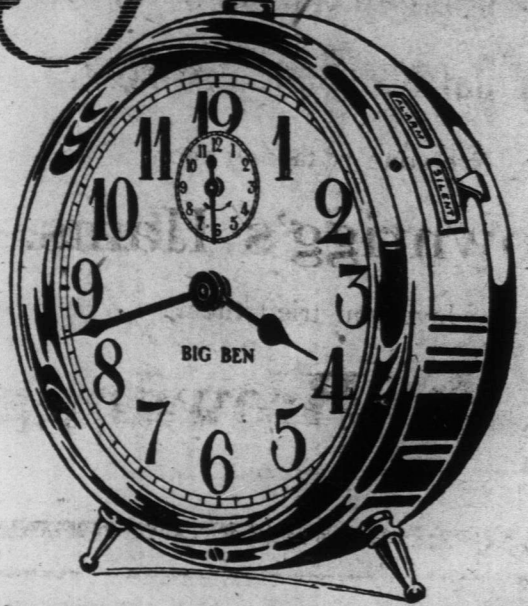


Big Ben



Don't set your mind—set Big Ben

Don't bother your head about getting up. Leave it to Big Ben.

You ought to go to sleep at night with a clear brain—untroubled and free from getting up worries. You men, if you are up to date farmers, work with your brains as well as with your hands. Such a little thing as "getting up at a certain time in the morning" and keeping it on your mind often spoils a needed night's rest and makes a bad "next day." Try Big Ben on your dresser for one week. He makes getting up so easy that the whole day is better. Big Ben is not the usual alarm.

He's a timekeeper; a good, all-purpose clock for every day and all day use and for years of service.

He stands seven inches tall. He wears a coat of triple-nickel plated steel. He rings with one long loud ring for 5 minutes straight, or for 10 minutes at intervals of 30 seconds unless you shut him off.

His big, bold figures and hands are easy to read in the dim morning light, his large strong keys are easy to wind. His price, \$3.00, is easy to pay because his advantages are so easy to see. Big Ben is sold in St. John's by the following jewelers:

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Facts For The Weatherwise.

WEATHER SIGNS.

The sun is bright, the sky is clear. But grandma says a storm is near. And when I asked how she could know she said the peacock told her so. When, perching on the old fence rail, he screamed so loud and dropped his tail:

And the shy cuckoo on the wing repeated over the same thing: And "More wet!" all the bob-whites cried.

That in the grassy meadows hide; the soot that from the chimney fell came down, it seems, this news to tell:

The kettle sang the self-same tune when it boiled dry so very soon; the grass this morning said so, too, that hung without a drop of dew; and the blue swallows, flying low across the river, to and fro.

So all these told her very plain that ere the evening it would rain; but who told them, and when, and how?

That's what I want to find out now. St. Nicholas.

WEATHER PROVERBS.

The absence of dew for three days indicates rain. Heavy dew indicates fair weather. Clouds without dew indicate rain. If there is a heavy dew and it soon dries, expect fine weather; if it lies long on the grass, expect rain in twenty-four hours.

With dew before midnight, the next day will surely be bright. If you wet your feet with the dew in the morning, you may keep them dry for the rest of the day.

If it rains before seven, 'twill clear before eleven. Rains from the south prevent drought, but rains from the west are always the best. It rains

before sunrise, expect a fair afternoon. It rains when the sun shines, it will rain the next day. Rain is likely to commence on the turn of the tide.

Marry the rain to the wind and you have a calm. If rain commences before daylight, it will hold up before 8 a.m.; if it begins about noon, it will continue through the afternoon; if it commences after 9 p.m., it will rain the next day; if the wind is from the northwest or southwest, the storm will be short; if from the northeast, it will be a hard one.

HOW TO USE A BAROMETER.

The following rules are those which are used by the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club in their very successful attempts to forecast the weather with the aid of the barometer.

