

AN OPEN LETTER.
FROM A PROMINENT PHYSICIAN.

A Remarkable Cure of Consumption in Its Last Stages—Is This Once Dread Disease Conquered?—Important Facts to all Suffering from Disease or Weak Lungs.

ELMWOOD, Ont., Aug. 21st, 1894.
DEAR SIR:—I wish to call your attention to a remarkable cure of consumption. In March, 1893, I was called in my professional capacity to see Miss Christina Koester, of North Brant, who was then suffering from an attack of inflammation of the left lung. The attack was a severe one, the use of the lung being entirely gone from the effect of the disease. I treated her for two weeks when recovery seemed assured. I afterwards heard from her at intervals that the progress of recovery was satisfactory. The case then passed from my notice until June, when I was again called to see her, her friends thinking she had gone into consumption. On visiting her I found their suspicions too well founded. From robust health she had wasted to a mere skeleton, scarcely able to walk across the room. She was suffering from an intense cough, and expectoration of putrid matter, in fact about a pint each night. There was a burning hectic fever with chills daily. A careful examination of the previously diseased lung showed that its function was entirely gone, and that in all probability it was entirely destroyed. Still having hopes that the trouble was due to a collection of water around the lung I asked for a consultation, and the following day with a prominent physician of a neighboring town again made a careful examination. Every symptom and physical sign indicated the onset of rapid consumption and the breaking down of the lungs. Death certainly seemed but a short time distant. A regretful experience had taught me the uselessness of the ordinary remedies used for this dread and fatal disease, and no hope was to be looked for in this direction. I had frequently read the testimonials in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in wasting diseases, but not knowing their composition hesitated to use them. Finally, however, I decided to give them a trial, and I am free to say that I only used them at a stage when I knew of absolutely nothing else that could save the patient's life. The test was a most severe one and I must also admit an unfair one, as the patient was so far gone as to make all hope of recovery seem impossible. A very short time, however, convinced me of the value of Pink Pills. Although only using an ordinary soothing cough mixture along with the pills, within a week the symptoms had abated so much that it was no longer necessary for me to make daily calls. Recovery was so rapid that within a month Miss Koester was able to drive to my office, a distance of about six miles, and was feeling reasonably well, except for weakness. The expectoration had ceased, the cough was gone and the breathing in the diseased lung was being restored. The use of the Pink Pills was continued until the end of October, when she ceased to take the medicine, being in perfect health. I still watched her case with deep interest, but almost a year has now passed and not a trace of her illness remains. In fact she is as well as ever she was, and no one would suspect that she had ever been ailing, to say nothing of having been in the clutches of such a deadly disease as consumption. Her recovery through the use of Pink Pills after having reached a stage when other remedies were of no avail is so remarkable that I feel myself justified in giving the facts to the public, and I regret that the composition of the pills is not known to the medical profession at large in order that their merit might be tested in many more diseases and their usefulness be thus extended. I intend giving them an extended trial in the case of consumption, believing from their action in this case (so well marked), that they will prove a curative in all cases where a cure is at all possible—I mean before the lungs are entirely destroyed. Yours truly,
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The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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Note.—The editor of this paper has already received copies of above pictures and consider them really "Gems of Art."

Suicide at St. John.

ST. JOHN, Sept. 15.—A shocking discovery was made about 1.30 this afternoon by the teamster of Quinsler sausage establishment at Portland bridge. Lying on the floor in the smoke house was the proprietor with his limbs drawn up. Thinking that Mr. Quinsler had become suddenly ill and had fallen, the hired man raised

the body and dragged it to the front store. The sight was horrible. Quinsler had cut his throat from ear to ear making a frightful gash. His clothes were covered with blood in the pool in which the unfortunate man had been lying but a few minutes before he was found. Deceased leaves a wife and family and was well known and popular. What caused him to commit the rash act is not known, but the supposition is that his system was much reduced since he underwent treatment for the cure of alcoholism in one of the institutions in the city, that guaranteed to cure it.

Kent Junction.

SEPT. 18.—Mrs. Malcolm McKinnon paid her sister, Mrs. J. W. Morton, a visit two days last week.

Mrs. H. C. Davidson of Moncton, paid a very pleasant call at the Depot House one day last week.

Miss Mayme and Katie Stevenson paid their brother, Mr. J. D. Stevenson, night agent, a short visit last Tuesday.

Miss Clarke went to Harcourt Saturday evening, and returned on Monday morning.

A small party from here went to Molus River on Sunday, and paid Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ward a very pleasant visit, and returned by the K. N. R.

Miss Mamie Murray, daughter of Conductor Murray of the K. N. R., and Miss Nellie McKinnon, of Richibucto, made Miss Lizzie Morton a visit on Saturday and returned the same day, accompanied by Miss Lizzie who spent Sunday with her uncle at Claremont Cottage.

