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IN EASTER LAND.

Dawn—it is dawn in the Easter Land!
Far have our caravans come, and we
Here at the edge of the desert stand,
Looking away to the joys to be.
Aye, it is dawn, and we've journeyed far
Led by the glow of the Easter star.

Who at the gates of the Easter Land
Bid us good morning and lead us in?
Children, a world of them, hand in hand,
Palms and processions of lily-kin.
Enter! Oh, sad was the march, and long—
Join in the triumphs of Easter song.

All is forgotten on Easter day—
Shadows and fears of the wintry path.
Here at the end of a troubled way
Fragrant the welcomes the Easter hath.
This is the haven the pilgrims scanned:
Dawn—it is dawn in the Easter Land.

Bells in the steeples your sweetest ring!
Children, your chorusing voices raise!
Lilies, your multitude censers swing!
Hearts reunited, exult in praise!
Swing jubilates! Faith's loyal band
Enters the gates of the Easter Land.

Frederick Walcott Hutt.

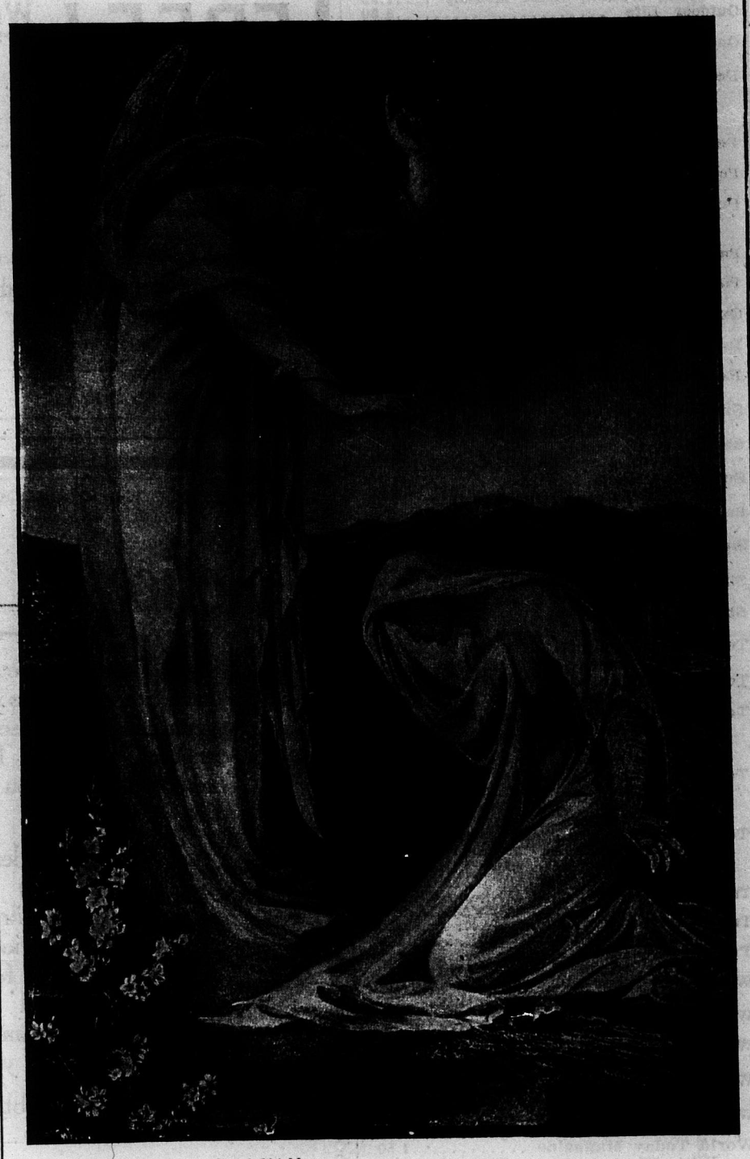
AN EASTER WOOING.

"It is Easter to-morrow," she sorrowfully sighed,
A poor but a beautiful maid,
"And I've nothing to wear but a jacket threadbare,
And a bonnet all crumpled and frayed"
But she went to the garret, and under the eaves,
Where a spider was weaving a veil,
Great grandmother's best she unearthed from a chest
That was new when the Mayflower set sail.

The daintiest figure that ever stepped forth
From a miniature studded with pearls,
Was a slender young maid in the Easter parade,
With a "coal-scuttle" hat on her curls,
For the deep Tuscan brim, with its lining of pink,
Was a frame to a face like a rose.
And the silver-brocaded silk gown, though t'was faded,
Gave a glimpse of a breast like the snows.

A man who was handsome, wealthy and proud,
And crowned with the laurels of fame,
Beheld her arrayed in the ancient brocade,
Like a picture stepped out of a frame,
"Oh, there is a girl with a soul above clothes,
Who would shine in her beauty amid
The queens in their crowns and their ermine-lined gowns!
I will make her my wife," and he did.

Minna Irving.



From the painting by Frederick Shield.

"Blessed art Thou among Women"

THE MEANING OF EASTER.

After the blight of winter,
Its frost and its biting cold,
To greet the violet's incense,
And watch the lily unfold;
To hear in the budding branches
The twitter of nesting birds,
And feel in the heart, long saddened,
A gladness too deep for words.

This is the Easter message,
This is the seal divine,
As if God said, I will give them
Each year a wonderful sign,
That earth in her resurrection
May say to the hearts of men:
"After the grave's dark shadows,
Ye, too, shall blossom again."

Christ is risen! O listen
The sound of the Easter bells,
Christ is risen! the music
Rises, and deepens, and swells,
Till earth breaks out into music,
And the air is astir with wings,
As if the angels were bending
To hear what the glad world sings.

Margaret Waters.

EASTERTIDE.

Where the brown earth lifeless lay,
Lo, the stone is rolled away!
And, through all her pulses wide
Throbs the joy of Eastertide.
Life from death returns again
Over valley, hill and plain;
Field and meadow smile anew
Under gracious skies of blue.

Greening oaks and grasses feel
Mighty forces through them steal;
Root and fibre thrill below
With a life the sunbeams know;
Bud and blossom are a sign
Of the energies divine
Flushing vale and woodland wide
With the April Eastertide

Nature thus repeats anew,
With an accent always true,
Sign and symbol often told
In the ages dim and old.
Lo, the weary watch is done
In the dawning of the sun,
While the glad earth far and wide
Thrills with Life at Eastertide.

Benjamin F. Leggett.

THE EASTER GUEST. By Mary Lowe Dickinson.

I knew Thou wert coming, O Lord divine;
I felt in the sunlight a softened shine,
And a murmur of welcome I thought I heard,
In the ripple of brook and the chirp of bird;
And the bursting buds and the springing grass
Seemed to be waiting to see Thee pass;
And the sky and the sea, and the throbbing sod,
Pulsed and thrilled to the touch of God.

I knew thou wert coming, O Love divine,
To gather the world's heart up to Thine;
I knew the bonds of the rock-hewn grave
Were riven, that living, Thy life might save.
But blind and wayward, I could not see,
Thou wert coming to dwell with me, e'en me,
And my heart o'erburdened with care and sin,
Had no fair chamber to take Thee in.

Now let me come nearer, O Christ divine,
Make in my soul for Thyself a shrine;
Cleanse, till the desolate place shall be
Fit for a dwelling, dear Lord, for Thee.
Rear, if thou wilt, a throne in my breast,
Reign, I will worship and serve my guest.
While thou art in me, and in Thee I abide,
What end can there be to the Eastertide.

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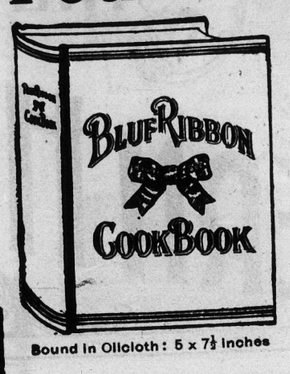

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THE ORIGIN OF EASTER.

JANE A. STEWART.

To the student of the world's history there is great interest and food for reflection in the facts concerning the origin of the religious observance of Easter. Strange though it may seem, this popular church festival dates back to a heathen custom. Our twentieth-century celebration is the modern evolution of heathen ideals and the transformation by Christian usage and environment of a great popular pagan festival of olden time—that of the goddess Ostara. In the Anglo-Saxon language this festival was termed "Eastre," and the name was applied to a celebration which the Saxons of old were wont to observe about the same season at which the Christian festival of Easter takes place.

The goddess Ostara seems to have been regarded as the personification of the morning, or of the east, and also of the opening year, or the beginning of spring. Apropos of this heathen representative of the east, it is to be noted that from very early times the east has been held in certain distinction above the other points of the compass and enveloped with a sort of sacred halo. The ancient worshippers of the sun used to place their altars in the eastern part of their temples facing the rising orb of the day. That the east had a certain sacred character is evidenced in the Scriptures, which contain several noteworthy references: "The glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east" (Ezekiel xliii., 2); "There came wise men from the east to Jerusalem" (Matthew ii, 1); "And, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them" (Matthew ii, 9). A high regard for the east was manifested by the early Christians, who perpetuated the idea handed down from their ancestors. Looking toward the sun in the east, in praying or repeating the creed, was thought to put worshippers in remembrance that Christ is the sun of righteousness, and such was the attitude in olden times during devotion—a custom now obsolete.

It was from Northern Germany in the very early days that the worship of Ostara, the goddess of the east, was brought to our ancestors in Great Britain. It is well-known that the Anglo-Saxon name of April was *Estermonath*, and in Germany this month is still known as Ostermonath. Many of the popular observances of Easter, even to this day, clearly indicate its heathen origin. The heathen bonfires were perpetuated in the paschal tapers with which the churches were once lighted on Easter eve. The brilliant illuminations of the churches, and parts of some of the cities, in Russia at Easter are also reminders of the early heathen festivals.

Easter, it is said, is the modern English form for the Saxon word "oster" or "osten," meaning "rising." The German word is "ostern," the Hebrew-Greek form is "pascha," the French "paques," the Scotch "pasch," the Dutch "paschen," the Swedish "pask," and the Danish "paaske." The common name in the East was the "paschal feast," because kept at the same time as the paschen, or Jewish Passover, and in some measure succeeding it. In the sixth of the Ancyran canons it is called "The Great Day."

The proper time for the celebration of Easter was the source of great discord among the early Christians. It has been aptly pointed out that though there has never been any difference of opinion as to why Easter is kept, there has been a good deal of disagreement as to when it ought to be kept. The paschal controversy, which for a time divided Christendom, grew out of a diversity of custom, the errors of an imperfect calendar, and the process of amalgamation of a new order upon the old. The great mass of the Eastern Churches in Asia Minor, among whom were many Judaizing Christians, kept Easter on the 14th of Nisan, the Jewish month corresponding to our March or April, considering it to be equivalent to the Jewish Passover. But the Western churches kept the feast on the Sunday following the fourteenth day, remembering that Christ's resurrection took place on the Sunday, and also desiring to mark more clearly their disconnection with the Jews.

The difference, borne at first with mutual forbearance and charity, assumed regrettable bitterness and rancor during the third century. The East was unhappily severed from the West, and all who, after the manner of the Asiatics, kept Easter on the 14th, whether that day were Sunday or not, were styled "quartadecimans" by those who adopted the Roman practice.

A primary source of the divergence was the imperfection of the Jewish calendar. This was so defective that it came about that the Jewish Christians often celebrated their Easter before the vernal equinox, a circumstance which was strenuously objected to by the early Christians of the West, who regarded the vernal equinox as the commencement of the natural year. They were opposed to a mode of reckoning which might sometimes cause them to hold their paschal feast twice in one year, and omit it altogether the next. So strong was this feeling that it culminated in a drastic apostolic decree which declared that, "If any bishop, priest, or deacon celebrated the holy feast of Easter before the vernal equinox as the Jews do, let him be deposed."

It was through the happy initiative of the Emperor Constantine, in the early part of the fourth century, that the uniformity of practice was inaugurated which, though not immediately accepted, finally prevailed and obtains at the present time. The Emperor so influenced the great Ecumenical Council at Nice, of 325 A.D., that a canon was passed which favored the practice of the Western churches by declaring that everywhere the great feast of Easter should be observed upon one and the same day, and that not the day of the Jewish Passover, but the Sunday after. As a result, the rules were laid down which we find in the Book of Common Prayer of the twentieth century.

"That the 21st day of March shall be accounted the vernal equinox. That the full moon happening upon or next after the 21st of March shall be taken for the full moon of Nisan. That the Lord's day next following that full moon be Easter day. But if the full moon happen upon a Sunday Easter day shall be the Sunday after."

On Easter day depend all the movable feasts and fasts throughout the years. It was debated, at the time of the introduction of the Gregorian calendar, whether Easter should continue to be movable or a fixed Sunday. Deference to ancient custom, it is said, led the ecclesiastical authorities to adhere to the method of determination by the moon. It is an interesting fact and worthy of remembrance that the date of Easter was fixed by what is known as the "calendar moon," which, it appears, always follows the real moon by two or three days. The object in arranging a calendar moon, it is said, was to prevent the occurrence of Easter on the same day as the Jewish Passover. The precaution, however, has been a failure, for the two festivals it transpires, have fallen on the same day in 1805 and 1825. The year 1908 was marked by the same unique coincidence, both Easter and the Jewish Passover occurring on the same day, April 12th. This unusual event will happen again in 1923, 1927 and 1981. Many like to think that, instead of owing its derivation to the heathen goddess "Eastre," the word comes from the Teutonic "oster," which signifies "rising." If the latter supposition were correct, Easter would be in name, as well as in reality, the feast of the Resurrection.

The apostle Paul calls Christ "our Pasch." It was he who wrote the inspired words which are embalmed in church liturgies, and hallowed in the hearts of men because of their beauty, truth and power: "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead." The blessed argument is that Christ's resurrection is the proof of the fulfillment of the promise of the resurrection of His faithful followers. Orthodox Christianity hinges on the reality of that event, which is the real origin of the spirit of the Easter festival.

It is perhaps to be regretted that the inauguration of the holy celebration of Easter should have been connected with a heathen festival; that from pagan sources comes the word which commemorates the most blessed fact in the Christian faith. But it is well to remember, as has been appropriately pointed out, that we must take it as it is found and fill it with the noble, high, and divine meaning for which it now stands. The names of the days of the week and the months of the year are also heathen in origin and in their earlier associations; but we must accept them, as we cannot unwrite history and unmake language.

Easter in its modern sense has no taint of heathen idolatry. It means a living, pulsating Christianity born of the life of God, which is illustrated in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ—in the soul of man.

LILIES FOR GOD.

THEY were tending sweet lilies for Easter morn,
For the shrine of the Risen God;
There were creamy lilies with gold in their hearts,
Each surmounting a royal rod;
And white lilies that clustered upon their stems,
And vale-lilies that bent toward the sod.

And a child stood and looked through the gate at them,
At these children of wealth and glee,
Who were gazing upon their sweet gifts for God,
And were prattling so merrily;
And a wistful look crept into his eyes
That was, Oh! so sad to see.

"Oh, I'd love to give God some sweet lilies like these
On to-morrow, His Easter Day;"
But a thought like an ocean of grief welled up,
And it swept all his joys away;
"Easter lilies they cost even rich folks so much,
And I haven't one penny to pay."

He was poor, Oh, so poor, but he never had begged,
"Yet," he mused, "I could ask for a flower,"
But before he had uttered a pleading word
Came a thought full of comforting power,
(Such thoughts are white lilies that Angels bear
Unto earth from Heaven's own bower.)

"On to-morrow these lilies will all be God's;
Other lilies as sweet as they
Will be gathered but, may be, not given to him,
So I'll just thank God to-day,
That if I cannot give a sweet lily to Him
Other children can. And I'll pray

"That all the sweet lilies God made to grow,
May to-morrow be given to Him."
And the thought made bright and happy the world
That had seemed so sad and dim,
While the heart of the boy with wistful eyes
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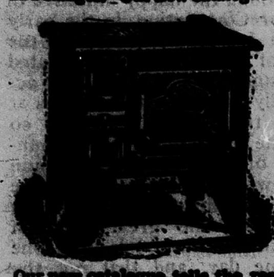

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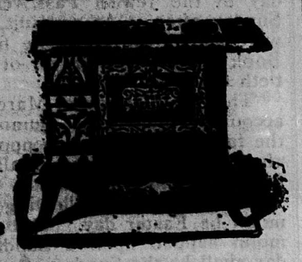

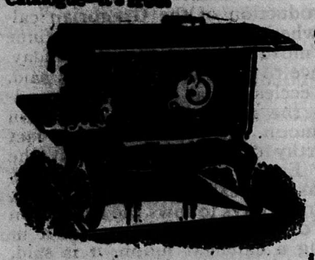

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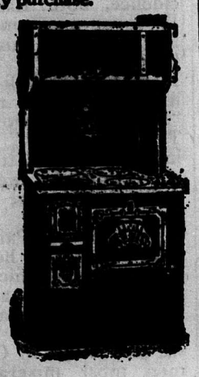

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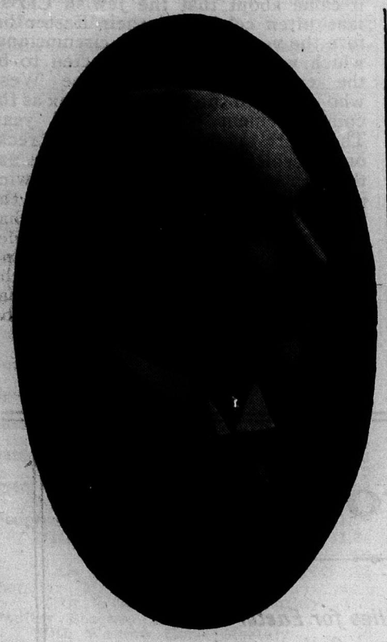
The Manitoba Government under the leadership of its Premier, the Hon. R. P. Roblin, achieved a decisive victory over the Liberals at the polls on March 7th. There will be many changes in the personel of the next legislature. The Liberals lost a few stalwarts, and the Conservative candidates in some constituencies were left at home. The Hon. Dr. McFadden, a Minister in the last government, went down to defeat. The Conservatives will have 28 supporters and the Liberals 13 in the next House.



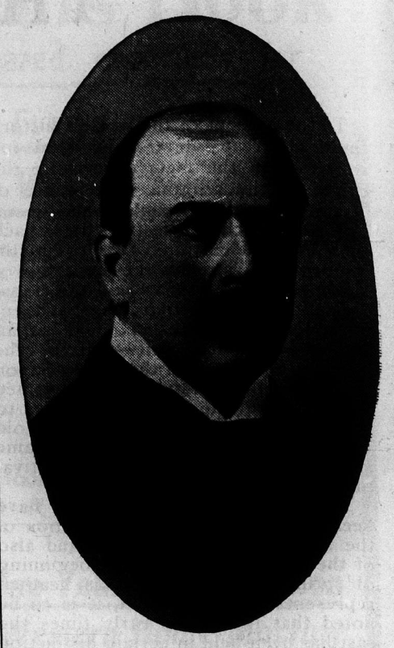
HON. R. ROGERS.

Hon. Robt. Rogers, Minister of Public Works, Conservative, re-elected in Manitou, was born in Argenteuil county, Quebec, and came west when he was 23 years of age. He engaged in general business at Clearwater. He early entered politics and at one time was looked upon as leader against Mr. Greenway, who defeated him in Mountain in 1886 and 1892. Mr. Rogers secured election in Manitou in 1899 and became a member of the Roblin government.

HON. C. H. CAMPBELL.

Hon. Colin Campbell, K. C., Conservative, re-elected in Morris, was born in Ontario in 1859. He studied law and came west in 1882 to practice with the firm of Campbell, Pitblado, Hoskin & Grundy. He was an alderman of Winnipeg in 1889-90. He was defeated in Winnipeg at the Dominion elections of 1893. He was elected to the legislature and entered the Macdonald cabinet in 1900, becoming attorney-general, an office which he still holds.

The Hon. J. H. Agnew, the provincial treasurer, was born on Oct. 18, 1863, near Whitby, Ont., and came west in 1879 after he left college. He was admitted to the bar in 1884 and two years later proceeded to Virden, where he opened a practice.



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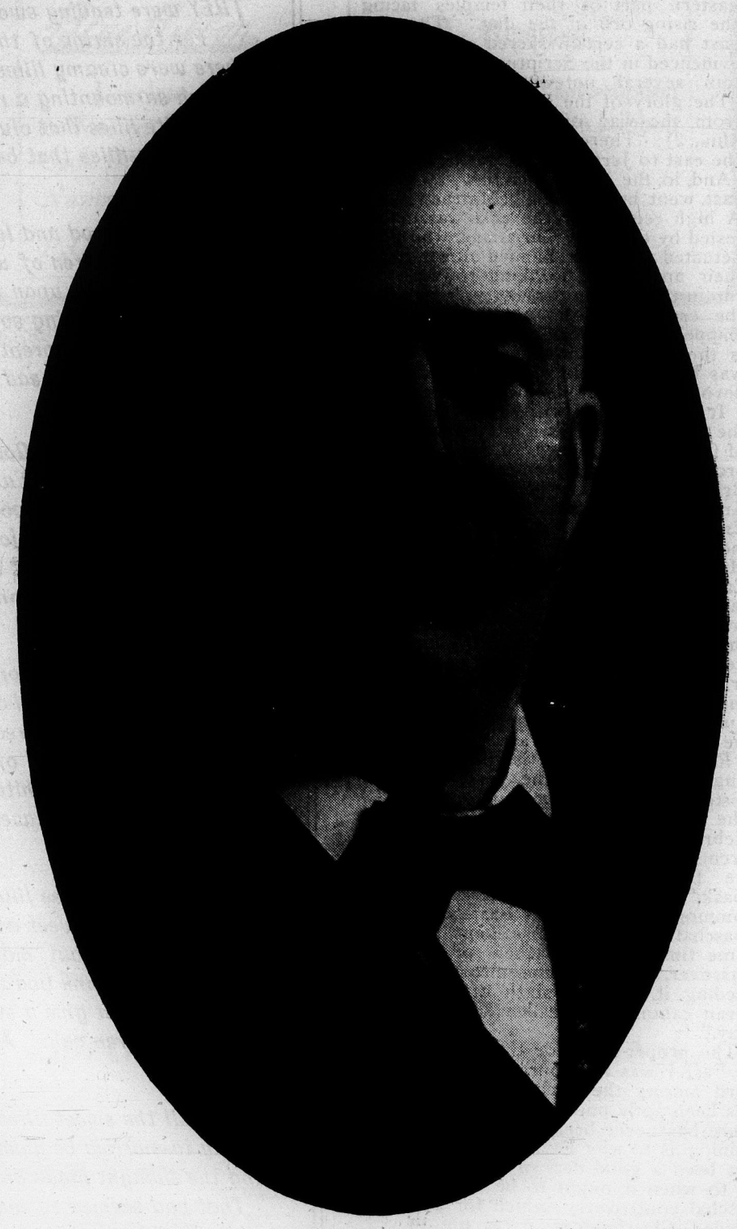

HON. R. P. ROBLIN.

Hon. R. P. Roblin, M.P.P., Premier of Manitoba, Conservative member-elect for Dufferin, was born in Prince Edward county, Ont., of Dutch descent, in 1853. He came out west to engage in the grain and general business. He entered municipal affairs and became warden of Dufferin, but was defeated for the legislature twice before being elected in 1888, as a Liberal. Turning against Mr. Greenway, he became leader of the opposition and premier in 1900.

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On Salem's towers and olden walls,
Where watch the weary sentinels
The far light in the skies.

The odorous lamps no longer thrill
The chambers of imperial towers,
But to a garden, lone and still,
There comes a form, and perfumes fill
Her way along the voiceless hill
Of resurrection flowers.

She hears the birds sing 'mid the palms,
The early camels' bell afar;
She clasps the spices in her arms,
Her resinous treasures, gifts and balms,
With sighs and broken chords of Psalms,—
The penitent of Magdala!

What wondrous scenes await her there!
The riven tomb, the angels white!
"Mary?" She hastes the word to bear:
The brow of Olivet is fair,
The Levite rings the bells of prayer,
The new world wakes to light.

Mary! No woman ever bore
Such tidings to the world as thine;
Mary, who stood the cross before.
And met the angels at the door
Of Jesus' tomb—forevermore
Hope's messenger divine!

O faithful feet from Galilee,
For thee the Easter lilies bloom.
So ever hearts that truest be
In faith and love and sympathy,
To Jesus' lifted cross shall see
The angels at the open tomb.

—By Hezekiah Butterworth.

April in Poetry.

Oh the lovely fickleness of an April day!

—W. H. Gibson.

Old April wanes, and her last dewy morn
Her death-bed steeps in tears; to hail the May
New blooming blossoms 'neath the sun are born,
And all poor April's charms are swept away.

—Clare.

The children with the streamlets sing,
When April stops at last her weeping;
And every happy growing thing
Laughs like a babe just roused from sleeping.

—Lucy Larcom.

There is no glory in star or blossom
Till looked upon by a loving eye;
There is no fragance in April breezes
Till breathed with joy as they wander by.

—Bryant.

Again the blackbirds sing; the streams
Wake, laughing, from their winter dreams,
And tremble in the April showers
The tassels of the maple flowers.

—Whittier.

When April winds
Grew soft, the maple burst into a flush
Of scarlet flowers. The tulip tree, high up,
Opened in airs of June her multitude
Of golden chalices to humming birds
And silken-wing'd insects of the sky.

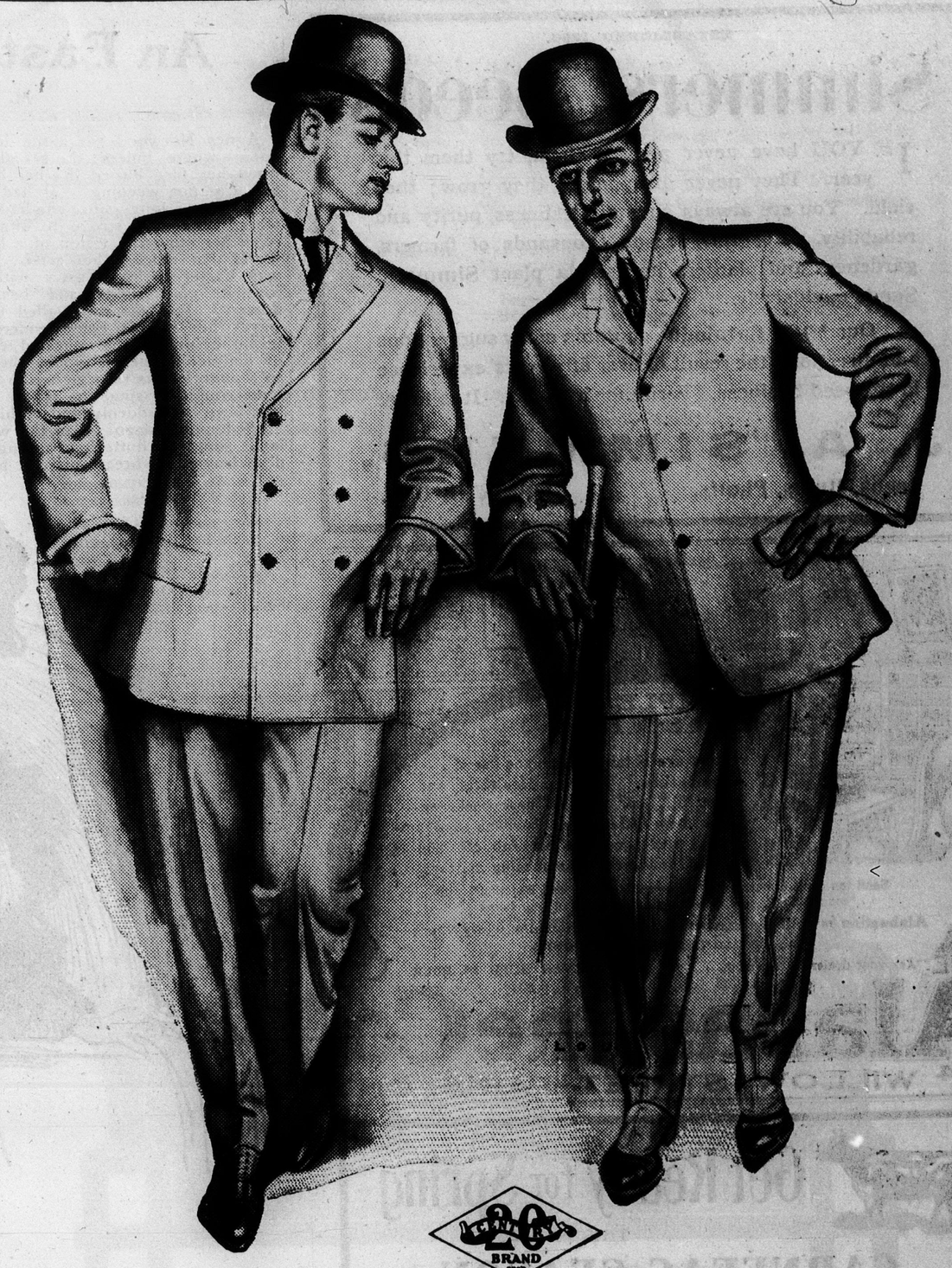
—Bryant.

Sweet April! many a thought
Is wedded unto thee, as hearts are wed;
Nor shall they fail, till, to its autumn brought,
Life's golden fruit is shed.

—Longfellow.

Every tear is answered by a blossom,
Every sigh with songs and laughter blent,
Apple-blooms upon the breezes toss them,
April knows her own, and is content.

—Susan Coolidge.



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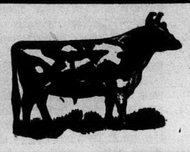

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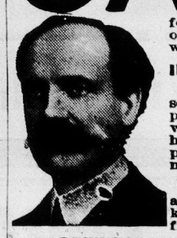

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An Easter Message.

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Agnes Norwood sat alone in her room—where, indeed, she sat always, now—her face buried in her hands. She was not weeping. It had been long—oh, so long—since she had shed tears. She only strove to shut out from her mind the vision of a happy world that mocked her grief. What was Easter to her, Easter with its joys, its glad songs and beautiful flowers? If those who called themselves her friends could understand how they probed the unhealed wound of her aching heart, would they be so thoughtless as to urge her to sing? How could she sing, she whose song had been so suddenly and ruthlessly hushed months ago? Can the woodland songster fluttering among the dead leaves, its breast pierced by an arrow, tune its little throat to melody? No more could she sing with a heart that throbbed only to pain.

A ray of spring sunshine crept in between the folds of the window curtain. She arose and drew the shade.

Agnes Norwood had once been a part of that world of brightness and beauty to which she seemed to belong; but her Gethsemane had come at the supreme hour of her life—at a time when she was radiantly happy—and its dark shadows had wrapped themselves so closely about her that she had not since been able to penetrate their gloom. It was in May that she had promised to be Arthur Cameron's wife. Before the June roses were gone death had claimed him. There had been a short illness, a sudden alarm, and then the end. The brilliant young life had gone out.

When Agnes strove to recall what had taken place in those awful days of darkness and hopelessness, she had a confused sense of the solemn hush, the sorrowful faces, and a kind voice that had tried to point her to the "stars shining through the cypress trees." The only reality was the great wave of desolation that had settled down into her heart when that which represented all that life had held for her was carried out of her sight.

Since then the days had come and gone alike, as one long painful dream. In vain had anxious parents and sympathetic friends tried every expedient to waken within her the old passion for music. In those other days Agnes' sweet voice had thrilled large audiences. The congregation of First Church had not forgotten the Easter solo of last year. They were eager to secure the same singer for the coming Easter. But Agnes refused to see anyone, and in answer to all entreating letters on the subject wrote a firm refusal—it was impossible for her to sing.

When the church bells rang on Easter morning there was no music in the chimes to the heavy-hearted girl. Their notes jarred upon her sorrow. The perfume of the Easter lilies in the sunny bay window of the breakfast-room oppressed her. When a robin, one of the earliest of the season, alighted in a tree by the open casement and poured forth his little soul in a burst of melody, Agnes involuntarily put her hands to her ears. At last she impulsively donned her wraps and fled from the house.

