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Just Folks.

By EDGAR A. GIBSON.

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Whenever Ma explains to Pa she hasn't anything to wear, he listens to her tale of woe, and lets her rumple up his hair. He gets his cheek, and then he smiles and strokes her hand a little bit and says: "My dear, I understand. Your case is unusual. As a rule I grant what you desire, but in this case you will have to wait awhile. I've had to buy another tire."

When you'd asked a week ago, right gladly I'd have answered, yes, you are just a day too late. I can't now afford a dress. I can't bank account in running low," says Ma. "Well, in a week or two."

"I see," says Pa. "In two weeks more a life insurance premium due. Now you ought to get that down, you need for something new is dire. It took the cash I had to get the car another tire."

She took a side the other night, and while our motor smoothly sang I imagine went rushing by, and then we heard a tire go "bang." It was not the front one, but the rear. A great awful noise which you just heard means eight dollars gold to him," answered Ma. "If it doesn't stop, but there's another man I guess, because wife will have to wait a year before she gets another dress."

DANDRUFF!
Rob Minard's Lintment into the scalp—it cleanses the surface, it opens the pores, it works down to the roots and stimulates them into activity. Apply four times a week, rubbing thoroughly—no dandruff.

MINARD'S LINTMENT
The Family Medicine Chest.

Dunkobers Plan Return to Russia.

A report from Yorkton, Sask., states that there is talk in that district of a migration of independent Dunkobers back to Russia. Two agents from the district have been in Russia and have just returned to Canada, and there is no news yet as to what their report will be on the feasibility of the scheme for pulling up stakes in the Canadian West and going back to Europe. There are two colonies of Dunkobers in the Yorkton district. One is the original communal colony under the direction of Peter Orlovich, with branches in southeastern Alberta and in Brilliant, British Columbia. There is no talk among them of leaving Canada. The independent Dunkobers who have broken away from the communal colony and who are farming as individuals. There are about 5,000 of them in Saskatchewan. At the present time the communal colony consists of about 2,000, farming 67,000 acres of land. The representatives of the independent Dunkobers who have been in Russia in Winnipeg for Yorkton.

LIFE WAS MISERY!

"I was reading the other day about Neurasthenia, and the large number of people who were troubled with this disease. It is what my wife had. She felt nervous, she was depressed, and she was taken in the morning and told me that something dreadful was going to happen that day. Life was nothing but misery for her. She could not eat and had no appetite for food. She was irritable and cranky most of the day. If she was crossed in any way, she would immediately work herself up into a violent temper. She was worried because she had ways had a kind and gentle disposition and nothing, which was her pride and joy, to irritate her. I spoke to our family doctor about her and he said that her trouble was imagination and that she would try to forget about her depression and look on the bright side of life as she would be right. Of course I didn't dare think of this because I knew she would get into one of her tempers, and she got over these fits of temper, she was always weak and more depressed than ever. The doctor said a tonic might help her and gave me a specific which he said would do her good. She tried all kinds of other pills with the same result. Careful I was recommended to me and I felt that this was the best of all tonics. Since taking it my life has changed completely. Now I am always ready for my meals and my work is no burden. It is a pleasure for me to recommend it to anyone who is in need of a tonic or a body builder. Write me for writing this letter. I want you to accept my thanks for that wonderful tonic known as Carno!" — Mr. J. M. Carno.

It is sold by your druggist, or if you can conscientiously say you have tried it, that it can't do you any good, return the empty bottle to him and he will refund your money. A 7-623

Steering a Battleship by Wireless.

WONDERFUL PERFORMANCE MADE BY THE OLD WARSHIP AGAMEMNON IN MANOEUVRES OFF THE ISLE OF WIGHT—OPENING OF A NEW ERA IN NAVAL WARFARE—SECRET DEVICE OF NAVY.

Wide interest has been attracted and much curiosity aroused by the manner in which the old British battleship Agamemnon was manoeuvred off the Isle of Wight and worked by wireless at speeds which at times reached fifteen knots, during the air bombing tests off the Isle of Wight a short time ago. For a long summer day the battleship cruised about the Channel with no human being on board, entirely directed and controlled by wireless from the destroyer Trout, which followed nearly two miles astern. She was burning oil, and the smoke of it at times poured densely from her fore funnel, showing that the mechanical engine was not quite so expert as the human engine.

