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Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

WHICH ARE YOU?



Are you a loser or a finder? I think all people are divided into those two classes—the people who are always rushing in and saying, "Isn't it terrible, I lost such and such," and the people who are always saying, "What do you suppose? Yesterday when I was down-town I

lost a chance for a Medium.

When I think of the things I have lost, well, words come. Sometimes I am going to out-spiritualism by going to a medium and asking her to materialize me the people who are wearing these various articles—and give me the pleasure of seeing these treasures in their present positions. I think I would especially like to see mother's cameo pin and beautiful gold bar pin that I inherited from my grandmother. I suppose more people lose umbrellas than any other article. I don't like to see an umbrella and I don't like to see a child's hat. I would like to see all to see the umbrella which I lost on a 2,000-mile trip with me. I don't like to see my home city several exciting adventures (I lost it once in a telephone booth, returned it half an hour afterwards.

rushed back and, miracle of miracles, was reunited to it, and then left it in the trolley as I was riding to my home.

Where, I wonder, do all these lost umbrellas go, anyway? I am sure there are never half so many found as are lost. But when you come to think of it, that is true about everything. The two classes of finders and losers are far from even. One hears of losses five times as often as of finds.

People Who Find and Keep.

Perhaps the finders do not always think best to talk about their finds. I can see that when they follow the policy of "findings is keepings" they might not care to advertise their findings. And there is no question but what many people do follow this policy, even when some easy agency exists for the finding of the owner. Take, for instance, the umbrellas and other articles lost on street cars and trains. If these are taken to the lost article office by the finder, they are given to the owner if he arrives within 90 days and proves ownership. If he does not, the finder may have them with a clear conscience. Yet how many umbrellas are never taken to the office! I know, for I have visited it several times without success in the hope of being reunited to mine. There are times when I think that if I found someone's umbrella (I never did) I would keep it to reimburse myself for some of my losses, but I fancy if that miracle ever happened, my sympathetic imagination would make me see the poor loser going to the "lost and found" office with high hopes and going away disappointed, and I would just have to turn it in.

How to Stop Losing Things. I once heard a woman lecturer who advised to help build better characters and more efficient lives, answering questions from the platform. One of the questions asked was "I

am always losing things. How can I stop it?"

The lecturer answered that the loser was probably trying to do too much and didn't have her mind on her possessions. Somehow that answer made me think of another question and answer. A woman who always wore white clothes and kept them marvellously dainty and clean, was asked how she did it. "I think of them constantly when I have them on," she said.

Of course there is a happy middle course in everything. When everyone takes it, the millennium will have been attained.

Evades the Issue.

An inch more of defiance and an all manner of excuses will be the general comment passed upon the latest note of Germany to the Allies, on the delicate question of disarmament. It is still abundantly clear that Germany is trying to throw dust in the eyes of the Entente and to wriggle out of the obligations solemnly entered into at Spa, but the truculent tone that was adopted when the speeches of the Ministers in the occupied territory were under discussion gives place to a certain disingenuousness and a plea that Germany is helpless to do more than she has accomplished hitherto.

This change of attitude is no new thing with Berlin. The diplomats of the Wilhelmstrasse can change their coat with a lightning rapidity that a quick change artist may envy. The temper of their antagonists is at once reflected in their methods, and they are quick to meet weakness with insolence and firmness with a fawning humility.

The essence of the latest note lies in the claim of Germany that special conditions prevail in East Prussia and Bavaria which prevent the stripping of the Civil Guards of those areas. It is against the retention of arms and artillery by these Citizen Defence Forces (Einwohnerwehr) that the strong note of the Allies was directed. Germany claims, in effect, that the population of Bavaria is still completely under the influence of the notorious Bela Kun in 1919, and that it is to prevent a recurrence of the lawless conditions that prevailed under that reign of Communism that the Einwohnerwehr have been organized and are still maintained. Germany further claims that they are an entirely civil organization, under the control of the Bavarian Minister of the Interior. The Allies, however, have good grounds for the belief that the organization is military in everything but name, that it is recruited from officers and men of the old German war machine, and that it forms the nucleus of an army which could be used for a lightning attack should Germany have a recurrence of the brain-storm that afflicted her in 1914. Montreal Daily Star.

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If you would know a happy man, Go find the fellow who Has had a bout with trouble grim And just come smiling through.

The load is off his shoulders now, Where yesterday he frowned And swore there was no joy in life, He laughs his way around.

He's done the very thing he thought That he could never do, His sun is shining high to-day And all his skies are blue.

