GROWING OLD.

- A little more gray in the lessening hair.

 Each day as the years go by;

 A little more stooping in the form,

 A little more dim in the eye

 A little more faltering of the step

 As we tread life's pathway o'er.

 And a little nearer every day

 To the ones who have gone before.
- A little more halting of the gait,
 And a dullness of the ear;
 A growing weariness of the frame
 With each swift passing year
 A fading of hopes and ambitions, too
 A faltering in life's quest.
 And a little nearer every day
 To a sweet and peaceful rest.
- A little more loneliness in life, As the dear ones pass away; A bigger claim on the heavenly land,
- With every passing day.

 A little further from toil and care,
- A little less way to roam;
 A drawing near to a peaceful voyage
 And a happy welcome home. -William Todd Helmuth

THEIR CUSTOMERS WANT

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Will Have No Other.

No better recommendation can be given a medicine than for a person after once having used it, to come back for more. This is especially true of cough medicines, as there are so many on the market that people are apt to experiment with the different preparations until they find one that gives perfect satisfaction. Messrs. D. O. Graham & Co., Gordo, Ala., who have been selling Chamberlain's Remedies for the past three years, say: "We have customers who won't have any other than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We find that when a family once uses it, they call for it again when in need." This is what druggists and dealers all over the country say. It is the best cough medicine in the market for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and when once its good qualities become known in the home, no other is

Ocular Demonstration.

A well-known judge who is as famous for his wit as for his corpulency, was much disturbed in mind by his tendency to ever-increasing stoutness. He tried many remedies, but without any success. At length a friend suggested that he should take a course of treatment at certain hot springs. He immediately set out for the place, sojourned for a few weeks at it, managed to get rid of a good deal of his superfluous flesh, and returned home in a most happy and jocular frame of mind.

On the first morning after his return, when he was wending his way to the court house, he came to the butcher's shop where his family were supplied with meat. Marching inside, he said:

"Cut me off twenty pounds of pork." The butcher sharpened his knife and at once complied. The judge looked at the meat for a minute or two and then walked off.

"Shall I send the pork to your house, my lord?" inquired the butcher, who felt that the judge had overlooked in structions.

"Oh, no," was the reply, given with a smile, "I don't want it. I have fallen off just twenty pounds, and I only wanted to have an idea of how much it was!"-Selected.

Dangers of a Cold and How to Avoid

Them. More fatalities have their origin in or result from a cold than from any other cause. This fact alone should make people more careful as there is no danger whatever from a cold when it is properly treated in the beginning. So many contract colds, however, and recover from them without giving them any attention, that others are led to take desperate chances. They fail to realize that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and paves the way to the more serious diseases that so often follow. The more prudent and careful people everywhere do not permit a cold to run its course but treat it promptly. For many years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been recognized as the most prompt and effectual medicine in use for this disease. It acts on nature's plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. This remedy counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. It is equally valuable for adults and children and is pleasant and safe to

Fresh Air and Sound Health. (San Francisco Bulletin.)

There are many persons who seem afraid of the fresh air. A little rain, a little wind, a little fog, a little chill in the air will keep them within doors. Going out, they bundle up in clothes so thickly that one would think they were tender shrubs transplanted from some more genial clime. The healthy people, however, are not the health cranks, not the people who run to the doctor every time they feel an ache. They are the people who walk a great deal in the fresh air, who live in the open as much as they country every year.

Do not Suppress a Cough,

When you have a cough do not try to suppress it, but remove the cause. The cough is only a symptom of some disease, and the disease is what you should cure, then the cough will stop of itself. The most common cause of coughing is a cold. Anodynes will promptly suppress the cough, and preparations containing chloroform, opium, etc., are used for that purpose, but they do not cure the cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on the other hand does not suppress the cough, but relieves it by removing from the throat and lungs the mucus which obstructed the breathing and caused the coughing and allays the irritation and tickling in the throat. It also opens the secretions and effectually and permanently cures the cold as well as the cough. Try it and become acquainted with its valuable properties, and you will use it year after year, whenever occasion requires.

SERIOUS MIXING OF LETTERS.

Carelessness That Must Have Caused Unpleasant Quarter of an Hour.