The home of the Norwoods was well out on the outskirts of the little city. Only a mile away was the beautiful Woodvale Cemetery. Spring had come early. The snow was nearly gone and in places the ground was already quite dry. This Easter morning a south wind blew softly and the warm sun lingered lovingly on the low mounds in the sacred city of the dead. It shone with particular brightness on one marked by a slender granite shaft.

Agnes entered the cemetery and walked rapidly down the avenue that lay nearest this mound. Leaning her head wearily against its monument,

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she remained motionless, with closed eyes and drawn brows. What though the south wind caressed so lightly the silent home of the sleepers? It would pass on to riot among scenes of gaiety. The sunshine, too, would desert them for some less lonely spot. Darkness would come, as the darkness that had settled over her life. How could there be light hearts and songs and gladness in this sad, sad world? Life was so pitifully brief, and death was over all. Yes, life itself was death. They had tried to tell her that she would meet her dearest again, but did they know? No, no, they could not. And she was young yet. How could she endure the long life that stretched before her, the years that must pass before she could interpret the mystery of death? Oh, if she might only receive some message, some least token that Arthur still lived!

She lifted her eyes for a moment to the blue sky and then brought them wearily back to earth. Close by the monument a little pale flower, one of spring's first hepaticas, had pushed its frail petals above the ground and was lifting its tiny head to the sunlight. Agnes bent over it and tenderly drew away the grass. How came it there? By human hand? No, it had risen from the dead. "Risen from the dead," she repeated softly to herself. Yes, it had died with the summer; but only to await earth's resurrection day, when from the germ of its old dead self sprang this wondrous new life, this pure and beautiful thing. She touched tenderly its petal with a strange feeling of awe. It seemed to breathe out a message of hope and trust, a token of God's own love. It told her of the new life that begins with the decay of the old, of immortality beyond death, of an eternity when time shall end. It whispered of a faith that is stronger than sight, and of a God of love.

Long Agnes knelt over the little blossom that spoke comfort to her soul, until she had come to learn that life is not death, but death is life; that love lies beyond the grave, for it is eternal. Her heart was softened at last. Then came tears like rain—the first that had wet her lashes since that terrible day. When, after a long time, the passion of her sobs had worn away, she arose and left the cemetery, taking with her the little flower that had brought her a message from him who, through the doorway of death, had passed into life.

The morning service in First Church was not yet concluded when a little figure clad in black entered softly and stole into the first vacant pew. The beautiful Easter lilies at the altar had a message for at least one soul in the congregation that morning. From the pulpit came the closing words of the sermon: "'Because I live, ye shall live also.' They are the words of the Son of God himself, who has tasted death for every man. In the face of this divine attestation to the immortality of the soul, we cannot but cry, 'Oh Death, where is thy sting? O Grave, where is thy victory?'"

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He is risen and His mercy weaveth tendrils on life's loom.

Oh, that message! how it echoes down thro' all the passing years,
From the realms of love supernal, to this mundane vale of tears;
With its promise for all time,
With its wealth of peace sublime,
To restore our ancient birthright and dispel all doubts and fears.

Oh ye who toil and struggle in the meshes of the strife—
All ye who bow beneath the heavy burdens of your life,
Look ye to Him above,
Whose mercy, and whose love
Is ever constant, ever watchful, ever eager, ever rife.

And ye who toiling onward at the closing of the day,
To pause foot-sore and weary by the roadside on the way,
Look up to Him who died,
That ye might be glorified,
He will flood with heavenly comfort weary souls who ask and pray.

And ye who tread the by-ways that are paved with shame and sin,
Ye, too, can hear the message clear, above the awful din;
There's a radiant, fair to-morrow
Just ahead, oh child of sorrow,
Where the sinners cease from sinning; oh, take heart, and enter in!

And ye who dwell in luxury, forgetful of your care—
Forgetful of the bounties God gave to you to share—
Don't you hear the message calling
From your hearts, in soft tones falling:
"He is risen!" He who suffered for the wrongs which you forbear.

And ye who dwell in harmony, secure from doubt or fear
In the knowledge and the wisdom that is given to you here,
Pray, never cease to tell,
While the glad notes rise and swell,
He is risen! He the Crucified! His spirit's always near.

He is risen! oh, proclaim ye loud and long the message grand!
Let it ring thro'out the cities, mount and plain of every land;
Let it ring from dome and steeple,
Bringing joy to all God's people:
He is risen! He the Saviour! flows salvation from His hand.

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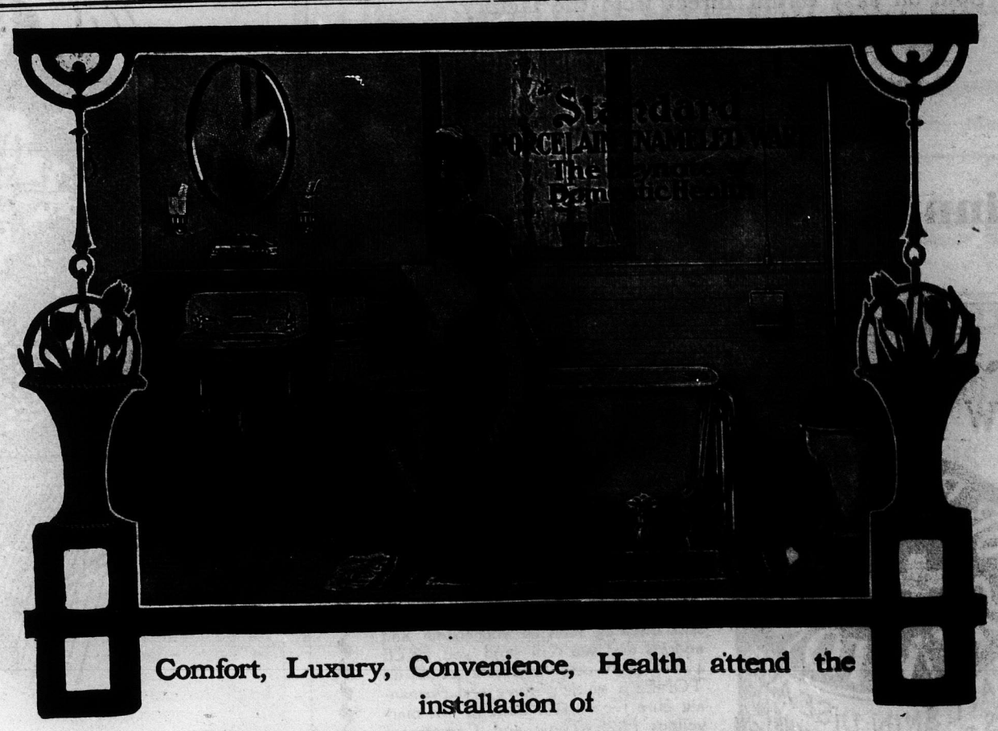

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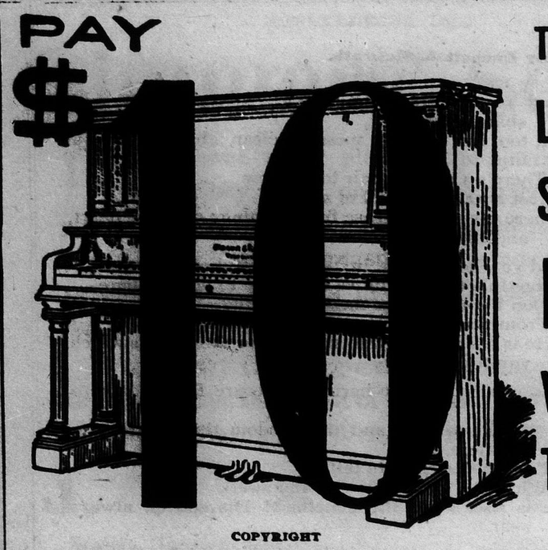

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AN EASTER STORY.

BY M. B. WILLIAMS.

The little Episcopal church of Elloway, in one of the Southern states, was gorgeous this Easter eve with its floral decorations. The girls belonging to the congregation had been at work from early morning, and with vines and evergreens from the adjacent forest, and a profusion of flowers from the gardens in town, they had succeeded in turning their pretty little church into a bower of fragrance and beauty.

"Well, at last we've finished," Clara Grant said, as she descended the ladder, after adjusting the mottoes over the central arch, "and I declare, girls," with an admiring glance around, "I don't believe the city churches can make a prettier show. But we've worked for it; my stars, how we have worked! No one can say we are not zealous in church matters."

"Not in church decorations, certainly," Alice Newton said, with a smile. She was a sweet-faced, thoughtful-looking girl about eighteen. "What between a desire to surpass other churches and be complimented on our taste, besides our natural love for pretty things. I think we are making a very creditable exhibition, very creditable, indeed."

"That's just like you, Alice," Clara Grant grumbled; "you're always taking a wrong view of things. Why do you attribute these decorations to such mean motives? Why don't you go down to the heart of them?"

"Well, what is the heart of all this?" with a sweep of her hand towards the wreaths and crosses.

"You ought to be ashamed to pretend ignorance," Clara cried wrathfully; you are in one of your perverse moods, and I declare you are actually impious. The heart of them, indeed! Isn't it Easter, and ought we not to rejoice at the resurrection, and show that we rejoice?"

"Certainly, I am the last to deny that, but why bound our rejoicings by church decorations? Can a few flowers and wreaths express fitly and fully our great gladness?"

"Goodness knows what you want," laughed Clara. "When you mount one of your crockets and canter off, I don't pretend to keep up with you. But don't forget to bring the lilies tomorrow for the christening font. We decided to have nothing but lilies on it, you know, and you are the only one who has any in bloom. You see we have left the font untouched until tomorrow, and you and I must be here at least an hour before the services begin to arrange it."

Her arm was gently touched.

"Very well, I shall have five or six sheaves of lovely white lilies in bloom tomorrow, and some white violets—they will be quite as suitable as the lilies for the font."

Easter morning dawned—an ideal Easter, so fresh and bright and beautiful it was!

Dressing in haste, Alice ran down to the garden and filled a large basket with white, golden-hearted lilies, with the dew still on their silken petals.

"You are in a great hurry," her mother said, as she hastily rose from the breakfast table.

"Yes, Clara and I have to decorate the christening font before services begin. You know it must be all white, and there were no white flowers brought in yesterday."

"You have lilies enough there to make it beautiful," Mrs. Newton said.

"Yes, I think so," Alice said, bending over the flowers lovingly. "Surely, lilies are the most suggestive flowers that can be used in church decorations, particularly for a font. They are as pure and sweet as the infants tnat are brought there to be christened."

Alice walked leisurely towards the church, knowing that she had ample time for the work which lay before her. She paused to admire the landscape a moment, when her arm was gently touched. Turning hastily, she saw a little girl about twelve, with a thin, sallow face, but wonderful black eyes that were fixed hungrily on the lilies in her gasket.

"Please, ma'am," the child said in quick, excited tones, "aren't those beautiful flowers lilies?"

"Why, yes," she said, kindly holding the basket that the child might examine them; "but where have you come from, my child, that you have never seen a lily?"

"No, I never saw one before," drawing in her breath in a kind of ecstatic sigh. "Mother has told me so much about them I knew them as soon as I saw them. Oh, aren't they beautiful, and don't they smell sweet?"

She clasped her hands, and her splendid eyes, full of delight and wonder, were riveted on the flowers. But suddenly the expression changed to one of profound grief.

"Oh, if mother could see the lilies once more! Poor mother!"

The tears ran down her cheeks as she spoke, and she wiped them away with her checked apron.

"Where is your mother?" Alice asked. "You are a stranger here."

"Yes'm; we come all the way from Kansas in a wagon. Papa, he's from Alabama, and mother, too. She was taken ill after she was caught out in a big blizzard that blew down our house. She longed to get back to her old home so papa sold out, and we've been travelling, oh! I don't know how many weeks. Mother became worse yesterday, and we stopped outside of town, and papa got a doctor. He says she's very low," with a choked sob, "but I reckon if she could see these lilies it would do her some good. She was always wanting them in Kansas, but we lived away from everybody, and we were too poor to buy flowers."

"Sick, poor and a stranger at your gates." Alice, as she remembered those words, forgot the christening font, her waiting friend and her duties for Easter.

"Take me to your mother," she said. "What is your name, my child?"

"Christine—Christine Bruce. Oh! I am so glad mother will see the lilies," clapping her hands, and laughing with delight.

"Yes, she shall have as many as she wants."

As they walked towards the outskirts of the town the child told her simple, pitiful tale. Her father had once been in good circumstances, and her mother, from Christine's account, was an educated woman, whose family in Alabama had been wealthy. Misfortune came to the settlers, and poverty and sickness followed.

"There's the wagon, and there's papa," Christine cried, suddenly, pointing to a canvas-covered emigrant wagon, and a man sitting on the tongue, with his face buried in his hands.

"And oh! I forgot to buy the bread he sent me for, and he hasn't a mouthful for breakfast. Oh, papa!" running to him, "I forgot your bread, but I'll run back for it. I was so taken up with some lilies that lady has brought for mother!"

"Is that you, Christine?" the man said, raising his head. His face was thin and worn, and his eyes had the vacant look of one whose thoughts were leagues away; but Alice noticed that neither face nor voice were those of a common laborer. His clothes, as well as those of his daughter, were of coarse homespun, but they were clean.

"Never mind about the bread, child, a mouthful would choke me; but your mother wants her tea, and you'd better make it immediately."

"Yes, papa, right off. Papa, here's a good lady come to see mother, and oh!" her eyes shining, "she's got the beautifullest lilies in that basket, and she's going to give some to mother."

The man rose from his seat, and with a courteous movement took off his hat.

"You are very kind, Miss," he said, "I'm afraid my poor wife has gone too far to notice flowers. If she could have seen them a month ago!" His voice choked. "She had a sick longing for some of the lilies from her old home, but I could as soon have got her the moon as lilies in the part of the country where we lived."

"How is your wife now?" asked Alice, kindly.

"The doctor has just left here; he says she can't last many hours. O my God!" throwing up his arms, "how can I bear to give my Milly up? Go up there, Miss; I can't look at her yet, or I'll break down, and she's so afraid to die! Oh, that's the worst of all. She wanders in her mind a good deal of the time, and it breaks my heart to hear her talk.',

Alice climbed into the wagon. A mattress was spread on the floor, and on it lay a woman with a white, emaciated face, looking like a corpse. Her eyes were closed, but as Alice bent over her they opened suddenly, and the girl shrunk back. There was something appalling in the brilliant eyes, so like Christine's, set in that thin face. Eyes, in which seemed concentrated all the life of the body already dead or dying.

Alice answered the unspoken question she saw in that look—inquiring, startled.

"Your little daughter met me, and told me how ill you were, and how much you liked lilies. See, I've brought you some," holding the fragrant blossoms to the sick woman's face.

"Lilies!" she cried hoarsely, clutching them with her hot hand. Oh! I've dreamed of them so often, so often, but I never expected to see one until I went up to His garden—the Master's garden, you know, where there will be no sickness nor sorrow. But will they let me in, do you think?" Her eyes grew wild with terror. "Oh! I'm so scared." Her voice sank into a murmur, and she pressed the flowers to her lips convulsively. "Mother," she whispered, "I will wear lilies tomorrow with my bridal dress, they are so white and pure, and see, they have golden crowns like the saints in the pictures. 'Consider the lilies, they toil not neither do they spin.' But I have toiled," her voice rising, "I have spun, and what has it come to?"

She lay silent for a few minutes, holding the flowers to her bosom, and when she spoke again it was in a changed voice, and she seemed, by an effort, to regain a consciousness of her surroundings.

"I'm very ill," she murmured, "and my mind wanders, I suppose. You brought me those lilies, I know," to Alice. "Thank you for them. Will you hang them where I can look at them all the time? My hands are too weak to hold them, and they are so sweet and precious to me.

"David," as her husband and child brought the tea to her, "you see His messenger has come to me—the lilies, I mean. I am not afraid any longer to cross the river. Somehow the message came to me in the flowers I love best. I'm not strong enough to tell you all they say, only that I'm not to be afraid. Put one in my hand that I may hold it as a sign. Safe, safe, thank God!"

She dozed a little, and suddenly, with a start, her eyes opened and her lips smiled.

"Beautiful, beautiful," she gasped, "great ranks of snowy lilies whispering to me. What are they saying? What—" The ecstatic, expectant look in her beautiful eyes dimmed, and with a deep-drawn sigh her soul had flown to hear the meaning of her vision at the foot of the great white throne.

Alice, with streaming eyes, left the husband and child alone with their dead, promising to send help to perform the last sad offices. When she had done that, although it was late, she took her way to the church.

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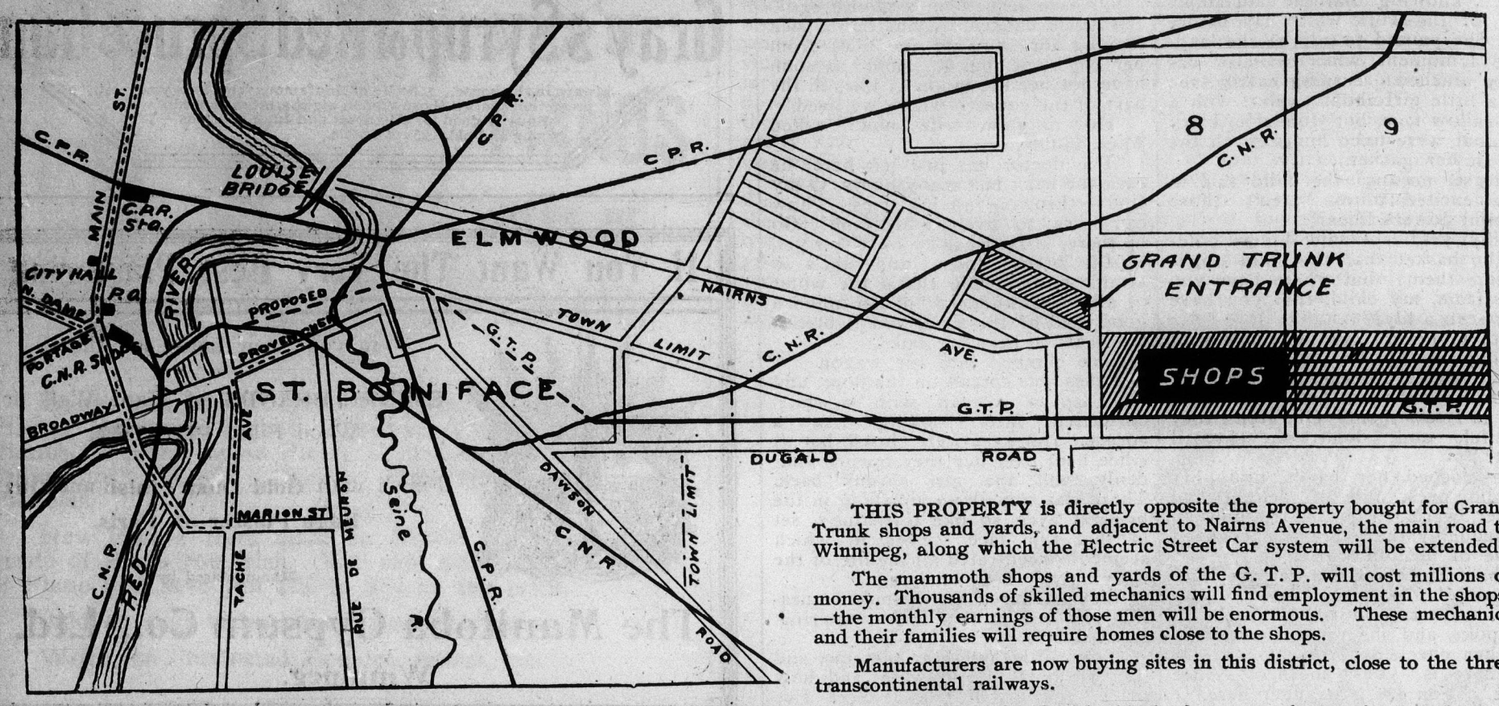

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font, brown, bare and undecorated, a mar to the bright adornments around, and glancing at Clara's face, she saw such indignant surprise that she almost quailed before the impending storm.

"I must say your conduct is disgraceful, unpardonable!" Clara cried, when church was over. "Just look at that," pointing to the font, with tears of vexation in her eyes. "All our pains and work yesterday thrown away, and people laughing at us. Where have you been, what were you doing, and where are the lilies your mother said you started from home with?"

"Come with me, Clara," Alice said, "and you will see." As they walked towards the emigrant's wagon she told her friend the outlines of the sad sad tale.

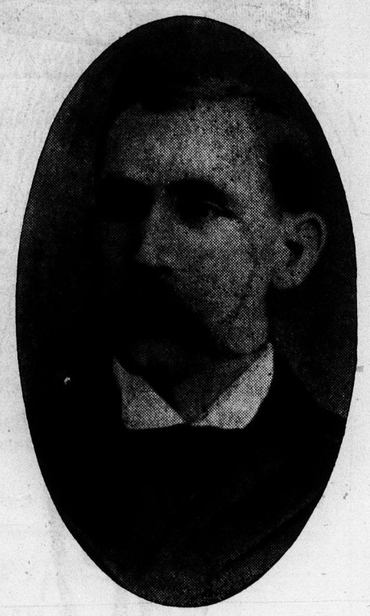
She was touched to the heart, and the sight of the emaciated body, laid out decently, and covered with lilies from head to foot, almost overcame her.

"I put them all about her," the man said to Alice. "She was the best woman in the world, and pious, too. But she was awfully afraid to die, and no one dared tell her how near the end was. Somehow, those flowers seemed to bring her a message from the other world. I don't understand it, Miss, and I suppose you don't; but when you brought those flowers, you did the kindest act one human being could do to another. God forever bless you. You came like the Easter angel we read about to me and mine."

"It was better than decorating the font," Clara said, as the two girls returned from the funeral that evening.

"Ah me! and I was so furious with you for neglecting what I thought your duty, and I have learned a lesson."

Moistened soap, rubbed over the edges of obstinate bureau drawers, will work wonders.



HON. J. H. HOWDEN,
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James H. Howden, M.P.P. for Beautiful Plains, Manitoba, was sworn in as Minister of Railways, Telephones and Telegraphs in the Roblin Government. The Hon. R. P. Roblin resigned the Portfolio as Minister of Railways so as to allow Mr. Howden to be sworn in.

The nomination in Beautiful Plains as the result of J. H. Howden entering the Roblin Cabinet, will occur March 26th. The election, if any, will take place later.

The Unconscious Humor of Newspapers.

By W. S. HAMILTON.

Newspaper reporters have frequently a very ambiguous way of expressing themselves, and, as a result, their statements provide very humorous reading.

A few days prior to the decease of the late Duke of Cambridge, a leading London paper stated: "Yesterday the Duke held a shooting party, all his retainers shot but owing to a slight indisposition the Duke was unable to shoot himself." The writer of another paragraph was certainly lacking in gallantry, no matter how clever he may have been from a journalistic point of view. The item ran as follows: "Yesterday the new battleship 'Terrible' was christened by the Countess of ——. Her dimensions were 720 feet long and 350 feet broad." Surely an exaggeration!

Occasionally it is the printer's devil who is the cause of the mischief by inadvertently substituting one letter for another. A couple of good instances of this are shown in the report of a charity entertainment, which appeared recently in a local paper. It appears that a lady gymnast had been engaged to perform on the trapeze, and referring to that the report said, "owing to Miss Jones great feet, the performance was held in the larger Hall," while towards the end of the report it stated that "Mrs. Robinson was unavoidably prevented from being present owing to a bad child."

Even an editor is not infallible, and surely he could have expressed himself a little better in the following instance: "In our issue of yesterday," he explained, "we erroneously stated Mr. Brown to be dead. We much regret that this statement is untrue."

But perhaps the most ambiguous items in newspapers come from the pens of advertisers. Who has not seen in big type such ads. as

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Yet if we ponder over such as these, we cannot help wondering whether the words are to be taken literally. Even funnier still are the wording of the "want" column. "Two sisters want washing" is a very favorite type of advertisement, and the writer remembers having seen in a weekly not long ago "Piano required by a clergyman with carved legs." In the bargain column we find "DOG for sale, very affectionate, will eat anything, especially fond of children"; and in the "female help" we read "Nurse wanted for baby not under 35 years of age." It was probably an animal trainer who inserted "Wanted, a gent.'s or lady's free-wheel bicycle for a pure bred collie"; but the acme of candor was achieved by the tailor who advertised:—

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In conclusion we would like to know whether the journalist who recently penned the following passage in a prominent periodical, was a staunch teetotaller. He remarks: "The trees are now coming forth in their spring foliage and some beautiful tints of green may be observed walking up the avenue."

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Brad Merrell, Guardian.

By May Belleville Brown.

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There was vituperation loud and deep on Turkey Creek. The owner of the ranch, himself temporarily brought low by a refractory cayuse, was expecting a visitor from the East—his niece—and Brad Merrell had been told off to act as her guide, if not philosopher and friend.

Brad was the steadiest man on the ranch. This fact was enough for his employer. He was also the worst woman-hater. This fact made it too much for Brad.

"Why couldn't it hev been Paper-Collar Joe?" he demanded collectively and fiercely of the men, as they loitered outside the bunk-house. "He'd hev been like a high-stepper with a new harness on. He'd sooner talk soft to a woman than rope the liveliest steer that ever bellered. But me! I won't hev nothin' to do with her. I'll take my time in the mornin'. I'll light out overnight—I'll burn down the whole ranch!"

"Now, Brad," wheedled Tom Mason, affectionately known as Old Soft Soap, by reason of his peace-making proclivities—"now, Brad, jest stop an' think. Ye've yer own nice little place up on Turkey Creek, where ye kin look after it handy, an' all plans made fer the summer. Whut would ye do with the rest of the season ef ye take yer time now? Yer place is rented, it's too late to get taken on anywhere else, an' ye'd only lope eround an' spend yer wad. This tenderfoot gal 'll only stay a few weeks, an' it'll be a rest fer ye——"

"Rest!" bellowed Brad. "Rest! It'll wreck every nerve in my carcass. She'll be one of two kinds; she'll either squeal every time she sees a lizard, an' be afraid of her own shadow, or she'll carry a blamed tin box fer bugs an' things. She'll either gush eround about me bein' 'so picturesque,' or she'll be shocked at my language an' my pipe, an' try to reform me. Rest! A woman'll let a man rest only when she's been buried an' has a granite moniment over her!"

Old Soft Soap prevailed, however, in the end. Next morning Brad started for the railroad, as a lamb begins its journey to the shambles, yet with a most un-lamb-like mien and accoutrement for his pistol-belt and dirk, his leathern "chaps" and rakish sombrero, proclaimed him a "bad man," indeed.

The Overland Limited was late, and the engine seemed to puff and whistle its disgust at being stopped at the little station that raised itself above the surrounding sea of grass. With much complaining and creaking it halted for a moment, and then its rattling links climbed slowly up the rise.

Brad looked for a mass of furbelows and a Saratoga trunk, but the platform was vacant except for an ample female, standing beside a bulging carpet-bag, a heap of boxes and bundles, and a shrouded bird-cage.

"She ain't come," muttered Brad, his skies brightening.

The ample figure bore down upon him like a ship under sail. It was surmounted by a pleasant face, of florid complexion, beneath a broad hat and a veil of grass green.

"Can you tell me if Turkey Creek Ranch is anywheres near here?" she asked.

"Yes, ma'am," answered Brad, awkwardly pulling at his hat-brim; "it's only about twenty-five miles over east. Was ye wantin' to go there?"

"That's what I came for," she replied promptly. "I'm Orphelia Gordon, an' I've come to visit my uncle, John Taylor."

"Ye're Orph—Miss Gordon!" exclaimed Brad. "Why, I thought ——" he checked himself suddenly.

"Yes, I s'pose you did think I was a young girl," she retorted. "No harm done. I was once, an' if I ain't so good-looking as I was then, I know a heap more. If you've come for me, don't let's lose any time, but help me get my baggage loaded, an' we'll be startin'."

As boxes and bundles followed one another on the back of the wagon, Brad obeyed the orders of this capable woman with automatic alacrity, while he readjusted his mental attitude.

"Easy, now, with this box. It's o- my best bonnet in it, an' underneath I packed a couple of settin's of Buff Cochin eggs for Uncle John." She worked with energetic hands as she talked. "Now we'll tie Polly's cage on top of all the rest, and fasten it to the back of the seat. I have a piece of twine in my pocket."

She emptied a capacious pocket of an emergency collection of nails, twine, pins, thread, and other staple articles.

The cage cover fell apart, and a bright red and green head appeared. It cocked itself impertinently on one side, one beady eye looked Brad over from head to foot, and a high-pitched, energetic voice ejaculated:

"You be blamed!"

For the first time the bewildered look on the man's face relaxed, and a grin spread over his bronzed features. The woman's floridity deepened, and finally she, too, laughed.

"I'm ashamed of Polly's language. Old Dr. Henderson told me once that it was as bad for me, a professor, to keep a profane parrot as if I was profane myself; but I might've had a husband that swore, and the minister wouldn't have wanted me to get a divorce for that. Besides, this bird is more knowin' and less troublesome than any man I ever saw."

"I don't mind him swearin' at me," said Brad, recollecting his ferocious armament. "I reckon I ain't much of a picture."

She turned, and for the first time scrutinized her companion.

"Land!" she said reassuringly. "You're all right for a cowboy, away out on the frontier this way. You look like a man, any way, and not like some of them perfumed little counter-jumpers back in Harmon Center."

Brad straightened his slouching shoulders and walked across after the last piece of luggage with a swagger that set his spurs jingling. Just as he stooped to pick it up Miss Gordon checked him sharply.

"Leave that basket alone! That's Jeremy Taylor, and he's the touchiest Maltese that ever spit. It hurts his feelin's enough to be shut up that way, and if a stranger handled him he'd have a fit. I'll hold him in my lap as we drive. No, you needn't help me. I've been gettin' in and out over wheels alone all my life, and this buckboard is low. I'm glad that you don't use overhead check-reins on your horses. I belong to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and I'm sorry to see you wear spurs."

They were trotting swiftly over the prairie, and Brad had recovered his faculties sufficiently to give brief answers to Miss Gordon's running fire of questions and observations. Suddenly the man involuntarily checked the mustangs that he drove, and gave vent to a smothered exclamation. He looked in perplexed alarm at Miss Gordon.

"What's the matter? Sick?" she queried.

He pointed to a horseman some distance in front of them.

"Bill Jukes," he answered briefly. "He's promised to shoot me at sight, and he's likely drunk enough not to know whether you're a man or woman. You turn around an' drive back to the station, an' I'll get out an' meet him on foot. I'll come back after ye soon, or else—Sykes, a mile north of the station, will bring ye over to Turkey Creek."

As he proffered the reins, Brad already had his revolver out of his belt. She gave an indignant sniff.

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you to be shot! Give me them reins, and you look to your guns. We'll drive by Mr. Jukes at a pretty good pace, and if you should happen to hurt him—may the Lord have mercy on him!"

Shaking off Brad's restraining touch, and deaf to his expostulations, she put the whip to the ponies, and the buckboard lurched forward on the deeply-cut trail. Jukes was bearing down upon them, his face inflamed with drunken rage. Two or three shots whistled past them. Miss Gordon held the reins tightly and ducked her head. Brad fired repeatedly as they passed, and just beyond them Jukes reeled heavily from the saddle. With an effort the woman brought the team to a standstill.

"I'm glad I fastened Polly's cage on good and tight!" was her first exclamation. Then, noticing a broken check-rein: "I'll get a piece of twine out of my pocket to tie up that strap. Why, your sleeve's all bloody, I do believe that nasty wretch hit you!"

"Jest my arm, I guess, Miss Gordon." replied the man, a little uncertainly; "but I hope—that is, I'm afeerd I've done fer Jukes!"

They looked back. The outlaw lay motionless by the trail, his bridle-rein still over his nerveless arm.

II.

As the rays of the setting sun slanted level across the prairie, a strange procession stopped at Turkey Creek Ranch. Miss Gordon still drove, superintended by Jeremy Taylor, who thrust his head through a hole in the lid of his basket and glared balefully at the universe in general. Beside her sat Brad, pale under his tan, with his right arm swung from his neck. At the tail of their chariot, so to speak, was tied the horse of Bill Jukes, and fastened in the saddle, plentifully bandaged and besmeared with blood, was the man himself. His manner was drooping in the extreme, while from an opening in the cage-cover Polly bestowed an unbroken succession of choice epithets upon the captive.