The sight of this 17,000-ton battleship slowly circling the centre of a flotilla which took their movements from her was curiously impressive; it suggested immense possibilities to the imaginative. For instance, if a new Zebrugge had to be blocked, a ship with nobody on board, but wireless controlled from some distance away could be employed to do the work. Or again, a ship laden with high explosives might be sent into a hostile anchorage and there blown up. An attack of this kind might prove distinctly trying to an enemy's nerves. The day may yet come when the whole fleets of surface ships will engage under wireless control from the shore or from the air—when giant aeroplanes, capable of developing the necessary electric power, have been completed. In this, as in other developments, the world is only at the beginning. In the British Navy progress has been very rapid. Before the war a wireless-control ship from a distance has been mastered by British naval officers. It is believed that no great difficulty would be experienced in steering a destroyer at twenty-five or thirty knots; the real difficulty is to risk to harmless, peaceful, merchant shipping which might happen to get in the way of the magic vessel.

The exact nature of the devices employed is naturally a secret, but, simply stated, the system consists in wireless currents which are generated at the control station (that may be either on board ship or on shore) being transmitted "wirelessly" to the object being "controlled." There they are received by valves and made to operate magnets. Of the latter a series is fastened in the ship—if it is a ship that is under control. Each magnet has a particular job to do. One puts the rudder to port, another turns it to the starboard, and so on through the whole range of actions incidental to "running" the ship.

Each magnet does its special job and that job alone—and it works only when current is directed upon it. Communication is made or broken instantaneously. If the operator at the control station wants a given number of degrees of starboard helm "put on" the "controlled" vessel, he engages the magnet for the purpose of starboarding the helm and cuts it out again immediately the helm is in position required. In instantaneous response to the "signals" from the control stations is an essential feature of radio control.

DISTANCE NO PROBLEMS.

Although he may be twenty miles away from her, the man who handles a ship by this system occupies exactly the same position in relation to navigating her as he would if he were captain giving his orders from her bridge. In the latter case he tells various saloons what he wishes them to do. But by "control" instead of giving verbal orders to men, he transmits "wireless" orders to mechanical appliances, and they do exactly what he wants of them.

Theoretically, the use of different wave-lengths for operating different "control" instruments is satisfactory. In practice there are objections to it on the grounds of multiplicity of plant. The better method is to operate the relay switches, which do whatever is required about the "controlled" vessel by impulses—or "punches." One wireless "punch" sets a specific switch (or magnet) in action; two "punches" set it up another—and so on through the whole gamut of activities that are subject to the will of the man at the control station.

SCOPE OF THE DISCOVERY.
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THE NEW YEAR PAGE.
The New Year's come, Let's make things hum— Forget the distant past; The fellow who succeeds to-day Will have to travel fast.

The New Year Man
Don't say "I can't!"
No job too big to tackle;
If failure waves outlying hand,
Put it beneath the shackle.

With New Year pep
Just keep in step
Your eyes on better things;
Don't gaze the future by the past,
But give Ambition wings.

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Ladies' Slip-on Sweaters

Extraordinary values in a needable garment for present wear; Gold and Nile Green mixtures, with brass wool collar of Grey, shaped waist. Regular \$7.00. **\$3.39**
Friday, Saturday and Monday

Children's
Pantalettes

Just the correct thing for little girls and little boys—warm fleeced Jersey Pantalettes, waist high, buttoned at ankle, shades of Navy, Brown and White. They fit up to 7 years. Regular \$1.70. **Friday, Saturday and Monday \$1.09**

New Shipment of
Wool Blankets
NEW VALUES

Soft Wool Blankets, a delight to the Housewife and joy on frosty nights, offering best values for years; assorted sizes:

Regular \$ 8.00. Special	\$ 7.35
Regular \$ 9.50. Special	\$ 9.00
Regular \$12.50. Special	\$11.50

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Everyone a real Special value. They are full size, well wadded, show pretty art coverings; some with two tone effects, and prices easily graded, procuring becomes easy with prices like these:

Regular \$ 7.00 for	\$ 4.50
Regular \$ 8.00 for	\$ 5.25
Regular \$ 9.00 for	\$ 6.25
Regular \$15.00 for	\$10.60

