

KISS ME.

A very funny incident occurred a few days since at a certain store in the city. It is too good to be lost. One of our composers has written a very pretty song entitled 'Kiss Me.' A very pretty, blushing maid, having heard of the song, and thinking she would get it, stepped into the music store to make a purchase; one of the clerks, a modest young man, stopped up to wait on her. The young lady threw back her veil, saying:

"I want 'Rock Me to Sleep.'"

The clerk got her the song and put it before her.

"Now," said the young lady, "I want the 'Wandering Refugee.'"

"Yes, ma'am," said the clerk bowing, and in a few minutes he produced the Refugee.

"Now, 'Kiss Me,'" said the young lady, of course meaning the song above mentioned.

The poor clerk's eyes popped fire almost, as he looked at the young lady in utter astonishment, for he was not aware of the fact that a song by that name had been published.

"Wh—what did you say, Miss?"

"'Kiss Me,'" said she.

"I can't do it; I never kissed a young lady in my life," said the clerk.

And about that time a veil dropped, a young lady left in a hurry, clerk felt sick, and the dealer lost the sale of some music.

Grains of Gold.

A wise man's thoughts walk within him, but a fool's without.

To be vain of what you have learned is the same as to plume yourself on a piece of game you have received from a hunter.

If a man be gracious to strangers it shows he is a citizen of the world, and his heart is no island cut off from other land, but a continent that joins them.

This world is but the vestibule of an immortal life. Every action of your life touches upon some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

Men want restraining as well as propelling power. The good ship is provided with anchors as well as sails.

Keep your store of smiles and your kindest thoughts for home. Give to the world only those which are to spare.

We cannot gather grapes from thorns, so we cannot expect kind attachments from persons wholly filled up in selfishness.

Purpose is the edge and point of character; it is the super-criticism on the letter of talent. Character without it is blunt and torpid; genius without it is bullion—splendid and un-circulating.

There is an elasticity in the human mind capable of bearing much but which will not show itself, until a certain weight be put upon it. Its powers may be compared to vehicles whose spring are so contrived that they get on smoothly enough when loaded, but jolt and foundle when they have anything to bear.

Modesty. If the man who has got to the top of the hill by honesty is ashamed to turn about and look at the lowly road he has travelled, he deserves to be taken by the neck and hurled to the bottom again.

There's few things more productive of evils in domestic life than a thoroughly bad temper. It does not matter what form that temper may assume, whether it is of a sulky kind, that maintains perfect silence for many days, or the madly passionate, which vests itself in absolute violence.

The man who always has some plot on hand, who naturally takes to treachery and concealment, and is never ready to have his actions brought out into the clear light of day, is apt to be constitutionally base, that he seldom, even by accident, deviates into the path of honor and virtue.

The power of a wife, for good or evil, is irresistible. Without one, home must be for ever unknown. A good wife is to a man wisdom, strength and courage; a bad one is confusion, weakness, and despair. No condition is hopeless to a man where the wife possesses firmness, decision, and economy.

Society. Human society may be compared to a heap of embers, which, when placed asunder, can retain neither their light nor heat amidst the surrounding elements; but when brought together, they mutually give heat and life to each other, the flame breaks forth, and not only defends itself, but subdues everything around it.

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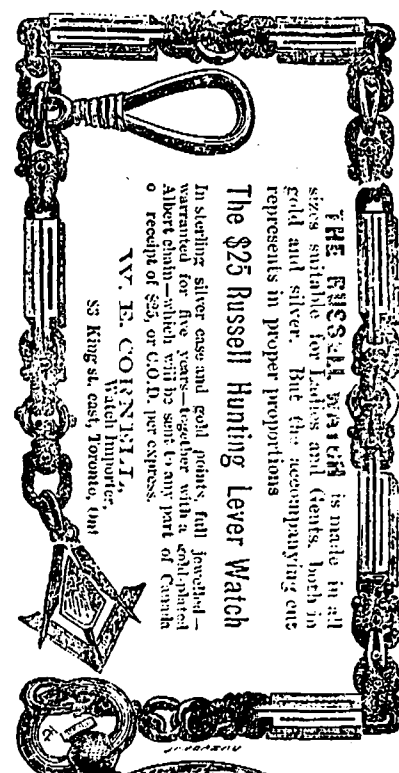
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