Mrs. C. Blakeney, accompanied by her little son Melburn, went to Acadiaville Tuesday morning to visit friends.

Miss Lizzie Horton arrived at her home to pay her father, Mr. James Horton, postmaster, a visit.

Mr. Robert LeGoof paid Harcourt a short visit last week.

Mr. L. P. McMichael of West Branch, paid a short visit at the Depot House last week.

Mrs. Bowen Smith, and daughters, Miss Katie and Jessie, of Smith's Mills, Cocagne, are expected to make a visit at her sister's at the Depot House.

Mrs. Dr. Ferguson of Kingston, passed through here en route to her home in Newcastle.

W. J. Duffy and bride passed here on their way to Moncton.

Miss Mabel Wood met with a slight accident which kept her confined to the house a day or two.

Mr. Fred Ferguson and bride made a short call on their way to Richibucto.

H. Livingston was not at his place Monday morning, but is expected to day.

W. N. Wood of Kingston, was in town a few hours last week.

Our school house has been fixed by Mr. Hiram LeGoof, assisted by several of our rising young carpenters. The building presents a better appearance.

There is some talk of the organization of a debating society among the young men of Kent Junction. We think they will have a very exciting topic for the first meeting. 'Tis to be hoped it will be open to all.

Mr. D. Morrison of Newcastle, the popular merchant of canned goods, passed through on his way to Richibucto.

Coal Branch.

A number of young people assembled at Mr. D. Lawson's, Wednesday evening, to trip the light fantastic toe. The party broke up at a late hour and all expressed themselves well pleased with the evening's amusements.

Our friend Anthony says he is now the happiest man in the world.

Messrs. George and Robert Walker of South Branch, visited friends here last week.

Dame Rumor says that brother Bart is about to take unto him a life partner. We extend congratulations.

The Rev. S. Smith, of Grangeville, preached here last Sunday. The subject was ably handled, and was attentively listened to by a very large audience.

Notwithstanding the dullness of times there has been quite an activity in building operations here this summer.

One would think to see the number of teams going down Broadway, Sunday evening, that our young people were trying to enjoy life.

NUGGETS.

—Mr. Wm. E. Forbes went to Chatham, Wednesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Henry O'Leary went to St. John, Monday.

—Mrs. W. A. Ferguson returned from Newcastle Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Patton, of Truro, left for home, Thursday.

—Mr. James Starrak, of West Weldford, was in town, Tuesday.

—Dr. R. P. Doherty is in Kent County on his regular trip this month.

—Mr. John L. Stevens, of the Moncton Times, was in town, Wednesday.

—Mr. D. Morrison has shipped two carloads of blueberries from Molus River.

—Louis O'Leary, son of Mr. Henry O'Leary, left for Montreal to attend college there.

—Miss Nellie Walsh, formerly of Kouchibouguac, returned from Boston, Tuesday.

—Mr. Wm. O'Leary, M. A., left last week for St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, where he will take charge of one of the classes.

—On hand, a small supply of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer and Dr. Kline's Great Anti-Bilious Elixir and Blood Purifier—W. W. Short, Richibucto.

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—Rev. Thomas Street who taught the grammar school in Richibucto some years ago, has accepted a call to take charge of the Episcopal congregation at Harcourt.

—At the hearing of the complaints made at the instance of Constable David Delhanty against Andrew Fraser of Weldford before Stipendiary Richardson last Friday, a number of witnesses were examined and the proceedings occupied the Court till a late hour in the evening. The first case tried was the preliminary examination of the charge against Fraser for stealing three logs, levied upon and seized by Delhanty under an execution at the suit of B. S. Bailey against Fraser issued by Justice Livingston. It was proved that the logs were subsequent to the levy hauled to the mill of Councillor Thomas Atkinson, Mortimore, and delivered by Fraser who requested Mr. Atkinson to saw them for him. The Stipendiary considered the evidence sufficient to send the case up for trial at the next sitting of the County Court. In the second case, in which Fraser was charged with interfering with and obstructing Constable Delhanty in the discharge of his duty, by preventing the sale of a quantity of hay levied on under the same execution, a good deal of somewhat contradictory testimony was given, but the Magistrate was of opinion that the charge of obstructing the constable was established, and thereupon imposed a fine of ten dollars and costs or two months in gaol. The fine was subsequently paid. Mr. Phinney conducted the prosecution for Mr. Delhanty and Mr. McInerney appeared for Mr. Fraser.

Enemies of the Oysters.