A Rising Barometer.—A rapid rise indicates unsettled weather. A gradual rise indicates settled weather. A rise with dry air and cold air increasing in summer indicates wind from the northward; and if rain has fallen, better weather may be expected. A rise with moist air and a low temperature indicates wind and rain from the northward. A rise with southerly winds indicates fine weather.

A Steady Barometer.—A rapid fall indicates stormy weather. A rapid fall with westerly wind indicates stormy weather from the northward. A fall with a northerly wind indicates storm with rain and hail in summer, and snow in winter. A fall with increased moisture in the air and best increasing indicates wind and rain from the southward. A fall with dry air and cold increasing in winter indicates snow. A fall after very calm and warm weather indicates rain with squally weather.

The barometer rises for northerly winds, including from northwest by

north to the eastward for dry or less wet weather, for less wind, or for more than one of these changes, except on a few occasions, when rain, hail, or snow comes from the northward with strong wind.

The barometer falls for southerly wind, including from southeast by south to the westward, for wet weather, for stronger wind, or for more than one of these changes, except on a few occasions, moderate wind, with rain or snow, comes from the northward.

COWS TELL RAIN.

A sign of coming rain or strong wind is evident when a herd of cows gather together at one end of a pasture, with their tails to windward. Again, when cows are unusually frisky—so that sedate old grandmothers caper about the field and butt imaginary objects with their horns, while they fling up their heels—often storms are in the air.

FIRE AS A BAROMETER.

Willsford, in his "Nature's Secrets" (1658), tells us:

"When our common fires do burn with a pale flame, they presage foul weather. If the fire do make a huzzing noise, it is a sign of tempests near at hand. When the fire sparkleth very much, it is a sign of rain. If the ashes on the hearth do clodder together of themselves, it is a sign of rain. When pots are newly taken off the fire, if they sparkle (the soot upon them being incensed), it presages rain."

"When the fire scorcheth and burneth more vehemently than it useth to do, it is a sign of frosty weather; but if the living coals do shine brighter than commonly at other times, expect then rain. If wood or any other fuel do crackle more than ordinary, it is an evident sign of some tempestuous weather near at hand; the much and sudden falling of soot presages rain."

A Paris Chemist Has Discovered How to Grow Hair.

In Paris the ladies have entirely abandoned wearing hats, which is due entirely to this new discovery. It has been proven that Henna leaves contain the ingredients that will positively grow hair. That they contain this long-sought-for article is proven every day.

The French are now placing on the market a preparation containing the extract from Henna leaves, which is having a phenomenal sale. This preparation is called SALVIA and is being sold with a guarantee to cure dandruff and to grow hair in abundance. Being daintily perfumed, SALVIA makes a most pleasant dressing, and is sold by your druggist. A large, generous bottle can be purchased for 50 cents.

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Miscellaneous.

The tax collection made by the city of Sydney on Saturday amounted to \$22,914.44. The amount taken in on Friday was \$17,358.66, making a total for two days of over \$41,000. Some money!—Sydney Record.

"Sydney was dry, very dry, on Sunday," said Liquor Inspector Prescott Anthony to the Record this morning. "Why, I visited more than a dozen places on Sunday and found each one with their doors locked and barred. One liquor dealer in talking to me, said: 'Your efforts to dry up this place have been so successful that on Sunday I had to send to North Sydney to get a half case of whiskey.'"

'Farm and Fireside' gives an account of remarkable records made by exceptional hens. One hen, Lady Showyou, laid 59 eggs in 59 consecutive days. Her production for the year was 281 eggs, and she was recently sold for \$800. A group of five hens exhibited in the Connecticut egg-laying contest laid an average of 218.18 eggs during the year they were tested.

Paul Nicholas, a farmer of Benton Harbor, Mich., is a human aquarium. For weeks he has been suffering from a serious stomach ailment. Recently he was seized with a violent coughing attack and emitted a four-inch fish. Other coughing spells have been attended with like results. Attending physicians say Nicholas swallowed tiny minnows, which lived and grew in his stomach. He is recovering rapidly. He kept the fish and has it in a glass jar. He calls it "Jonah."