A well known citizen of Clay Center had been invited to an evening party. He wanted to go, but his wife declared that she had no gown suitable for the occasion, and asked him to send "regrets' to their hostess. The man went down to his office and penned this facetious note of declination:

"We regret that your kind invitation must be declined for all the conventional reasons, but the real reason is that half the family has nothing to wear. My wife's latest dress is over three weeks old, and her hat is twelve hours out of date. You will appreciate the hopelessness of the occasion and excuse it."

He thought this pretty good, and he determined to write a note to his wife also explaining that he would not be at home for an early dinner, as she had asked him. He said in this note: "I have turned down your invitation

because I am going out to another evening party where the guests are not expected to wear anything of importance. Sorry I won't be there to kiss you good

And then the fool man carelessly sent his wife's note to the hostess and the hostess' note to his wife.—Clay Center

A Rabbit Trapper's Experience.

Rabbit trapping in Australia is carried on quite extensively and has become a profitable, but perilous occupation, as he who engages in it, is exposed to all kinds of weather which endangers his health. Mr. Geo. Andrews of Rochester, Victoria, Australia, says: "My occu-pation as a rabbit trapper obliges me to be out at night attending to the traps, and while doing so, I contracted a severe cold. After trying other cough mixtures on the market, I was induced, on the recommendation of Messrs. Graham Bros., to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a trial. It gave me immediate relief, and three bottles completely cured me. I can with every confidence recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to anybody having a cough or cold."

Changed his Mind.

It is a wise father who knows just child. Jackson, like other men, has a horror of infant prodigies, as exploited by their proud papas. The New York Times tells of his meeting his friend Wilkins, who greeted him with:

"Hello, Jackson! What do you think my little girl said this morning? She's the brightest four year old in town. She said-

"Excuse me, old man!" exclaimed Jackson. "I'm on my way to keep an engagement. Some other time-'

"She said, 'Papa, that Mr. Jackson is the handsomest man I know!' Haw! haw! How's that for precocity, eh?"

And Jackson replied, "Wilkins, I'm a little early for my engagement. That youngster certainly is a bright ex Come into this toy store and help me select a few things that will please a girl of her taste, and I'll send them to her, if you don't mind."

Time has not changed Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

The following letter from Mrs. John W. Lynch of Sheridan, Iowa, the wife of a prominent merchant of that place, shows that she gets the same results from the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy now as when a child at home. It is made expressly for coughs and colds, whether it be a child or an adult who is afflicted and is one remedy that can always be depended upon. She says: "I regard Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the best preparation of the kind made. It was used in my father's family for years and I always use it, as I get quick and good results from taking it."

Prize Fighter and Senator.

Ex-Senator Edward O. Wolcott, of Colorado, has had a number of surprises in his interesting career, but the one he likes to tell of came in Denver a few years ago. It was really a double surprise.

"I was going to Denver on important business and did not care to have my visit generally known," he says, in telling the incident. "Imagine my surprise when the train pulled into the station and found two brass bands waiting for me. I wondered how the news of my visit leaked out. My brain began straightway to think out a little speech. Then I saw the crowd raise another man on its shoulders and carry him out to a waiting carriage. The procession started off without me. The man was James J. Corbett, then champion prize fighter, and what was a mere Senator in comparison?"

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in Old Virginia.

The Hutchinson . Drug Company, which is located at Perry, Oklahoma, can, and who take a vacation in the in speaking of the sale of Chamberam's Cough Remedy, says: "We take pleasure in recommending it to our customers because we believe it honestly made and a meritorious preparation. We sold it in Old Virginia and several other states, covering a period of over twenty years and have always found it to give perfect satisfaction.'

Thought the Doctor Didn't Know.

Every one admitted that Mrs. Thomp son was an excellent disciplinarian. She was a widow with three boys, whom she had brought up to obedience and truth-fulness, if not to joy.

"Children, I have something to tell you," she unnounced one Sunday, on the return of the family from church. "On Thursday afternoon I shall marry Doctor Lane, whom you all know and

respect.''
. There was a sclemn pause, ended by the oldest boy. "Mother," he asked, "when are you going to tell Doctor Lane?"