Miss Gordon, of them all, was unruffled, and she explained with a cheerfulness that was almost airy:

"Jukes rode down on us, shootin' and swearin' dreadful, and Mr. Merrell had to defend us, of course, so I took the lines. Then we couldn't go off and leave the man layin' there, maybe to die, so we went back, and I bandaged him up, and we brought him along. You can do what you want to with him. I don't reckon he feels very spruce, seein' that he was shot through the lung, an' that Polly's been swearin' at him every step of the way. Mr. Merrill, here, got a bullet in his arm, and has bled consid'able, though it's only a flesh wound."

The gods on Olympus may have been surprised to see Minerva spring full-panoplied from the brain of Jove, but that was the merest ghost of an emotion compared with what the men of Turkey Creek Ranch felt when this splendid apparition in dusty black cashmere dawned upon them, with her nonchalant tale of duelry, leading as captive one of the deadliest outlaws of the country. For a minute there were murmurs and exclamations and glances of amazement; and then, as Miss Gordon, bearing Jeremy Taylor, clambered to the ground, Paper-Collar Joe, the Chesterfield of the ranch, gracefully advanced.

"Ellow me to ersist ye, moddam!" he began sweetly, but the visitor waved him back.

"Don't you touch Jeremy Taylor, my good young man!" she warned. "I reckon he's had all his nerves will stand for one while."

And Brad, being tenderly helped over the wheel, drawled shakily, with a flourish of his hand:

"No use, Joe. It was too good a chance to lose, so I jest improved it. Miss Gordon's going to come up Turkey Creek, to my place, an' live with me—the future Mrs. Merrill, gents!"

Polly craned his head around the back of the seat and ejaculated fiercely: "You be blamed!" while Miss Gordon's face flushed a deeper red as she bridled and exclaimed:

"Oh, pshaw! Ain't you ashamed of yourself, Brad?"

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Thinking, sweetheart, still of thee
And the Land of Was-to-Be;
Thinking verses to and of
Thee, my first, my only love;
Talking to my musing self;
Padding poetry for pelf.
If the Then were but the Now!
I am here and where art thou?
Art thou far away from me
Over mountain, over sea?
Dost remember how we played
In the pear tree's pleasant shade?
Dost recall the perfect bliss
Of our stolen pristine kiss.
And remember how we said
That we'd run away and wed?
Need I put in public print
That of which I only hint?
Sweetheart, dost remember how
Deep we loved?—Where art thou now?
Long ago—and still I care
More and more for thee. Ah, where,
Where—if art at all—art thou?
Answer, sweetheart, answer now

Comes a voice: "Why, I'm out here
In the kitchen, cooking, dear."

Time plays many a trick, I trow
Sweetheart of the long ago.

The near approach of spring does not in the slightest degree appear to have any effect on the number of letters addressed to these pages.

Of late, in fact, the correspondence has been on the increase. We had a letter this month from a young lady at South Qu'Appelle, stating that she would be married in a few days to a young farmer whose acquaintance she made through the medium of these columns. We wish her life-long happiness.

Please don't write us asking for the name and address of any contributor, as we cannot give it to you without permission. Always put a two-cent stamp on any letter which you may enclose us to be forwarded on to a third party. Sign your name to all communications addressed to us, not that we want to use your name in any way, but as an evidence of good faith.

Dayton, Ohio, Feb. 25, 1907.

Editor.—Being anxious to make the acquaintance of "Dark-eyed Maiden," who wrote in your December number, I enclose you a letter which you will please forward to her.

"An Eastern Boy."

Smoking Not Objectionable.

Calgary, Alta., Jan. 1, 1907.

Editor.—I have been reading the Western Home Monthly and think it a most interesting and instructive paper. I intend becoming a regular subscriber in the very near future. I should like to express my opinions regarding matrimony. On the whole, I think the Canadians a hard-working, sober lot of men—though, of course, there are some exceptions.

If the young lady from Saskatoon would take a trip to London, she would be horrified at the number of saloons there are, and would appreciate Canadians when she returned home.

I think nothing looks so companionable as to see men smoking whilst at work, while the man who takes a drink occasionally has more control over himself than the one who is teetotal. I should like a housekeeper's place on a farm or ranch, as I can cook and look after children. I am an English woman, twenty-six years of age.

"London Jennie."

Widow Wants a Hubby.

Pense, Sask., Jan. 1, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward the enclosed to "Billy." I am glad to see from the letters in your correspondence columns, that there are some who want companions and not servants. It is not often the case. If every man would bear this in mind and want a wife as a companion, there would not be so much unhappiness afterwards.

I am a widow, no children, and would like to correspond with some of the bachelors. I think "Billy No. 4" the right sort."

"Lilly."

Wants to Get in Touch with Female.

Wellwood, Man., Jan. 14, 1907.

Editor.—As a reader of the Western Home Monthly, I am deeply interested in the correspondence columns. Could you put me in touch with any young female? I am 24 years of age and not particular who I get.

"Anxious Bachelor."

Western Farmers Not Wicked.

Stony Plain, Alta., Jan. 14, 1907.

Editor.—Having read the matrimonial letters which have been appearing in your valuable paper for some time past, I have decided to join the circle of correspondents myself. I will honor you with a few of my opinions. I saw in the August number a letter from a young lady who seems to think that Western farmers are a very wicked lot. I don't agree with her at all. I don't mean to infer that all the boys are good, but I greatly admire a fellow who does not drink or swear. I will not take up any more space in your paper but sign myself.

"Blue Bell."

Thinks We are Doing a Good Work.

Prince Albert, Sask., Jan. 17, 1907.

Elitor.—I have been greatly interested in the correspondence which is going on between Western maids and bachelors, and think you are doing a very good work in bringing them more closely together. For my own part I do not believe that women are as scarce as is generally supposed.

There are some men who value a good woman who would make things comfortable for them, as it is very hard to have to tidy and clean up for themselves in the evening after a hard day's work. It seems that bachelors are afraid to marry because they think it will be too expensive, but a woman can economize and save when a man would not think of it. I think the letter from "Farmer No. 6" in your August number very sensible and I should be glad to hear from him or any others of about my own age (35).

"Housekeeper Nan."

Not Handsome but Very Strong.

Minto, Man., Jan. 14, 1907.

Editor.—I have been a reader of your excellent magazine for a long time and should like to correspond with "Jolly Bachelor," of Napinka, Man.

I am a lass of eighteen and do not object to farming or any other kind of work. I want a good home and a good husband with dark hair and blue eyes. I would make a good wife though my face would scare a train off the track.

"Berry."

Nothing Ventured, Nothing Gained.

Saskatoon, Sask., Feb. 1, 1907.

Editor.—I am a regular reader of the Western Home Monthly and am surprised at seeing so many maids and bachelors taking advantage of the matrimonial columns to become acquainted with one another. I think this is very risky but am prepared to take my chance with the rest (nothing ventured, nothing gained) and would like you to send me the address of "Young Fellow from Saskatoon."

"Cassie."

Would Exchange Photos.

Drinkwater, Sask., Jan. 17, 1907.

Editor.—I am an interested reader of your magazine and greatly enjoy reading the correspondence columns. I am a bachelor and came from Iowa a year ago. I own a section of good land and have no bad habits. I would like to correspond with some good respectable, loving young lady and would be willing to exchange photos with anyone.

"Sunny Jim."

Fifty, But Hearty and Vigorous.

Oxbow, Sask., Feb. 1, 1907.

Editor.—I consider that your matrimonial department is deserving of the highest praise, bearing in mind the extreme condition under which we Westerners live. I want a good wife and am well able to take care of one, as I am nearly 50 years of age, healthy and vigorous. The woman who becomes my wife will bless the day she saw this.

"Moss Back."

Doctor Hands Out One.

Hicksburg, Alta.

Editor.—As an enthusiastic reader of your valuable magazine I take very great interest in the correspondence columns and greatly enjoyed some of the letters printed there, particularly those of "Susan Jane" and "Young Woman No. 6." "Youthful Manitoban's" letter amused me. No doubt she is on the shelf and is now trying to censure all mankind and inferring that we would conscientiously tell an untruth in order to obtain a woman's confidence. She seems to look forward to the near fu-

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Two of a Kind.

Ebor, Man., Jan. 2, 1907.

Editor.—We, like many others, have taken great interest in the correspondence columns of the Western Home Monthly. We have lived on the farm for eight years and are very fond of the country. We enjoy everything to do with farming and are both well trained in domesticity. We are of good education, musical and fond of good literature. We are pretty Protestants and have brown hair and eyes. We are 5 ft. 5 ins. in height and 20 years of age. We should esteem it a favor if you would put us in touch with some young bachelors, who are sober, industrious and not over 25 years of age.

"Twin Sisters."

Wants Her Address.

Estevan, Sask., Mar. 14, 1907.

Editor.—Please send me the address of "Dark Eyed Maiden." I am a farmer, 25 years old, have a homestead, four horses and would like a companion.

"Rustic."

When He is not Busy?

Rosthern, March 25, 1907.

Editor.—You print the best and most entertaining magazine in Canada. I read your correspondence columns over every month. I agree with the lady from Carnduff that a woman should not be expected to milk six cows, feed pigs, raise chickens, etc. The man who would require a wife to do that wants a slave, not a woman. Just the same I believe in the woman helping to do a little of this work during the busy season. But in the winter months when there is not much work on hand I think the man of the house should be capable of doing the milking and the outside chores himself.

"Bachelor 23."

Uncle Sam's Boy and Girl.

Gladstone, Man., Mar. 10, 1907.

Editor.—I am a reader of your valuable magazine and find it most interesting. Send the enclosed letter to "Uncle Sam's Girl," whose letter appeared in your December issue.

"Uncle Sam's Boy."

Hands Out One to the Girls.

Skafse, Alta., Mar. 17, 1907.

Editor.—I have been a reader of your magazine for the past two years. I like your correspondence page. I quite agree with one writer, who says, "the girls go to choir practice one night, to a dance the next night," whirling around there on the arm of some young man with a strong odor of tobacco and whisky perhaps in the room. The young ladies, or at least many of them, continually roast the bachelors when, as a matter of fact, their own actions are very often open to criticism. At those dances they meet with many young flip men who hug them in the dance, and strange to say, these young women never offer any serious objections to the hugging. No dignified young woman should permit such a thing, it may not be bad for their health, but certainly it is not good for their morals. Now, girls, be careful, and before you charge the bachelors of Western Canada of being guilty of using tobacco, whisky, etc., and accuse them of not being up to the mark, just examine into your own actions and behavior first.

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Can't Send You Her Address.

Borden, Sask., Mar. 12, 1907.

Editor.—I always manage to read your magazine through and through every month. I read Uncle Sam's Girl's letter and I would like to make her acquaintance. Would you be so kind as to send me her name and address? If there is any expense send it to me. "Guy."

Widower Tired of Batching.

Fillmore, Sask., Mar. 12, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward enclosed letter to "Dot." I am a widower, age 35, height 5 ft. 7 in., weight 165 pounds. I would gladly correspond with a young lady with a view to matrimony. I have lived all alone for the past five years and I am really tired of the so-called batch. "Herby Beer."

Not Necessarily a Beauty.

Washington State, Mar. 16, 1907.

Editor.—I take great pleasure in reading the correspondence in your paper. I am a Canadian and intend coming to Canada in the near future to take up land. To settle down on a homestead all alone without some one to love and look after is rather a gloomy outlook. I have batched some and am tired of it.

I cannot understand how any man with a fair amount of brains can allow (much less expect) the girl he loves to get out and do all kinds of chores and retain the bloom of her youth well on to mature years. Young poultry may need a woman's care, but hogs and cattle are out of her sphere of work. I would like to correspond with some young lady of good character, a good cook and housekeeper preferable, of fair complexion and of over medium height and size as I am 6 feet high and weigh 190 pounds.

She need not be a beauty or a lover of music, with rare accomplishments, etc. "Big Ben."

Curzon, Sask., Mar. 17, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward this letter to "Dark Eyed Maiden," whose letter appeared in December number.

Limber Jim Wants Woman.

Rapid City, Man., Mar. 26, 1907.

Editor.—I am a reader of your magazine and take great care in reading your correspondence pages. I am a young bachelor of temperate habits and I would like you to put me in correspondence with some young woman in respect to matrimony.

"Limber Jim."

Lots of Good Girls in Ontario.

Sask., Feb. 23, 1907.

Editor.—I have been reading the letters in the Western Home Monthly. I find them very interesting.

I have just come from Ontario and I

am just now on a visit to my married sister who is a subscriber to your valuable paper. I thought I would like to write a few lines, hoping you will please find space for them in your excellent paper. They might brighten the heart of some lonely bachelors, for some of them are more to be pitied than laughed at. It seems too bad to hear of many living the best part of their life alone (for it must be lonely), but I think it must be their own fault with most of them that they have not got a helpmate. They think that girls ought to seek them up, but it is not so with most of us, for we can make a good, respectable, independent living for ourselves, unless we get a good upright, temperance man in comfortable circumstances, to share each other's joys and sorrows. There are lots of fine girls in Ontario that would make good wives if they only had the courage to come out here.

I noticed how many tell about land and prosperity they have, tell about their good looks, and so on, but not a word about their disposition, which is the most important part. By seeming gay we grow to what we seem by the spirit of hopefulness and contentmen. A cheerful spirit is a continual feast which we each may have by going to its true source within personal magnetism on the art of pleasing each other, studying each other's ways and means. How much more happiness there would be in the homes. Life is just as we make it. Any respectable Protestant bachelor, over 30 years, who is fond of music and flowers, desiring to write to me is welcome to do so. They can get my right address from the editor. I will cheerfully answer them. Hoping this will be sufficienty interesting and please print it in your magazine as I don't expect to be here long, and thanking you for doing so. "Blue Bell from Ontario."

A Philosophical Writer.

Alberta, Feb. 19, 1907.

Editor.—I have read with interest and amusement the correspondence on matrimony carried on in your valuable paper. May I say a few words for the sake of the young women whose chances of marrying suitably seem to me slender in this country?

Since the old custom of parents arranging the marriages of their daughters has gone out, there seem to be an ever increasing number of unhappy marriages and divorces and of lonely unmarried women. Early marriages, the salvation of the race, and happiness are almost obsolete. The English girl of the upper and middle classes, if not dowered, receives an education which enables her to earn her own living and makes her just fastidious in her choice of a husband. Out here in most places she has to choose between the remittance man, who is often desirous to marry a clever wife, and may or may not support her and his children. Or she may often get the chance of marrying some man who wants a cook and chore boy, who may have money but whose personal habits are a nightmare to the girl who has been born and bred among people who observe the proper functions of knife and fork and regard cleanliness and refinement as necessaries of life. Of two evils, it is certainly better to take the remittance man as he may improve upon acquaintance and turn out well, though there is an equal chance of his wife having to earn the money while he drinks and goes to the dogs. In nine cases out of ten the Canadian prefers a girl of his nationality, so it is useless to court him (though he generally has the making of a very good husband) as among the English girl's possible chances. As it is very easy for sensible and steady young people of both sexes to make money in this country and as plain living and high thinking are best for happiness, I personally should never make money the only consideration, though, of course, it has to be considered before people should marry. But I am still wondering whether a still young woman who is only passably good looking, has nothing but what she earns, and is simply well born and well educated, stands any chance of marrying a man whom she can be proud to introduce to her people as "my husband." I think that in the great upper middle class in the British Isles you find the real cream of society, because there is always the stimulus of ambition to rise in the commercial or professional life, a stimulus which does not appeal to the aristocracy who can have all by right of birth. It is in that class that I hope to remain if fate, which is very unpropitious, ever deigns to let me marry the wrong man.

I shall be more than surprised and pleased if anyone answers this letter, because I hope that my ideas, and especially my description of myself, are not likely to commend me to many of your readers.

"Alice Montrose."

Would Exchange Love.

Radisson, Sask., Feb. 12, 1907.

Editor.—I am a bachelor farmer and I am tired of "baching" and would like to get my name on your list. I am looking for one who will love me little and love me long or love me when I am old and in the way. I will do the same towards my better half when I get one.

I am a Canadian first and last, and would like to correspond with some of the fair ones in your list. Please address letter enclosed to "Sister Sue."

"Starlight No. 1."

One for Bessie B.

DeWinton, Alta., Feb. 23, 1907.

Editor.—Although not a subscriber to your very interesting and valuable magazine, I have been a reader for nearly three years now and would not miss a month for the world. I have taken particular notice of your correspondence column and find it both amusing and interesting, would like to congratulate you on the good work you are doing for the Canadian West. I enclose you a letter to "Bessie B," of Portage la Prairie, to whom I wish you to forward it and oblige.

"Green Englishman."

Wants Ontario Girls West.

Calgary, Feb. 21, 1907.

Editor.—I am certainly an interested reader of your valuable magazine. It is undoubtedly fine pastime to come in after a hard day's work and look over the correspondence pages. My occupation is farming, a few miles from Calgary, an unmarried man of 24, but still not batching it. I batched for six months and at the end of that time I came to the conclusion that housework was no place for me. I think there is plenty of the gentler sex to fill that position if they can just be found. There seems to be lots of Eastern writers in your paper. I would certainly advise them to come West where we have good times, plenty of money to be made and a good place to spend it.

"Ambitious Hal."

Glass-eyed Bill a Teetotaller.

Wheatywn, Feb. 24, 1907.

Editor.—In looking over your magazine I noticed Maiden Fair wants a home. Please send me her address. I am an active member of the Presbyterian church and a teetotaller and in good health.

"Glass-eyed Bill."

A Broncho Buster Girl.

Jut Mill, Alta., Feb 24, 1907.

Editor.—As a regular reader of your splendid magazine I take a great interest in your correspondence columns. I like the style of "Easy Pleased's" letter and should like to correspond with him. I am 25 years of age, a good housekeeper, can turn my hand to almost anything from clerking in a store to broncho busting. Would like to hear from "Easy Pleased" at his earliest convenience.

"Western Cow Girl."

Evelyn Gets Busy.

Regina, Feb. 4th, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward the enclosed four letters. Would you please forward them to the different addresses. One is to "Saskatchewan," in the November number, another to "Downing," in the December number, another to "Carstairs," in December, another to Winnipeg in December also. The signatures of the letters referred to were "Handsome Harry,' "All Alone," "Easy Pleased," "Enterprise." Do please forward those letters and oblige.

"Evelyn."

"Better Luck This Time.

Vermilion, Alta., Feb. 24, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward the enclosed two letters. I am not a flirt, but some time ago I sent a letter to you to be addressed and forwarded but so far I have not had a reply from the young lady. I know the fault is not yours and I am going to try my luck again, but in another direction this time.

I am sorry to give you so much trouble but may be able some day to do you a kindness in return and I assure you I will do it if it lies in my power.

"Happy Thought."

Big Bill Wakes Up."

Alameda, Feb. 20, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward enclosed letter to "Fruit Grower," Summerland, B. C.

"Big Bill.'

"Husky Harry," in the Running.

Canmore, Alta., Feb. 12, 1907.

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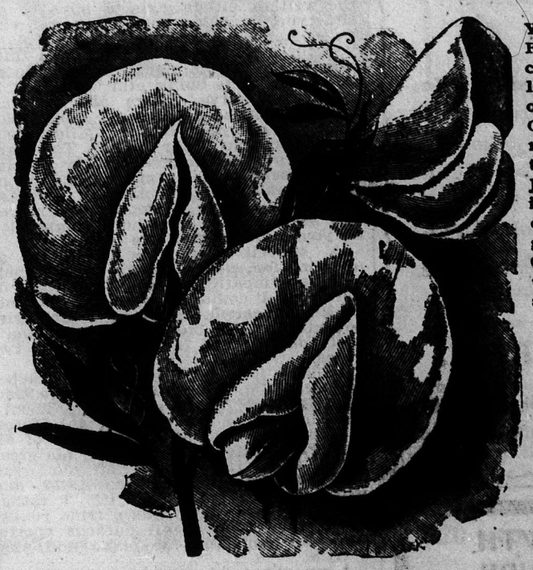

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Irish Molly Throws out Feeler.

Manitoba, Jan. 20, 1907.

Editor.—Seeing so many letters in the correspondence columns I decided to write you too. I have found some of them very interesting and have enjoyed ed reading them very much. I am not writing with a view to matrimony, but would like to correspond with some of the writers, either girls or boys. I am sure you bachelor boys must get very lonesome sometimes and I don't blame you for smoking, at all, at all. I think if a boy wants to smoke he may do so. Of course, it is doing him harm, but he might do worse things and he must have something to occupy his spare time. I enjoyed reading "Milestone's" letter and also "Sour Sal's." Too many bachelors want their wives for nothing but housekeepers. A man wants a companion as well as some one to wash, sew, bake, etc. Poor "Alkali Ike," you seem to live in a hard community, as you say the girls are conceited.

A conceited girl is certainly an abomination, so you certainly have my sincere sympathy. I wish you were up here and I could show you I was not at all conceited. I am a young girl, seventeen years old. I am Irish and I just out from the "Old Sod," two years.

I have just graduated as a teacher and expect to be going west some time soon if I can get a position. Then I shal lmeet the bachelors in ful lforce.

I am very fond of reading, but of all authors I prefer Dickens, with his great characters. How many of you read "The Virginian," by Owen Aster, and what is your opinion of it? I rather enjoyed it even if it was a trifle rough. I am very fond of all outdoor sports, can play some on the piano and sing a trifle.

I am about five feet and four inches and have reddish brown hair and brown eyes. I am very healthy and intend to enjoy life as well as I can. Yours, etc.

"Irish Molly."

Yes, Kitty, We are Interested in You.

Moose Jaw, Jan. 12, 1907.

Editor.—Please send enclosed letter to "Alkali Ike," Eagle Butte, Alta. I am a reader of the W. H. M. and like it very much and you will take take some of the same interest in me as you do with the rest."

"Kitty Can."

"Curly," You're a Little Short.

Ridgway, Man., Feb. 22, 1907.

Editor.—I have been a silent reader of your wonderful magazine for over a year and I have followed with keen interest the letters from your many readers.

I am a farmer, 25 years old, weight 160 pounds, 5 feet, 5 inches in height, considered handsome and very particular. Widows save your stamps and stationery.

"Curly."

Winnipeg Sends Greetings.

Winnipeg, Feb. 9, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward enclosed letter to "Happy Jay," Sask., who wrote in November number.

"Blue-eyed Maiden."

Fernie Widow on the Alert.

Fernie, B. C., Feb. 24, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward letter to "Easy Pleased" in your December number.

"Widow No. 12."

Lucky Harry.

Redvers, Sask., Feb. 24, 1907.

Editor.—Forward enclosed letter to "Handsome Harry."

"Good Looker."

Good for Billy.

Jamesonville, Feb. 25, 1907.

Editor.—Forward letter to "Black-eyed Maiden," Brandon.

"Billy."

Dark-eyed Maiden Again.

Stonewall, Man., Feb. 21, 1907.

Editor.—Forward letter to "A Dark-eyed Maiden," Brandon.

"Jim, The Penman."

One for Jack Canuck.

Man., Feb. 20, 1907.

Editor.—Forward letter to "Jack Canuck," who wrote in November number.

"Strawberries."

Mary Ann and Handsome Harry.

Jamesonville, Feb. 25, 1907.

Editor.—Forward letter to "Handsome Harry," Winnipeg.

"Mary Ann."

Please send the enclosed letter to "Brown Eyes," Portage la Prairie.

"Husky Harry."

Winnipeg, Feb. 9, 1907.

Editor.—Forward enclosed letter to "Odd Fellow," whose letter appeared in your November number. I also enclose you a letter to forward to "A Happy Farmer."

"Little Eva."

Should Have Fun in Her.

Glen Ewen, Feb. 27, 1907.

Editor.—I have been an interested reader of your magazine for some time. I think some of the girls are a little hard on the bachelors. The bachelors are not all drunkards; speaking for myself, I do not use whisky or tobacco and I can point to any number of my acquaintances, bachelor friends, who are like me in that respect. I think the house is the place for the woman.

Feeding pigs and milking cows is a man's work. Now, I will give you my idea of a nice girl. She ought to be fairly good looking, be able to play the organ, be a good housekeeper, and above all be neat and tidy, also a good figure and have a little fun in her.

I do not see why a farmer's wife should not have a good time if she has the right kind of a husband.

"Hay Seed."

Thinks He's O. K.

Ponoka, Alta., Mar. 26, 1907.

Editor.—Please forward letter to "Vinca," Cottonwood, Sask. She is the gal for me. I read her letter with interest, also letter of Bankhead, Alta., by "Married Man."

I think a woman is a woman and not a machine, and she should be treated as a woman. If many of the young men would leave whisky alone and act decent there would not be so many bachelors. I know of some men who go to town and get drunk around town till late at night and then come home and abuse their better half. What a shame! I am a bachelor, sober and steady, 160 acres, and would correspond with young lady.

"Ready Bachelor."

Wants to Correspond.

Rapid City, Man., Mar. 14, 1907.

Editor.—I am a subscriber to your magazine and would like if you would print the following in your columns.

I am a young bachelor and farmer, own 320 acres of good land and good outfit to run it with. I would like to correspond with a good respectable young woman used to farm work.

"Young Bachelor No. 10."

Got the Necessary Qualifications.

Burnbank, Man., Feb. 14, 1907.

Editor.—I have read with great interest the discussions going on between the ladies and bachelors of the West. Some people do not like what they call "getting married by mail," and I cannot say that I approve of it myself, but at the same time I would far rather see a fellow married to a Western girl (were it by mail or even at a street corner) than see him go across the sea to Great Britain and get a wife who does not know a binder from a wagon and is a poor housekeeper. When she arrives here she won't like the country and will lose heart in everything. I keep house for my two little brothers and I know that they like a well-cooked meal and always on time. I have heard folks say that the way to a man's heart is by means of his stomach, and I certainly believe that there is quite a bit of truth in it. I don't care very much for young men who drink, but most of them do, and those that do not do something worse. If you ask a bachelor why he smokes, he says, "It's so lonely in the evenings, I have to do something." I think a parrot would be an excellent companion for a bachelor. I am a young girl, twenty years of age, 5 ft. 5 ins. tall, weigh 103 pounds, have brown hair, blue eyes and am very fond of fun. I am a milliner by trade and can play the piano, violin and mandolin, and dance, sing, ride, skate and cook. I would like to correspond with some young bachelors of about my own age.

"My Irish Molly Oh."

Violet from Old Quebec.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 31, 1907.

Editor.—I am an interested reader of the Western Home Monthly, especially the correspondence columns and follow with a great deal of pleasure the letters from both sexes. I was brought up in a small town in the province of Quebec and am a clean, tidy and good house-

I know quite a bit about farming, though I am a stenographer in the busy city of Montreal, for when living at home I spent a great deal of my time on my grandfather's farm. I like office work but prefer housekeeping and nothing would please me better than to be able to help some lonely bachelor in his endeavor to build a home—a home in the true sense of the word.

I might here remark that I am proud of the progress that the Western provinces have been making and that it has been my desire for some time past to live in the North-West. Would be pleased to correspond with any Western bachelor (rancher preferred) provided he is a teetotaller, Protestant and of a sunshiny nature.

"Woodland Violet."

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She met him at the Rectory garden-party, and, although she never cared particularly for going to the Rectory—the Rector's two young daughters, Maudie and Phyllis, being rather apt to look down upon her—for weeks afterwards she looked back upon that day as having been the beginning of a new era in her life. From the very first moment she had entered the drawing-room, he had paid noticeable attention to her—her, the little, faded, middle-aged spinster, whom nobody had ever noticed before, and her starved heart went out to him in affectionate gratitude at once.

He was the only man who had ever admired her—no wonder her head was turned!

True, the incongruity between them was almost ridiculous; he was so young and strong and handsome, and she—well, of course, there was nothing to admire in her personal appearance; but more incongruous things had happened sometimes in the novels. Why, earls' daughters had eloped with penniless curates, and dukes had married kitchen-maids—and it was well known that fact was stranger than fiction.

So when Lieutenant Cayley-Clavering, aged twenty-four, indefinitely quartered with his regiment at Mudminster, asked Miss Priscilla Cresswell, aged thirty-seven, and definitely quartered at Mudminster until some Prince Charming rode by to take her away, if he might call sometimes at her house and see her, the little lady was thrown into an almost dangerous state of nervous excitement.

"It's awfully kind of you to let me come and see you," the young Lieutenant said, good-humouredly, on the occasion of his first visit to her shabby little drawing-room. "You see, I'm new in Mudminster, and know hardly any of the people here at present. But the first moment I saw you I took a fancy to you—you *looked* so kind!"

Then he laughed—a good, hearty, boyish laugh, which spoke well for the condition of his lungs—and took another slice of chocolate cake, which she was handing to him.

"And you do have ripping cakes here, too," he added, genially, with his mouth full. "By Jove! but they're infinitely better than that stodgy stuff they give you at the Hall and the Rectory!" And dear little Miss Priscilla, who made the cakes with her own dainty hands every Saturday and Wednesday morning, looked upon the latter remark as a great personal compliment.

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kind to me—Really! Quite a flatterer!"

And so Lieutenant Cayley-Clavering continued to pay her insidious visits—and it was not for the love of the cakes alone, either, as Miss Priscilla, who had been browsing amongst her novels more than ever lately, persistently assured herself.

And by and by there came a letter—an epistle which sent her into the seventh heaven of delighted excitement.

"DEAR MISS CRESSWELL"—the letter ran—"If I come this afternoon at four o'clock, do you think you could see me? I have something very important to say to you.—Yours very sincerely,

"R. CAYLEY-CLAVERING.

"P.S.—I wrote this because I am so *very* anxious that you should be in."

Could she see him! Miss Priscilla kissed the letter, and folded it away in a private drawer in her escritoire—a drawer which was already sacred to a faded bunch of violets that had dropped one day from the button-hole of his coat in her drawing-room, and a midget photograph of himself as a boy at Eton, that he had given her. She had had one taken of herself in a new silk dress, bought on purpose, to give to him in return.

Could she see him! She sat down at once at her writing-table and dashed off a note, in her little prim, old-fashioned handwriting.

"DEAR MR. CAYLEY-CLAVERING,—Please call this afternoon at four o'clock. I shall be delighted to see you.—Yours very sincerely,

"PRISCILLA CRESSWELL."

She scribbled the words, Priscilla Cayley-Clavering" across her blotting-paper, just for fun, and to see how it looked—then blushed furiously, and threw the botting-paper into the waste-paper basket.

How unmaidenly! How disgraceful of her! Really, how could she have done it!

But she was smiling all the time, and once, a little later, took the blotting-paper out again, just to have another look at it.

And so, when, at four o'clock precisely, the neat little maid-of-all-work came up to Miss Priscilla's bedroom with a visiting-card bearing the name of Lieutenant Cayley-Clavering, she found her mistress in a perfect flutter of tremulous excitement.

"Tell the young gentleman to wait in the drawing-room; I will be down i na minute," said the little lady, endeavoring to speak with an airy unconcern, which, however, she was far from feeling—an endeavor which, it is almost needless to add, was a complete failure, for Miss Priscilla was not skilled in the modern accomplishment of concealing the emotions—"tell him I will be down in a minute."

"Yes, miss," and the maid withdrew.

Immediately that she was alone again, Miss Priscilla turned, womanlike, to her looking-glass. She was not vain, poor dear—no one in the world less so—but when one is going to keep a tryst with one's lover, well, it is only human nature for a daughter of Eve to wish to look her very best.

"Priscilla, my dear," she said aloud—she often talked aloud to herself; a habit frequently acquired by people who are accustomed to lives of great loneliness—"Priscilla, my dear, it has become the fashion for men to marry women years older than themselves, and I believe you are actually going to be fashionable at last!"

