

Choice Miscellany.

CONTENTMENT

Man wants but little here below. Little I ask; my wants are few. I only wish a bit of stone (A very plain brown-stone will do) That I may call my own.

Plain food is quite enough for me; Three courses are as good as ten. If Nature can subsist on three, Thank heaven for three. Amen! I always thought cold victuals nice; My choice would be vanilla-ice.

I care not much for gold or land— Give me a mortgage here and there. Some good bank-stock, some note of hand Or trifling railroad share: I only ask that fortune send A little more than I can spend.

Honours are silly toys, I know, And titles are but empty names; I would perhaps be Pliny, But only near St. James. I'm very sure I should not care To fill our Governor's chair.

I would not have the horse I drive So fat that folks must stop and stare; An easy gallop—two forty-five— Suits me: I do not care; Perhaps just for a single sport Some seconds less would do no hurt.

Thus humble let me live and die, Nor long for Midas' golden touch; I shall not miss them much, Too grateful for the blessing lent Of simple tastes and mind content. —O. W. Holmes.

HE PLAYED WITH DOLLS.

There was no sunshine to his poor, old eyes. The night and the day were the same to him. Perhaps the night wind sang songs a little more sad to his half-deafened ears, but he never told anyone about it.

He saw no fleeting telegraph poles. The fields of waving grain with the reapers among them he did not notice. How could he? Why should he? He was blind.

But he babbled and played with his dolls and seemed to derive as much pleasure from them as did the young mother across the aisle, who played with her sunny-eyed babe.

Everybody smiled when the old man laid his dolls upon the seat beside him and took up the ugliest and most wretched of his inanimated treasures. It was a homemade, dirty, ragged thing, and the sunny-eyed babe across the aisle looked frightened as the old man dandled it before him.

And he laid the ugly doll close to his chin and leaning over it sang a soft little song that no one heard without tears. When the station was reached where the old man was to get off the men carried him off. He never reached the poorhouse, and his little deal girl's doll went no one knew where.

A CHEERFUL FACE.

Next to the sunlight of heaven is the cheerful face. There is no mistaking it—the bright eye, the unclouded brow, the sunny smile, all tell of that which dwells within.

MANAGEMENT OF EARLY FRUITS.

Early apples and pears will now be ripening and should be gathered for home use or for market. In the eastern States, in localities near a market, early apples pay better than late varieties, as the grower has not to compete with the Western fruit growers.

Early apples, of snowy kinds, should be carefully selected, and sent to market in neat packages. Half barrels, lined with white paper, are the most attractive packages, though, on account of their cheapness, bushel and half bushel crates are used by many.

When an apple or pear is mature, it readily parts from the tree; when lifted to a horizontal position the stem of the fruit will break away from the twig to which it is attached, leaving a clean, well defined scar.

There's nothing on earth so mysteriously funny as a newspaper advertisement. The prime, first, last, and all the time object of an advertisement is to draw custom. It is not, was not and never will be designed for any other human purpose.

There are times when you couldn't stop people from buying everything in the store if you planted a cannon behind the door, and that's the time the advertisement is sent in on its noble mission.

It makes light work for the advertisement, for a chalk sign on the sidewalk would do all that was needed and save half a holiday six days in the week, but who wants to favor an advertisement?

They are built to do hard work, and should be sent out in the dull days when a customer has to be knocked down with hard facts and kicked insensible with bankrupt reductions and prices before he will spend a cent.

That's the aim and end of an advertisement, and if you ever open a store don't try to get them to come when they are already sticking out of the windows, but give them your advertisement right between the eyes in the dull season, and you will wax rich and own a fat horse, and perhaps be able to smoke a good cigar once or twice a week.

SMALL FRUITS ON THE FARM.

To stock a small garden with the best varieties requires only a few dollars outlay, and the skill necessary to keep them in good condition is within the reach of any one who is interested in the matter.

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"Every man," says John B. Gough, "becomes a drunkard by trying to imitate moderate drinkers. All men believe they can drink without going to excess."

My father was a moderate drinker and lived till he was 84 years old. You say that is an encouragement for moderate drinkers, is it? I knew a man in Washington ninety-two years old, who had carried two bullets in him from the war of 1812.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething.

A teacher took an apple from one of his boys during school hours. After a while the teacher ate the apple while the pupils were busy with their sums. The lad noticing this, began to cough.

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Jane Marsh Parker has written a book which she calls "The Midnight Cry." We have not read it, but we know all about it, and Jane has our sympathy. The cuts bother us, too.—Hambler.

NEATNESS INDISPENSIBLE.

A woman may be handsome or remarkably attractive in various ways, but if she is not personally neat she can not hope to win admiration. Fine clothes will not conceal the slattern. A young woman with her hair always in disorder, and her clothes hanging about her as if suspended from a prop is always repulsive.

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