C. O. D.

A Philadelphian who returned the other day from New Mexico has brought back with him a valuable addition to the bright lexicon of social terms, according to the Philadelphia Press The Southwestern place which he visited was very small and isolated, and its society consisted of but a few familiesthat of the storekeeper and postmaster, that of the liveryman and that of the 'hotel' proprietor. One day, the Philadelphian received a written invitation from the wife of the storekeeper:

······ Mr. and Mrs. Brounesjow Request the Pleasure of Mr. Blank's Presence At a Reception on Thursday next.

C. O. D. The recipient of this missive was somewhat puzzled. He intended, of course, to go to the reception and he was fairly well posted on social usages as they obtain in the East, but that "C. O. D." in the corner pazzled him, and after he had worried over it for some time he decided to go frankly to the storekeeper and ask him about it. "See here, Tom, I'm only a tenderfoot, you know, and I'm not very well up on these things, so I'd like to know-well, hang it! What does 'C. O. D.' meanon this invitation anyway?" Tom gasped. "Don't you know that!" he demanded in horror at such ignorance. 'And you're from a large city, too! Why, I thought every one knew that 'C. O. D means 'Come or decline.'

Personal Experience.

It is human nature, when sick or in trouble, to seek the advice of an experienced friend. We thereby profit by his mistakes and in turn pass our own experience on to some other friend. It has been through these personal experiences and the testimony of friends that Chamberlain's Cough Remady has won its reputation as being the best cough medicine on the market. Mrs. F. Y. O'Neal, who deals in general merchandise at Pettus, Texas, gives her customers the benefit of her own experience with this medicine. She says: We always recommend it to our customers for it always gives satisfaction and we know it is good for we have which story to tell in regard to his own | used it for the past eight years in our family.

Was Recognized.

A joint committee of the recent session of the Louisiana legislature visited the state penal farms at Angola and Hope, according to a story in the New Orleans Picayune, for the purpose of reporting on the work done by the beard of control. The members of the mmittee spent some time talking with the negro convicts, and presently one of the negroes recognized a mer ber of the committee, who is a using young lawyer not a thousand miles from New Iberia.

"You know Mr. B-?" aquired one ef the men. "Yaas, sah, I knows Mr. B --- well.

He's de one dun sent me heah," replied the darky, with a grin spread all over his face.

The man had not heard of Mr. Bofficiating as a prosecuting attorney, and wanted to know how he came to send the convict there.

"He wuz mah lawyer, sah."

Bought Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Sent it to Friends.

Mr. F. W. J. Fletcher, a druggist in Victoria, Australia, who has been handling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy writes of his experience in the sale of this medicine, which shows that it sells on its own merit and when once it is used, none other will take its place. He says: "A customer of mine, was so pleased with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which she had used for her children when suffering from colds and croup, that during a fortnight's time she obtained at my shop, nine bottles which she sent to her friends in different parts of the state, telling them how much good it had done and advising them to give it a trial."

Began at the Foot.

Sir William Van Horne, chairman of the Canadian Pacific Railway, was interviewed in New York not long ago by a young reporter, who insisted on treating him like a foreigner. The Montreal capitalist took it as a matter of course until the interviewer asked innocently: "Did you ever have anything to do

with our American railroads, Sir Wil-

The good knight's eyes sparkled as he

answered: "Oh, yes. I served on both Alton and Illinois Central." "In what offices?" asked the scribe, with pencil ready.

"I sold books on Alton and oranges on Illinois Central," said 'he chairman of the Canadian Pacific quietly; "but that was some little time ago.'

Satisfied Customers.

There is nothing gives a dealer more pleasure than to see his customers satis-fied. It is to his interest to please them if he can and in securing his stock, he makes his selections according to their demands. Letters and testimonials are received from dealers in every community, stating the pleasure they derive from handling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has been in use for more than thirty years and nothing has yet been prepared that gives such satisfaction in the home as a bottle of this medicine. The prompt relief it affords in cases of croup is well known to mothers and its cures of coughs and colds have gained for it an enviable reputation. Mr. H. A. Daily, druggist at Springdale, Ala., says of this remedy: "I have been in ne drug business in this city since 1879 and during all these years I have never handled a remedy that has given better satisfaction than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a pleasure for a druggist to handle honestly made and meritorious goods '

Famous Men's "Last Words."

