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"And they say Dick Radway's going to leave, and the place is up for sale."

"Where's he going?" Jack enquired.

The girl laughed. "He says he doesn't know."

Then Jack laughed, too, and their laughter seemed to mingle on the summer air.

"He says," said Janet, "he'll go as far as where the three trails meet at Bolton's Crossing, and then he'll make his choice. Where do they go to, Jock, and which would you choose if you were there?"

Jack looked sharply at the demure face beside him. He thought she must surely know the going of those three trails. Then a light sprang into his eyes and a smile began to play about his mouth.

"The one to the left," he said, "goes to the great city, where all is noise and bustle and much scheming. The one to the right, if you go far enough, away—away—away—right to the heart of the bush that your uncle and I have known so well. There all is vast and silent and unspeakably lonely."

"And the middle trail," said the girl, shyly.

"The middle trail," said Jack, "comes straight on here."

"And which would you choose if you were there?"

"I would choose," said Jack, "the middle trail that leads to—you, and love, and life, and home."

And when Rob had finished his pipe and sauntered back, he found no dinner ready for the two were still in the garden hand in hand.

A month later the Radway place was sold.

Question Drawer

So many questions are asked the Editor from week to week that it has been decided to open a column for subscribers. As far as possible answers will be given to every reasonable question that is proposed. Because of the great variety in the questions proposed no attempt is made to classify them. They are answered just in the order in which they arrived.

1. Q.—Name the best medical school in Western United States, also the best hospital.

A.—Probably the most complete is Rush College, Chicago, and the finest hospital, at least, the most noted, is that of the Mayo Brothers at Rochester, Minn.

2. Q.—How can I overcome shyness? I am eighteen, fairly intelligent as girls go, and fond of company. Yet when I meet young people I cannot find a word to say. I am afraid I shall do something wrong or say something to give offence.

A.—Bless you, dear girl, the woods are full of just such people as you. It is quite true, too, that empty vessels make most sound. So don't try to become chief entertainer. Be content for a time to be an interested listener. There is nobody so popular as one who can listen to the empty chattering of other people. Then, if you do speak don't think about it afterwards. Probably you may say something in an awkward fashion, but others are doing the same all the time. They never notice your errors. The best remedy of all is that you should decide right at once to be as useful as possible wherever you have an opportunity. Always be on the look out for someone to help, and then you will forget all about yourself. That is the sure cure for self-consciousness and bashfulness. And if you have a feeling that you are awkward just endeavor to overcome the fault by taking exercises in walking, dancing, singing and speaking every day until you feel you are as free and unconstrained as any of your companions.

3. Q.—How do you work this question. The head of a fish is 4 inches long, the body is as long as the head and tail, and the tail as long as the head and half the body. Find the length of the fish.

A.—Body—Head + tail = head + head and half body = eight inches + half body. Therefore, half the body is eight inches and the whole body is sixteen

inches, and, of course, the whole fish is twice this, or thirty-two inches.

4. Q.—What is the meaning of Bolshevik?

A.—It means the majority, or the greater body, a name chosen by the Russian agitators to denote the great mass of workers.

5. Q.—What is meant by lichens?

A.—They look like mosses, but there is an absence of anything like leaves arranged around a stem, and of the bright green foliage. The general color is gray or very pale green. Some species are brown; some are flat, disk-shaped; some hang from trees. The "reindeer moss," "red-tipped moss," and "beard moss," all common enough here, are lichens.

6. Q.—Name a good English dictionary.

A.—Try the Concise Oxford. The pronunciation is a little awkward, but otherwise the book is very satisfactory.

7. Q.—How do you detect chicken-pox?

A.—The symptoms are fever and usually vomiting. Rash appears first

on the body. It consists of blisters rather than hard pimples. These begin to dry on fifth or sixth day.

8. Q.—How do you tan the hide of a beaver?

A.—Mix borax half ounce, glauber salts half ounce, and water to make a paste. Remove or scrape the fatty matter from the skin, and then spread the paste over it. Fold skin inward and put in cool place for 24 hours. Then wash skin, clean and rub on a paste, consisting of sal soda one ounce, borax half ounce, white soap two ounces. Put in a warm place for 24 hours. Then wash and apply the following:—Alum four ounces, salt eight ounces, saleratus two ounces, hot rain water to make a bath. Place the skin in it for 12 hours. Then dry. Repeat two or three times. Then smooth the inside with sandpaper.

9. Q.—Give a receipt for angel cake?

A.—Sift together one tumbler flour, one teaspoonful cream of tartar, beat stiff the whole of eleven eggs and stir in carefully one tumbler sifted powdered sugar; add three teaspoonfuls vanilla extract. Add the flour, stirring

quickly and lightly. Bake in an unbuttered tin for forty minutes in a moderate oven. When done invert the cake tin, resting the edge on two saucers to insure easy removal.

10. Q.—Where can one get a collection of iron or wooden puzzles?

A.—Write to Johnson-Smith and Co., West Lake Street, Chicago. Most of them are kept in such stores as Mobius, Winnipeg.

Ever Hear These

Why should it offend an owl to mistake him for a pheasant? It would be making game of him.

What makes a nice, cheap and pleasant breakfast? A roll on the grass.

What is that which, though black itself, enlightens the world. Ink?

What is the pain of which everyone makes light? Window pane.

What are the most difficult ships to conquer? Hardships.

When is the ocean treacherous? When it is full of craft.

What tune makes everybody glad? Fortune.

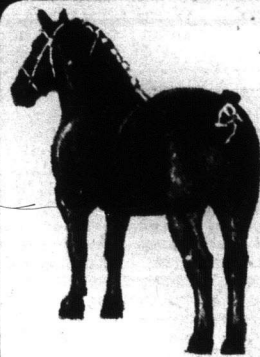
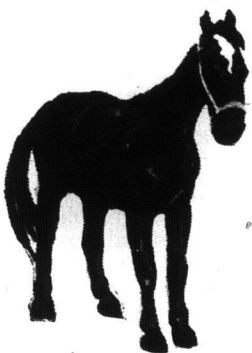
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