

SIDE TALKS.

By Ruth Cameron.

THE GREEKS BRINGING GIFTS.



"Why didn't you stay longer?" I asked a friend of mine who had taken me to call on friends of hers. "She urged you to stay and you were having a good time. I hope you didn't go home on my account."

"Oh, no, my dear," she reassured me. "It wasn't on your account at all. I came home because I know my hostess, and I don't like to risk staying too long."

"Why, she urged you and urged you. She really seemed to want us to stay."

"That's what I said."

"Yes," said my friend a bit firmly, "she did. She always does. And then afterwards, she says 'They stayed and stayed. I didn't think they'd ever go,' and stuff like that. I've heard her with other people. I've heard her be so cordial, they were sure she wanted them, and then when they went, I've heard her criticize them. Not for me, thank you. I don't suppose you ever met anyone like that."

I assured my friend that she supposed wrong.

"I have met people exactly like that. And I've met people—essentially like that."

"Did You Ever?"

There's the person, for instance, who draws you out to talk about yourself. She is so interested in the

line of work you are doing, or the places you have travelled, or the party you have been to. She says: "Did you ever?" when you tell her anything you hope will make an impression, and widens her eyes in a way that makes you feel at least two sizes larger. You expand under the warmth of this appreciation and talk in a way you would never think of talking ordinarily. You have a terrible fear afterwards that you may have been a bit of a bore. But she really was interested, you reassure yourself. And at that very moment, she may be telling someone what a frightful talker you are and how she nearly choked herself swallowing yawns.

How You Imposed on Her.

And then, there's the person who offers to do things for you. "I'm going to be in town and I can do an errand for you just as easily as not. I know how hard it is for you to get in. Just call on me any time." Or: "You know I love children. Do leave the children here some afternoon. It will be a real pleasure to me." Incidentally you take her at her word and presently there drifts back to you some tale about how you imposed upon her.

Beware the Greeks bringing gifts. Inside the gift is often a comeback that will make you wish you had never accepted it.

I can't tell you why they do it. I don't think it's deliberate meanness. I think they just follow the line of least resistance in the first place and flatter or urge or offer; and then go on following the line of least resistance and criticize.

Oddities in the News.

Not Fast Enough.

Lightning was the name of an unsuccessful competitor on a sprint race at Sittingbourne (Kent).

Town Mourns a Cat.

Lincoln's electricity department is mourning the death of the power station cat. An adventurous animal, he was in the neighbourhood of a high tension cubicle when it was being cleaned. Before it was closed he walked into the cubicle, perhaps in dutiful search of mice. It was 11.30 at night. Lincoln's electric lights "gave a blink." The "blink" was the tribute of the town to the passing of a loyal servant.

El Crosses Atlantic.

In a small hermetically-sealed glass bottle a live eel has survived a voyage of about 3,500 miles from New York to Copenhagen. Dr. J. Schmidt, of Carlsberg Laboratory, Copenhagen, says the bottle was corked and waxed and enclosed in a tin cylinder such as is used in the United States for sending natural history specimens by post. The eel thus made its voyage in darkness and without any renewal of air.

Profitable Purchases.

The recent story of the discovery by a Walworth woman of six Treasury notes in the lining of a straw hat which she bought for sixpence is outdone by the experience of a man who bought an old Bible from a stall in Farringdon Road, London. After taking it home he found five £10 notes concealed within its pages.

100 Miles Walk to Court.

A young man out of work told the Scarborough magistrates that in order to answer a summons he had walked from Manchester, 109 miles.

A Fisher of Men?

So enamoured was a woman visitor to Delightly with the beauty of a salmon fish displayed in a shop window that she paid half a crown for it and placed the coveted trophy in her hat.

Costume for a House.

A man advertised in a West of England newspaper that he will give a woman's costume, made to measure, or a suit of clothes to anyone who can find him a vacant house.

What a Game!

"A Gamble" was the signature of a police sergeant on the charge sheet at Kingston Police Court, when a boy entered charged with gaming.

A Pity for France.

Detroit News: Naively the Temps declares that the fatal mistake of Great Britain was to promise to pay the United States in gold. Probably nothing Britain ever has done has won more considerable respect in the United States than that self-same promise to repay in gold what she had borrowed, and that without reference to collecting what, in turn, was due her. France, as the Temps might have pointed out, certainly has steeled wide of Britain's "blunder," which probably is a pity for France.

\$20,000 Chevenne Scout Home.

CHEVENNE, Wyo., Sept. 24.—(A.P.)—Boy Scouts of Chevenne have what is declared to be the finest scout lodge in the world. It cost \$20,000, and was the gift of Harry P. Hyades of this city. It is located in the timbered hills above Big Springs, near here.

League of Nations

TO GET CAST OF CAYUGA INDIANS

LONDON.—Deskah, chief of the Cayuga North American Indians who is now in London, carries with him in a much-used tin cover in his hip pocket a very precious document. It is the original Treaty of Alliance of 1784 between King George III and the Six Nations of the Iroquois, by which the latter were promised independence with British protection.

The chief has besides several trunks full of documents which he is taking to Geneva, when he goes to put before the League of Nations the case of the Six Nations.