He's stronger than he was before, He should trouble come anew, He'll know how much his strength can bear And how much he can do.

To-day he has the right to smile, And he may say, "I sing, For he has conquered where he feared To come to failure's sting.

Comparison has taught him, too, The sweetest joys are those Which follow on the heels of care To free us from our woes.

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THE LAW'S DELAY.

Near San Francisco, recently, three delegates were lynched; they were in jail, their weird to do, for crimes revolving, pinched. And masked men came, perhaps three score, as grim as doom or fate, and strung them to a

gallows, which groaned beneath their weight. And law abiding people then sent up an angry cry: "We have our law, and it should be honored."

Whereat a most sardonic smile, who stood at my right hand, remarked, "The people would not wait to see those monsters

cannibals. And so the stars above us saw a scene of death and woe; the people weary of the law, it is so beastly slow. A fiend is tried, tried again, and tried another time, until the weary sons of men forget his ancient crime. And if at last some prison grim should hide his sordid form, some governor will pardon him before his bunk is warm.

Oh, through some writ that has a flaw, to fresh crimes he must go; the people weary of the law, it is so beastly slow." I looked with scorn upon the gink who talked in such a way; I looked with scorn, but couldn't think of anything to say.

The Earliest Triple Alliance.

As Louis XIV. had married Maria Theresa, the daughter of Phillip IV. of Spain, he, on the death of her father, claimed, in right of his wife, the Spanish Netherlands; and with a powerful army invaded the country in 1677. In order to check the ambitious designs of the French King, a league, called "The Triple Alliance," was formed between England, Holland, and Sweden, on January 13, 1688. Louis was thus under the necessity of signing the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, the conditions of which were that Spain should give up to Louis all the towns conquered by him, and that Louis should renounce all claims on the rest of Flanders. This pleased the English people highly, and Charles II, who was then King, became, for once, a great favorite. Little, however, did the nation dream how baseless it was being tricked, and what foul stains were deepening kingly honour. For while Charles openly professed hostility to Louis, he was secretly receiving £200,000 a year from him. The negotiations between the Courts of England and France were conducted by a handsome Frenchwoman, Madame Carwell, who

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On the 13th of January, 1793, at English Harbor, Antigua, the well-known duellist, Lord Camelford, was acting as Lieutenant-in-charge of the "Favourite," sloop of war, while a Lieut. Peterson was first lieutenant of the "Perdrix," a larger ship. Captain Fable, of the "Perdrix," who was in command of the port, being absent on leave, the alarm guns were suddenly fired, whereupon Lord Camelford sent an order to Lieut. Peterson to hold the crew of the "Perdrix" in readiness to act, and to keep a good lookout at the entrance of the harbor. This order Lieut. Peterson, considering himself temporarily in command, thought proper to disregard. Lord Camelford remonstrated with him on what he called the impropriety of his conduct, but without being able to convince Lieut. Peterson of being in the wrong. The latter, in fact, dismissed his ship's company, landed and drew them up in the dockyard, and prepared to resist the authority of Lord Camelford, who had brought his men ashore also. Suddenly Lord Camelford took a pistol from the hand of an officer of his ship, and going up to the entrance of the harbor, he pointed-blank whether he persisted in his refusal to obey orders given him. The Lieutenant answered "I do!" Upon which Lord Camelford, putting his pistol to Peterson's breast, shot him dead upon the spot. He then turned and addressing the crew of the "Perdrix," told them he had shot their first Lieutenant for mutiny. The companies of both ships, who were drawn up and were spectators of the act, were then withdrawn quietly to their respective ships, and on the following day the "Majilla," of twenty-four guns, Captain Milford, arrived in the harbor, whereupon Lord Camelford gave himself up as a prisoner. Captain Milford immediately sent him to Martinique, where he was sent by a court-martial and honorably acquitted. The court held the extraordinary opinion that the manifest disobedience of Lieut. Peterson justified the act of Lord Camelford, his junior on the list.

A Great Hope.

(From the Washington Star.) William E. Anderson, the Anti-Saloon League's clever head, said at a tea in New York: "Some of these rich New Yorkers are hopeless. A rich New Yorker's wife said to him the other evening at dinner: "Stuyvesant, the chauffeur came home drunk this afternoon. You must discharge him at once."

"Discharge him?" yelled Stuyvesant. "Are you crazy? I'll raise his wages and go out with him myself to-morrow afternoon. Maybe he'll take me where he got it."



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