IMPORTANT ONES from The Men's & Boys' Section

MEN'S PYJAMAS—Striped Flannel Pyjama Suits, military collar, silk braided, pearl buttons. Reg. \$3.00 value. **\$2.75**
Friday, Saturday and Monday

TOP SHIRTS—Working Shirts in heavy Grey Flannel, collared, strongly stitched, roomy sizes. Special Friday, Sat. **\$1.90**
Friday, Saturday and Monday

Wool Socks—Stout ribbed Wool Socks in Brown shades only; extraordinary value. Friday, Saturday and Monday **65c.**

MEN'S LINEN GLOVES—Best of wearing soft Cape Kid Gloves, with nice warm lining and one dome wrist; assorted Tan shades. Special Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$1.55**

WINTER CAPS—Warm Cloth Caps, showing one piece crowns, ear protection folds snugly inside; assorted plain shades. Special **\$1.70**

BOYS' VESTS—Snugg-fitting Wool Vests in Heather mixtures, V neck and sleeveless; just what a boy needs. **85c.**

COAT JERSEYS—Warm Grey Wool Coat Jerseys, buttoned front, 2 pockets, excellent value. Special **\$3.35**

BOYS' TWEED PANTS—In good English Tweeds, well made from left over ends from our Men's suitings. They're good; assorted sizes. Prices range **\$1.65 to \$2.45**

BOYS' HIGH RUBBERS—Always needed, reputable make with red rubber soles and heels; sizes 1 to 5. Reg. **\$5.25**. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$4.55**

WOOL HUFFLES—Quite an assortment in this lot, light weight all Wool, and others in a heavier make; values to **\$1.50**. Friday, Saturday and Monday

CULLINGS from THE SHOWROOM

UNDERSKIRTS—A very special value in White Flannellette tucked with fancy stitchings, made in full-fitting sizes; value for **\$3.75**. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$2.59**

HINKING CAPS—Roll brim style, buttoned at side, in shades of Saxe, Navy, Emerald, Brown, Crimson and White; sporty. Reg. 55c. Friday, Saturday and Monday **29c.**

FANCY GIRDLES—The Newest in Girdles, in bone and metal, Black and Green, Black and White; suitable for Dress, Juniper or Costume. Reg. \$1.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday **82c.**

"SLIP-ON" VEILS—"Bonnie B." Slip-on Veils, noticeable good, in plain and fancy; shades of Brown, Navy, Purple, Taupe, Grey and Black. Reg. 15c. each. Friday, Saturday and Monday **2 for 25c.**

CHILDREN'S VESTS—In pure White Jersey, high neck, long sleeves, fitting 6 to 10 years. Regular \$1.10. Friday, Saturday and Monday **69c.**

1.20 CORSETS for 89c

A Special Sale of Grey Corsets, strongly made and finished; sizes 21 to 28. Regular value for **\$1.20**. Friday, Saturday and Monday **89c.**

10.00
SKIRTS
3.98

Ladies' Skirts in Tweeds, Cloths and Serges, with pocket, belt and button trimmings, winter weight, away under Half Price. You should be interested. Regular **\$10.00**. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$3.98**

Men's Woolen
Underwear

Best grade English Wool Underwear, in natural shades, beautiful soft texture, warm, yet not too heavy; assorted sizes:

Prices **\$2.90, \$3.25, \$3.60**

Children's
Wool Sets
for the little folks

Just the Sets for the little ones when outdoors; Cap, Mitts and Stockings in Navy, Crimson and plain Navy. The **\$1.69**

Every Department is Chucking Along its Choicest

WOMEN'S BOOTS—In Black and Dark Tans, laced style, 9 inch height, pointed toe and military heel. Reg. \$11.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$3.49**

BOYS' GAITERS—In 4 buckle height, sturdy Gaiters for sturdy boys, heavy soles and heels; sizes 1 to 4. Reg. \$4.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$4.15**

WOOL MITTS—Warm Wool Mitts, the heavy kind, in Crimson, Navy and White, long wrists; they're needed. The pair. Special Friday, Saturday and Monday **48c.**
The larger sizes. Special **57c.**

ASTRACHAN GLOVES—Girls' and Boys' Brown Astrachan hand, kid palm. Gloves, with one dome wrist, warmly lined. Dollar Value. Friday, Saturday and Monday **89c.**