Fashionable! It seemed an incongruous appellation when applied to the quaint, almost ridiculously prim little figure reflected in the mirror; and the smart, tailor-made young ladies at the Rectory, who had sneered for so many years at Miss Priscilla, for being a "dowdy frump," would have laughed aloud had they heard it. . . . But to Miss Priscilla herself, gazing complacently at the mild blue eyes, meekly parted hair, and faded cheeks of her counterpart, there was nothing laughable about it. . . . It is, perhaps, just as well, after all, that God has not given us the gift of seeing ourselves as others see us.

"And, now, what alterations can I make in my dress?" She tripped about the room, picking up first one thing, then another. "There is my new silk blouse—no, that is too bright a pink, and I know he does not care for pink. Ah, this pale blue chiffon scarf; he always liked blue, he told me once that it matched my eyes!" She laughed at the recollection of the compliment, and, pausing again before the glass, arranged the bit of finery about her neck. "There, I think I look all right now."

She gave one more glance over her shoulder, and then, smiling to herself, tenderly, opened the door, and tripped downstairs.

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Lieutenant Cayley-Clavering rose from the drawing-room sofa as Miss Priscilla entered. He was tall and fair, and boyish-looking, with strikingly handsome features, and rather a weak mouth. The type of a man who, a person with discernment would have seen at a glance, would always be afraid to act upon his own initiative, and who infinitely preferred to have some arm other than his own to lean upon. But Miss Priscilla was not discerning, and she thought him clever and strong and wonderful.

He came forward to meet her with outstretched hands. Her heart beat a little faster as she saw the eagerness in his eyes.

"Dear Miss Cresswell," he said, boyishly, "I am so glad you were able to see me." He seized both her little, trembling hands in his big masterful ones—how she loved the masterfulness of them!—and dragged her down on to the sofa, where he sat beside her. "I am not interrupting you; you are not busy this afternoon, I hope?" he continued.

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"No," she answered, a little tremulously; "No, I—I am not busy."

He sighed, and leaned his arm across the back of the sofa behind her. A thrill ran through her as she felt the contact of his arm. How big he was, this gay young soldier, how beautiful, and manly, and strong! And to think he should have fallen in love with her—her, the insignificant little spinster, whom those horrid, fast girls at the Rectory called a "dowdy frump!" But then, stranger things even than that sometimes happened in the novels.

"You've always been good to me," he said, gently. "Ever since we first met I—I've been fond of you. You remember our first meeting, don't you?"

"Yes." Of course she remembered it. It was not likely that she should forget the Rectory garden-party; it was the only social function, barring an occasional school-treat, that she was ever invited to. Insignificant old maids were not much sought after in Mudminster society. "Yes," she repeated, softly, "I—I remember."

He sighed again, and bent forward in his seat, with his eyes fixed rather moodily on the ground. Miss Priscilla thought he seemed depressed and worried; but, then, men always were depressed on these occasions—at least, so it said in the novels.

"We've—we've been good friends ever since, haven't we?" he continued.

Suddenly he put out his hand with an eager, boyish gesture, and laid it in her lap. Miss Priscilla stroked it gently with her own.

"Yes," she said, smiling, "we've—we've always been good friends."

"And I've always confided in you, haven't I? Told you all my troubles and my joys?"

"Yes, you've always told me everything."

She remembered the day when he had almost broken down in telling how he missed his dead father and mother, and how her heart—for she was an orphan herself—had sympathised with his loneliness. Poor boy! He was young to be an orphan; and he missed his mother dreadfully—she had always been his confidante in everything.

His eyes scanned her face anxiously.

"And if I tell you something now, you won't laugh at me, will you? Or—or——"

Laugh at him! She looked at him with shining, tender eyes.

"I won't laugh," she answered gently.

"Or—or call me a fool, will you?" his ringing, boyish voice was full of a wistful anxiety.

Call him a fool! Was it foolish to be in love? She placed her hand on his arm.

"You can trust me," she said simply.

He gave her hand an affectionate squeeze. "Forgive me for doubting you, my best friend," he answered, repentantly.

Then, suddenly, he gave a nervous laugh. Her heart began to beat quickly; she knew, instinctively, what was coming.

"I wonder what you will say to me when I tell you that I have been silly enough to fall in love?" The words were jerked out awkwardly, his hands shook, his cheeks grew crimson. He was evidently boyishly ashamed of his confession.

And Miss Priscilla? The blood rushed up into her cheeks, her eyes grew dim, her head swam—she stretched out her other hand, and laid it on his knee.

"Tell me—tell me her name," she whispered. "Tell me—tell me what you call her!"

Her voice was so faint that he had to bend his head down to hear. He laughed again; he was very nervous.

"Her name? I think you know it," he answered, shyly.

Miss Priscilla's heart began to beat so quickly that she felt as if it would suffocate her, and there was a loud singing in her ears. Know it! Why, of course she did; had she not known it for thirty-seven years?

But she would not let him guess that she knew beforehand what he was going to tell her soon. She must be bashful; she must be coy. That is what they always were in the novels.

"You must be more explicit," she said, with a faint, sweetly wisful smile.

The boy drew a deep breath. He came a little closer to her side.

"It—it begins with a 'P,'" he said, in an awestruck whisper, as if mentioning something sacred, something to be spoken of with abated breath, "a 'P.'"

A 'P'! Miss Priscilla's cheeks were burning with such a vivid crimson now that they harmonized but sadly with the pale blue chiffon round her neck. But, good gracious! what a long time the boy was in coming to the point! "Dear me, then it is sure to be something nice. Lots of pretty names begin with a 'P,' you know."

He looked delighted.

"I'm glad to hear you say that. I think it's a pretty name myself, the prettiest in the world, though some people are stupid enough to think it is old-fashioned."

Yes, Priscilla" was rather old-fashioned, now she came to think of it; but, oh, dear! what did that matter as long as *he* liked it, and *he* thought it was the prettiest name in the world.

"Where did you meet her first?" she ventured again, shyly, knowing perfectly well, little hypocrite, and yet longing for him to say the words.

"At the Rectory garden-party two months ago. I—I loved her the first moment I saw her. There is such a thing as love at first sight, although I know I used to laugh at it."

Yes, there was such a thing; she knew it herself, for had she not fallen a willing victim to Lieutenant Cayley-Clavering's charms the very first time that she had seen him? And to think that he had loved her at first sight, too!

But what a long time the dear fellow was in still coming to the point! It was absurd to shilly-shally like this any longer; the moment had come for her to help him out with his confession at last.

"*I* was at the Rectory garden-party," she said, bravely. It was a bold stroke, and she was ready to sink into the ground with maidenly modesty and confusion the moment she had made it. But the bait had been taken; he drew nearer to her on the sofa—he spoke.

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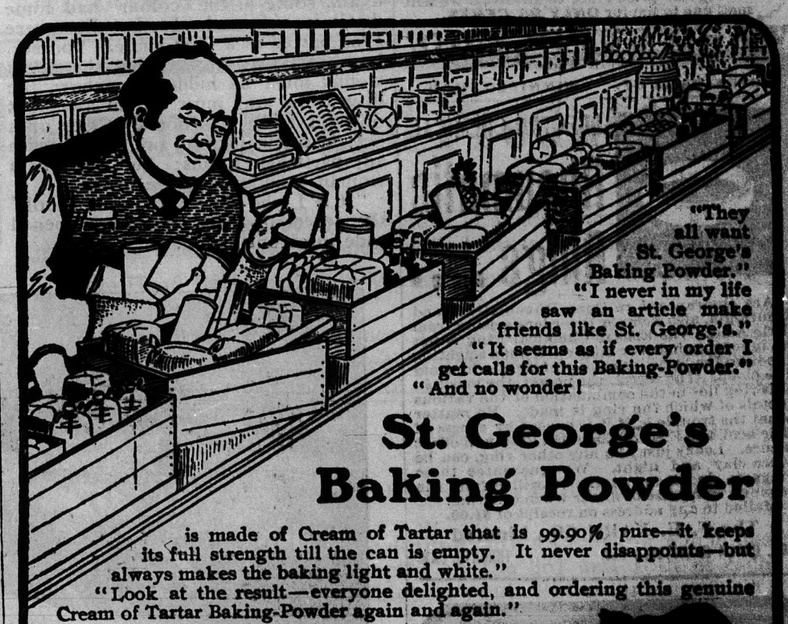

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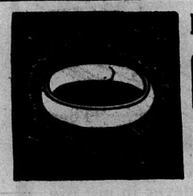

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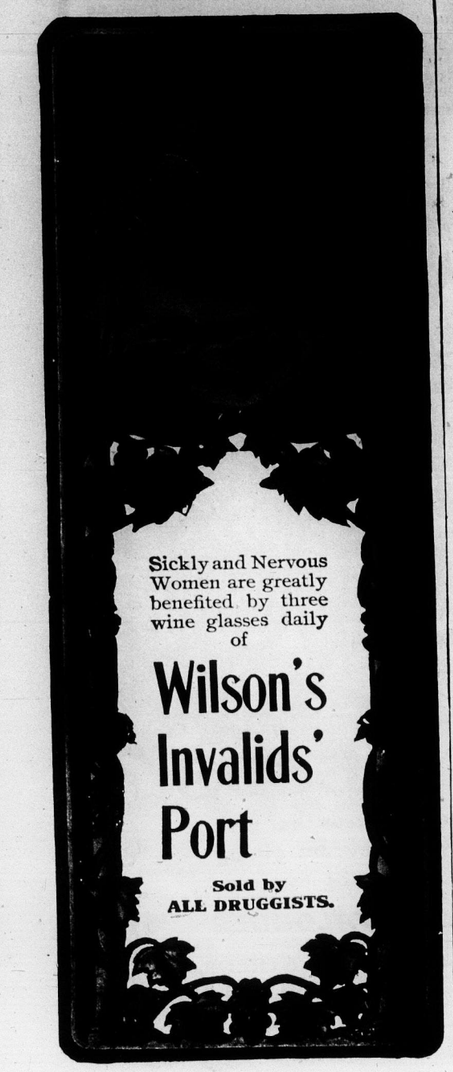

Phyllis! Miss Priscilla's eyes blanched, her little, pinched, faded face grew grey; all the pretty colour had died from her cheeks. Her hands were cold as she drew them away from his clasp.

"Phyllis!" her voice sounded strangely quavering and old. "Phyllis, did you say?"

"Yes, dear Miss Cresswell. Phyllis Aveling, the Rector's youngest daughter. Oh!"—noticing the pallor of her face, "you are looking quite ill! I knew I should only worry you and bore you with my beastly confidences. What a fool I am!"

He jumped up from his seat, full of repentance at once, boyishly angry with himself for having, as he considered, worried his kind friend.

"What a young fool I am!" he repeated. "What a——"

"No, it is I who am the fool; and an old fool, my dear boy, is worse than a young one."

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Miss Priscilla's voice was calm again, some of the colour had come back into her cheeks, her lips were even parted in a faint smile. You see, her heart was broken, but the death wound must be hidden somehow, the disgraceful scar must be put away out of sight. She was not a soldier or a person of distinction, or gifted with any particular brains; but she was a woman—and women are brave.

"It is I who am a fool, an old fool," she repeated. The boy's eyes opened wide in astonishment.

"Why are you a fool," Miss Cresswell?"

She laughed quite carelessly—she was able to manage even that now—and put her hand to her head.

"A touch of the sun, I think. I was out in the garden early this morning, and I dare say that made me feel faint. I was very foolish to do it; I am old enough to know better."

She caught her breath with a strange little sigh. She felt that she had grown very old in the last few minutes.

"I am very old," she said, rather wistfully. Then, with a sudden briskness: "Come, tell me more about your interesting love affair. I wish you good luck with all my heart."

He smiled; his face had recovered its radiance. He had forgotten his concern at her altered looks already in the remembrance of the secret joy which he was hugging to his heart. Happiness is always selfish.

"I knew you would sympathize with me," he cried, impetuously; "that's why I came to confide in you. You see"—his voice shivered a little—"I always used to tell all my secrets to my mother, but now you seem to do instead. I really think that I first took to you because you reminded me so much of her. You've both got the same sweet, gentle manner, and the same wavy hair."

His mother! And so that was the real light in which he looked upon her—as a mother. Miss Priscilla had no sense of humor, but something within her impelled her to smile. Truly the one romance in her life was rich in irony. Through the dim mist which, in spite of her brave efforts to quell it, was shadowing her eyes, she could see him drawing on his gloves. Now that he had unburdened himself of his secret, he was impatient to be off.

"I am glad that I told you about it," he said, simply; "it's a relief off my mind. I'm a queer sort of chap—much too confidential, and all that kind of thing—but I like to let somebody else into a secret when it's got too big to carry about alone. And you wish me luck, don't you? Do you think she will have me?"

He looked at her with a hungry love-light in his eyes—a love-light which was not for her, but for pretty, golden-haired Phyllis Aveling! Phyllis, who, brave in her own Bond Street finery, had so often laughed at the poor shabby little spinster, and called her "an old maid." Miss Priscilla felt as if she could have screamed aloud in her jealous misery. But being a woman, and, therefore, brave, of course, she really did nothing of the sort.

"I am sure she will," she said, promptly.

His face fairly lit up with smiles.

"That's sweet of you—you do put heart into a fellow! I knew you'd sympathize with me. I don't think,"—tugging impatiently at his gloves—"that, if I hadn't come to you first, I should have had the courage to go on to the Rectory, and—and ask Phyllis"—his boyish face reddened up to the roots of his hair—"and she's so pretty and fascinating and gay, and such a ripping girl altogether."

He paused for breath. Yes, some women had so much love in their lives, while others had—none.

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"But now," he went on again, "everything seems to look pretty plain sailing. You've cheered me up such a lot! Since you have told me so, I think, somehow, that she will accept me!"

"I am sure she will," repeated that plucky little heroine, Miss Priscilla.

He had reached the door now. Almost mechanically, as if hardly conscious of what she was doing, she had risen from her seat, and followed him across the room. At the door they stopped. . . She looked up at him, questioningly, from her foolish little height of five feet three. He glanced down at her from his superior altitude of six feet two.

"May I?" he said, suddenly.

"May you *what?*" Miss Priscilla's heart began to thump wildly against her ribs. Oh! why, in Heaven's name, was the boy looking at her like that?

He laughed—then, without a word, suddenly bent down and kissed her reverently on the lips.

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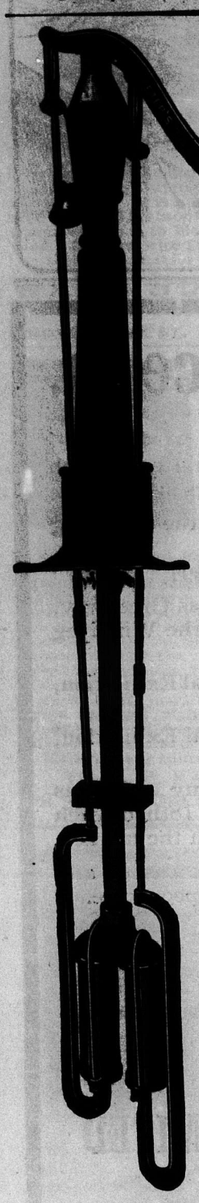

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We have always held that the daily newspaper is, at least, a very poor educator. We are of the opinion that those people who are deprived of the privilege of reading the daily newspaper and confine their reading principally to magazines and other monthly periodicals are the gainers. Not that we would hide from people the facts of society. We believe that a newspaper ought to reflect exactly what is going on in the world. We do not believe that anything would be gained by trying to cover the crimes committed, or keep in the dark the unwholesome occurrences that discourage and embarrass civilization.

But the daily newspaper is not a fair index of what actually occurs in society. The newspaper man is seeking for sensational stuff. He wants unusual events and occurrences. He searches copy for crime, for misdemeanor, for all sorts of domestic and fraternal irregularities. These constitute news. The shortcomings, the ill-nature, and the moral lapse of frail humanity are gathered from all quarters of the earth and held up to the public gaze of each locality. This is done in order to cater to the public.

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Of course, the editors do not purposely do this in order to debauch their readers. Such news does not even please the editor himself, perhaps, but news to-day must be of a pungent, stirring character. Deeds of villainy horrible accidents, reckless escapades, daring adventures, constitute the bulk of news given by the daily papers. The great background of human activity is worthy and commendable. It is only a few scratches on the surface that constitute the bad doings of men and women, and yet it is these few scratches that are collected together, bundled up and hurled in the face of the people by the newsboys on our streets.

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But while these unfortunate events were happening millions of people were kind and generous, and brave and noble. Their acts never got into a newspaper, so that we must not judge society by what we see in the daily newspaper. We must remember that we have placed before us the frailties of the whole nation, while the virtues of the nation do not appear. We must remember that the newspaper is not a faithful index of the moral and social conditions of our nation, but only holds up a distorted picture of what is going on. People are kind and are growing kinder. People are good and are committing less and less crime. People are virtuous aud are not so apt to break the rules of propriety as ever before in the history of the world.

If the daily paper can be read with this thought in mind, and the noise and the clatter of startling events does not shut out the undertone of real fraternity and human goodness which ought to be there if the picture were a faithful one, then no harm would be done. But the careless reader is apt to judge that the world is going to the bow-wows when he sees nothing in the daily newspaper but the accounts of those things which men and women ought not to have done.

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If I was asked to say what has contributed most to Germany's progress of the last quarter of a century I should unhesitatingly mention the development of patriotism in its best sense in the individual, and, though this historic fact cannot be proved by the usual methods of the statistician, we know beyond doubt that the nation has come to work together as a firm and united organization. Put briefly, the activity of one department or class has had the desired effect upon another in the real sense of the word, and since patriotism has ceased to be local in character and has become truly national, ambition has grown on the right lines. Indeed, there has been a marked and ever increasing desire to do duty to the state as well as to one-

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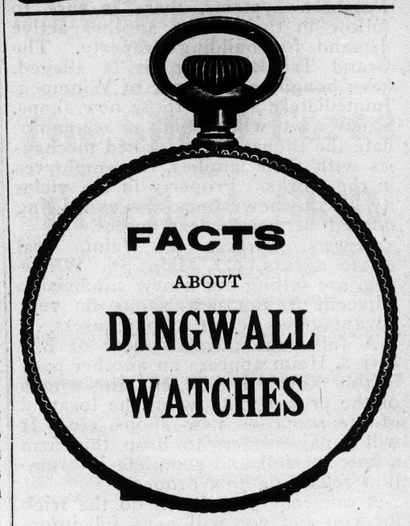

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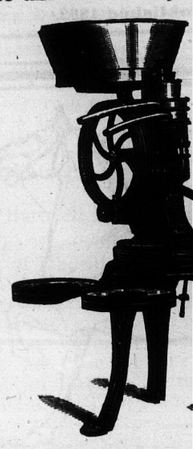

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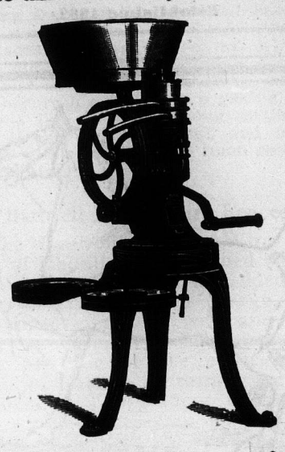

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If we now turn to the question as to how this particular result has been achieved we have the explanation given in one word—education. The thoroughness of German education, which, as we understand it now, originated in the twenties of the last century, has been gradually bettered and may at the present time be regarded as almost perfect in many respects. It has always been conducted with the object of inculcating in the minds of the pupils the duty which they owe to themselves and to the state, and the part which they should endeavour to take in advancing the welfare of the community as a whole. This training explains in a large measure the wonderful efficiency of the German army, the rapid development of the navy, and the enormous scientific, industrial, and commercial progress which has been made.

Speaking generally, one of the most striking features of this quarter of a century of progress which we have under consideration is the social reform which has been effected. We may leave out of consideration the disputed point as to whether this reform would have been anything like so great had it not been for the political presence in the country of a great and powerful social democratic party. We need only consider the fact that enormous improvements of a permanent and highly beneficial character have been made in the housing of the working classes, that a system of old age pensions has been successfully introduced, and that, amongst many other things too numerous to mention, the great problem of workmen's insurance has been satisfactorily solved, to realize how great the progress in social reform has been. Indeed, the whole world acknowledges the advance Germany has made in this respect.

That the nation at large is likewise flourishing under these conditions will also admit of no doubt, for whilst the upper classes and capitalists have invested enormous sums of money in foreign loans and stocks the working and middle classes have placed as much as $2,750,000,000 in the national savings banks. Figures give at a glance the prosperity or otherwise of a country as a thermometer indicates temperature, and much can be gathered from the startling fact that in twenty-five years—a short period in the history of a country—Germany's imports have increased by 125 per cent, and her exports by 78 per cent, while the increase of her population amounts to nearly 25 per cent—that is, from 45,000,000 to about 60,000,000.

Sixty years ago almost entirely agricultural, Germany was still mostly so in the early eighties, but her population is now for the most part engaged in industry and commerce. In the forties the exports were mainly agricultural, but now Germany cannot afford to export agricultural products, and in fact is obliged to import a considerable percentage of her food supply. Her exports are now almost entirely of an industrial character, and she ranks as the third great trading nation of the world.

In the House of Commons no incident is greeted with more hearty laughter than that of a member who, after an eloquent oration, plumps down on his silk hat on the bench behind him. A young member who had just made his maiden speech sat upon his new silk hat. There were roars of laughter. An Irish member immediately arose and gravely said: "Mr. Speaker, permit me to congratulate the honourable gentleman upon the happy circumstance that when he sat on his hat his head was not in it!"

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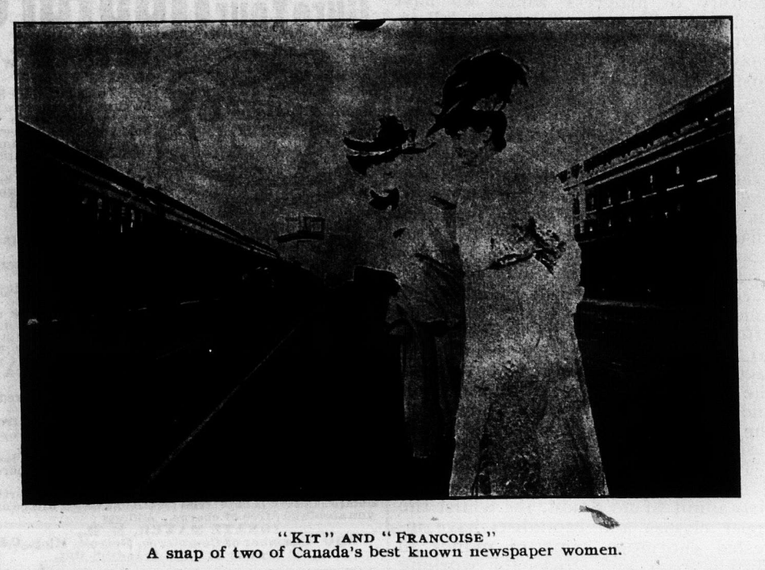
Nevertheless, utter self-surrender rarely is wise. No woman, especially, ought to love her lover too well, or if such self-control is beyond her, the laws of self-protection demand that she shall never, under any circumstances, allow him to understand that she does so. Most men—the exceptions are as scarce as hen's teeth—resemble one's shadow in that if one pursues them they flee, if one flees they follow close upon one's heels. Men object upon principle to the woman who yields too much. No man



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himself. Which, indeed, is no small part of the mystery of love; that which is greatest is also a servant:

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"That love is a slave
Who dreads thought of freedom
As joy dreads the grave."

It is one of the things none may explain to any other, but which every one feels unmistakeably when the hour and the man or woman arrive. True love is, and always must be, unselfish, but it is because the greater absorbs the less. Self is eliminated only as it is swallowed up into a nearer and dearer self. Under these conditions it becomes the lover's greatest happiness to make another happy, and this desire being mutual, the twain shall be one flesh, sympathetic, harmonious, and devoted, each to each. It often is claimed that the love of a woman is more unselfish than that of a man, in that it is given to make her lover happy; a man's love on the other hand, is of and for himself, and his chief idea in wooing is to make himself happy, the woman whom he woos being a second consideration. Which, even when it fits the case, is a sophism. It cannot be too often reiterated, nor too strenuously insisted upon, that no one, whether man or woman, has the right to marry for the sake of any but oneself. Self-sacrifice is admirable and beautiful, but in such a case it is as though one were to offer a stately marble statue of inestimable worth to him who was famishing for bread. Unless one marries for one's own sake and because that way happiness lies for oneself one had not better marry at all. The true inwardness of the matter is that by so doing one finds one's truest joy in giving joy to appreciates dog-like devotion from the woman whom he woos, even though he may accept it more or less graciously, and the wife who abdicates too much is apt to find herself bankrupt with no tangible return for her lavish outlay.

Later on, when the lovers are married, the wife will do well to remember that although it is her duty, and ought to be her pleasure, to do all that she can to add to her husband's comfort, she owes it to him, as well as to herself, never to degenerate into a domestic drudge. The woman who abases herself to black her husband's boots, literally or figuratively, has no cause to complain if he treats her as a slave rather than as an equal, and accepts her humble devotion as his natural right, possibly without the bare formula of thanks. Mutual respect is the one and only secure basis for married happiness, a fact which cannot be too strongly impressed upon the mind. Such respect cannot exist unless it is founded upon self-respect. It is part of the same proposition that the foolish husband who treats his wife as a spoilt child, a pet, and a plaything, has no right to feel injured if, when an emergency arises in which he needs the companionship of an intelligent woman, she persists in the role to which he has accustomed her and can afford him neither aid nor comfort.

In order to be a good wife one must not be too good. It is all well, so far as it goes, for a newly married wife to listen and believe her husband when he assures her that he is happier than ever before, and that his home is dearer to him than any club on earth, but it is far from well if she looks miserable, perhaps even weeps, the first time that he intimates that he would like to revisit his old haunts "just to see what the fellows are

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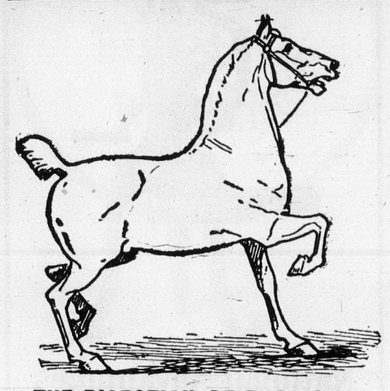

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about." This is not a wisely chosen method to convince him of the superior attractions of his own home and fireside. There is a certain fascination in club life to most men. For some its fascination contains an element of danger, for some not. When a man tires of it and wants a home it is usually because there is a worthy longing in his nature for something better and more satisfactory. But no man can be expected to give up his old friends and all of his old associations because he marries. The fact that he wants a frolic with "the boys" now and then is not an indication that he is tired of his home, and to resent it as such is a fatal mistake.

As Amie says: "There is in man an instinct of revolt, an enemy of all law, a rebel which will stoop to no yoke, not even that of reason, duty, and wisdom." When the tether by which a man, any man, is held becomes too tight he is apt to break away. The rope must be long and it must be strong. The single strand of love is often sufficient of itself. Common sense and tact must be two strands of the rope to make it strong enough to serve as a cable for the domestic ship. The too affectionate wife trusts entirely to one strand and the ship breaks anchor.

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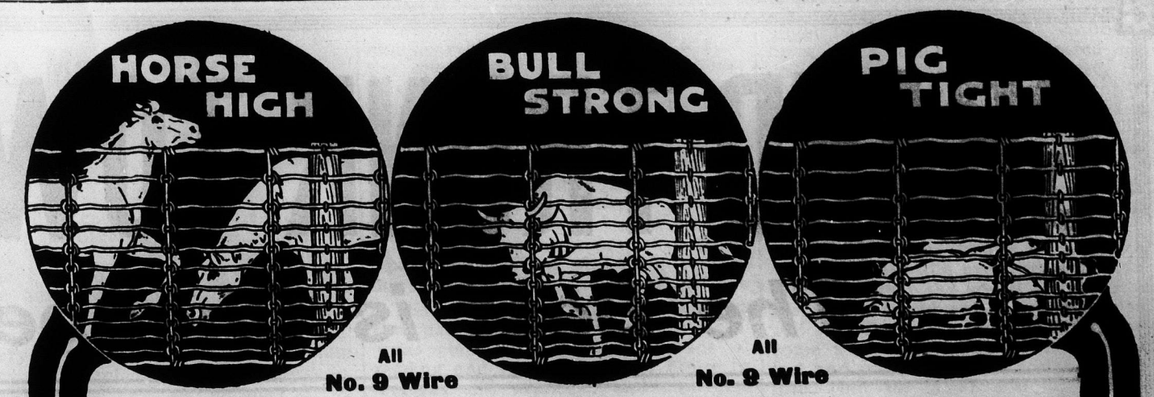

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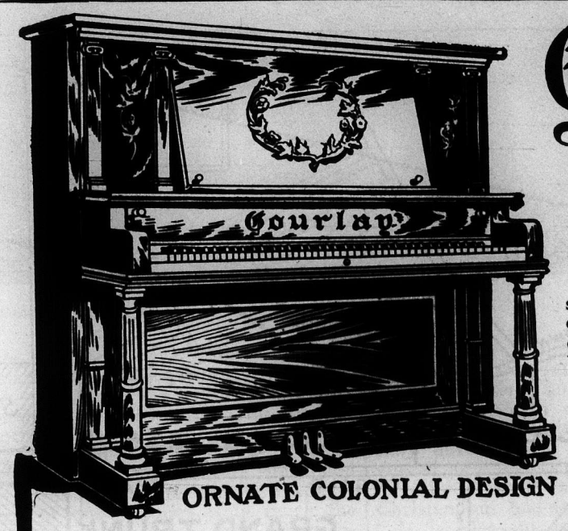

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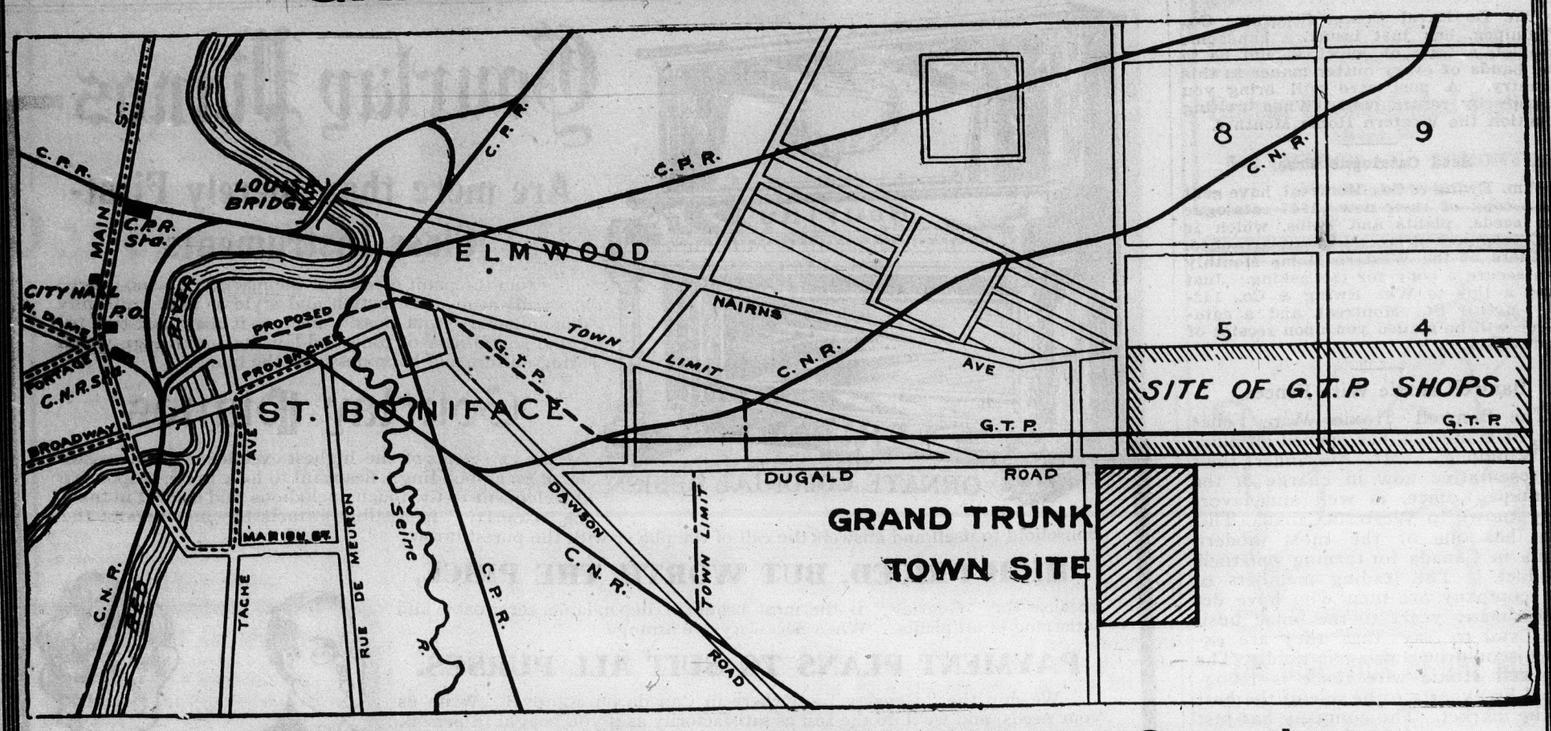

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(City Assessor's Figures.)