New York Press: "Last words" of great men are usually faked. I believe Tom Ochiltree was one of the greatest men that ever lived—the greatest in managing to get along on nothing. When the old fellow was on his last legs a Catholic priest was called in to administer extreme unction. At the conclusion of the rite he said: "Now, colonel, you are absolved. You may rest quite easy. Everything is wiped out. You will have a white robe and a pure spirit in which to enter the heavenly gates." The gallant old Texan, rolling over on his side, remarked in a voice shaking with emotion: 'Then you can tell the devil to go to hell!" Within three minutes he was dead.

New York Press: Horace Greeley was one of the most profane men that ever lived. Cursing was second nature to him. He even called himself names that would cause a duel in the south if applied to a friend or enemy. When he realized that he was dying, he said aloud: "Well, the devil's got you at last, you damned old..." A week after the funeral his daughter, Miss Gabrielle Greeley, wrote to Whitelaw Reid, the young editor in the Tall Tower (Tribune,) to know what were the last words of her father, Reid wrote back: "Your dear father's last words were, 'I know that my Redeemer liveth.'

"It Fills the Bill."

These words mean a great deal when used to express a man's opinion of a medicine. Mr. F. H. Skow a merchant of Ellsworth, Mich., has not been without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in his home for several years and has certainly given it a fair trial. He now "It fills the bill," which expresses not only his own satisfaction with it, but the opinion of his customers as well. This medicine is well known everywhere for its prompt cures of coughs and colds.

Resembled his Father.

The youth had adopted the pompadour method of combing his hair and his father didn't like it, reports the Brooklyn Eagle. The latter had an idea that there was only one sensible and manly way to comb the hair, and that was to part it on the side-either side. Everything else was dudish and affected in his opinion. Only a woman was privileged to take liberties with old established methods.

"Young man," he said, as he looked the youth over, ''you look like a fool.' There was no discussion, and shortly thereafter an old friend of the family came in.

"It's startling," he said, by way of pleasant comment, "how much you resemble your father.'' "So he's just been telling me," answered the youth.

The old gentleman looked hard at his son for a moment. "Well," he conceded at last, "I guess your brain hasn't been affected by your

Can not get along without Chamberlain's Pain Balm.

fool notions of hair dressing as yet."

No liniment stands higher in the estimation of those who know its real value than Chamberlain's Pain Balm. There are thousands who feel that they cannot

get along without it. A piece of flannel slightly dampened with this liniment is superior to any plaster, especially for lame back and pains in the side and chest. Daniels Bros. of Leesburg, Ala., say: "We have been selling Chamberlain's Medicines for the last three years and find them good sellers, especially Chamberlain's Pain Balm. We can't get along without it at all."

Fond of Old Stories.

Senator Depew, while acting as president of the New York Central road, was approached for a pass to Syracuse three years in succession by a man with the same pitiful tale of a mother's illness and the strong desire of the applicant to see her once again. Through his sympathetic nature, he had yielded each year, but upon the last occasion with the admonition that the application should never be renewed. Much to his surprise, upon entering his office one morning the following year, he found the applicant, with identically the same

"How dare you come here again with that old story?" he exclaimed. "Why, Mr. Depew," blandly replied the applicant, "I thought that you were fond of old stories."

The cloud fell from Chauncey's face, a smile overspread his features, which remained until the pass was signed and handed over to the applicant.

Danger From Slight Injuries.

Slight injuries are of frequent occurrence in almost every household and while not dangerous, except when blood poisoning results from the injury, they are often quite painful and annoying.

A free application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, gives almost instant relief Vista, Iowa, says that she regards this medicine as the very best liniment made, being unable to hear of or get anything equal to it for rheumatism or as a general household liniment.

Speaking from the Heart.

To every poet. to every writer, we might say:—Be true if you would be believed. Let a man but speak forth with genuine earnestness the thought, the emotion, the actual condition of his own heart; and other men, so strangely are we all knit together by the tie of sympathy, must, and will, give heed to him. In culture, in extent of view, we may stand above the speaker or below him; but in either case his words, if they are earnest and sincere, will find some response within us, for in spite of all casual varieties in outward rank or inward, as face answers to face, so does the heart of man to man .- T. Carlyle.