CHILDREN'S WOOL GLOVES—In plain shades and pretty hatched, real seamless Ringwood Gloves for school days; all sizes. Special the pair Friday, Saturday and Monday **25c.**

LACE PANTS—Cross barred, window or vestibule door, White lace make with fancy centre. Special each Friday, Saturday and Monday **49c.**

FIGURED CASHMERE—In Cream ground, fancy border and fancy centre, strong and decorative looking. Reg. 55c. Friday, Saturday and Monday **43c.**

FLOOR CASEMENTS—Dark patterned Case-ments, 36 inches wide, very strong, nice for draught screens, hangings, slip-overs, etc. Reg. 70c. yard. Friday, Saturday and Monday **59c.**

SHEET WADDING—In black and unbleached for mat filling, quilts, robes, etc. The Sheet **18c.**

LACE CURTAINS—46 pairs of the finer makes in White and Cream. Lace Curtains, 2 1/2 yards long; dressy looking Curtains, ranging in prices up to **\$6.00** pair. Special Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$2.98**

SCRUBBERS—Coarse Grain Scrubbing Cloths, finished edge. Special Friday, Saturday and Monday **19c.**

SCRIM CURTAINS—33 pairs of fine mesh Scrim Curtains, Lace edged, openwork and motif corner piece. In White, Ivory and Cream; up to **\$6.00** pair. Friday, Saturday and Monday **\$2.49**

Emperor Fought as Gladiator.

Commons, Emperor of Rome, 181-183, A.D., whose cruelty almost matched that of Nero, was endowed with great physical strength of which he was very proud. He often appeared in imitation of Hercules, dressed in a lion's skin, and armed with a club. To display his skill and strength in arms he appeared publicly in the amphitheatre, but as his opponents were armed with weapons of tin or lead, while he was encased in armor, he had naturally an easy victory on every occasion. For his amusement he cut saunter persons, put out their eyes, and mutilated their noses, ears, etc. Commodus was strangled by the gladiator-Narcissus, who had been hired to commit the deed.

Underground Villages.

There are at the present time thousands of cave-dwellers even in the more civilized parts of Europe. In early times great numbers of tunnels and chambers were cut in the hillsides of England, Flanders and France to serve as refuges for entire communities in times of invasion. Some of these are still so numerous as to form underground villages, like the village of Troo, about 150 miles south of Paris, most of whose inhabitants live wholly or in part underground. Some of these huge caverns in Northern France were used again as shelters for entire regiments during the World War. Other such rock villages have been found in Spain, Italy, Sicily, China, India, Egypt, and especially in Syria.

Cub Cigarettes are appreciated, not only by the smoker but by those in his company.

MEDICAL HELP.
There are so many kinds of docs, I scarce know what to do, when fell disease my system rocks, the rheumatiz or flu, the measles or the chickenpox, and I am sad and blue. One doctor feeds us better pills than have a mothball taste, and liquid medicine he spills inside one's bulging waist; his potion either cures or kills, and does the trick in haste. Another laughs at pills and dope in loud and strident tones; he says when sick our only hope is kneading of the bones; he is the man of breadth and scope, and viselike hands he owns. One doctor is a crank on air, fresh air, he says, will heal; for spavined limbs or falling hair, fresh air and linseed meal; for any ailment, anywhere, ozone's his endless spell. "Suggestions," says another doc, "will sound disease's knell; if you have cylinders that knock, come, see me where I dwell; I'll bring suggestions in a flock, and they will make you well." Some doctors keep within their shackles sword, cleaver, saw and lance, and when we spasms grip our backs, and to their wigwags prance, they want to cleave us with an ax, collecting in advance. The doctors have so many schools I scarce know which to choose, when fever heats or ague cools my weary bones and thaws; so many pills, so many tools, so many curlicues!

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Fricasse is a Word of Doubtful Origin.

Fricasse has usually been derived from the Latin word fricare, to fry, through the French frier, but it is thought more probable now that it derived from the French frasser, meaning to break into pieces or the Latin fricare, to rub.

In French the word is used to indicate any meat fried in a pan, but the English meaning is a dish made from cutting chicken, rabbits and other small animals into pieces and cooking them in frying or other pan with gravy.

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