1874 (year of incorporation)	1,869
1885	19,574
1898	39,384
1902	48,411
1903	56,741
1904	67,262
1905	79,975
1906	101,057

THIS little table herewith shows the official figures of Winnipeg's growth since 1874. Study them. Two years ago Winnipeg's population was 67,262. In 1906 it was 101,057! The Grand Trunk Pacific is now being built; the Canadian Northern is now pushing further and further into the West; the C. P. R. is running branches from its main line. With four coast-to-coast steel highways stretching across fertile prairie land, and giving shipping facilities to millions of acres of beautiful soil, now too far from shipping points to be cultivated, and all contributing to Winnipeg's future. THINK OF THE FUTURE OF GRAND TRUNK TOWNSITE.

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Married Life Can be Made Happy.

By MARY A. LIVERMORE.

A happy marriage does not depend upon good health and good habits alone. Unless on both sides there are well grounded respect and love, uniting the twain in oneness of sympathy and purpose, the marital union will lack the completeness and blessedness of which it is capable. Sorrows and trials are sure to be experienced. Infirmities of temper, common to all, will manifest themselves in an unpleasant manner. Illness, disappointments, poverty, with annoyances and irritations from unlooked for sources, enter into the lives of married people, even when they are guarded against most carefully. All the resources of love and sympathy will be needed to bear them—patience, forbearance, faith in each other, good nature, politeness, and kindness. Married people should from the start cultivate that habit of looking at the bright side of things, which Dr. Johnson has pronounced "worth a thousand pounds a year."

It is not possible to overstate the value of cheerfulness in a home. One can hide the sun from his vision by holding a dime persistently between it and his eyes. We can so magnify the little ills of life by morbid contemplation of them as to obscure our pleasant surroundings from ourselves and to breed moroseness and gloom in the family circle. The most cheerful people usually are not those who are the least bur' d with care, suffering, want, and work. Nor do those deserve the reputation of cheerful people who are gay and hilarious when all goes well with them and their tastes and wishes are gratified, but who drop into bad temper and "fits of the blues' the moment they are thwarted. Cheerfulness is a habit to be cultivated, a moral quality to be acquired, which drapes one's personality everywhere with sunshine as with a garment. It will glorify the humblest home, even when it lacks the decorations that money can buy, and will soothe and invigorate the most rasped and weary toilers in the struggle for existence.

Who shall be the head of the household? Shall it not be the husband? Yes, he shall be if he will. The true wife desires nothing more than that her husband shall be king in his own right, and by his own act, for then she shall be queen. But when, instead of wearing the royal purple of an incomparable manhood, he clothes himself in the rags of a dissolute life, she too, fails of the throne, and the sceptre drops from her hands. This question never obtrudes itself upon a well mated pair. In happy marriages the husband and wife alternately are subject and ruler, neither dreaming that such an arrangement exists. As they live in such congenial partnership, sharing the responsibilities of their new life, each learns by experience where the other is stronger or weaker, and defers or directs accordingly. The husband will appeal to his wife for advice or suggestion in matters where he has learned that her judgment is superior to his; and she will carry some puzzling question to him for settlement, with the confession, "It is beyond me," and he must attend to it. This will come without any debate or discussion as to the leadership of the family.

Timothy Dwight, ex-president of Yale University, was wont to say that a man must ask his wife if he may be rich. All know the truth behind this sententious statement. "If heaven allotted to each man seven guardian angels," said Lord Lytton, "five of them ought to be hovering night and day over his pockets; for the management of one's money is in much the management of one's self." Not infrequently the five angels of the pocket seem to reside in the wife, whose wise economy fills the house with comfort, sends sons and daughters to college, clears the mortgage from the homestead, and all from the moderate income of the husband. When there is a lack of this homely virtue in the wife and when, from ignorance or recklessness, she rushes into extravagance which the income does not warrant, there is hindrance for the children, embarrassment for the husband, and poverty for the household.

In some countries the wife is generally the partner of the husband, is interested in his business or profession, knows what income it yields, rejoices in his successes, and helps him bear his failures. But, as a rule, the one thing of which a Canadian wife is ignorant is her husband's business. The husband chooses to have it so. "Women know nothing about business." "I do not want to bother her with my affairs." "If she will run the house, I will find the money." These and like statements are the reasons he gives for his preference. So he buries himself in his office or counting room, and plunges into commercialism, ignoring all other pursuits.

The wife, left to herself, becomes the patron of local philanthropies, joins clubs, and pursues courses of reading and study, opens her house to lectures and musicals, and cultivates society. Her husband sees her less frequently as he becomes engrossed more and more in money making, and his children grow from babyhood to maturity without his guidance, and almost without his acquaintance. So, day by day, the two drift farther apart, each with diverse plans and interests, until at length, while ostensibly husband and wife, they are divorced as hopelessly, in sentiment and affection, as if all the courts of Christendom had decreed a separation.

It is pleasant to turn away from this picture of married life, originals of which may be found in all our cities, to another, which has just been unveiled to the reading public. "I married you in order to love you in God, and according to the need of my heart, and in order to have in the midst of the strange world a place for my heart which all the world's bleak winds cannot chill, and where I may find the warmth of the home fire, to which I eagerly betake myself when it is stormy and cold without." This is a quotation from the "Love Letters of Prince Bismarck" to Johanna von Puttkamer, his bride and mother of his children. They were written from the time of his engagement in 1846 to 1849, and scores of similar passages might be taken from them. Although he was a stern, cold man, feared and disliked more than he was loved, his marriage was almost ideal. His wife was neither intellectual nor brilliant, but she loved her husband devotedly, and he found in her "a place for his heart."

Before all forms of government, all types of civilization, all social institutions, and all advance in education, the relations of the husband and the wife make the everlasting foundation on which the social structure of the whole world rests. Just so fast and just so far as these relations become what they ought to be, just so fast and just so far will society be uplifted—but no faster and no farther. It is the family and the home that lay the foundation of country, and these depend on the relations of husband and wife.

The greatness of a nation is not made by its extensive territorial domain, nor by its vast wealth, nor yet by its impregnable fortifications, its battleships, and its trained soldiers. It may possess all these insignia of greatness and yet be weak, and, like Rome, fall a prey to barbarian hordes. The greatness of a nation is made by its true men and women, who have been well born in good homes, where they have been carefully fashioned into a lofty type of manhood and womanhood. This is the large intent of marriage, which is not alone the cradle of the human race but the crown as well, and should be the symbol of a marriage that shall be immortal.

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And I'll buy one of them dream-joints
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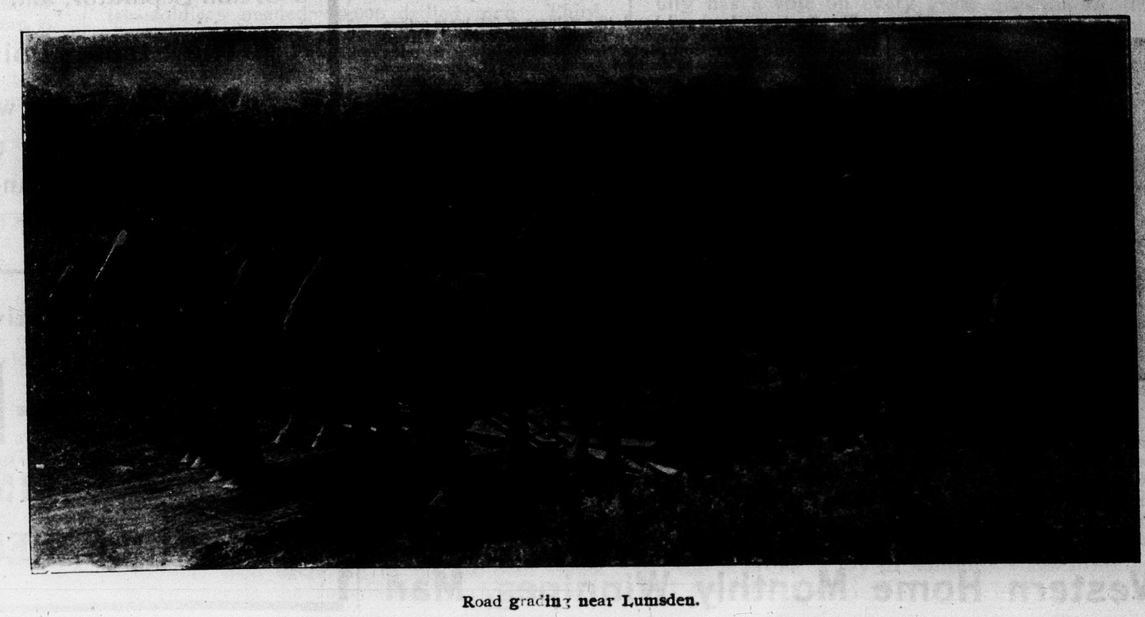

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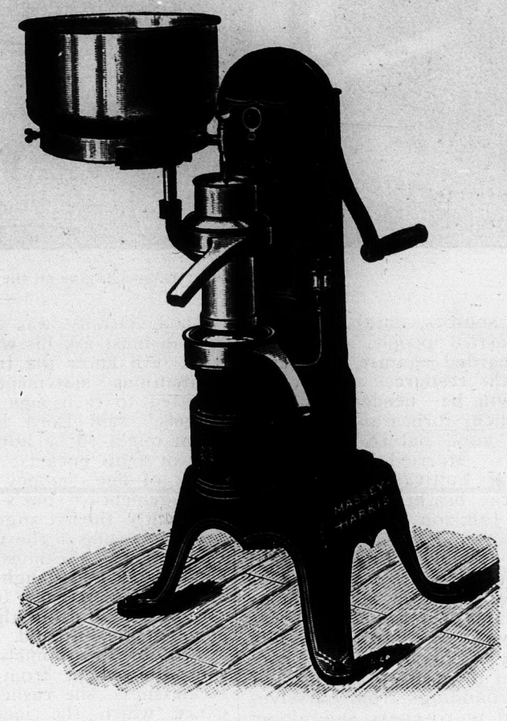

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THE LAWS OF HEALTH. John Fiske, the historian, possessed a remarkable body. His physical proportions were generous. He looked like a man who would live to be ninety. He never seemed to have an ache or pain. He was a great worker. He could work all the day and write half the night. Beside his writing he did a great deal of lecturing during the summer and winter. When asked how he could do so much work he answered, "I never take any exercise. I eat all kinds of food. I sit up late and rise early," and to this he might have added, "I am an incessant smoker," for he seemed always to have a cigar in his hand. In fact, Fiske ignored all the known laws of health—and passed away, suddenly, in the prime of his manhood—just when he should have been at his best with twenty years to spare.

THE ARISTOCRACY OF CHARACTER. There is an aristocracy of wealth, an aristocracy of culture, an aristocracy of brains, an aristocracy of labor and an aristocracy of character. The aristocracy of character is the aristocracy of heaven. It is carved out of the vital forces and built on the fundamental. It is the only thing which endures; character is the most powerful thing in the world. John Wesley was carried to his grave by six poor men. He left behind him two silver spoons—and the Methodist church! O! what an illustration of power and influence. According to the will of Martin Luther, he left behind him (if we may use his own words), "No ready money, no coin, no treasure of any sort." And yet what a treasure of influence is wrapped up in that name—Martin Luther. Character is success. Character is immortal. Character is everlasting. He who has it belongs to the aristocracy of the skies.

AMUSEMENTS AND CIVILIZATION. When pleasure becomes the business of life, then the end of a civilization is drawing near. In national life luxury, dissipation and extravagance are unfailing signs of decline and decay. During the last days of the Roman Empire the aristocracy banqueted at tables of gold and silver. The highest salaries were paid to dancers, cooks, acrobats and low actors. Scholars, poets and philosophers were laughed at. These were the days of theatres, chariots, races, gladiatorial shows. The circus and the sports of the amphitheatre held full sway. The poor were neglected and the sick left to die. One Roman emperor offered a reward to anybody who would invent a new pleasure. Nero set Rome on fire for the mere pleasure of a new form of diversion. Rome stood against her enemies when her only occupation was war—when her politicians were corrupt—when her public men were selfish—when half her people were slaves, but she could not stand extravagance, luxury and dissipation.

FATAL FORCE OF WORDS. What a man says is a true indication of what a man is. Conversation is a true index of a man's character. Out of the abundance of the heart a man speaketh. The man who can "hold his tongue" is not only a strong man, he is a remarkable man. It is said of Von Moltke that he could hold his tongue in seven different languages. The man who is careful concerning what he says may be truly classified as a "careful" man. George IV said with reference to the Duke of Cumberland that "there never was a father happy with his son; or a husband, happy with wife; or a lover, happy with his sweetheart, or a friend, happy with his friend, that the Duke of Cumberland did not try to make mischief between them." The gossip is the social anarchist who thrusts dynamite beneath the reputation of his friend and neighbor and rejoices over the wreck and ruin wrought.

A REMARKABLE FAMILY RECORD. Edwin Booth, the actor, belonged to a remarkable family. There were three boys—Junius Booth, John Booth and Edwin Booth. On November 25th, 1864, the mother of these three boys sat in a box in a splendid theatre in New York City and with glowing pleasure and satisfaction watched her three sons as they acted on the stage, each his appropriate and chosen part. Happy moment for a fond mother! What possible dreams of the future must have passed through her mind. Little did she know what destiny and fate had in store for her. Edwin Booth became the most famous actor of his age. Junius Booth sank into obscurity, while John Wilkes Booth became the assassin and murderer of the honored and sainted Abraham Lincoln. Men talk much about hereditary influences, but in this uncertain world every man needs spiritual guidance and divine direction.

"GETTING THERE" TOO RAPIDLY. When success comes quickly it may depart all too soon. Rapidity in promotion and personal advancement is often followed by a sudden fall and a quick decline. Napoleon at 24 was poor and unknown. When twenty- six years of age his first touch of fame came to him and he was made a general. At twenty-seven he was a general of generals—commander-in-chief of the armies of France. At thirty-three years of age he was supreme among his own people; the idol of his countrymen. At thirty-nine he was supreme on the continent of Europe, having conquered all except England and Russia. At forty-six he met the crisis of his life on the battlefield of Waterloo. At fifty-two years of age he died broken hearted, an exile and an outcast. Had his success come more slowly, it might have lasted longer.

HOW HISTORY IS WRITTEN. James Anthony Froude was a great historian. His "History of England" is a monument to his memory. A great historian needs no other testimonial to his character and industry than the volumes which he leaves behind him. What wealth of color and vivid portrayal do we find in the unique paragraphs of Macaulay! What care in the exact record of details do we find in Geen's History of The English People! And what a monument to patient industry do we find in the works of James Anthony Froude! He informs us in certain of the documents which he left behind him that in the production of his History he consulted no less than 400,000 references. (Think of it!) Nine-tenths of the authorities consulted were in manuscript form. He found his materials in five different languages. In all he consulted 900 different volumes. What an illustration of the familiar proverb, "Genius is capacity for hard work."

COUNTING THE COST. He is a wise general who seeks to know the strength of the enemy, and that man is exceedingly foolish who makes no mental attempt to measure the height of the obstacles which may be found in the pathway of his advance. According to the records in the British war office, the following estimate was made with reference to the approaching Boer War: First, Strength of the enemy—60,000 Boers. Second, Number of British soldiers needed—20,000 drilled men. Third, Probable cost of the war—Ten million pounds sterling. Fourth, Probable duration of the war—three months. The actual expenditure of time and strength was as follows: First, Soldiers sent into the field—450,000 trained British soldiers. Second, Cost of the war—250,000,000 pounds. Third, Period of duration—the war lasted three years. Moral: Count the cost. Never be ignorant of the strength of the enemy.

WILL-POWER AND CHARACTER. A strong memory is the natural foundation for a strong mind. A strong will is the natural foundation for a strong character. Most men who have failed in life might trace their failure to a weakness in the matter of will-power. Life's success does not pivot on brilliancy but on stability. Lord Melbourne once said concerning Henry VIII, "He was the greatest monarch who ever lived because he always had his own way." We are not sure that to have your own way is always a sign of greatness, but the suggestion of Lord Melbourne points toward an important element in the character of the King. Macaulay said concerning Henry VIII, "He was a good Catholic, who preferred to be his own pope." Will-power is the foundation of character.

TO THOSE IN TROUBLE. It is said that Charles Dickens lived in a time of ugliness. It was a time of ugly religion, ugly laws, ugly relations between the rich and the poor, ugly clothes and ugly furniture. And yet he found something beautiful in ugly times and left a marvelous literary legacy for all coming generations. Great are the conquests of a heroic spirit. "There is no station so low, no occupation so humble, no neighborhood so bad, no temptation so severe that the heroic soul may not ride over all victorious. Most of the great men of the world have been graduate of five well known institutions: The School of Difficulty—The Academy of Conflict—The College of Trouble—and The University of Affliction.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. "Enough is enough," so thought that old hero of the American Civil War when his friends urged him to become a candidate for the presidency of the United States. The old hero asked, "Why should I? I owe no man a cent. I have no expensive habits. I envy no man his place or position. I have no social obligations, and I am sixty-five years of age. Why should I burden myself with new ambitions?" Wise man. He knew when the time had come to rest. At sixty-five he could walk the streets of Washington without fear of assassination. Why should he enter a new sphere? Enough is enough, and the wise man knows it.

PURITY AND POWER. Gladstone was pure as a youth at eighteen years of age. He was powerful as a statesman at eighty years of age Purity and power are linked together in the highest form of achievement. Marriage is a failure when manhood is a failure. When manhood is a success marriage is a supreme success. The highest form of civilization must rest on the purity of the individual character and a profound respect for the home life in the hearts of all. The home is the corner stone of a Christian civilization. Home—write that word in characters of gold. "It glitters like a shield, it leaps like a fountain, it thrills like a song, it twinkles like a star, it flashes like a flame, it glows like the sunset, it sings like an angel." Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home. Be true to the home life.

DO SOMETHING—QUICK. Every great general has been able to do three things. First, To think accurately. Second, To think quickly. Third, To act promptly. Gough said that there were certain people who had three hands—a right hand, a left hand, and always "a little behind hand." Napoleon said that the greatest effort of his life was to find men of deeds rather than men of words. Lincoln said concerning Grant, "Wherever Grant goes things move." If things did not move, Grant moved them. There are always men who explain why they did not do certain things. The men who "explain" may be divided into four classes: First, The man who can explain how it ought to be done. Second, The man who can explain how it ought not to be done. Third, The man who can explain how the other fellow did it. Fourth, The man who can explain why it ought never to have been done at all. Explainers are as thick as leaves in autumn. Men who do something are scarce.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS. The mind is the senate chamber of the soul. Here all the representatives of the human faculties sit in session. Each faculty has a vote on every great question of life which comes up for decision. Here sits Reason, the philosopher of the soul, Conscience, the judge of the soul, Memory, the scribe of the soul, Imagination, the artist of the soul. The Will, the executive of the soul, Hope, the port of the soul, Faith, the prophet of the soul, Doubt, the detective of the soul, and Love, the queen of the soul. On every great question, let every voice be heard. The Spirit, the speaker of the house, will soon call for a decision.

THE WILL OF A DRUNKARD. A young man who ended his life by an act of self destruction, left the following document on the bureau of his room in a New York hotel. It was headed, "My Last Will And Testament."

"I leave to society a ruined character.

"I leave to my parents as much misery as they can bear.

"I leave to my brothers and sisters the memory of a mis-spent life.

"I leave to my wife a broken heart.

"I leave to my children the memory of a drunkard's name."

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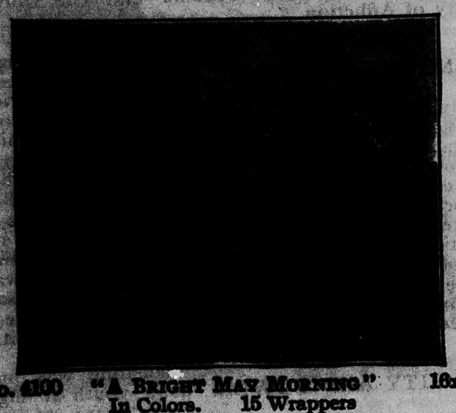

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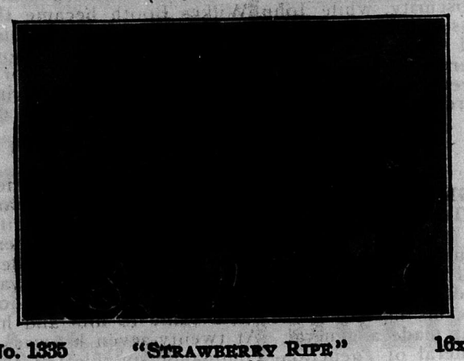

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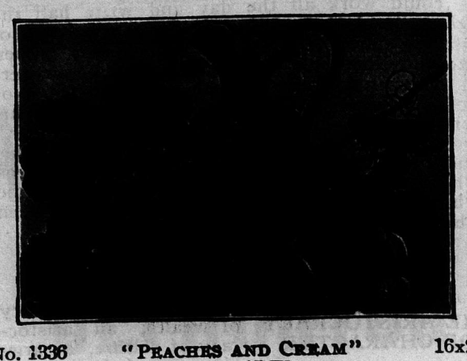

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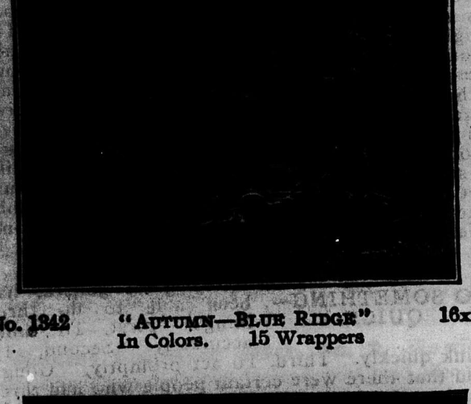

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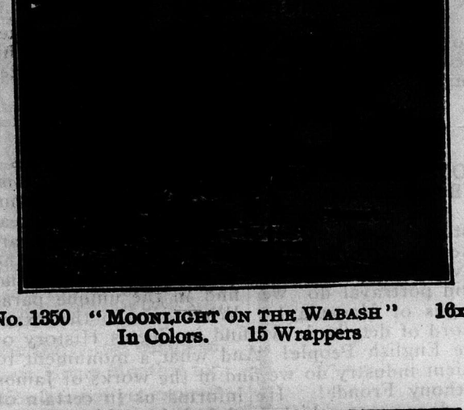

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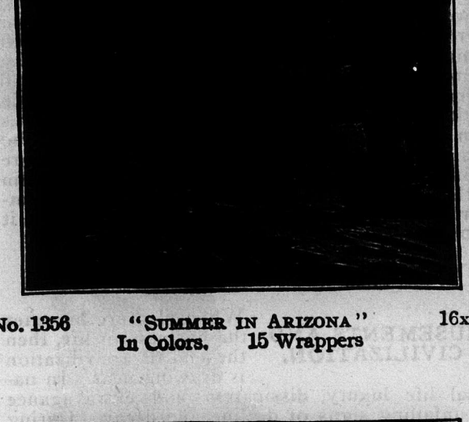

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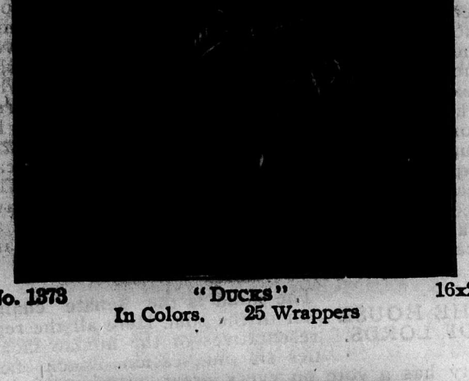

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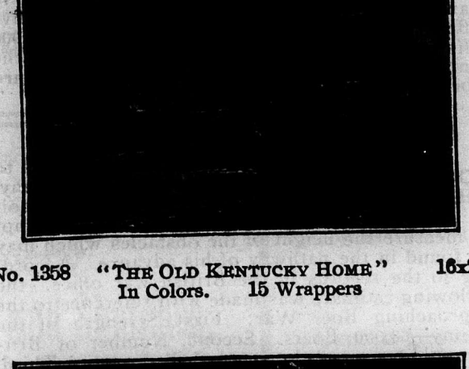

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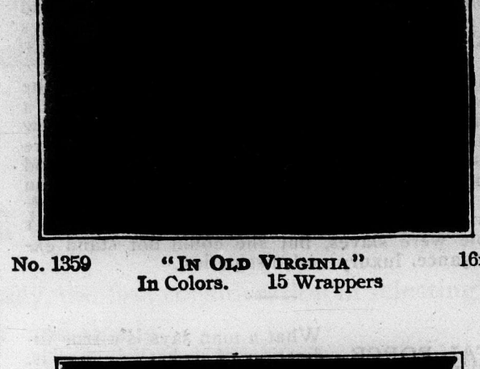

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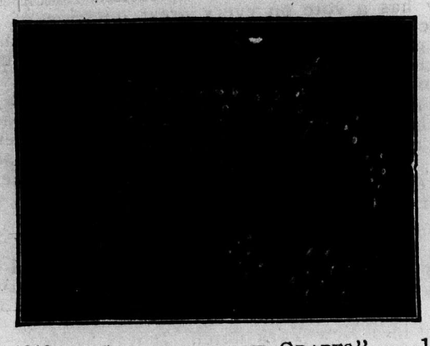

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Nothing is more striking in the history of modern inventions than the unexpected quarters from which important novelties are constantly derived. The founder of the cotton manufacture was a barber; the inventor of the power-loom was a clergyman. A farmer devised the first application of the screw-propeller. A fancy-goods shopkeeper is one of the most enterprising experimentalists in agriculture. The most remarkable architectural design of our day has been finished by a gardener. The first person who supplied London with water was a goldsmith. The first extensive maker of English roads was a blind man bred to no trade. The father of English inland navigation was a duke, and his engineer was a millwright. The first great builder of iron bridges was a stonemason, and the greatest railway engineer commenced life as a colliery engineman.—W. S. Hern.

Hope for the Canteen.

Experience having quite thoroughly established the fact that the abolition of the canteen in the army has not only failed to accomplish the very worthy object in view, but has had a reactionary effect toward the other extreme, there is a chance for restoration. Drunkenness and desertion are writing a rotten record for the army, and persistent facts are slowly winning over many of the original and vigorous opponents of the canteen. Professional opinion in the army has always favored the canteen with its beer and light wine sold under restraint, and now the tide has turned on the outside. The President himself may head the movement for restoration. Here is an evil that evidently cannot be destroyed—if it can be mitigated, let's make the attempt.—Ridgeways.

Causes of Earthquakes.

During the last few months there have been several earthquakes which, owing to the fact that they have destroyed cities, have been greatly talked about; but, actually, no more large earthquakes have occurred than usual. It just happens that large towns have been within their area. In the majority of cases they occur where they do comparatively little damage, and in consequence are hardly mentioned in the papers. Constant changes are always going on in the earth, but there is no reason to anticipate that these changes will in future be more or less rapid than they have been in the past. They are due to the constant changes going on in the earth. We have a large crust seeking support upon a nucleus which is gradually contracting by loss of heat. In consequence fractures are made in rocks and faults occur. In other cases former faults are accentuated. That is to say, strata of rocks which have slipped out of place, causing an earthquake at the time, slip further and cause another. Then gravity also plays a part in the making of earthquakes. For instance, when the bottom of the sea, within a seismic area, becomes loaded with sediment, a sudden yielding of the ocean bed may result in shocks. High plateaux and mountain ranges may, by the loss of sediment carried down by streams and rivers, be gradually rising, and whenever this becomes spasmodic instead of gradual we have earthquake shocks.—John Milne, F. R. S.

The United States a Monarchy?

Human nature being what it is, I suppose we must expect to drift into monarchy by-and-by. It is a saddening thought, but we cannot change our nature: we are all alike, we human beings, and in our blood and bone, and ineradicable, we carry the seeds out of which monarchies and aristocracies have grown: worship of gauds, titles, distinctions, power. We have to worship these things and their possessors, we are all born so, and we cannot help it. We have to be despised by somebody whom we regard as above us, or we are not happy; we have to have somebody to worhip and envy, or we cannot be content. In America we manifest this in all the ancient and customary ways. In public we scoff at titles and hereditary privilege, but privately we hanker after them, and when we get a chance we buy them for cash and a daughter. Sometimes we get a good man and worth the price, but we are ready to take him anyway, whether he be ripe or rotten, whether he be clean and decent, or merely a basket of noble and sacred and long-descended offal. And when we get him the whole nation publicly chaffs and scoffs—and privately envies; and also is proud of the honor which has been conferred upon us. We run over our list of titled purchases every now and then, in the newspapers, and discuss them and caress them, and are thankful and happy.—Mark Twain.

Disinherit the Unborn!

This principle is, that the unborn can have, and should have, no special property rights; in other words, that the present generation shall not continue to be plundered and robbed in order that certain unborn individuals shall be born rich—shall be born with such legal claims upon their fellow-men that, while supplied with all the necessaries, comforts, and luxuries of life they need do no useful work in return. It is not denied that the present generation may properly do work and expend wealth for the benefit of future generations; that is only a proposition for the many and great benefits we have received from those who have gone before us. What this principle says is, that it is absolutely unjust for our rulers (be they a majority or minority) to compel us to pay, to work, to suffer, in order that certain individuals yet unborn shall be endowed—often to their own physical and moral injury—with wealth supplied by the labor of their fellow-men.—Alfred Russel Wallace.

Christendom Arming China.

The Chinese have the best food in the world, rice; the best drink, tea; and the best clothing, cotton, silk, and fur; and, possessing these staples and their innumerable native adjuncts, they do not need to buy a cent's worth elsewhere, while their Empire is in itself so great and they themselves so numerous, that sales to each other make an enormous and sufficient trade, and export to foreign countries is unnecessary.

Let those who still preach the gospel of force hear what John Chinaman says, and which, in the opinion of this writer, is soon to be realized:—

"Yes, it is we who do not accept it that practice the Gospel of Peace; it is you who accept it that trample it under foot, and—irony of ironies!—it is the nations of Christendom who have come to us to teach us by sword and fire that the Right in this world is powerless unless it is supported by Might. Oh, do not doubt that we shall learn the lesson. And woe to Europe when we have acquired it. You are arming a nation of four hundred millions—a nation which, until you came, had no better wish than to live at peace with itself and all the world. In the name of Christ you have sounded the call to arms; in the name of Confucius we respond."—M. Barakatullah.

King Alfonso Progressive.

Spain, is not, perhaps, the land to which one would look for a lead in the spirit of modern progress, but in the field of automobilism at least the young enthusiasm of King Alfonso seems to have struck out in a direction where other countries may follow. His majesty has come to the conclusion that technical instruction among Spanish chauffeurs is summary, not to say fragmentary—defects which may not be exclusively peculiar to Spain—and he has devised a bold remedy. At his instance there is to be founded in the Madrid school of of arts and crafts a chair of automobilism, by means of which Spanish chauffeurs may receive a training which, it is hoped will be complete. It is certainly to be varied. Besides mere familiarity with the mechanism of the machine, they will have to acquire some new acquaintance with the legislation governing the use of motor cars and a strong grasp upon the system of main roads in the country. As this is not of the most complicated, the difficulty will be so much less in mastering them. One feature of the course of instruction will tempt the caustic humor of the motor-phobe. The Spanish chauffeur will receive sufficient training in surgical dressing to enable him to render first aid to an injuried person.—Boston Globe.

