

## ONLY A BUTTON!

Something clinked on the floor of the cur and half a dozen people stooped down to find that which was lost. All except the loser.

"Please don't worry about finding it," she said apologetically. "It was only a button."

Whereupon the searchers straightened their backs, in full agreement that a button was a thing not worth looking for.

This is a common attitude, for most people are apt to regard buttons as insignificant items, sometimes useful, but otherwise uninteresting. Which is as wrong as can be, for the evolution of a button is full of unexpected parcels, and a button factory, prosaic though it may sound, has romance in every corner of it.

The geography of a button alone commands attention, for the materials used for the making of these everyday articles come from all parts of the earth, and travellers are constantly journeying into strange countries in order that supplies may not fall short.

In Western Australia there are the great pearl fisheries where mother-of-pearl, one of the basic materials for buttons, is found. The opalescent shells are graded and sorted before being packed into sacks and crates for export and there have been times when little pearls, which have evaded the lynx eyes of the "fishers," have been found in the shells when these packages have been unpacked in London factories.

Buttons from Nuts, Apples, and Milk. Vegetable ivory, another leading material from which buttons are made, is collected chiefly in South America and Africa. From the former comes the corozo nut, the commonest sort of vegetable ivory, while Africa grows a strange apple, which in due course hardens to the hardness of ivory. Thousands of these nuts and apples are converted into buttons every year.

Compressed caseln, that is, dried milk treated with acid and subjected to high hydraulic pressure, is being used extensively for button-making today, though a quarter of a century ago this substance was unknown. Some of these "milk buttons" are very beautiful.

The processes of button-making are more complicated than one might guess. A button manufacturer with a turn for statistics lately proved that over a thousand different things happened before a certain button could be put on the market.

Button-making is largely a woman's job, and hundreds of different sorts of buttons are made in a single factory, styles changing with every season and being well ahead of time. The buttons for December, 1924, for instance, are manufactured in early spring. To simplify counting buttons, a computing scale is used—a single button in the small scale being equivalent to a gross of buttons in the main scale.

## Music Was Created for the Children.

Music is not merely a privilege to be enjoyed by those children whose parents may happen to be in a position to pay for their training and for the necessary instrument. Music is the child's birthright. Music was created for him, for it was here when he arrived. Music was in the world before the coming of man. It was here in the singing birds. In the rustling of the leaves, in the whispings of the wind, and in the running streams.

Only two per cent. of the children are tone deaf, of the other ninety-eight per cent. have some musical capacity in varying degrees naturally, but they all have it. Some will take more readily to mathematics than others, who again may become more efficient in literature, in history, or in languages.

But because all children have not the same capacity in these subjects there is no reason for keeping a knowledge of these and other subjects from them.

The parent is anxious that the child shall have some musical instruction, not necessarily with the idea of making a professional of the child, but for the rounding out of his character and for all the mental and physical advantages that musical instruction provides.

## Listening for a Metal.

Old legends tell of men who had the power to look down into the earth and see where gold and silver lay hidden. We cannot do this yet, but some thing almost as wonderful is now possible: we can listen and hear the veins of precious metal.

Two Swedish engineers, Mr. Hans Lundberg and Mr. Harry Natharst, have invented an electrical instrument which will locate metallic ores under the ground and indicate their presence by making a sound that can be heard.

The prospector carries the instrument over the ground he is prospecting, and, with telephone receivers fixed on his head, listens. When the instrument passes over a vein a sound is heard, and the prospector knows that what he seeks is somewhere beneath his feet.

In England, a thermometer is being used to fish for hake, a fish said to regulate its movements by the temperature of the water.

Women and princess must trust somebody.

Sighs are the natural language of the heart.

## GRATEFUL PARENTS POUR OUT THANKS TO TANLAC

### Five in One Family Are Helped—Mother and Father Give Details.

The value of Tanlac as a family medicine and tonic is again very forcefully demonstrated. This time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Kaake, 2436 Kirby Ave. West, Detroit, Mich., where father and mother and every member of the family have been benefited by the wholesome and helpful ingredients of the famous preparation.

Recently, in speaking for herself and children, Mrs. Kaake said: "For more than a year our three little ones—John, age 6; Elwyn, 4; and Margaret, 2,—had been so peaked and lifeless that we were seriously worried about them. Their stomachs were upset, appetites poor, the color had left their cheeks, their nights were restless, and during the day they would just mope around, taking no interest in play or anything else.

"They began to eat and sleep better almost from the first dose of Tanlac, and have picked up now until you couldn't find three healthier or more active children in all Detroit. They eat ravenously, the color of health has returned to their cheeks, and they

just want to be on the go all the time. I have also taken Tanlac to build me up, and it never seems to fail."

