in American gold.

OVERDOSE OF MORPHINE.
Daughter of Thomas Watson Suffers Accidental Poisoning.

San Antonio, Tex., April 1.—A roughing welcome will be given the "Rough Riders" at their reunion here April 6 and 7. The United States army has been given charge of the camp, which will be in Riverside park, the original rendezvous of the regiment. President Roosevelt has expressed a desire to see as many of his old comrades as possible. After a reception the "Rough Riders" will mount bronchos and proceed to camp.

Flash Light Fatal.
Omaha, April 1.—While taking a flash light photograph in a saloon here Albert Butler was instantly killed, and William Coffey, W. J. Murray, M. Levy were seriously injured by an explosion of powder used by the photographer. Butler had set his grip containing a large supply of powder, near the tripod and when he touched off the powder in the flash pan the fire in some manner spread to the grip and the explosion followed.

Killed a Kansas Farmer.
Louisville, Ky., April 1.—S. W. Coler of Jackson county, Kansas, who came here with the intention of marrying Miss Nan Pollard, with whom he had conducted a courtship by mail, left for his home without a bride. He has, however, a more extensive knowledge of the ways of men in big cities than he had when he left Kansas.

Promotion for Gen. Karkovitch.
St. Petersburg, April 1.—It is officially announced that Gen. Karkovitch has been appointed Gen. Linovitch's chief of staff in place of Gen. Sakharoff who has been transferred to the Alexander committee for the care of the wounded. Gen. Stakelberg has also been appointed a member of the same committee.

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Green salt cured No. 1 and 2 round . . . 9 c
Green salt cured side brands, over 40 lbs. . . 8 c
Green salt cured bulls and stags . . . 7 c
Bulls and stags, branded . . . 6 c
Green salt cured glue, including 3 brands under 40 pounds . . . 45c
Green salt cured deacons . . . 25c 4c
Stunks . . . 10c 20c
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Cat-House	50c 75c	50c	25c	10c	Opossum	40c	30c	20c	10c
Cat-House	75c	50c	25c	10c	Otter	\$2.00	1.50	1.00	50c
Cat-Civet	45c	20c	10c	5c	Raccoon	1.00	60c	40c	25c
Fox-Silver Grey	\$100.00	Down	\$2.50	1.00	Skunk	1.25	1.00	75c	50c
Fox-Crown	\$7.00	Down	\$2.50	1.00	Wolf-Hair	\$2.00	1.50	1.00	50c
Fox-R	\$5.00	Down	1.00	50c	Wolf-Prarie	\$1.00	1.00	50c	25c
Fox-Grey	\$1.00	Down	50c	25c	Beaver	\$5.00	Down	1.00	50c
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