Paderewski on Piano-Playing.

The first requisite to becoming a really good pianist is talent. I will say this, however, that, given good tuition, any one with the ability to work, and application to it, can learn to play; but it will not be artistic. Nearly every one has talent for something, and the great point is to discover that talent, to give it a fair trial in cultivation, and to stick to its development. If your talent is not for music, then find out in what branch it lies. Money—and time, which is still more precious, as it can never be regained—will be saved, the whole life turned into another channel and its usefulness will be increased. But lack of energy or inclination for hard work must not be confounded with lack of talent. There are many with talent who are too lazy to work; such would not make success in any art, no matter how great their aptitude. For this there is no excuse; any one can develop energy. The first quality for the piano student is a natural musical gift, and then for its cultivation the energy for hard work, and the important requirement of a good, thorough teacher. In this last the responsibility of a choice rests with parents, whose indifference or lack of insight may wreck the best prospects. The length of time devoted daily to finger dexterity depends upon what stage of technical development the student is in. For those who have the fingers already prepared, naturally less time is required, and more may be given to the study of pieces. But, no matter what stage of progress the student has reached, one hour daily of this branch of technique is indispensable. First, begin your study each day with the five-finger exercises and scales. Play them slowly, very legato, and with a deep touch, giving particular attention in the scales to the passing of the thumb under the hand, and of the hand over the thumb. The real secret of playing rapid, brilliant scales is this quick, quiet passing of thumb and hand, and by it many difficulties may be avoided.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Corsets, Frills and Fudges.

What need was there for the easy-backed chair for the quiet-minded, noble-hearted, broad-backed women of our frontiers, the mothers of an army of warriors?

Pink kimonos, in which to lounge and read novels in the morning hours, were alien to their lives.

Steel corsets and high-heeled slippers are not new, but I am sure they were not much in evidence in the homes of those mothers of heroes. Neither frills, fraternity dances, nor fudges were considered necssary to the welfare of soul or body of those women of an earlier day. And what has been the result? Their sons and daughters, figuratively, founded a nation in a day, and the great West has become the leader in the world in progress and arts.—Dr. S. V. Balderston.

Winston Churchill, M. P.

No one who has been throug! this Session will, I think, deny his extraordinary talents, his quickness, his power of eloquent phrasing, his energy and tenacity and courage. There are, indeed, obvious deficiencies. He has not convinced the House of Commons that he knows very much about England, and especially the new England which is coming to make its demands known; and his speeches show a certain hardness in their glitter and cleverness, which causes many to believe that he cares very little for politics but as a splendid game. I believe that in this alert and receptive mind, exceedingly curious about the new spirit of the time, and especially the demand for social betterment, the first of these deficiencies will be very rapidly removed. I believe the second to be in part unjust. It would be foolish to deny his ambition; it would, I think, be false to brand that ambition as fixed entirely on personal aims.—Mr. Mosterman, M. P.

The Discharged Prisoner.

The world is more stern and unrelenting in its judgment than the law, and there is prejudice against the man that often brings up before him his past and makes him pay over and over again for the crimes which he has, in the eyes if the law, expiated in prison. Only those who have welcomed these men on their coming from prison and who have tried to make for them a way of escape from the old life can realize how hard is their road and how cruel and unjust their fate often proves. I am not exaggerating when I say that hundreds of men have come from prison thoroughly determined to do right, seeking only the chance of honest work, however humble, to find themselves forced back into a life of crime because wherever they worked the discovery of their past imprisonment meant immediate discharge.—Maud Ballington Booth.

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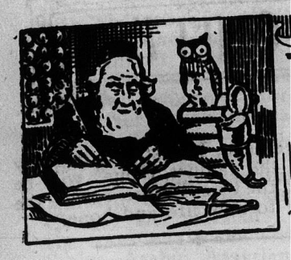

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Picking up the broken threads of human life through the ages, lifting the eye from the green grass where the dear dead seem to lie, and putting new spirit into new lives that faltered because of the crosses, that is what the angel message has been doing since the first Easter broke upon the world. In lonely places, near and far away, where some thought their dear ones failed, where the light came and there were crosses for the world's success, the Risen Christ has overtaken them in the way, as of old, and they have been heartened and glad when they knew him.

THE EASTER MESSAGE— "HE IS RISEN."

We are quite sure
That he will give the dear ones back
Bright, beautiful and pure.
He does not mean, though heaven be fair,
To change the spirits entering there
That they forget.

No matter how dark life may seem, while the living Christ appears the cry of the watchmen in the towers of the world, the peal of the bells across the hill and down the glen tells that all is well.

In the excitement and passion of our times, principles are in danger of confusion and ethical judgments liable to perversion. Hardly anything is a more hopeful sign than the deep sympathy which has been excited in behalf of the laboring classes. This is just, but we must distinguish between the deserving poor and the fraud, between the hopeful and the hopeless paupers, and between the honorable toiler and the miserable shirk. No less is there danger of perversion of judgment respecting capital. It has become popular to attack the insolence, the tyranny and the brutality of capitalism, and wherever these exist they ought to be scourged to death. The danger consists, however, in the temptation to regard all capital as if it had this character, whereas much of it is most beneficial and most merciful. When the attack on capitalism becomes an attack on capitalists as a class, as is often the case, many innocent ones are condemned with the guilty. There is no sphere in which the most careful discrimination is more urgently in demand. The laborer who deposits a hundred dollars in the savings bank is a capitalist; is he therefore insolent and brutal? Is the toiler who thus accumulates capital degraded below the man who spends his last penny in the saloon? Many thousands of widows and orphans depend on the capital which is the result of honest toil, of wise saving and sacrifice. All capitalists are not tyrants. Some of them, most of them, are the hardest of workers and are just to those whom they employ. They frequently have more worry and have more hours of toil than the day laborer.

INJUSTICE TO CAPITALISTS

The invasion of Canada by Americans has ceased to be an accident. It has crystalized into a habit. This year thousands more are on trek from Western States to this land of desire. The American comes no longer as a pirate, he comes to stay. He invests his money with us because he thinks he will get the largest return from it. He is a first-class financial barometer, and his coming is the pledge of his belief in the prosperity of Western Canada. It is estimated that about $200,000,000 of American money has been invested in this country during the past ten years. The Regina Leader commenting on the American as a citizen says:

THE AMERICAN IN CANADA.

"They have brought with them the adaptability and resourceful energy characteristic of their race, and, content to live in harmony with the laws and customs of their adopted country, are reckoned today as being by no means the least estimable of our citizens. Everything points to the peaceful invasion from the South assuming during 1907 greater proportions than in any previous year and that this may be the case all who have the good of our western country at heart will fervently hope. We cannot have too many settlers of the type that the United States is sending us and they may be assured of a hearty welcome and every endeavor on our part to make them feel at home here."

Dowie's meteoric career has closed. Meteoric careers do close in a meteoric manner. The death of Dowie gives food for reflection. He was the type of men who direct great movements and who, by the aid of a powerful hypnotic personality and impressive rituals, succeed in getting a large emotional element completely under their control. Dowie was influentially dead long before he physically gave up the ghost. Men of his type die early. Their influence resembles the "grass which to-day is and to-morrow is cast into the oven." But what of the church he formed? It will die too. It is a pathetic though pleasing fact that man-made religious systems and churches either die or become very much modified. Dowie and the crucifixion idea were removed the distance of the poles. Pomp, luxury and pageant were the necessary adjuncts, the vital breath of the ruler of Zion City. A man may indulge these appetities in other callings, but they disqualify him as a religious leader. One wonders what will become of Christian Science when the personality of Mrs. Eddy has been extracted, or what the fate of the Salvation Army, with the passing of General Booth.

THE DEATH OF DOWIE AND DOWIEISM.

The advocates of the theory which claims the world is getting better, must point with pardonable pride to the interest taken the world over in the confinement of the criminal. Time was when the cell was the synonym for filthiness and fever. The rat and the roach were the boon companions of the hapless mortal who was unfortunate enough to be imprisoned. All this has been changed by the spread of the humanitarian spirit. The demand now is for a fumigated, ratless, roachless cell. We are credibly informed that the prison court cells of Winnipeg are mediaeval rather than modern. The deputation which recently inspected them report a state of affairs which comes as a shock to one's moral sensibilities. "A young girl of fifteen herded with an old woman of the streets," "obscene jesting," "the blasphemy of the intoxicated screamed out loud." Things have been so bad that Rev. C. W. Gordon, Magistrate Daly, Margaret Scott and others waited upon the City Council for the purpose of laying before the aldermen an appeal for better accommodation and treatment of prisoners detained in the police cells. The Rev. Mr. Gordon spoke at considerable length, outlining a scheme that appealed to them as a remedy for many existing evils. The accommodation of the city police cells was wretched, he said, and necessitated the herding together of criminals in a manner that was most objectionable. He detailed the circumstances of a recent visit he had made to the court, and said he was shocked beyond measure at the sights he had witnessed. There were cases where mere boys were herded together with criminals of the most hardened character.

The deputation were prepared to recommend that council take steps to provide either an industrial home or penal farm within reasonable distance of the city where these offenders could be detained under conditions more conducive to a reclamation of character.

THE POLICE COURT CELLS OF WINNIPEG.

From almost every district in Western Canada comes the news of prosperity. This news is not new. We are accustomed to it and have every legitimate reason to expect it. For many years to come the West will grow. A bad harvest or two cannot any longer seriously affect our general advencement. There are other interests and enterprises upon which we may now count. We are on the eve of a manufacturing era, new railroads are contemplated, and altogether the outlook is rosy. But there is one grave danger which cannot be over-estimated—that is the boomster. He is a real enemy to the best interests of the country. Already many smaller towns are suffering from inflated real estate values. In this connection the wise words of Mr. T. A. Cushing, ex-president of the Edmonton Board of Trade, are full of portent. "There may be some justification on business grounds for high valuations in the business section, but generally speaking, residential property is much too high. In regard to much of the so-called suburban property, it will be agreed that it is worth but a small fraction of the prices asked and paid. These prices would scarcely be justified in the suburbs of a city with ten times the population of Edmonton. A number of wage-earners are certain to lose their savings when the inevitable drop in prices comes. Business of all kinds will be seriously affected and the general result will be detrimental to the interests of the community in every respect." Edmonton is no worse than other progressive cities. Mr. Cushing might have substituted Winnipeg for Edmonton and his remarks would have been just as near the truth.

THE BANE OF THE BOOMSTER.

The political attitude of several leading clergymen during the recent election campaign in Manitoba has been a matter of widespread and interesting discussion. It has been provoked particularly by the utterances of Revs. Bland, C. W. Gordon and McMillan. The subject, however, has more than a particular and passing interest. It is far-reaching in its application. It may be laid down as a fundamental principle that the clergy have no command from Bible or Bishop to preach party politics; and those who allow partisan bias to determine their language, are untrue to their calling and unfair to their congregations. Fed clergymen abuse the privileges of their pulpits. In the campaign mentioned, the temperance question was a paramount issue, and in almost every instance the ministers who took part in it confined their remarks to that phase of politics. When the liquor traffic is the evil it is, the ministry may be pardoned for erring on the right side. Strictly speaking, no clergyman should preach on politics. He is seldom a good politician. Let him preach the gospel in the large application of that term and he will then be dealing with the principles which underlie every department of state-craft. If he confines himself to preaching and expounding the gospel he will have a wider constituency than party politics can give him—he will reach the universal heart of mankind.

THE CLERGY AND PARTY POLITICS.

The spring season is upon us. Already the sporting columns of the newspapers teem with news of athletics of the summer variety. It is well that Canadians are enthusiastic, and that the middle-aged, as well as the young men, delight in the feats of the field. As we flock to the cities in such rapidly increasing numbers, we are more and more in danger of becomin~ what President Roosevelt has called "Molly coddle." With elevators and moving stairways, with telephones and street cars and swarms of vehicles to tempt us from every physical exertion, with the increase of luxuries until the superfluities of yesterday are becoming the necessities of today, multitudes are in peril of falling into bodily sloth. From this very present danger, all the ball games in the country cannot save us. Ball games offer no more to most of us than a chance to exercise vicariously at $1 a seat. We must get on the field. Mr. Dooley says, "The battle of Waterloo was won on the potato patches of Wexford." The Japanese are life-long athletes. Their daily calisthenics and bathing make their little bodies wonders of endurance. Unless our city young men exercise effeminacy will develop, and as great an authority as President Eliot. of Harvard University, has said, "Brutality is better, on the whole, than effeminacy."

SPORTS AND THE CITY MAN.

Something of the vastness of the Canadian West may be imagined when it is stated on the best of authority that six thousand miles of railway between the Great Lakes and the Rockies are under contract. The C. N. R. will build 1,500 miles of road, the C. P. R. 1,400; the G. N. R. 1,000, and the G. T. P. 1,900. The amount of labor to construct these contracts will be enormous. Thousands of men are already employed, thousands more are needed. It is estimated, too, that at least one hundred new towns will be organized between Winnipeg and Edmonton. All this indicates a momentous year for this Western country. Track-laying will begin with the opening of spring, and will proceed at the rate of from nine to twelve miles a day. The G. T. P. hope to get connection between Edmonton and Fort William this year. With all the labor to be performed nobody need be out of work. Wages are to be from $2 to $3 per day and board $4 per week.

A GREAT RAILWAY YEAR FOR WEST.

PROVING BY ACTUAL EXPERIMENT.

This experiment will always interest the children and will provoke a good deal of thinking. The explanation, of course is, that the lighted piece of paper which is inserted into the inverted glass drives out most of the air, so that when the mouth of the glass is quickly put down into the water there is very little air and consequently very little pressure above the water within the glass. Hence, the weight or pressure of the air on the water outside the glass drives the water up into the glass to occupy the space from whence the air was driven by the burning paper.

A practical demonstration of this kind is always more convincing than any mere statement. This is particularly true of medical remedies

The effects of the anti-toxin treatments for Diphtheria is noticeable within a few hours, so that everyone must believe in its virtue. In a similar way, the treatment known as ORANGE LILY gives a practical proof of the progress it is making in curing women's disorders, and that, too, within a few days after commencing its use.

All authorities agree that in every case of women's disorders there exists a congested condition of the womanly organs. The circulation in these parts is sluggish or stagnant, and the result is that the broken-down tissue or waste matter which should be carried off if the bloodwas circulating freely, remains in these parts, causing inflammation, irritation, oppression of the nerves, etc. ORANGE LILY is not taken internally, but is applied direct to the suffering organs. It is absorbed into the circulation, and its antiseptic properties at once act on the waste matter referred to above. The consequence is that this waste matter, which is causing the inflammation, ulcers, nervous trouble, etc., begins to be discharged and it continues to be discharged until all the foreign matter is removed from the circulation. At the same time the blood vessels and nerves are toned and strengthened, the nervous trouble disappears, the circulation is restored, and good health follows.

Toronto, Ont., June 2nd, 1904.

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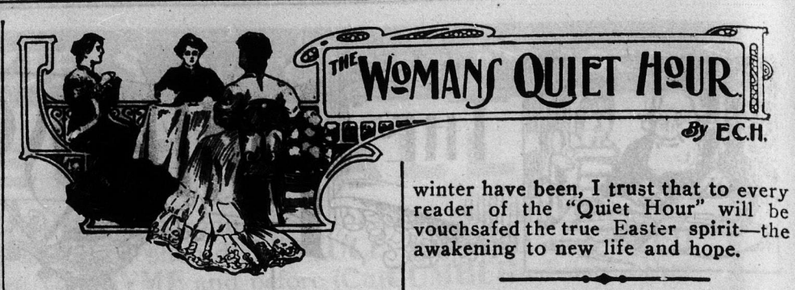

Pilgrims, whom seek ye at His tomb to-day?
This sepulcher no longer is a prison;
He is not here, the stone is rolled away,
And Christ, our Lord, is risen!

—Eugene C. Dolson.

Easter. When this column reaches my readers I trust that there will be more suggestion of the year's resurrection than at the time I write; the snow is still piled deep and wide in our beloved West and it is hard to realize that elsewhere the flowers are blooming and the birds singing. Some of my readers may, for this reason, think my choice of Margaret Sangster's beautiful "Easter Morning" hardly appropriate and so let me say that it is put in for the special pleasure of sisters from across the sea, to whom, I trust, it will come as a breath from their old homes, not to make them sad and homesick, but to help them to thank God and take courage, for though climates may change, the spirit of Easter is the spirit of the lines at the top of this page.

"Oh, rare as the splendor of lilies,
And sweet as the violet's breath,
Comes the jubilant morning of Easter,
A triumph of life over death;
For fresh from earth's quickened bosom,
Full baskets of flowers we bring,
And scatter their satin, soft petals
To carpet a path for our King.

We have groped through the twilight of sorrow,
Have tasted the Marah of tears;
But, lo! in the gray of the dawning
Breaks the hope of our long, silent years.
And the loved and the lost we thought perished,
Who vanished afar in the night,
Will return in the beauty of spring-time
To beam on our rapturous sight.

Sweet Eastertide pledges their coming,
Serene beyond trouble and toil,
As the lily upsprings in its freshness
From the warm, throbbing heart of the soil;
And after all partings, reunion,
And after all wanderings, home,
Oh, here is the balm for our heart-ache
As up to our Easter we come!

In the countless green blades of the meadows,
The sheen of the daffodil's gold,
In the tremulous blue of the mountains,
The opaline mist on the wold,
In the tinkle of brooks through the pasture,
The river's strong sweep to the sea,
Are signs of the day that is hasting
In gladness to you and to me.

So dawn in thy splendor of lilies,
Thy fluttering violet breath,
Oh, jubilant morning of Easter,
Thou truimph of life over death!
For fresh from the earth's quickened bosom
Full baskets of flowers we bring,
And scatter their satin, soft petals
To carpet a path for our King."

There is one thing that the West has in common with the whole world, and that is the full moon. It has always been a pleasure to one to look up into the placid face of the Easter moon and feel that just in like manner it shone down upon the first Easter. Whatever the trials of the winter have been, I trust that to every reader of the "Quiet Hour" will be vouchsafed the true Easter spirit—the awakening to new life and hope.

A Woman's Edition. The Young Women's Christian Association building fund is growing slowly but steadily and it is hoped to begin upon it this coming summer. Just now a number of prominent women are busy getting out a woman's supplement of thirty pages to raise money to furnish the home when it is built. This edition will come out on May first and will give a complete resume of the work of the Young Women's Christian Association and of the various lines of philanthropic work undertaken by women in Winnipeg and the West. There will be a page devoted to women in education, to women in art, in music, and in business, and a number of special articles by well-known women writers, so that altogether it promises to be a most interesting paper. The revenue will be derived from the advertising matter, and already the advertising committee is meeting with a ready response from the wholesale and retail merchants, bankers and business men of Winnipeg generally.

Your editor has charge of the page, "Women in Business," and if any reader of the column knows of any woman who has made a special success of book-keeping, poultry raising, flower culture, or any line a little out of the ordinary, won't you kindly send me her name, and the facts and figures? Write as soon as you receive this paper, as all the material has to be in the hands of the printer by April 15th, and that does not give too much time.

Mrs. Colin Campbell. The woman who will act as editor-in-chief of the Woman's Edition is a most interesting personality, and some day I hope to be able to run a picture of her in my column. As wife of the Attorney-General, she has figured much in society columns, but years before her husband attained official position she was well and widely known, by her practical philanthropy. She has always believed in helping people who help themselves, and that is one reason why the cause of the Young Women's Christian Association appeals so strongly to her. When the Young Men's Christian Association was erecting their new building, she undertook the raising of a furnishing fund, and organized a cooking school through which $2,000 was raised. Mrs. Campbell has great executive ability and the power to attract to her assistance others, who, though excellent workers, lack perhaps in initiative. She is a daughter of Dr. Buck, of Palermo, Ontario, and to people from Eastern Canada that alone would be a great recommendation, for Dr. Buck is one of the staunchest temperance advocates Canada has ever had.

Not only is Mrs. Campbell a practical philanthropist, but she is a devoted mother and an excellent housewife. Indeed, for quiet elegance her home has few equals and no superiors in Winnipeg.

Woman Linguist. The greatest woman linguist in the world is Miss Elizabeth S. Colton, an American woman, who is now in India completing her knowledge of Sanskrit. She acknowledges that she owes the distinction more to chance than design, because her first intention was to become an opera singer. When very young she went abroad to study under Manuel Garcia, the noted teacher who died in London not long ago at the remarkable age of 101. She had co studies and was to ma with Theodore Thomas' Chicago, when an unfo rendered her voice usel disappointment she tu study of languages for Under her father she ma Latin and Hebrew. H Europe had given her the Continental langua went to Berlin to stu Chinese and Persian. she travelled in the Or Syrian, Arabic, Assyrian ton, etc., until now she plete mistress of mor languages and their va

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of 101. She had completed her studies and was to make her debut with Theodore Thomas' Orchestra in Chicago, when an unfortunate cold rendered her voice useless. In sore disappointment she turned to the study of languages for consolation. Under her father she mastered Greek, Latin and Hebrew. Her sojourn in Europe had given her command of the Continental languages, and she went to Berlin to study Sanskrit, Chinese and Persian. From there she travelled in the Orient, learning Syrian, Arabic, Assyrian, Pali, Asbeston, etc., until now she is the complete mistress of more than forty languages and their various dialects.

Tabard Inn Library The Tabard Inn and Booklovers library have changed hands during the month, and I am very pleased to be able to announce that the new librarian is a woman, Miss Hazel Clarkson. Library work has always seemed specially suited to women and many women have made a conspicuous success along this line.

By the way, it is surprising how the Tabard Inn Libraries are taking in the West; so many of the new towns are applying for them and those towns that have had them for a few months are increasing the number of books steadily.

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The Letter Circle. I regret to say that up to date not a line has reached me in regard to L. S.'s suggestion in the March number about forming a letter circle. I hope it has not been overlooked by my readers

Horticultural Report. This week a copy of the 1906 report of the Horticultural Society reached me. It is a very neat bulletin and from cover to cover is full of the most useful and helpful information. Anyone desiring a copy can get it by dropping a card to Prof. Broderick, Agricultural College, Winnipeg. Dr. Speechly's paper on gardening on a town lot is specially valuable.

Kitchen Gardens. The kitchen garden has been somewhere designated as an adjunct of the kitchen itself, and belonging to the domain of the housewife. It should not necessarily follow that she is to do all the labor in the garden, but merely do the planning and exercise intelligent management over it. The head of the house is quite apt to appreciate the value of a garden and to insist that it does not pay, because it seems such pottering work in the busy season of the year; but well-cared-for gardens do pay in pleasure, and, if the effort is made, will pay handsomely in money.

Being related to the kitchen, the garden should be located near that part of the house. It should be fenced about to keep out the chickens; for few things will so humble one's pride as to find half-dozen biddies wallowing in the middle of one of the vegetable beds which has been worked fine and lined into perfect shape. The soil should be fed with an abundance of fertilizer.

The Woman and Franchise. I am delighted to have the following on "Women and the Franchise" from Sandy Grant, a valued member of the Canadian Women's Press Club.

"A great deal of adverse criticism has appeaed in the Press of those women of England who dared invade the House of Commons to ask for their rights. In looking over history, was any reform ever won without sacrifice, and often imprisonment and loss of life? How time changes the aspect of questions.

Take Canada in 1837, a great many looked on William Lyon Mackenzie as a rebel and to-day, when we enjoy the rights he fought for, some of us look on him as a hero and a patriot—and in the years to come those women who are now fighting for the "God given gift," as some call it, (I would call it man given) will be those whose memory we delight to honor. One of the reasons given why women should not have the franchise is that she has not the knowledge to vote intelligently. Now don't you think that if woman had the franchise her life would be broadened, as she would take up questions that in our present state of things she does not need to know. It is immaterial to her who is Premier of Canada as she has no voice in putting him there, nor in the making of the laws that govern our land, but she has to obey them just the same. If she buys property in any city or town she has to meet the requirements the same as a man; in homestead duties she has to fulfil them as if she belonged to the lords of creation, and why should she not want a voice in the making of the laws she has to keep. Give woman the franchise and some of our evils would be lessened. Take, for instance, the liquor question. She would not be giving it her "earnest consideration" about election time but would deal with it at close range, and it would not long exist in its present state as she is the one who suffers most from it. It does not speak well for Canada when the only classes that cannot cast a vote are Indians, idiots and women. I hope some others of your readers will give their views on this subject in your page."

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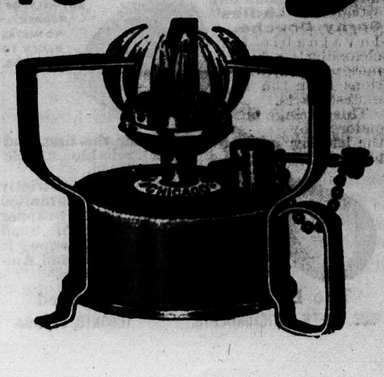

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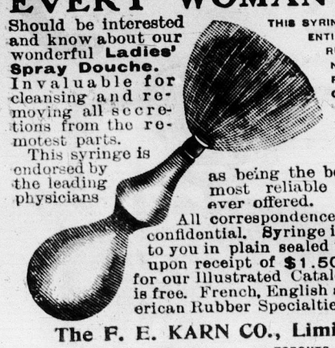

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Concerning Hats. I said a good deal last month about millinery in general, but fancy the subject is hardly exhausted and this month it is possible to speak a little more in detail and give descriptions of some individual hats that may be helpful and suggestive to the girl who makes her own. Turbans, as we have known them for the past three seasons, are not in vogue, but a little flowered turban is among the most popular of the new hats. It is perfectly round, has a brim not more than two inches deep and is worn back on the head, with the full, fluffy pompadour showing in front. It looks best with the back hair dressed low

A Popular French Model.

or with it waved and turned up very fluffy. If the shapes for these turbans cannot be bought at your local stores, a fair substitute will be the crown of an ordinary sailor hat, cut low enough to suit the purpose. The wire shapes are the best, however, and any place having millinery should carry them in stock. Supposing the wire shape bought, cover it carefully with thin white silk or any shade to match the flowers to be used. The crown may be covered flat with rose leaves or any other foliage, and the brim covered with small tea roses, violets, forget-me-nots, daisies, pansies, wallflowers, nasturtiums and geraniums, in fact, any small flower that can be sewed close together, all round. Over the left eye there is either an aigrette of flowers or stiffly wired loops of velvet or silk ribbon. Three flower turbans, that arrived from one of the leading New York houses this week were as follows: No. 1, crown of rose leaves laid on flat; brim of tiny pink roses, with stiff knot and loops of pink velvet at the side. No. 2, entire hat of scarlet geraniums, with aigrette of the flowers and foliage at the side. No. 3, crown of green foliage and brim of wallflowers, with side aigrette of burnt orange velvet.

Several other flower turbans at the same show-rooms showed a combination of several varieties of flowers. This is an excellent way to use leftovers from previous seasons, but care should be taken to see that the flowers harmonize in size as well as color.

Empire Poke

Poke Bonnets. There is a return of the small poke bonnet with streamers and strings, and I have secured a cut of one of the prettiest of the French models; it is of black crin braid, and is decorated with banana maline, clusters of buttercups and daisies and strings and streamers of black velvet ribbon. The other French model is on the order of the poke but has all the decorations on top with full streamers of maline, falling over the hair at the back.

Lace Hats. Very many of the mushroom effects are developed on handmade lace, Irish crochet, baby Irish, and Maltese are combined with the lighter Valenciennes, chantilly and cluny, and a popular fancy is to have the crown of a small mushroom hat covered with motifs of Irish crochet, all radiating from the centre of the crown and trimmed round the scalloped edges with ruffles of Valenciennes. These lace crowns are usually undecorated save for a cluster of roses, lilacs, daisies or wistaria at one side; but underneath the brim right down to where the high bandeau is filled in with a profusion of flowers. The bandeaux of this style of hat are usually covered with soft folds of maline or ribbon.

Miss Fuller. Winnipeg has now what she has long wanted, and that is a custom milliner, one who ony makes hats to order and who refuses on principle to make any two hats absolutely alike. Readers will ask what good can this do women outside the city, who cannot go to her to have their individual peculiarities studied. Well, Miss Fuller is an artist, and it is a real pleasure to her to give people what suits them, in fact, she makes hats to suit the people and does not attempt to make people over to suit the hats.

Anyone who wishes to do so, can send to her a photo of themselves, describing the color of their hair and complexion, stating a limit of price, and I think I can guarantee they will get a hat of the latest model that will exactly suit them. Miss Fuller is in the Stobart Block, Portage avenue.

Veils. Veils are a decided feature this season and are generally made up. They fail in straight folds over the face and drop to the shoulders; the ends are gathered up and fastened to the hair at the back with long bar pins, in fancy designs, and float down over the back. Just now the run is on chiffon veils but later lace and maline will be worn, and many of them have fancy borders above the wide hemstitched hem.

Notions. The little accessories of dress, such as collars, ties, belts, purses, gloves, combs and pins

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for the hair, are receiving great attention this season, and wisely so, as attention to these details marks the well dressed woman. The tie shown in the illustration is one of the latest for wear with the embroidered sheer linen collars that are now considered indispensable with the smart shirt waist to accompany the tailored suit. The bow without the tabs is equally good.

Hatpins. The size of hat pin heads has been growing for some time and now the larger and more fancy the head of the pin, the better style. Three or four fancy pins, with heads almost as big as half an egg, frequently form the entire decoration of a little ready-to-wear hat. If you have among your possessions any large military buttons, or any of the roughly cut amethyst that a few years ago could be bought at Port Arthur for a mere song, take them to the nearest jeweller and have them mounted on hat pins. The huge cut steel or oxidized silver buttons that were in vogue some 20 years ago, are excellent for this purpose, if you chance to be so lucky as to have any laid by.

Ear Rings. I suppose out of deference to the drooping hat there is an attempt to revive the long drop and pendant earrings. The more old-fashioned in design the newer they will be considered. It is doubtful if the custom will become general, for the simple reason that it is not becoming to many faces, but the girl who has handsome earrings inherited from mother or grandmother might as well take this opportunity of wearing them and being strictly up-to-date.

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Belts. Wash belts will have a greater run than ever this summer and the illustration is taken from a belt shown by a leading notion house of New York, and is one of the most correct lines. Tailored belts of plain white duck are also good to go with white wash gowns. These belts can be both made and laundried at home with great success.

A Fashionable Wash Belt.

Gloves. Let me warn my readers to lay in their stock of long gloves early, for there will be a terrific demand. The manufacturers have already warned the retail houses that deliveries for the balance of the season will be slow. Banana, leather brown, pearl grey, black, and all shades of tan, will be correct with gowns of contrasting color; cream, grey and black will continue to lead. The banana color is precisely the shade of the freshly peeled fruit and is very pretty. All the shades mentioned are shown both in silk and kid.

Combs. Fancy back combs for the hair are more popular than ever and the Empire comb, with its very high top, is the smartest thing out. Combs with stone settings are no longer good form for the street, and indeed they always seemed out of place except with an elaborate carriage toilet. Combs of carved shell are the newest and the best line, and following that, combs with banda of plain dull gold, gun metal or oxidized silver.

Handkerchiefs. The general rage for sheer linen fabrics has come, a great revival of the sheer linen handkerchiefs undecorated save for the narrowest of hemstitched borders. These handkerchiefs laundry beautifully and have an air of quiet elegance that is never obtainable with the most elaborate of lace or embroidered borders. By the way, the best line of these handkerchiefs I have seen was at the showrooms of the McDade people, about whom I wrote something last month.

Hosiery. Novelty hose are as great leaders as are quiet handkerchiefs and sheer linen gowns, and this season it will be quite correct to wear fancy tartan hose of mercerized lisle thread with the daintiest of white gowns. In addition to the fancy tartans there are scores of pretty designs of colored embroidery on black hose. White hose will again be worn with white canvas shoes, but fancy colored hose with patent leather shoes will be the smart thing with white gowns this season.

