

Short Stories

Something to Interest the Boys and Girls

STILL A WOMAN

Best—He loves him, why wasn't she pleased when he gave her a kiss for Christmas?

NAUSEOUS MORMON STEW

Senator Burrows presides as chairman at the table in the privileges and elections committee room, where the Senator's hearing is in progress.

WHY CANNON GAVE UP NODDING

"One day when Speaker Cannon was plain Congressman Cannon, a friend met him at the Capitol building as he was 'nodding up' building district.

THE LAND OF OLD AGE

A person over a hundred is a phenomenon in this part of the world, and his or her death is an event to be chronicled.

Every traveller in the "Barbary States," as they used to be called, is impressed by this remarkable abundance of centenarians.

In the country districts the centenarians are even more in evidence than in the cities, and many of them are of the softer sex.

HAD SHE SAID HE WAS

An episode incident to the recent election illustrates the president "in lighter vein." After it became certain that "election was his and he had received the congratulations of the men about him, President Roosevelt crossed over to his wife, and, bowing low before her, as he extended his hand, said: "My dear, it gives me pleasure to inform you that I am no longer an accident."

NASAL INACCURACY

A Scotchman and an American were one day conversing in a railway carriage, and in the course of the conversation the subject turned upon the relative truthfulness of the two nations.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

It makes a lot of difference whose stocks are gored. A woman is just as likely as not to be sincere if she is in a mood to be so.

What Sulphur Does

FOR THE HUMAN BODY IN HEALTH AND DISEASE

The mention of sulphur will recall to you the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and fall.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable, and a large quantity had to be taken to get any effect.

Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects of sulphur in a palatable, ready-made form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoonful of the crude sulphur.

Our grandmothers knew this when they dosed us with syrup and molasses every spring and fall, but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flowers of sulphur were often worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur.

I dislike to keep you in after school, said the teacher. Aren't you sorry you were so naughty and have to stay?

In the Grip of Environment

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Jim Blakely, the clown, came dashing out of the ring into the dressing tent and stopped short. Nellie Cosgrove was sitting on top of the leaping pad, her usually merry eyes streaming with tears.



"Don't, Jim!" she said plaintively. "The round top" was already packed in the wagons and on its way to the circus when Nellie emerged from the women's side of the dressing tent, where the lawyer waited impatiently for his charge.

"The Difference." Uncle Jared and Uncle Benjamin made a sorry pair. True there was blood on Uncle Benjamin's forehead, and he looked white and faint.

"What's happened to you two?" asked a townsman. That peck of Benjamin's run away and throwed him as I came along." Uncle Jared answered, "I'm giving him a lift along toward home."

The Rector's Blunder. This is a verbatim report of a conversation that took place in an upper Broadway apartment on Thursday afternoon about six months ago:

Now he was to lose her and all that he had planned and worked and saved for. But it was best for her—that he had planned and worked and saved for.

the good fortune, and he went out back of the dressing tent, and, lighting the short stub of a pipe he carried, blew great clouds of smoke into the soft evening air.

There in the soft light that came through the tent she found him. Out front all was life and movement. Here they were practically alone. She slipped down beside him on the overturned manger and slipped her hand into his.

"I didn't mean to hurt you, child," he said sadly. "I was thinking." He could not tell her how that one sentence had torn at his heartstrings, already so sore.

"I can't go with us, Nell," said the clown, his face as white as though he had not removed his ring makeup.

"There is no reason why you should stay on." She made him a sunny courtesy. "Since every reason, good or bad," she smiled. "In the first place, this is my life, the only one I know or want, and besides"—she went very close and whispered in his ear—"besides, I found out back of the tent there that—"

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"How old are the children?" "Willie is fourteen and Mammie is nine."

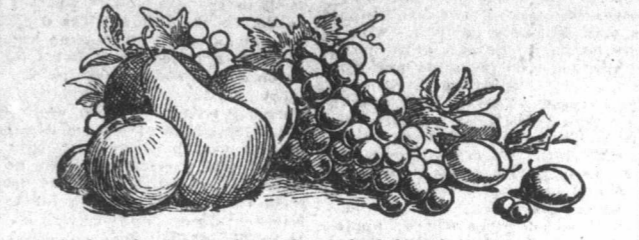
"Well, well, anybody would think your children were older than that." And he doesn't know to this day why that woman has stopped going to church.—New York Herald.

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