"As to my personal experience with Tanlac," said Mr. Kaake, "I simply can't express in words the great help it gave me. About a year ago I was a victim of boils, actually having fifty-one on me, and was so played out that I couldn't do a bit of work for weeks. My suffering was almost unbearable. I cared little for food, suffered with severe headaches and stomach pains, and got so weak and nervous that I felt discouraged.

"Tanlac corrected my stomach disorders, woke up my appetite, cleansed my blood and toned up my system so that the boils went away, and nothing of the kind has bothered me since. I have gained 25 lbs. in weight, sleep and feel like a brand new man. We have given Tanlac a fair trial and found it wonderful, and if anyone doubts our statement they can write personally. We wouldn't think of being without Tanlac."

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### Lions and Leopards Ravage North Rhodesia Farms.

Farmhouses in the bush bordering on the northern Rhodesian frontier have recently been in a state of siege owing to the activities of lions. The animals have come out of the jungle in daylight and attacked the farm animals, carrying off some of them.

In some cases the natives working on the farms have been attacked, and several have been killed. The lions are often joined by leopards and have appeared in such numbers that the settlers are forced to go about only in large groups and to keep a constant guard over their families and stock.

The wife of a railroad employee reports a thrilling adventure in this connection. Mrs. McLean left her home at Garuise on a bicycle to visit neighbors. Reaching a river she found two large lions on the bank. She was so startled that she could not retreat and prepared to fight for her life, but at the first shot the animals ran. She then proceeded and shortly came across a big leopard eating an ox. The leopard also made a hasty getaway, but followed Mrs. McLean for some time.

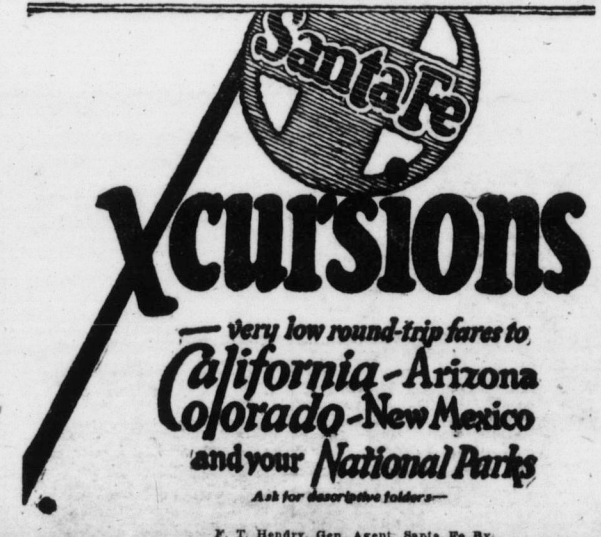
Arriving at the farm she found it had been attacked for several weeks by the animals and many cattle had been lost. Next day she was escorted back to her home by a neighbor and ten natives, who, on leaving Mrs. McLean, found they had been tracked all the way by lions. Mrs. McLean's escape was probably due to the fact that the animals had eaten their fill of oxen.

### A SPLENDID LAXATIVE FOR THE BABY

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### How Civilized Are You?

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## A Poem You Ought to Know.

"In the Spring."  
The chief literary figure of the Victorian age was Lord Tennyson, Poet Laureate. The following passage from "Locksley Hall" represents the poet at his best:—

In the Spring a fuller crimson comes upon the robin's breast;  
In the Spring the wanton lapwing gets himself another crest;  
In the Spring a livelier iris changes on the burnished dove;  
In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love.

Then her cheek was pale and thinner than should be for one so young,  
And her eyes on all my motions with a mute observance hung.  
And I said, "My cousin Amy, speak, and speak the truth to me.  
Trust me, cousin, all the current of my being sets to thee."

On her pallid cheek and forehead came a color and a light,  
As I have seen the rosy red flushing in the northern light.  
And she turned—her bosom shaken with a sudden storm of sighs—  
All the spirit deeply dawning in the dark of hazel eyes—  
Saying, "I have hid my feelings, fearing they should do me wrong";  
Saying, "Do not thou love me, cousin"; weeping, "I have loved thee long."

Love took up the glass of Time, and turned it in his glowing hands;  
Every moment, lightly shaken, ran itself in golden sands.  
Love took up the harp of Life, and smote on all the cords with might;  
Smote the chord of Self, that, trembling, passed in music out of sight.