The star fish is one of the greatest pests with which the oystermen have to deal. One of these beautiful creatures will destroy many thousands of oysters during the spawning season. It is the worst enemy these popular bivalves have to contend with, says the N. Y. Tribune. From the number which are taken from an oyster bed by some of the modern appliances for destroying them it would seem that they are as numerous as the seemingly five pointed worlds which shine on the top of the water on a clear summer night.

They hover about the oyster bed in June, July and August, in schools, droves myriads or any collective noun which expresses the largest number. They eat the young oysters, or spawn, after it is deposited on the old shells, which are planted every summer, and sometimes almost destroy the whole bed when left to themselves.

For years the oystermen have been trying to find some method of destroying the star-fish without injuring the oysters. They formerly went through the beds with an oyster rake and caught a good many in that way. But that method was extremely injurious to the oysters. It disturbed the spawn on the shells and killed many of the young oysters.

Of late years another method has been used. An instrument much resembling a huge mop is constructed for this work. The mops are sometimes fifteen or twenty feet wide. They are made of cotton strings, loosely coiled. This is drawn over the oyster beds so that the strings drag over the oysters. It does not disturb the young bivalves, but it makes a trap from which the star-fish find it difficult to escape.

The star-fish are covered with sharp hooks or barbs, which are so small that they can scarcely be seen. They can be felt, however, if one is taken in a person's hand. These barbs catch in the strings of the mop and the fish cannot disentangle themselves.

The mop is drawn up every few minutes and dumped into a cauldron of boiling water. The star-fish are killed and cooked all at the same time, but as they are unfit for eating purposes the cooking is unnecessary. When the cauldron is so full that no more can be put in it, the fish are dumped back in the ocean again. Millions of star-fish are destroyed in this way every year, and yet they seem just as numerous as ever.

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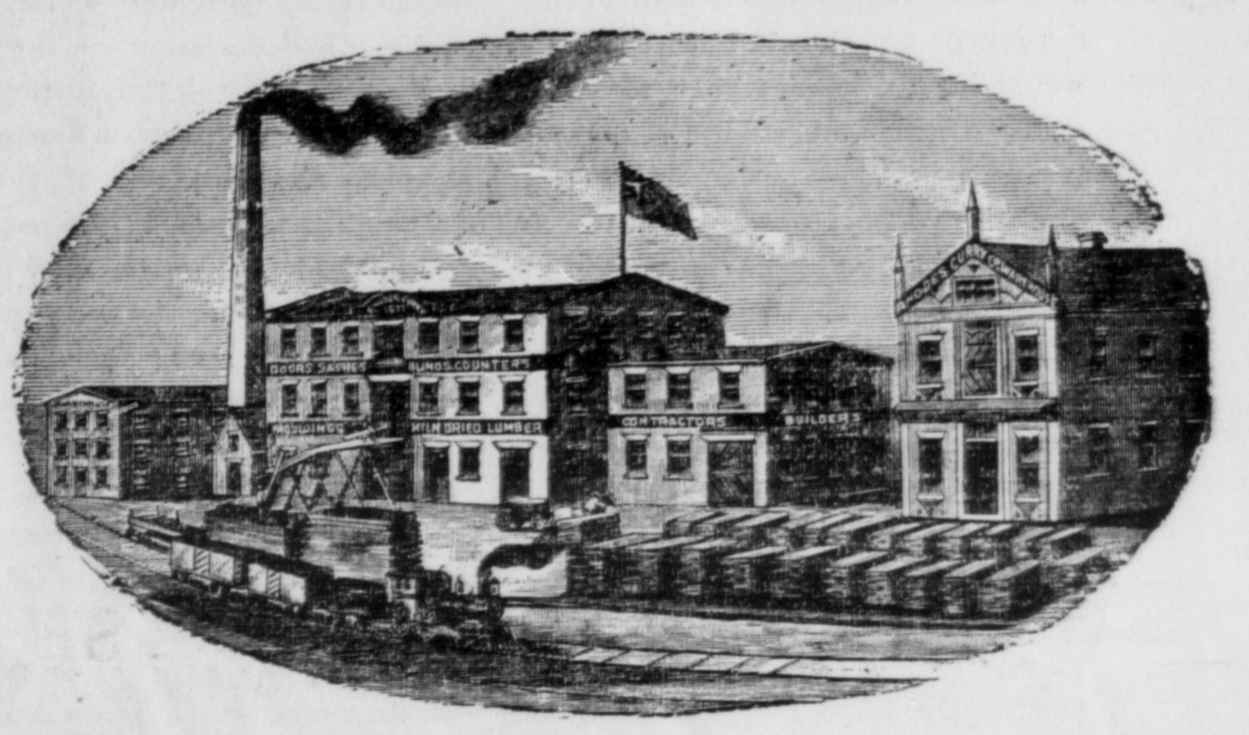
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