Deskah was elected five years ago, and he is still chief. Two years ago his people sent him to England to bring before the Imperial Government grievances against the Dominion of Canada, which he says was seeking to impose Dominion rule on them.

"The Dominion Government has sent its soldiers into our territory, thrown our people into Canadian prisons, and taken possession of our funds," said Deskah to a London reporter. "My people had to sell their possessions in order to send me over here, because the Canadian Indian Office refused to allow them money which is theirs by right."

"But the British Government," he continued, "refused to accept responsibility or to promise protection. Your colonial secretary referred me back to the very people who are oppressing us. This treaty," tapping the case in his pocket, "is being treated like a scrap of paper."

"That is why I must go to the League of Nations. I have no alternative. We are Red Indians. We are willing to remain allies of the British. We sent men to fight on your side in the Great War."

Chuckles in Court.

The Height of Fashion.

At Belling: "Was this man stylishly dressed when he was at the races?"

Answer: "Yes; he wore a frock coat, check cap, and lawn-tennis trousers."

Belegged.

West London policeman: "I and another policeman surrounded the block of flats."

A Bit Too Thick.

"Why did you run away from home?" a thirteen-year-old offender was asked at Manchester Juvenile Court.

The boy (brightly): "Father cut the bread too thick."

Just in Time.

Policeman at Willesden: "He was riding his bicycle on the footpath. When he saw me he retraced his (pause)—wheels."

Misunderstood.

Solicitor at the Isle of Man to a holiday-maker: "Did you come here by Barrow?"

Man: "No; by boat."

Up to Scratch.

Woman (at Highgate): "She called me a cat, so I scratched her."

Unfair Attacks.

"She has too keen a sense of humour. She puts tacks on the stairs at night," was the complaint at Bow County Court against a lodger.

Bad Manners.

Woman at Highgate: "We were having a private quarrel among friends, and this woman had the bad manners to want to join in."

Honey-moon Economy.

"Is he a careful man?" was a question asked at Marylebone County Court.

Woman: "He is economical; he knocked his honeymoon and his holidays into one to save two journeys."

Cooling Him Down.

"If my husband shows off his airs, I give him the baby to mind—that soon cools him down," said a woman in the Bow County Court.

"After she called you that, what did you say?" asked a solicitor at Acton.

Woman: "I said, 'Thank you.'"

Dancing Class re-opens in S.U. F. Hall, Monday, October 1st.

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Mexico Starts Airlines.

Mexico City, Sept. 24.—The government has signed a contract with a German engineer, Werner Kaemmerer, manager of the Mexican Aerial Navigation Company, for the establishment of passenger and freight airlines in various parts of the republic.

German machines will be used, and the first lines established between Vera Cruz and Progreso and Guadalajara and Mazatlan.



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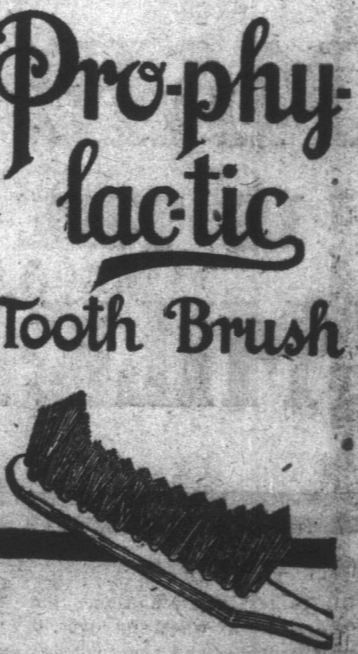
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Townsville Flames

Most Recent Residences Destroyed. Homeless.

Berkeley, Sept. 25.—The fire which broke out in the morning at 11 o'clock, destroyed an area of about one of the city blocks, and left about 100 people homeless. The fire was caused by a gas stove in a house at 1100 10th St. The fire spread rapidly, and destroyed the houses at 1102, 1104, 1106, 1108, 1110, 1112, 1114, 1116, 1118, 1120, 1122, 1124, 1126, 1128, 1130, 1132, 1134, 1136, 1138, 1140, 1142, 1144, 1146, 1148, 1150, 1152, 1154, 1156, 1158, 1160, 1162, 1164, 1166, 1168, 1170, 1172, 1174, 1176, 1178, 1180, 1182, 1184, 1186, 1188, 1190, 1192, 1194, 1196, 1198, 1200, 1202, 1204, 1206, 1208, 1210, 1212, 1214, 1216, 1218, 1220, 1222, 1224, 1226, 1228, 1230, 1232, 1234, 1236, 1238, 1240, 1242, 1244, 1246, 1248, 1250, 1252, 1254, 1256, 1258, 1260, 1262, 1264, 1266, 1268, 1270, 1272, 1274, 1276, 1278, 1280, 1282, 1284, 1286, 1288, 1290, 1292, 1294, 1296, 1298, 1300, 1302, 1304, 1306, 1308, 1310, 1312, 1314, 1316, 1318, 1320, 1322, 1324, 1326, 1328, 1330, 1332, 1334, 1336, 1338, 1340, 1342, 1344, 1346, 1348, 1350, 1352, 1354, 1356, 1358, 1360, 1362, 1364, 1366, 1368, 1370, 1372, 1374, 1376, 1378, 1380, 1382, 1384, 1386, 1388, 1390, 1392, 1394, 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