THE CITY AT NIGHT.

BY LOUISE MORGAN SILL. Night has a thousand mysteries, not least This of a mighty City as it lies With thought self-centered, introspective

That view its own mirage of work or feast,
Its pain and crime, its love and hope and
truth, Its holy joy and its unhappy ruth.
It sees no outer beauty of the night,
No royal stars that tread a stately dance,
No glory of the heavens spread about.
Turned ever inward is the City's sight,

Like men tense-spoken at a game of chance. Unconscious of eternity without. Neuralgia and Sciatica Cured. The great pain relieving power of Chamberlain's Pain Balm has been the

surprise and delight of many sufferers from neuralgia and sciatica. The excruciating pains characteristic of these diseases are quickly allayed by this lini-ment. Mary E. Vaughn of Bakersfield, Mo., has had experience in the use of it and says: "I have been troubled with neuralgia for several years and tried various remedies but found no relief until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It gave immediate relief and I can

The Ruined Photograph,

recommend it to everyone."

One of the most brilliant leaders of society recently lost a little daughter, her only child. Her sorrow was very great, and to keep her hands busied in something about the child, she took a photograph of her that she had, and with rare skill painted it till the sweet

face seemed to live before her eyes. When the work was completed she laid the picture away in a drawer. In a few days she looked at it again, and it was covered with ugly blotches. The eyes and the features were sadly marred. Again with loving patience, she went over the photograph with her brush until it was as beautiful as before, with all the witchery of life. Then she laid it away again, but when she went to it she found it a second time covered with marring spots.

It was altogether ruined. There was something wrong with the paper. Some chemical ingredient in it, mingling with the paint, produced the spots. No matter how beautiful the picture was made on its surface, up ever out of the heart of the paper would come the ooze of decay, spoiling it all.

It is just so with human lives. While the heart is wrong it is no use to try to appear good. The only way to live a pure and noble life is by having a clean, good heart.

Antiseptic Surgery.

By applying an antiseptic dressing to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, they may be heated without maturation and in about one third the time required by the old treatment. This is the greatest discovery and triumph of modern surgery. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries, causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness and prevents any danger of blood poisoning. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering such injuries entail.

Far too Literal.

J. T. Trowbridge, the aged author, is writing his autobiography, at his home in Arlington, Mass. Mr. Trowbridge was born in Ogden, N. Y., and the other day he said:

"From Ogden I went to school at Lockport in my boyhood, and there was a Lockport stone cutter whom I used to talk to, for he had a mind as simple as a

"I remember a job that he undertook -the job of cutting a sentence from Scripture over the door of a little stone church. The committeemen who intrusted him with this job didn't comprehend his childlike, unreflecting nature, or they wouldn't have couched their order in the terms they did.

"They wanted, they said, the sen-tence, My house shall be called a house of prayer.' He told them they had better write it down for him. But they said it would only be necessary to write down the chapter and verse and he could copy the sentence right out of the Good Book.

"Well, our Lockport stone cutter copied the sentence, but he didn't end it where he should have ended; he went right on to the sentence's conclusion. The result was that the legend over the church door read:

"My house shall be called a house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.'

Badly Injured Finger Promptly Cured by Chamberlain's Pain Balm. A good liniment and one that can be

relied upon is nowhere more appreciated than in the country. There is scarcely a week passes but that some member of the family has need of it. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is more widely known than any other liniment and being antiseptic, prevents any danger of blood poisoning and causes the wounds to heal in much less time than any other treatment requires. Mrs. A. juries in one-third the time required by G. Brown, the wife of a merchant at any other treetment. Mr. John Farling, Sr., Steelstown, Lebanon Co., Pa., gives his experience with this remedy as follows: '1 was cutting limbs from a tree and had an axe and a saw in my hand. The axe slipped and I caught it. In acing so I chopped a big piece out of my linger to the bone at the second joint My son got a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm from the dealer here and in a few weeks 't healed my finger all right."

Thrown From a Wagon.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one-third the time required by any other treatment