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far enough from the edge to allow a pretty ripple. Tucks confine the fulness of the sleeve in cuff effect and fit the garment at the waist-line. A seam down the centre of the back lets in more fulness below the waist-line. Any sort seasonable material may be used of which 6 yards 44 inches wide are needed for the medium size.

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4173—A Pretty Guimpe Dress.

A pretty style for the tub frock has the dress portion laid in side plaits and belted loosely in long-waisted manner. The waist and skirt are all in one and finished with a bertha, yoke and sleeve caps all in one. The dress is to be worn with a separate guimpe of some thin tub material and it may be elaborated as much as desired. The model has a smart style which many of these frocks lack and is recommended as exceedingly attractive for the small girl. The dress calls for 2½ yards of 36-inch material in the medium size and 1 yard of 18-inch goods for the guimpe.

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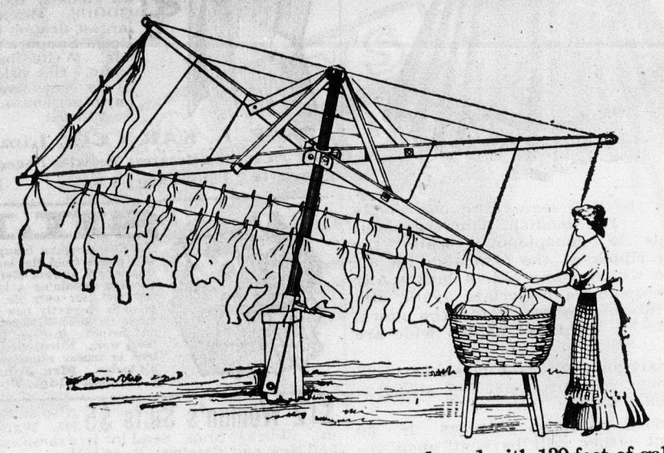

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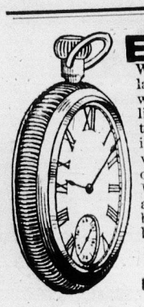

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Easter Crochet Ideas.

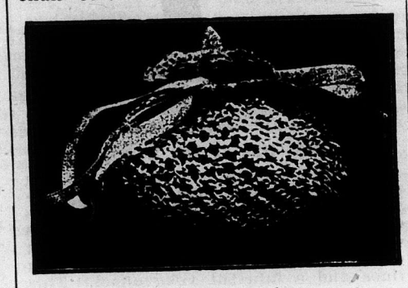
Patterns for crochet work have proved so welcome to many of our readers that a few new suggestions are now presented for the benefit of those interested in the art and who may possibly care to copy these designs in making Easter gifts.

The traveller's bag if crocheted in black silk would be a pretty present for an elderly lady, who will find it useful for her pocketbook, glasses, etc. Or, if crocheted in white, it would serve nicely as a handy pocket in which to tuck away the little

A Traveller's Bag.

things needed when one is travelling. Commence with a chain of one hundred and seventy-five stitches. First row, make a chain of five stitches and catch in every third stitch. Make twenty-seven rows of the chains of five, catching each chain in the middle stitch of the preceding one. Twenty-eighth row, make a high chain of ten stitches for ribbon. Finish with two rows of chains of five stitches. The bottom of the bag is made of a circular piece of cardboard covered with white satin. The crocheted top is overcast around the edge.

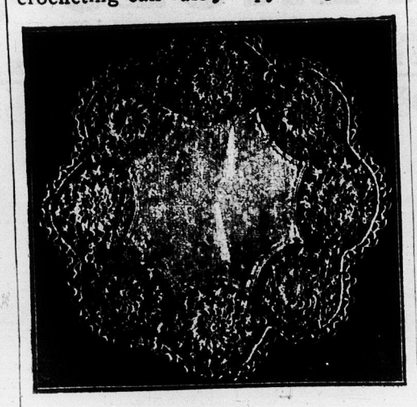
A dainty gift for a baby would be a powder-puff with the cover crocheted in either pale pink or blue silk. Commence the cover with a chain of three stitches and join. Sec-



For an Easter Baby

ond row, make four loops of chain of three stitches each. Widen at each corner until there are ten loops between the widenings. Crochet four rows plain. Decrease until there are twenty-six loops remaining. Crochet one row of ' les for the ribbon, then two rows of loops, and finish with shell at the top.

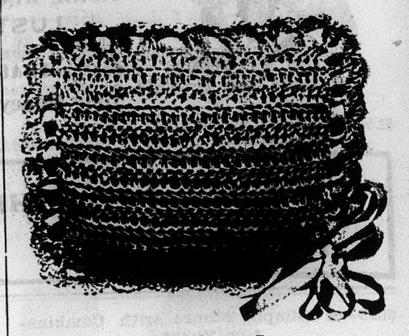
The design for an Irish point doily was contributed by Minerva Powers. Any one familiar with the art of crocheting can easily copy the pattern



A Pretty Irish Point Doily.

of the wheels, which are crocheted with fine cotton. They are held together with twisted bars of the thread. Braid may be used to finish the edges.

The bean-bag is crocheted of silk-finished floss in a bright color. Use the double crochet stitch, allowing thirty stitches to a row. Twenty-four rows, if crocheted loosely, will make the bag the right size. Double and crochet together, leaving a small



Crocheted Bean-Bag.

opening at one end, into which slip the beans. The opening may be fastened down later. A row of alternate double crochet and four chain stitches around the edge of the bag will give space for the ribbon to be drawn through. Finish with a row of crocheted shells.

Some Don'ts for Girls.

Don't pompadour your hair if it isn't becoming. If you do, don't draw it down over one eye till you acquire something of the aspect of a Bowery girl.. There is a happy medium in all things. Don't make a fright of yourself because it is "swell."

Don't, whatever you do, attempt the "kangaroo walk." In the first place it is vulgar, and in the second place God did not fashion man after the lower animals. Hold up your heads. breathe the pure air of Heaven, and let other imbeciles distort their bodies and advance on the road to the refuge for the feeble-minded if they will.

Don't make a public sweeper of yourself by wearing trained skirts on a marketing expedition.

Don't steal sly peeps at yourself in every show window. Once that you have dressed, forget all about it, and your simple dignity will reach its reward.

Don't exist on bon-bons, it will banish your roses and put many a fee in the dentists' pockets.

Don't attempt to convert somebody else's brother when your own is sadly in need of the same aid.

Don't snub your mother. She knew the world and its ways probably twenty years before you were even introduced to it.

Don't fall desperately in love with some new girl, and confide family affairs one week to woefully regret it the next.

Don't learn French and neglect your English.

Don't wish for "a career" when you don't know what it means. Perhaps your fancied genius is only talent after all."

Don't read Shakespeare because it is "quite the thing." Shakespeare would be the first to ridicule you if he knew it. Pretense at wisdom is always apparent.

Don't imagine that every man who looks at you is in love with you. He may merely be observing what a simpering little peacock you are making of yourself.

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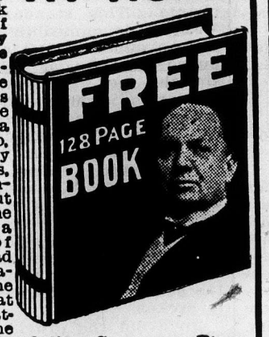

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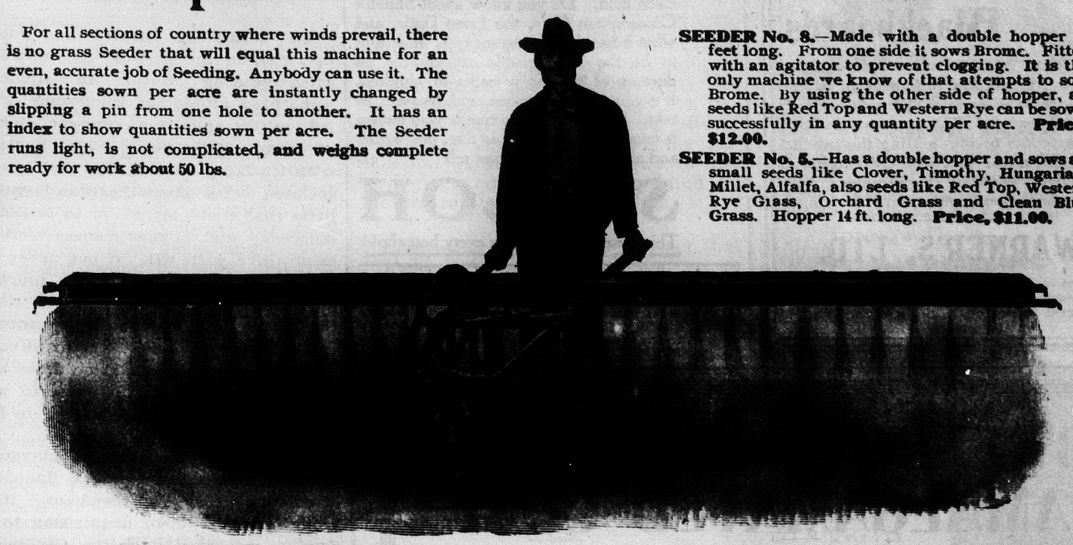

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The tour of the Russian players in America last season, though financially disastrous for the company itself, brought a permanent acquisition to the English-speaking stage in the person of Mme. Alla Nazimova, an artiste of unquestioned genius. Her elevation to the position of a star, playing Ibsen roles in English, has met with the success, both financial and artistic, denied her while her medium remained the Russian tongue. This is a matter for congratulation. With but seven years' experience, the young artiste exhibits a marvelous technique, as well as great sincerity, intellect and soul. It is little wonder that her matinees have become a fad with the intelligent and the discriminating.

The musical world has been given a startling sensation in the premier performance of the Wilde-Strauss opera of "Salome." While muscially remarkable, created by mad genius in the height of power, sung by the Conried Metropolitan Opera Company with consummate skill, and proclaimed the most important production since Wagner, nevertheless its abrupt discontinuance as a menace to the morals of the public has met with an answering note of gratitude and relief by most right-minded people. There is no place in the great artistic world, even with the seductive influence of powerful music, for downright bestiality. Impresario Conried threatens to test the mental caliber of western audiences with this same "Salome." We hope he will be taught the same lesson given him by the directors of the Manhattan Opera House.

Enrico Caruso, the far-famed tenor of Mr. Conried's operatic family of stars, recently decided to ask for more pay. Next year, the last year under his present contract with Mr. Conried, he will be getting, it is reported, $1,500 per night. He wanted that raised to $3,000, with a guaranty of at least fifty appearances each season. "It is double or quit," as one paper put it. And in view of the war between the managers of the rival opera-houses in New Work it looked as though either Mr. Conried or Mr. Hammerstein would have to come up to his figures. It was reported finally, however, that the singer had compromised with Mr. Conried, agreeing to appear under the new contract for $2,300 a night.

From London comes the welcome news of the great vocal successes achieved by our Manitoba contralto at two concerts, one on Feb. 14th, in the Royal Albert Hall, the other in Queen's Hall, on Feb. 15th.

Three sources supply the following information:

Daily Telegraph. Last night "Dream of Gerontius" performance was particularly interesting in more ways than one, for two of the solo singers—Miss Edith Miller, the Canadian, and Mr. Gervase Elwes, whose Gerontius we all know and admired, were new to these concerts, the former, if we are not in error, even in oratorio. But there is nothing new in the performance of either—new, that is, in the sense of lack of experience, for Miss Miller sang uncommonly well as the "Angel."

"Now and then, perhaps, she seemed to over accentuate the consonants of certain words, but the fault is on the right side, and her sense of rhythm and of style stood her in excellent stead.

Miss Miller is, by the way, to appear at the next of these concerts in Elger's latest work, "The Kingdom," so that a further opportunity will soon be offered of judging her capabilities in oratorio; her voice is of beautiful quality."

Haydn's "Creation" was sung at Edmonton in McDougal church last month under the direction of Mr. Jackson Hanby, formerly of Winnipeg. The Edmonton Saturday News of March 2, says:

The five months of careful training bore the most excellent results, and leader and choir are alike to be congratulated. It is a matter for regret that Mrs. Bennett, who had the soprano role, is leaving the city to take up her home at the coast. Her departure is a distinct loss. She was never heard to better advantage than on Tuesday night, particularly in the immortal "With Verdure Clad."

Mr. Hanby says that Mrs. Bennett is as good a singer as any in Winnipeg, and in oratorio has no superior in this section of Canada.

The weak spot seemed to be the tenor; but Mr. Stutchbery's fine baritone "made him a source of no little strenth, his recitative numbers being particularly good." Special mention is also made of Miss Beatrice Crawford's organ accompaniments. The chorus numbered fifty voices. The church was crowded to the doors, the promotors having the satisfaction of a snug balance on the right side after all expenses were paid.

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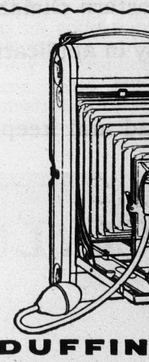

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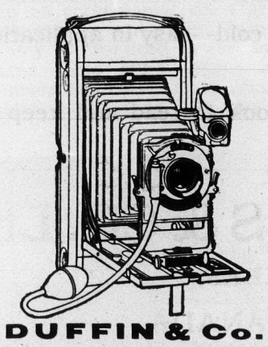

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Constance Barnicoat: The bright climates and open-air life of many colonies, and the fact that most colonial girls have to take a turn in domestic work of one kind or another, often militate against their spending very much of their leisure over books. A young colony has rarely a literary atmosphere, though everyone well acquainted with colonial life must have noticed how surprisingly well-read many colonials are, notwithstanding.

Premier Roblin: I want to say at this time, in view of the fact that this is the last session of the parliament, that we meet this assembly with a degree of pride that possibly is not excelled by any administration; at all events in Canada. The year that has passed and gone, the four, seven and eight years that we have been in office, have been one continued series of success and prosperity and advancement. In so far as Manitoba is concerned, every year has exceeded the previous one in growth and development.

The Daily Mail: Women are imbued with an innate distrust of one another which it will take centuries to eradicate. Up to the present day, in spite of advanced education and the freedom and emancipation of modern women their progress towards a code of honor and fair play among themselves has been in a backward condition, and until this is altered women will never be capable of acting as useful and efficient citizens, members of governing bodies, or in any other responsible positions to which their ambitions may be directed.

Passenger Traffic Manager Kerr: It may be asked why such a man should be sent to Winnipeg. Our answer is that it is the call of the West; our response to the requirements of the West which we all watch with such anxiety and care. We in the East know that more and more each year we depend upon the success of the West, and that success can only be ensured when we continue to send to it the best men we have in the East to assist in its development. The West is calling for many Usshers, and we would be derelict in our duty if we did not send him. We all hope he will meet with success there, that in years to come he will return as a multi-millionaire, as others who have gone before him.

C. R. Raymond: Be optimistic. This is the best era the world has ever known, and we should be the most hopeful people in it. God smiled when He made Canada, and the blind-eyed world used to think it had been a frown. But the world is finding out its mistake. From the gold-bound Pacific-kissed shores in the far, far west, to the mineral-set, Atlantic-tossed lands in the east, we are the possessors of a country that will hold much of the future history of the world. Be optimistic. It isn't how long you live to-day, but how much.

Fire Commissioner Lindbach: The theatres and playhouses of the city have also been inspected, and although they are evidently all made as secure as possible, it seems to me the city council should enact a by-law providing for the attendance of a practical fireman during every performance, whose duties it should be not only to see that every apparatus is in ship-shape condition, and the water turned on in the standpipes ready for use, but who would take charge the moment a fire should start.

F. Carrel: It must at length be recognized that since in the child mind is contained the potential of the human intellect, it is imperative that that mind should be trained in the principles of conduct which experience has shown to be the most favorable to the welfare of society. The danger of organizing early education in such a way that its sole aim is seen to be success in the strife for sustenance, is that it conveys the impression that this is the only object worthy of achievement, and the impression grows that conduct in the struggle is only to be regulated by the restraints imposed by law.

Lieut.-Gov. Bulyea: It is a fact that I own coal lands in Alberta, or at least it is true that I own stock in a company which does own coal lands, and I guess title to some of these lands was taken out in my name, although I did not personally make application and was not aware that my name was being used at the time that application was being made; not saying, nevertheless, that there is any reason why I should not have this right, along with any other citizen, as long as I comply with the regulations.

Attorney-General Campbell: Why, sir, just to think of a member of this House speaking of the expense of perhaps $3 or $5 a year in the matter of keeping the flag in repair as a burden to a loyal school board. And, sir, it was most amusing to hear an hon. gentleman opposite talk about the great havoc and loss likely to arise because the flag may be torn and tattered by wind. Yes, Mr. Speaker, the flag may be torn and tattered. It has often been torn and tattered on our battle-fields, not only torn and tattered, but blood-sprinkled and bullet-riddled.

Hon. J. W. Longley:—I don't care how many Americans come to Canada. I am not afraid of the Americanization of Canada. The Americans are coming here to be Canadians and to help in building up the country. In 40 or 50 years ahead Canada will have a population of thirty or forty millions. Saskatchewan and Alberta will be greater than Ontario in population, and Winnipeg will have surpassed Toronto and Montreal.

Sir Wm. Mulock: This Canada of ours is the only country in the world worth living in, the only country that is not burdened with great military debts handed down by previous generations. Keep it on those lines. Watch carefully every tendency toward militarism, for we know that preparation for war leads to war. Remember this is the last spot of refuge on God's green earth where men can come and not pay for the sins of their ancestors.

Pres. Roosevelt:—Canada ought to be represented by an attache at the British embassy. If I want to communicate with your prime minister I have to do so through the British ambassador and then the communication passes successively through the foreign office and the colonial office in London to the governor-general of Canada, who lays it before the Canadian minister. It is a slow and very tedious process. Why cannot you be directly represented here?

Sir Theodore Martin, K. C. B.: The highest and most important of all human duties is to be thorough. To establish a high ideal, and to strive towards it; to set on one side, to as great an extent as may be, the mere sordid deire to make money, to acquire wealth, to cultivate art for art's sake, bearing in mind the fact that the highest and the greatest achievement is not incomparable with the lowliest social environment, even as Burns, following the plough, sang words that stir the hearts of his fellow-countrymen as only the utterances of genius can ever stir the heart of man.

President Roosevelt: No piled-up wealth, no splendour of material growth, no brilliance of artistic development, will permanently avail any people unless its home life is healthy, unless the average man possesses honesty, courage, commonsense and decency; unless he works hard and is willing at need to fight hard, and unless the average woman is a good wife, a good mother, able and willing to perform the first and greatest duty of womanhood, able and willing to bear and to bring up as they should be brought up, healthy children, sound in body, mind and character, and numerous enough so that the race shall increase and not decrease.

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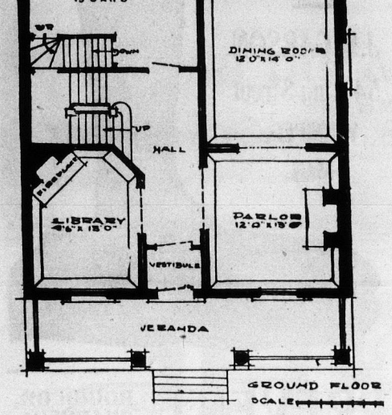
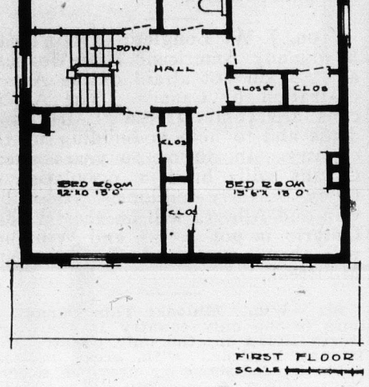
The prominent feature of the library is the pressed brick fireplace, with white mortar joints and heavy timber shelf. The walls are finished in plain plaster. There is a wide sliding door into the hall opposite just opposite parlor sliding door. The parlor opens by the same kind of doors into the dining room. This is a splendid feature as the three rooms can be thrown together for receptions, etc., or left closed, giving privacy, at any time. The parlor has a stock mantel fireplace. The dining room is rough plastered and tinted six feet high with a plate rail above and panelled off with strips four and a half inches wide. The pantry is very convenient, between dining room and kitchen, and has necessary fittings. Basement is under entire house. Heating is hot air.





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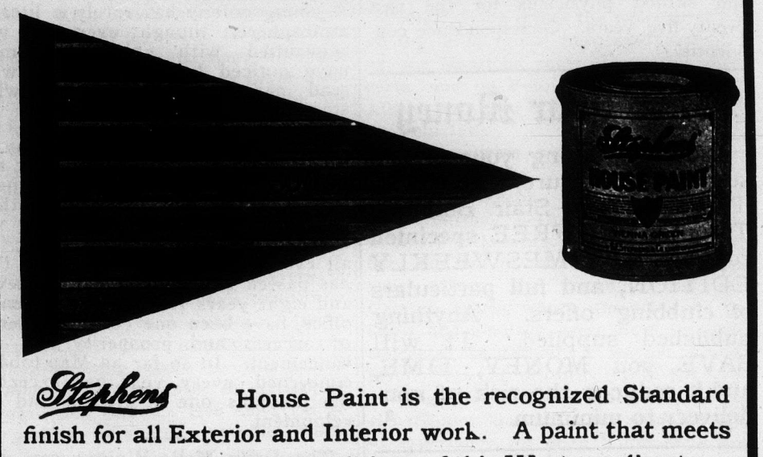

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Housekeeping for Two.

By H. H. Waters.

There is a sense of coziness in sitting down to one's dinner with a single companion, and that one one's dearest in all the world; the table spread with spotless linen and shining silver and glass, and the dishes nicely arranged, a vase of flowers or a fern dish in the center, with a soft light over all and two friends opposite each other, all go to make the very picture of home enjoyment. The conversation across this dainty table is the brightest and most pleasant of all the day, and even simple food with such accompaniments makes a feast fit for the most regal of earth's inhabitants.

This is the poetical side of housekeeping for two, and there is underlying it a practical side that requires daily and unremitting attention in order that the poetical side may appear, and catering for the two presents some difficulties which providing for a larger household does not.

It is sometimes hard to regulate the amount of one's purchases, as oftentimes one cannot buy a small portion as advantageously as a larger one; as, for instance, a small roast of beef is never as juicy and tender as a larger one, but an eight-pound roast set before two people looks appalling; and, if economy is practiced in the family, this same roast must appear at so many meals before the last remnants are finally disposed of, that one's appetite for it vanishes long before the roast has disappeared; so the conclusion is that it is unwise to buy a roast of beef for so small a family.

On the other hand, some dishes are more easily provided for a small family than for one of greater numbers. It is difficult, if not impossible, to get at one time sweetbreads enough for a large family, and here is one place where the small family has the advantage; one large pair or two small pair of sweetbreads will be all that two people can eat at one meal, and nothing is more delicious when rightly prepared. Calf's liver is cheap everywhere, and is a very popular dish; a good-sized piece may be purchased, part of it served with bacon, and the rest of it made into potted liver, which is nice for tea on Sunday night, especially as it is at its best the second day after being prepared.

People do not relish the same articles of food if served repeatedly on successive days, therefore it is well not to provide too lavishly of any one article, no matter how tempting it may look or taste at the first serving; and here comes in a difficulty when catering to a small family; many recipes are proportioned to meet the needs of a large family, and it is not always easy to divide the portions of each ingredient with enough exactness to be sure of the result.

This is true of gelatine deserts; a whole box of gelatine makes such a quantity of jelly, and yet in trying to divide a box into several different portions one is apt to get too little or too much; in either case the effect is disastrous—If too much is used the jelly will be too hard and lose its delicacy, if too little is put in the jelly "will not jell," as one of Miss Alcitt's Little Women said. So I have found it a good plan to make up a whole box of gelatine into lemon jelly, take a portion of this jelly and make it into snow pudding, on the second day another part can be used for a fruit jelly by partially melting it and putting into it oranges cut up fine, raisins (seeded), bananas in small pieces, and white grapes with the seeds removed, these can be mixed into the partially melted jelly, which should then be poured into a mold and set on the ice to harden.

Blanc mange may be made to masquerade in several different forms, part of the quantity being used white, part made into Italian cream by the addition of the yellow of egg and served with whipped cream, and part of it may be flavored and colored with chocolate; though in very warm weather it would be uncertain whether blanc mange would keep sweet until the third day.

One full measure of white cake may be made, and just before it is ready to put into the pan it may be divided into two portions, citron added to one portion, and spice and raisins added to the rest, making of the one two entirely different cakes, and both kinds will be eaten up; whereas, if only one kind had been made some of it would have been left to dry up and become wasted.

Disposing of the left-over portions of food is more of a problem in a small family than in a large one, but where economy must be continuously practiced, the use of all food left over from one meal must be carefully utilized before it spoils. "Soup meat," that is, meat that has been boiled with the bone for soup stock, may be made into an excellent salad. For this purpose it should be allowed to become perfectly cold, and then be cut into small square pieces and mixed with finely cut celery and salad dressing; a spoonful of this mixture is placed on a lettuce leaf and makes a very acceptable salad. Soup meat may also be made into croquettes, and in either of these ways it is equally as good as meat which has been bought for the purpose.

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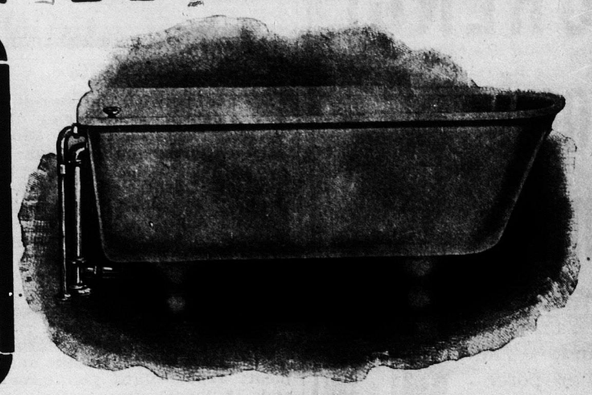

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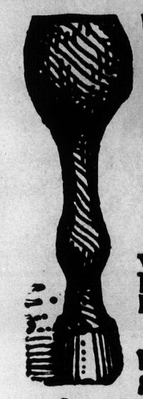

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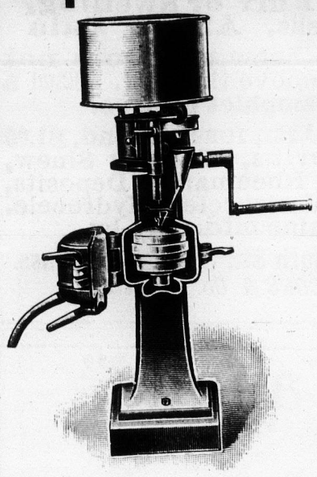

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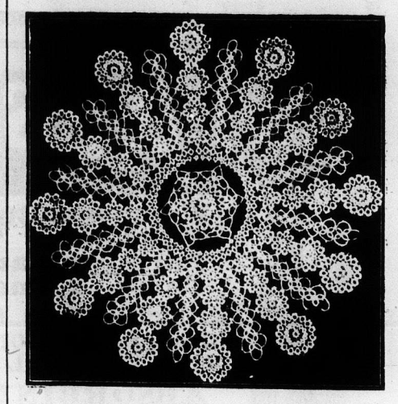
2. Make a ring of 2½ double knots,



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1 picot, 2½ double knots, join to picot of 2d chain in centre, 2½ double knots, 1 picot, 2½ double knots, close Leave ⅛ inch thread, make a ring of (4 double knots, 1 picot) 3 times, 4 double knots, close; leave ⅛ inch, make another small ring, joining to preceding small ring by 1st picot at side, turn; leave ⅛ inch, make a large ring, joining by 1st picot to preceding, and continue, alternating small and large rings until you have made 8 of each; join next small ring to picot of 2d chain in next figure, and continue all around, joining last rings to 1st.

3. Make a ring of 7 picots, each separated by 2 double knots; close and tie. Starting from 1st picot, make a ring of 3 double knots, 1 picot, 2 double knots, 1 picot, (1 double knot, 1 picot) 4 times, 2 double knots, 1 picot, 3 double knots, close, join to next picot of centre ring, and repeat from * 6 times, joining rings by 1st picot at side; join last to 1st, and fasten off. This forms the 1st small wheel of border section. The 2d wheel starts in the centre with a ring of 9 picots, each separated by 1 double knot, and around this are 9 rings, made as described in outer row of 1st wheel, with 1-16 inch thread left between centre picot and ring. The 3d wheel starts in centre with a ring of 12 picots, each separated by 1 double knot, the picots being about ⅛ inch in length; close and fasten off. * Make 2 double knots, 1 picot, 2 double knots, join to picot of centre, 2 double knots, 1 picot, 2 double knots, close; leave 1-16 inch thread, make a ring of 5 double knots, 1 picot, 2 double knots, 1 picot, (1 double knot, 1 picot) 4 times, 2 double knots, 1 picot, 5 double knots, close; repeat from *, joining the small rings to centre picots and to each other by 1st side picot, the large ones also together at the side. The 4th or largest wheel is made in the same manner, the centre picots being about ¼ inch long, and with 15 instead of 12 picots and a like number of rings. Make twelve of these wheel sections, joining at middle picot of 1st ring in smallest wheel to middle picot of ring in 2d row; miss 3 rings and join to next section, etc. Join 2d wheel to 1st between 4th and 5th rings of latter when making 1st ring, be 2d picot of side of each, and 3d and 4th wheels by middle picots of 2 consecutive rings.

4. Join the wheel section as follows: Make 2 double knots, miss 1 ring of 2d row, join to middle picot of next, 2 double knots, 1 picot, 4 double knots, close; chain 5 double knots, join to shuttles, join to middle picot of 2d ring of small wheel, 5 double knots; 4 double knots, join to last picot of preceding ring, 4 double knots, close; 4 double knots, 1 picot, 4 double knots, coise; chain 5 double knots, join to middle picot of 3d ring in small wheel, 5 double knots; 4 double knots, join to picot of last ring, 4 double knots, close; 4 double knots, 1 picot, 4 double knots; chain of 6 double knots, 1 picot, 6 double knots; ring of 5 double knots, join to picot of last ring, 5 double knots; ring of 5 double knots, 1 picot, 3 double knots; ring of 7 double knots, join to middle of 3d ring or 2d wheel, 6 double knots; ring of 5 double knots, join to picot of last ring, 5 double knots; chain of 7 double knots, 1 picot, 7 double knots; ring of 6 double knots, jin to picot of last ring, 6 double knots; ring of 6 double knots, 1 picot, 6 double knots; ring of 6 double knots, 1 picot, 6 double knots; chain of 8 double knots, join to middle picot of 4th ring of 3d wheel, 8 double knots; ring of 6 double knots, join to picot of last ring, 6 double knots,; ring of 7 double knots, 1 picot, 7 double knots; chain of 9 double knots, 1 picot, 9 double knots, ring like the last, joining to picot; ring of 8 double knots, 1 picot, 8 double knots; chain of 10 double knots, 1 picot, 10 double knots; ring like last, joining as before; chain of 20 double knots; then make a ring like last joining to picot with 2 rings of opposite side, and continue working back down the side of section, following directions given, and joining to 2d wheel section.

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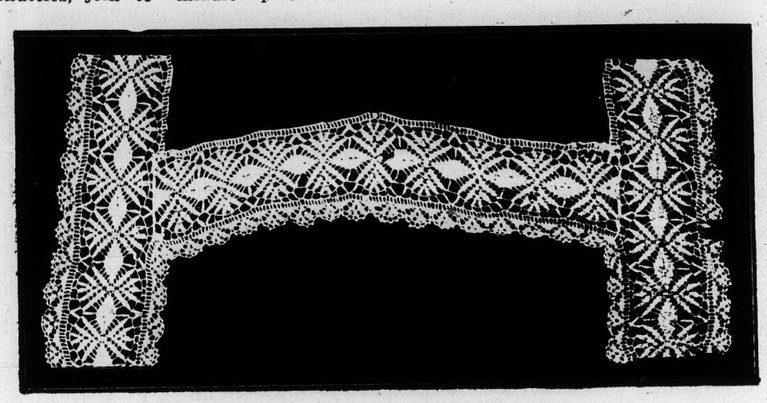
1. Make 11 doubles in 11 stitches, * chain 3, miss 3, 3 trebles in next stitch, chain 3, miss 3, 23 doubles in next 23 stitches; repeat from * across, ending with 11 doubles, turn.

