

Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

CLOUDS.

"There wasn't a cloud in the sky all day. It was a perfect day."
So ran the newspaper description of the weather on a certain gala day. In the first place I have been told that there is no such thing as a cloudless day—that sometime during every day there will be some clouds in the sky.
But whether that is true or not, I have another objection to the above description. Even supposing there were no clouds, would that be your idea of a perfect day?
It wouldn't be mine.
I think there are few things in all nature lovelier than the cloud forma.

full bloom on the side of a hill. I thought I had never seen anything lovelier than those apple trees in their fresh exquisite green and their even more exquisite pink and white against the background of a brilliant sky. But when I came back that afternoon and saw that same apple orchard again with a hundred fleecy clouds floating in the sky just above it, I found that there was something lovelier.
A photographer who does some very wonderful amateur work showed me two pictures of a hillside he had made. One was pretty enough—the other was beautiful because the developer, an artist in his line, had put in the cloud effects that the photographer for some reason had missed. You can hardly imagine what a difference it made in the picture.

So Many Kinds of Clouds.

Clouds appear in many different ways. The little fleecy clouds above the apple orchard were so dainty and so delicate and innocent looking

that they gave a tender beauty to the landscape. But when the clouds roll together in some vast structure of peak on peak, their beauty becomes of the majestic type. And then again when electricity is in the air and the thunder clouds mass themselves on either side of the sky as if arrayed for battle, though still beautiful, they are awful in the true sense of that practically lost word.

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Clouds and stars, sunset of rose and amber, and crimson sunrises, the lovely curve of distant mountains, the white mystery of moonlight, the grace of trees, the exquisite form and color and fragrance of flowers, the marvel of snow—what a world of beauty this is!

And how easily we come to take it all for granted and do not respond to it. It is a well known human trait to resent having one's gifts taken for granted. I wonder how God feels about it.

Teeth Topics.

Dental science was restored to the world in 1700, after a lapse of a thousand years, during which long time no notice was taken of teeth troubles. Of every ten teeth belonging to adults, at least nine are saved by the progress of dentistry. Fifty years ago teeth were ruthlessly drawn, and filling was unknown.

Teeth of sycamore wood were used by the ancient Greeks. Ligatures of gold and silver were fastened to these wooden molars, which rested next to the natural sound ones.
Under the Mosaic law, "An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth," was carried out to the letter. Amongst the old-time executioner's instruments of torture would be found a pair of forceps.

Savages have the best teeth. It is usually found civilized people possess the worst teeth.

Black stain is put on a Japanese girl's teeth just before she marries. The custom is more usually practiced among the rich classes, and the stain is a repulsive kind of varnish.
West African children, on reaching a certain age, have their teeth deliberately broken.

Malays, according to an authoritative source, stain their teeth with various colours. Bright red and vivid blue are common, and a tint of brilliant green is got with the aid of arsenic and lemon-juice.

Livingstone has told of how a Kaffir child with a prominent upper jaw, with good teeth, was regarded as a monster, and immediately killed.
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Osborne Naval School.

The British naval school at Osborne has just been closed for good and the junior cadets will now be trained with the seniors at Dartmouth.

Owing to the decrease in the navy, the number of boys at Dartmouth is being cut down by nearly half. The parents of those who are being withdrawn are receiving grants of \$1,200, in order that they may make fresh provision for their sons' future careers.

Dartmouth college is probably the finest school in the world, and the most perfectly equipped. The main block of the college stands on top of a hill on the south side of the Dart. Lower down the hill are the mechanical instructional workshops, whose cadets are taught to handle drills, vices, and lathes.

The cricket and football fields are large, and the turf is the best in Devon. But the chief pride of the sporting side of the Royal Naval College is the pack of beagles. The kennels hold about twenty couples. The commander of the college is Master of the Hunt, and there is a meet every half holiday during the season. The master chooses twelve cadets as his assistants, and these are picked principally for their powers of cunning.

Though the numbers of cadets is to be smaller, Dartmouth will still continue to flourish. Candidates for cadetship must pass a pretty stiff examination, and each is separately interviewed by a committee of naval officers.

Then comes an examination in English, Latin, French, arithmetic, etc.

The full course of training for a cadet is four years and eight months, first at Dartmouth, and lastly in a training cruiser, such as the Cornwall. These cruises complete his early education, and at about seventeen he becomes a real "anotty" or midshipman.—Acadian Recorder.



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A Tall Story.

Sir Auckland Geddes, our Ambassador at Washington, told an amusing story at a dinner he attended during his recent visit to this country.

An American was boasting about the height of the buildings in New York, but he had difficulty (said Sir Auckland) in beating the yarns of his friend Pat.

At last he said in desperation that in little old New York there was a building so high that it took twenty-four hours to walk up the flights of stairs to the top flat.

"Where, that's nothing," said Pat in disgust. "Why, because, I was working on a building one Saturday, and I dropped me hammer at forenoon when I stopped work. Truth it is, it was the very same hammer that dropped on me head when I returned on the Monday morning."

During a recent hail storm, says an exchange, Henry A. Bryant, of Corea, Me., froze five gallons of ice cream with hail stones.

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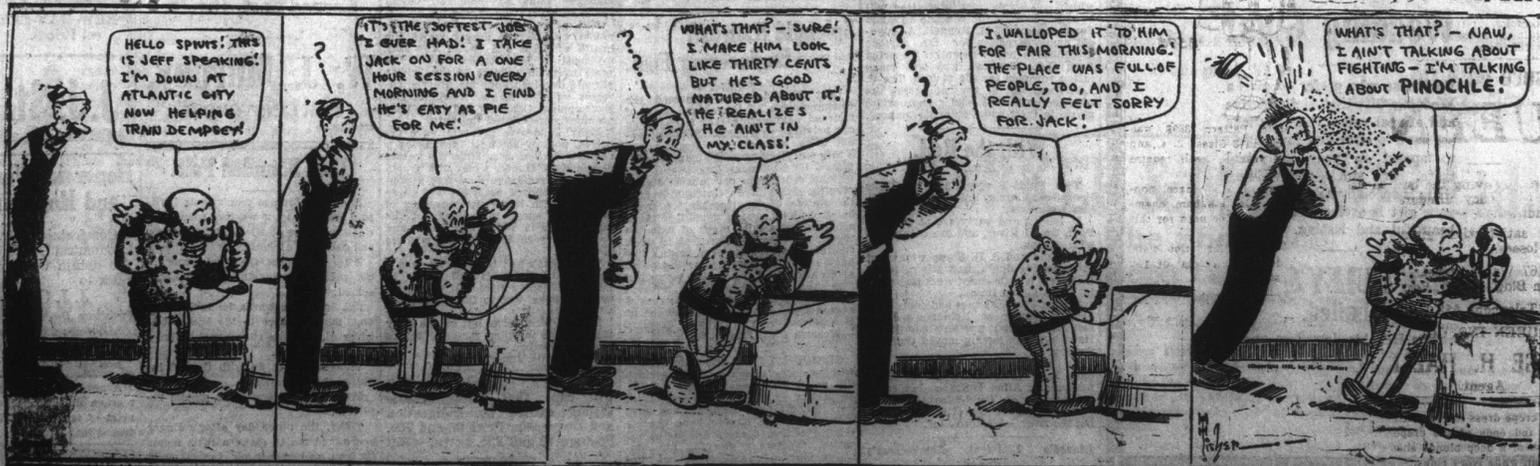
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