## GIRLHOOD DANGERS

### Can Be Avoided by Keeping the Blood Rich and Pure.

The anaemia of young girls may be inherited, or it may be caused by bad air, unsuitable food, hasty and irregular eating, insufficient out-door exercise and not enough rest and sleep. It comes on gradually, beginning with languor, indisposition to exertion and a feeling of fatigue. Later comes palpitation of the heart and headaches. In the majority of cases constipation is present, and the complexion takes on a greenish-yellow pallor. The treatment is quite easy and simple. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are just the tonic to remedy this wretched state of health. They act directly upon the blood, and as it becomes rich and pure strength and activity returns, the glow of health comes to the cheeks, and soon the troubles will disappear. It comes on health follow. Miss Pearl Parks, R.R. No. 1, Reabro, Ont., has proved the value of this medicine, and her statement will point the way to health to all other weak girls. She says:—"I was very ill with anaemia. I could not sleep at night, my appetite was poor, my face and lips were very pale and my eyes dull. I got so weak that I could not go upstairs without resting. I took dizzy and fainting spells, had no ambition whatever, and did not care to go about. I was in this condition for nearly a year. I had treatment from two doctors; but I could not regain my strength, so my mother, who was very uneasy about me, decided I should try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After using the pills for a while I felt somewhat better, and continued taking them until I had used about a dozen boxes, when I was again well and strong. I can strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the treatment of any suffering from anaemia."

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**Willie's Wisdom.**  
Willie was fishing.  
"Willie!"  
It was his mother's voice, but he was sheltered from the house by trees, and she could not possibly see him.  
So Willie went on fishing.  
"Willie!"  
Still Willie went on fishing.  
"Willie!"  
Willie began re-baiting his hook. He had just secured the worm when his friend, Bert, approached.  
"Don't you hear your mother calling you?" said Bert. "That's three times she's shouted. Aren't you going in?"  
"No," responded Willie, imperturbably.  
"Won't she whip you?" asked his friend.  
"No," repeated Willie, disdainfully. "She ain't going to whip nobody. She's got company; so when I go in she'll just say, 'The poor little fellow's been so deaf since he had the measles.'"

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A foreigner just beginning to speak English recently desired a helping of boiled tongue, so he said to the man next to him: "Will you please be so kind as to pass me the language?"

Watches are sometimes very seriously affected by the magnetism of their wearers. In most cases those who have this effect are dark complexioned.

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## STORIES OF WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE

### MacDonald's Magic Hat.

"Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's magic top hat will live in story as one of the most potent pieces of headgear ever created—it has sent up the prices of stocks and shares," says the Daily Express.

"Prices began to rise on Tuesday as soon as the fact became known that the new prime minister had donned a top hat when he was summoned to Buckingham Palace.

"They continued to rise on Wednesday and Thursday, and yesterday they were higher than at any time during the week."

### The Parson and the Pig.

Famous as the author of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the late Rev. S. Baring-Gould told a quaint story of an old Cornish woman who was worried about the health of her favorite pig, and asked him to say a prayer over it. He suggested that it might be as well if she brought a "vet" to the animal, but she had such faith that he went to the pigsty and thus addressed the porker:

"O pig, if thou livest thou livest; but O pig, if thou diest thou diest."

The animal got well and strong, and the old lady believed that it was the parson who cured it!

### Interpreting Her.

A delightful story, reminiscent possibly of his own schooldays, was told recently by General Sir Ian Hamilton. It concerned a lady who drove up to the entrance of the football field of a certain big public school.

Alighting from her car she called to one of the boys, and said, "Will you tell the Hon. Algernon de Montmorency that his mother, Lady Fitzwater, wishes to see him?"

A moment later the boy was heard shouting, "Stinker, your mother's landed!"

### How He Knew This Ship.

Scotsmen tell stories against one another with gusto, but it has been reserved for no less a personage than the Madquess of Aberdeen to start broad casting them.

Here, for instance, is one, and to an Aberdeen audience, too.

An old pilot at a certain port of entry professed to be able to tell the home port of any incoming vessel within a reasonable distance by what seamen still call "the cut of her jib," meaning thereby her general appearance, and did so.

To test his powers still further, however, an onlooker called his attention to one in the far distance.

The pilot gazed long and earnestly, and eventually pronounced her to be an Aberdeen boat.

He proved to be right, and a chorus of surprised voices inquired how he knew.

"No seagulls following her!" was his terse reply.

### Harbor Lights.

I rarely glimpse from this far hill The sapphire hand they call the sea. For my home broods within the wood And I am held there helplessly.

But I can feel its mighty breath When all the world is wild with wind; And I can hear the voice of it When great ships cry, fog-frightened, blind;

And always in the fine-spun dark Between the leaves I see its eyes; The tireless, gleaming, friendly fires That guide each captain's enterprise.

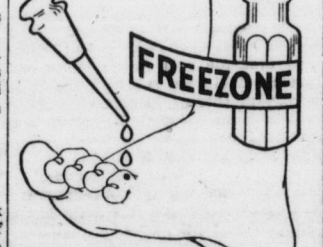
One steadfast light is poised o'er all; A silver shaft leaps up to it To fix it there—so they believe— For none save seamen's benefit.

Yet though my ship's an empty room, My haven but a visioned thing, That constant star points out a port Where I may find an entering.

—Gardner Weeks Wood.

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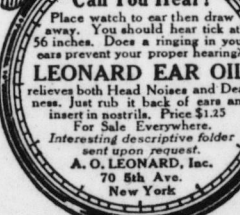
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