A Scottish Highlander recently walked through Europe, India, Ceylon, Australia, and New Zealand in his picturesque native costume. In Ceylon he came near being murdered at a religious festival where he was taken for a devil. The chief of a wild New Zealand tribe offered him a native bride in return for the costume. His bare knees were fiercely assailed by mosquitoes in Australia, and he spent large sums of money purchasing cologne water with which to bathe his knees, in order to keep off the insects.

Muscle.

By H. L. RANN.



Muscle is a successful imitation of Para rubber which is used to upholster the human arm. When the upholstering is well done, as is usually the case with blacksmiths, the muscle can be turned into a concealed weapon and used to produce black eyes and other facial adornments. One of the nicest things about muscle is that people who have it seldom are obliged to put up with any back talk from those who have never grown any.

Muscles are caused by two or more pugnacious nerves coming together head on and tying themselves in a bow knot. When a number of these knots locate in the upper story of the right arm, they give the owner a very impressive appearance and prevent people from questioning his veracity until he is several blocks away. It is a generally recognized fact that the Japanese kimono was invented for the benefit of combative wives who are so endowed with muscle that they can't double up their fists without splitting a pair of \$7 kid gloves from the second joint of the middle finger to the apex of the crazy bone.

As a rule, men have more muscle than women, although appearances are deceptive. Sometimes a mild, 90-pound helpmeet who is too feeble to button the back of her dress will astonish the neighbours by committing assault and battery upon her husband with a bevy of flatirons or beating him into a helpless condition with a hat pin. This is a criminal and perverted use of muscle which cannot be too deeply frowned upon.

Muscle is, sometimes given to people who have no use for it whatever.

A man may have a muscular development like a sugar-cured ham and still be totally incapable of pumping a pail of water for dinner. It is very discouraging to see a robust husband with swelling muscles lying around the house in a colored shirt and allowing his wife to canter up and down the lawn in the rear of a stiff-jointed lawn mower, yet this revolting spectacle is all too common.

A great deal of muscle, centers in the jaw and is passed out in the form of small talk, and as a general thing the more muscular and vivacious the jaw the smaller the talk.

Football on Bell Island

Difficulty Settled.—Games Soon Start. The difficulty in football circles on Bell Island, has, we learn, been amicably arranged, and the League games there which are behind time this year, will soon be started. Two teams the Nova Scotia's and Dominions competing. The outstanding trouble, which arose at the annual meeting of the League about a month ago, was satisfactorily settled at a meeting of the B.I.F.L. on Saturday night when an interesting session was held, it being at last decided that the rule dealing with players being resident on the Island three months before the first game, stand over until next season. As this cleared the atmosphere, satisfactory to all concerned, the series will soon start, and judging by the high standard of football on the Iron Isle last year, we may expect this year to hear of under's meetings was a representative one, the chair being occupied by Mr. C. F. Taylor, Chairman of the County Council, and President of the B.I.F.L. and the following representatives being present: Mr. Maine, President S.A.A.; Messrs. Cahill, Eagan and Connors, of the S.A.A.; Messrs. B. Butler and Thompson, of the W.A.A.; Dr. Guthrie, President D.A.A.; Mr. J. M. Greene, Vice-Pres. D.A.A.; Mr. L. C. Murphy, Secretary D.A.A.; and Messrs. Noonan and Pine, of the D.A.A.

RECORD MANOEUVRES. 340 Warships but only 3 Waterplanes. That the coming naval manoeuvres will be upon the largest scale is shown by the list of ships that will take part in them, issued by the Admiralty recently. In all there will be 340 vessels engaged, of which 41 will be battleships, 5 battle cruisers, 27 armoured cruisers, 44 unarmoured cruisers, 27 mine layers, depot and repair ships, 134 destroyers, 20 torpedo boats and 42 submarines.

It is not a little disappointing, in view of Mr. Churchill's statement that the Navy would have 75 waterplanes ready for service by July, to find that only three of these craft are to be engaged.—Daily Mail.

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