2. Chain 1, 9 doubles in 9 doubles, miss 2 doubles, chain 3, 3 trebles in last of 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 trebles in last of same 3 trebles, chain 3, 19 doubles over 23 doubles, missing 1st 2, repeat from * across, ending with 9 doubles.



Crocheted Yoke, for Corset-Cover or Chemise.

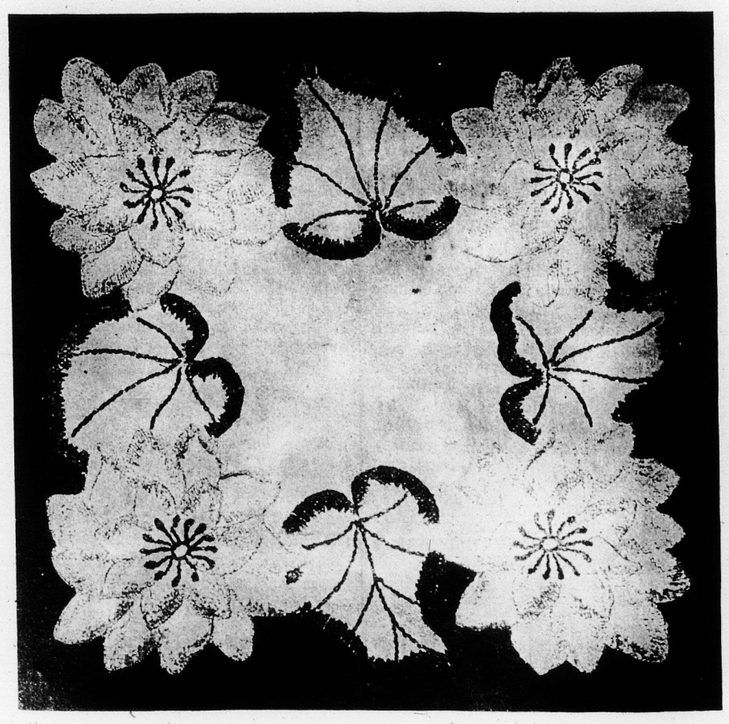
3. Chain 1, 7 doubles in 7 doubles, * chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 trebles in 2d of 3 chain, chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles, 15 doubles in 15 doubles, missing 1st and last 2, repeat from * across, ending with 7 doubles.

4. Chain 1, 5 doubles in 5 doubles, * chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 trebles in 1st of 3 trebles following, chain 3, 3 trebles in last treble of same group, chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles, chain 3, 11 doubles over 15 doubles, missing 1st and last 2; repeat across, ending with 5 doubles.

5. Chain 1, 3 doubles in 3 doubles, * (chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles) twice, chain 3, 3 trebles in 2d stitch of next 3 chain, (chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles) twice, chain 3, 7 doubles over 11 doubles, missing 1st and last 2; repeat across, ending with 3 doubles.

6. Chain 5, a triple-treble in 1st double, * (3 double-trebles in 3 trebles, keeping top loop of each on the needle and working all off at once, chain 4) twice, 3 double-trebles in 1st of 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 double-trebles in last of same group, (chain 4, 3 double-trebles in next group of 3 trebles) twice, remembering to work off each group as directed for 1st, chain 2, 2 triple-trebles in 4th row of 7 doubles, chain 2, repeat from * across, ending with 2 triple-trebles in last double of row.

7. Chain 5, a triple-treble in same stitch, 2 triple-trebles under next 4 chain, keeping top loop of each stitch on hook and working off together, * chain 4, a double-treble under next 4 chain, chain 4, (a treble in top of next group) twice, chain 4, a double-treble under next 4 chain, chain 4, 2 triple-



Pink Pond Lily Doily

trebles under next 4 chain and 2 under next, keeping top loops of all on hook and working off togetner; repeat from * across, ending with 2 triple-trebles.

8. A double-treble in a stitch, * chain 1, miss 1, a double-treble in next; repeat.

10. Make 11 doubles in 11 stitches, chain 3, miss 3, 3 trebles in next, chain 3, miss 3; repeat.

11. Make 7 doubles over 11 doubles, missing 1st and last 2, chain 3, 3 trebles in 1st of 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 trebles in last of 3 trebles, chain 3; repeat.

12. Make 3 doubles over 3 doubles, chain 3, 3 trebles in 3 trebles, chain 3, 3 trebles in 2d of next 3 chain, chain 3, 3 trebles over 3 trebles, chain 3; repeat.

13. Slip-stitch in 2d of 3 chain, * chain 7, fasten back in 5th stitch to form a picot, chain 1, a treble in 2d of 3 trebles, chain 6, picot, chain 1, treble in 3d of same group, chain 6, picot, chain 1, a treble in 2d of next group, chain 6, picot, chain 1, a double in 2d of 3d chain following, a double in 2d of next 3 chain; repeat from *.

On the other side of the foundation chain work from 1st to 8th rows, inclusive. It is better to leave the 8th to 13th rows until you have put the yoke together, then work around front, back and over shoulders continuously, the 8th row on the lower edge in the same way.

Make a strip for the back, and for each sleeve crochet them neatly together, and finish as described. Any pretty insertion may be used in the same way; but this is an especial pattern and has been greatly admired.

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This is one of the simplest, yet daintiest, patterns in a very large collection which contains many original designs.

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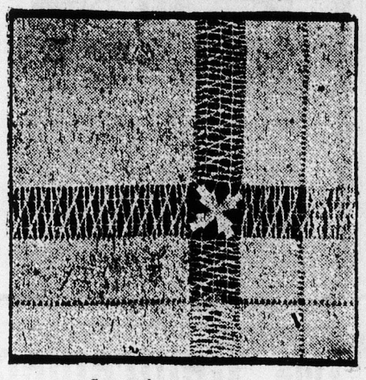

Corner in Drawnwork.

for a half-line hem and draw 4 to 6 threads, then leave ½ inch and draw ½ inch, to the edge. Turn hem and hemstitch neatly, then knot the space 3 times, at equal distances, thus: Beginning at the edge, knot 2 strands together, then 1, throughout, having first, of course, hemstitched both edges of the drawn space, taking 4 threads at a time, the same on each side. The next knotting threads takes first 1 strand, then 2, and the 3d is like 1st. In the corners over the foundation threads and 2 extra, diagonally, weave a tiny cross. Knot all the threads together in the center, weave back and forth over 5 threads for ¼ inch, or a little less, then drop a thread each side and weave over 3 for 1-16 inch; push the needle back between the woven threads to center, then repeat. Also a charming dsign for collar and cuff set, yokes, etc.

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This cake doily, or fancy mat, is 11 x 11 inches, with a pink pond lily at each corner. Between each lily is a large lily leaf. One who is clever at drawing can draw their own design. Each flower is 4 x 4 inches in size, the leaves 3 x 3 inches at top, the edge being a little narrower. Work with a floss heavier than filo, with long and short stitch. Use two shades of pink for the flowers, with yellow for the centres. Two leaves are dark green, the other two light green.

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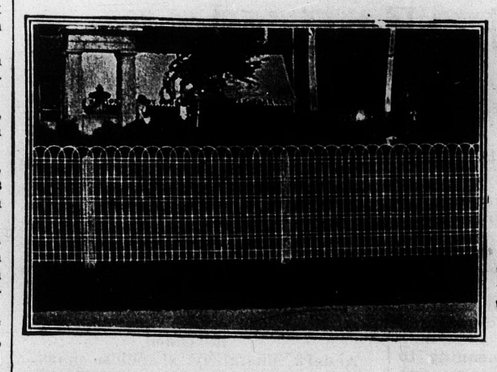

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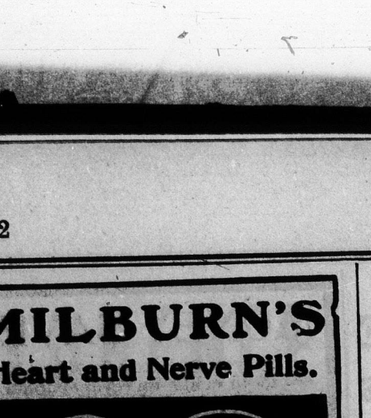

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No. 1.—DOUBLE BEHEADINGS.

Doubly beheading a word means to take away its first two letters. When the following words have been doubly beheaded, the initials of the remaining words will spell a ceremony that takes place when a new ruler ascends the throne in any country:

1. Doubly behead the word meaning to approach and get a word meaning expense.
2. Doubly behead a word meaning to utter a loud and sudden outcry and get a word meaning not in.
3. Doubly behead a word meaning a small writing or certificate and get a word meaning to divide or separate the parts of.
4. Doubly behead a word meaning to clean anything by rubbing it and get a pronoun meaning pertaining or belonging to us.
5. Doubly behead a word meaning to signify or point out and get a word meaning a brief writing intended to assist the memory as a memorandum.
6. Doubly behead a word meaning a convulsive motion, and get a word meaning the application of knowledge or power to practical purposes.
7. Doubly behead a word meaning to relate in all particulars and get a word meaning the part of an animal which terminates its body behind.
8. Doubly behead a word meaning a portion of a kingdom and get a word meaning keen resentment.
9. Doubly behead a word meaning to wrinkle the brows, as in frowning, and get a word meaning a bird.
10. Doubly behead a word meaning the land belonging to a nobleman and get a conjunction.

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No. 3.—LADDER.

* * Uprights:
* * * * 1st, one of the world's
* * seven greatest orators.
* * * * 2nd, ambitious display.
*
* * * * Rounds:
* * 1st, a shield.
* * * * 2nd, to flow gently.
* * 3rd, a temporary shelter.
* * * * 4th, to send forth.
* * 5th, reverberated sound.

No. 4.—WORD SQUARE.

A word square consists of a certain number of words of the same length placed one beneath another in such manner that they will read the same across and downward.

* * * * * 1. A famous Bibical character.
* * * * * 2. To ascend.
* * * * * 3. A girl's name.
* * * * * 4. A small island.
* * * * * 5. The fate of everyone.

No. 5.—BEHEADED RIDDLE.

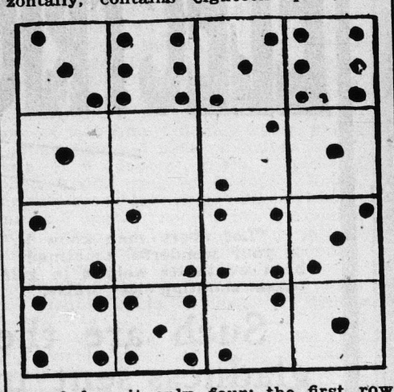
Mine is the form that Nature loves,
In me a world unnoticed moves.
The secret of my birth who knows
Or half my wonders can disclose?
In earth or sea I take my place
The humblest of a lowly race;
But when aloft I trembling stand,
My glory who can understand?
Men worshiped me in days of old;
Before me bowed the warrior bold,
And sages wise, with reverent looks,
Put all my motions in their books.
If I could speak, I might rehearse
The mystery of the universe;
But though I am forever dumb,
Unto me still the learned come.
In leaf and flower, in whirling snow,
Amid the desert sands that blow,
In crystal clear, or ocean's foam,
Or in the skies I find my home.

Beheaded.

A dark, unsightly, shapeless mass,
Slow moving, noiseless, now I pass,
And leave behind a darkening stain
Which water would remove in vain.
In Nature's laboratory hid,
The shadowy pine-tree boughs amid,
I take my birth, and, foul from fair,
Wondering, at last I see the air.
And though you scorn the odious thing,
To many I can comfort bring;
And when at night the billows roar,
And toss the ship, or beat the shore,
There's many a sailor owes to me
His safety on the angry sea.

No. 6.—MAGIC DOMINO PUZZLE.

Eight dominoes placed together form a square of sixteen half-dominoes, as shown in the illustration above. But, in the illustration, each row of four half-dominoes contains a different number of spots from any of the other rows. Thus the topmost row, counting horizontally, contains eighteen spots; the



one below it only four; the first row to the left counting vertically, ten; the diagonal row, downward from left to right, eight, etc. It is required to place these same eight dominoes in such a square that each row of half dominoes, whether counted horizontally, vertically or diagonally, will contain exactly sixteen spots.

No. 7.—PROBLEM.

A carpenter agreed to live with a farmer during the past winter on condition that for every day he worked he should receive $1.50, and for every day he was idle he should forfeit 65 cents. At the end of the 129th day they settled, and the carpenter had no money due him. How many days did he work, and how many was he idle?

No. 8.—SUBSTITUTIONS.

In each of the following sentences change a letter in the first word required, thus making the second word.

1. Change to disprove, making to reject.
2. Change an enemy, making a dandy.
3. Change a farming too, making a part of a ship.
4. Change a heathen god, making a market.
5. Change to commit, making to make enduring.

Answers to all the above puzzles will be given in the May number of The Western Home Monthly.

Answers to Puzzles in March Number.

No. 1. Diamond.—
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No. 2. Strange Transpositions.—1. August. 2. Arms. 3. Left. 4. Transport. 5. Essay. 6. Watch.

No. 3 Illustrated Rebus.—"Owe nothing, be behindhand in nothing, and be on time."

No. 4. Anagram Proverbs.—1. As green as grass. 2. As busy as a bee. 3. As cold as charity. 4. As mad as a March hare. 5. As nimble as a cow in a cage.

No. 5. Beheaded Rhymes.—Prelate, relate, elate, late, ate.

No. 6. Broken Word Puzzle.—1. Inquires, inquires. 2. We stern, western. 3. A shanty, Ashanty.

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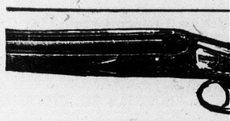

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TEMPERANCE TALK.

Alcoholism in France.

Alcoholism, that curse of civilized societies, of which Gladstone said that it caused more ravages than the three historical scourges, famine, plague and war, tends to make more and more our beautiful country of France a violent nation, blinded by passion and delivered over to all brutality of instinct. —M. Meline, in Paris Petit Journal.

Dangers of Drink.

Sixty per cent of drinkers are "social drinkers," who will not take a drink, when alone, once a month, but on account of their surroundings and friends have developed a habit of taking two or more drinks a day. Forty per cent drink because they like it, and are on a straight down-hill road for delirium tremens with all its fatal complications. If the "social drinkers" could see some of the hundreds of autopsies held on persons who have died of alcoholism—see the congested brain, inflamed, bleeding stomach of gastric catarrh, the heart liver, kidneys undergoing fatty degeneration, where the once firm tissues are now soft and flabby, and the secondary changes of cirrhosis (an increase of the connective tissue of an organ), which replaces the vital cells necessary for their proper functions, the changes in the walls of the arteries, and of the nerves of the spinal cord—they would be satisfied with pure water the rest of their lives.

A Child Drunkard.

Professor Marsh, professor of surgery at Cambridge, at a conference in the lecture hall of the London Chamber of Commerce, recently expressed the opinion that children should be brought up as teetotalers, adding that in thousands of cases children, instead of being given proper food, were given all kinds of things—even gin.

He instanced what he said was a very pathetic case which came under his notice some years ago. A child of two years was under treatment in the children's hospital with which he was connected, and it was suspected that, although so young, it had a gin drinker's liver.

A test was made. Some hot gin and a churchwarden pipe were brought into the ward and the child eagerly went for both. It was afterward found that it really had a gin drinker's liver.

Workhouse Sentences.

The uselessness as well as the expense of workhouse sentences are made very clear in the following editorial, which appeared in a recent issue of the St. Paul Medical Journal:

The records of the workhouse at St. Paul show sixty-two cases that had been sentenced from ten to twenty times each, twenty-seven cases that had served from twenty to thirty terms, fourteen cases that had been committed from thirty to forty times and four cases that had visited the institution over forty times. Imagine the folly of giving forty trials at court to one man for the same offence of drunkenness. When three or four sentences to a workhouse do not redeem keep him constantly upon the road a man and lead him to a more sober and useful life, of what use is it to from the court to prison? What figures could more clearly prove the ineffectiveness of a workhouse sentence as a cure for drunkenness?

The statistics prepared by Dr. Bacon of Brooklyn, show the average cost of each arrest of a drunkard is $8.40, and that the total cost of arrest and maintenance of an inebriate for the usual sentence is $18.14. In the case of one man arrested seventy times for that offence, the city had paid a total of $1,270, a pretty discouraging figure for the taxpayers to contemplate.

Dangers of Drink.

Dr. George A. Lung, a surgeon of the United States navy, has recently made a most notable contribution to the discussion of the effects of alcoholic drinking in a paper read by him before the Association of Military Surgeons. Doctor Lung comments on the general growth of excessive drinking and on the influences exerted to counteract such tendencies. He does not, says Leslie's Weekly, admit any necessity for the use of alcohol. On this point he says: "The evils that arise from alcohol are from its abuse, not its use. But who is to be the authority to set the limit and say where safety ends and danger begins? As a beverage or even as a medicine I am almost convinced that the world could be deprived of alcohol and not suffer. I am almost convinced that the world would be better for its absence." The nations most addicted to drunkenness to-day, the author finds, are the United States, Great Britain, Germany, Russia, and France. The opening wedge is usually the insidious argument that "a little drinking will do no harm," but soon this develops the universal craving which sooner or later gives license for an indulgence making an evil end probable.

Whatever may be said about the imperfections in the methods employed by temperance advocates and the apparent lack at times of definine results, Dr. Lung asserts his conviction that "the intention at least is a most commendable one and worthy of support." The boast of the average young drinker that he has sufficient will power to break off his habits of indulgence when he so desires, is not overlooked by Doctor Lung. He declares that "no young man or even an old one who may be classed as an occasional drinker can foretell to a certainty that he will not degrade as he advances in years, first to the state of a drunkard and then to that of an inebriate." He thinks that one who has followed the platonic injunction of drinking in moderation only after 30, and making his sporting indulgences only after 40 may feel reasonably confident that he will not descend into the other undesirable stages. "But, though he may be satisfied as to himself," runs the further comment, "he has not escaped the responsibility that his example and influence on others have been."

The contention advanced in consequence of these observations is that drunkenness has come to be recognized as a disease which only unbalances the normal physical life of the individual, but makes him a disturbing factor in every walk of life.

Pledge Total Abstinence.

Avoid as you advance in years the special temptations that come to young men. I am not going to mention all of them, only one—intemperance. As you go through the world and watch your fellow men, you find the majority of failures in life due to intemperance. This vice of intemperance attacks the weak and the strong, the educated and the ignorant. It is generous, open-hearted men that are the most exposed to this terrible curse. Determine, then, to avoid the temptation: I would advise every man to go forth armed; stop at once. Pledge total abstinence. A man is absolutely secure with it; without it there is danger. It is all very well for a young man to say, "I'll only take one glass," but will he stop at one? Pledge total abstinence; for there is in it discipline, and discipline makes character. The underlying principle of character is self-control. If we practice this self-control on one point, we almost surely shall practice it in everything.—Archbishop Ireland.

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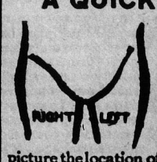

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It's a long white road for the weary;
But it rolls through the heart of the May.

Over the sweet-smelling mountain-passes
The clouds lie brightly curled;
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With cataract-dews impearled;
And the way, the way that you choose this day
Is the way to the end of the world.

Come, choose your road and away, away,
We'll follow the gypsy sun;
For it's soon, too soon to the end of the day,
And the day is well begun;
And the road rolls on through the heart of the May,
And there's never a May but one.

THE START WITH THE VEGETABLES.

April is a most important month so far as success or failure in the vegetable garden is concerned. A selection of the best varieties should be carefully made and the seeds planted early. A hot-bed, or even a cold frame, will be of great help in getting things started, but, in the absence of these, much may be done in the house by a judicious use of window gardens. The following suggestions may bring to mind some details of the season's work:

Seeds to Sow Indoors.

Cabbage—Cabbage plants are easily started inside, the chief trouble being a tendency to become spindling where there is not an abundance of light and air. Transplant into small pots, or the paper pots now offered, or into shallow boxes. Improved Early Jersey Wakefield is a good variety.

Celery—If a hot-bed is available it is worth while to start some celery plants early. Giant Standard is a standard sort.

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Lettuce—Time may be gained by starting lettuce inside and transplanting when the ground can be worked. Grand Rapids is a good sort.

Okra—This excellent vegetable when started out-doors does not become available until rather late in the season. Try starting a few seeds in pots and transplant in the garden later.

Parsley—It is especially desirable that this slow-growing plant should be started inside early.

Radish—Radishes bear transplanting well and are generally improved by the process. Seed sown about two weeks before the ground outside is ready will yield plants for this purpose.

Tomatoes—It is essential that tomatoes get an early start. Earliana, Dwarf Champion, Stone and Beauty are good varieties.

Onions—If you have space try starting a box of onion seedlings to get seedlings for transplanting. It will be an interesting experiment and should give good results.

Seeds to Sow Outdoors.

It is well worth while to start the seeds of several hardy vegetables out of doors as soon as the ground can be worked to advantage. Among the vegetables which are sufficiently hardy for the purpose are the following: Beets, cabbage, carrots, lettuce, onions, parsley, parsnip, pea, (especially the round seeded varieties like Alaska), radish, salsify, spinach and turnip.

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Do our readers comprehend what cources of delight there are in this great family? Last summer I saw 150 different kinds growing in the garden of a gentleman at Boston. Well, you say, "they must have been a beautiful sight when all were in bloom." Yes, many of them were in bloom at the same time, but the beauty of it was the continual blossoming from early spring till the first of July.

"Why is it that my lilacs do not bloom every year?" Yours are the old sorts and they start so early they are often nipped in the bud. If you would take the precaution to throw a blanket over them when in danger of a late frost it would help—an old horse blanket or quilt or piece of burlap would answer.

We might divide the lilac family into three groups. One called the Vulgaris, to which our common kinds belong, the Persian and Siberian and the Rouen which are the small leaved ones and the broad leaved.

VILLOSA.

Among the last we name the Villosa, Dr. Bretschneider, the Emodi and the Josikaea.

The Villosa is from Japan and we would naturally think it would not be hardy in the north, but I saw it growing vigorously in Manitoba. All of the broad-leaved ones are June bloomers, which brings them down out of the reach of the late frosts. For the first few years you may not be impressed with the Villosa, as it seems to have only ordinary purple flowers. But some summer you will be astonished to see the whole bush from the ground up, turn into one grand bouquet of loveliness. This grows to be quite a bush or half tree. In one of the Chicago nurseries I noticed they were making a specialty of this, and were charging $5.00 a bush for them. Right here I want to give our readers a point. Get one of these Villosa. It will cost you about fifty cents. Pull down a lower limb, put it in a little trench you dig for it, cover it with fine earth. Don't let the weeds grow around it and the next spring you will have a fine well rooted plant. Cut it from the parent stem and plant it out. Then you can pull down another limb and get another. I sometimes get a dozen from one bush in this way. You can treat the Dr. Bretschneider in the same way. But though the Josikaea looks much like these, and is a June bloomer, too, it absolutely refuses to propagate itself by this mode, and you have to bud or graft it. Dr. Bretschneider is a remarkable bush. It is of fine form and has leaves as large as your hand, and if it had no flowers it would delight you with its form and foliage alone. This is a great bloomer, being covered with mass of great purple flowers. The bloom is not quite as fine, but you will be tempted to cut them for your table. Hold on! I wouldn't do it.

Let me tell you something. These four late bloomers, with the Japan and Chinese tree lilacs have flowers at the same time and the bees find it out and they carry the pollen from one to the other. So leave the blossoms and when the seeds are ripe gather them and early in the spring plant them out, put on half an inch of earth, and don't let them dry while sprouting, and you will be surprised at the fine lot of seedling lilacs you are getting. That is not all. It may turn out that you are a sort of Burbank, and that you—a quiet little woman—have become a creator. When your little plants are two years old you can plant them out in a row, perhaps you will make a hedge of them to protect your flowers. Put them about two feet apart and then watch their blooming. In that lot I will warrant you will have some of superior beauty, then, with what joy you can show your friends what you have produced. This is quite simple if you know how and we will try and make it plain.

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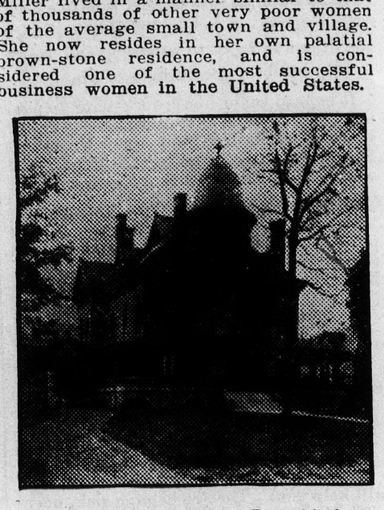

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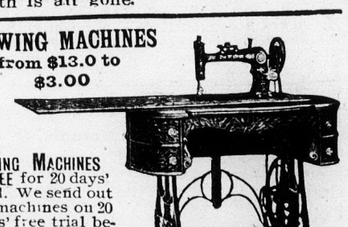

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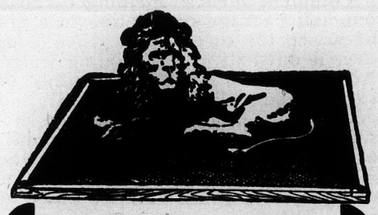

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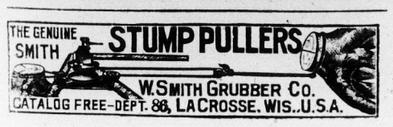

The Home Doctor.

Suggestions.

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A lump of sugar saturated in vinegar will often stop hiccoughing when drinking water will not.

Sulphur—Powdered sulphur will not hurt plants, but only the experienced should use sulphur fumes.

For stings or bites from any kind of insect apply dampened salt, bound tightly over the spot. It will relieve and usually cure very quickly.

Children should be taught to gargle their throats. It is easier to teach them this difficult and awkward accomplishment in health than when prostrated by disease.

No one should go to bed hungry, but food taken near bedtime ought to be of the simplest kind—a cracker, a piece of bread and butter or a glass of milk.

Bath for Rheumatic Sufferers.—Persons who are rheumatic will be benefited by hot baths, to which oil of turpentine is added. A good mixture to add to a hot bath is made of fifty grammes of green soap and thirty grammes of oil of turpentine. These ingredients should be mixed together and shaken well.

A very simple method of inducing sleep in cases of persistent insomnia, and one that has succeeded where many drugs have failed, is simply administer a moderate amount of liquid food before the patient goes to bed. This diverts the blood from the brain to the abdominal organs, and takes away the cerebral excitement that precludes sleep.

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Coffee as a Beverage.—It is the mixture of the sugar, cream and coffee that is harmful to some. Many can drink it without being unpleasantly affected, others of a bilious tendency think they must forego this pleasing drink. At first one may not care for the clear coffee freshly made, but after trying a few times most people become attached to it and rarely, if ever, return to the mixture of cream, sugar and coffee.

Nervousness.—A nervous person should seek cheerful society, endeavor to eat, live and do whatever is daily demanded of him in just the same manner that others do. Free bathing, gentle exercise, attention to the liver will often cure a person of nervousness more quickly than drugs. Keep warm in winter and cool in summer; the first requisite to either condition is to have your mind calm and clear and at peace with all mankind. Worry and anger involve heat and strife, therefore keep cool and let the little petty things that cark and fret go by.

How to Ascertain the State of the Lungs: Persons desirous of ascertaining the true state of their lungs are directed to draw in as much breath as they conveniently can; they are then to count as far as they are able, in a slow and audible voice without drawing in more breath. The number of seconds they can continue counting must be carefully observed; in a consumptive the time does not exceed ten, and is frequently less than six seconds; in pleurisy and pneumonia it ranges from nine to four seconds. When the lungs are in a sound condition, the time will range as high as from twenty to thirty-five seconds.

To change the sheets of an invalid's bed when the invalid is too ill to be moved is not always easy. Of course, the upper sheet can be taken off in the usual way. The chief difficulty lies with the lower one. Begin to roll the under sheet lengthwise over to where the patient lies. Then put on the near sheet, which should also be rolled or folded lengthwise. As you unroll the new sheet tuck it in securely at all sides. When the two rolls of sheeting are side by side—next to the patient—lift the patient over on to the clean side, if she cannot turn over without aid. The old sheet is then removed and the new one spread out evenly as it should be.

Felons.

A felon is often caused by a blow upon the end of the finger or any tight pressure, which stops circulation, and injures the bone. Numerous remedies have been suggested, none of which will prove effective unless they are applied promptly upon the first indication of the throbbing pain and swelling which are prominent symptoms of this painful disorder.

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Dr. Whitman, in the "Medical Visitor," is authority for an egg cure for felon, which he has used for fifteen years without a failure. His method is as follows: "Take a fresh egg and crack the shell at the larger end. Make a hole just large enough to admit the thumb or finger, and force it into the egg as far as possible without rupturing the shell. Wipe off the egg which runs out, and bind a handkerchief or soft cloth around the finger, leaving the egg on overnight. This will generally cure in one application, but if not, try it again." This is a very simple remedy and at least worth a trial.

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As the early vegetables begin to appear on our tables it is well to know something of their medicinal value.

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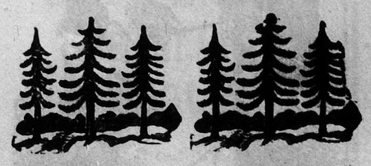

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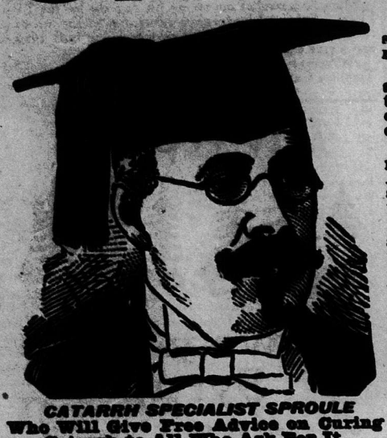

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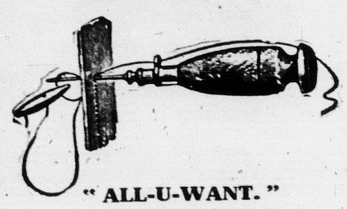

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Hints for the Housewife.

To Renew Old Mattings.

It is very poor economy to buy the very cheap mattings, though they are very pretty and serviceable to a certain extent but good, firmly woven matting will last as long as a good carpet, if carefully used, it is far more easily kept clean than any other floor covering, and then it is more healthful, less work, and cheaper.

Housecleaning usually reveals the fact that some of the mattings are too worn for further use, but sometimes an old matting can be made to do duty for another season, by changing the widths from the center to the sides, allowing the sides to come to the centre where there is more wear. When an old matting is to be put down again, it can easily be freshened if not very much soiled, by wiping the surface with warm water containing a handful of salt to a pailful of water. If there are any grease spots found on good matting. Cover them with a thin paste made with fuller's earth and cold water, and allow it to remain for two or three days before sweeping off.

A matting that had been in use for four years, but was still good, was swept thoroughly on the right side, then the tacks were removed, each width rolled up and taken out doors and laid on the ground right side down and swept until no more loose dust would sweep off, then it was tacked to a clean, dry floor and given a thorough scrubbing with a strong lather of Ivory soap and warm soft water, and as a small portion was cleaned it was rinsed with clear water and rubbed as dry as possible with clean, soft cloths. When the matting was perfectly dry it was fresh and clean looking and it is kept clean, by brushing every day with a soft broom, and once a week the rugs are taken out and hung over the line and beaten with limber switches, then the matting is swept clean and wiped off with a damp, not wet, cloth, the rugs replaced and the room is as fresh as possible.

To Freshen a Girl's Gown.

If a girl happens to have an evening frock which has served her well all summer, but is now in need of freshening up a bit, let her try trimming the gown with graduated roses. A white silk gauze gown, for example, which was originally trimmed with narrow rows of pink ribbon velvet, can have its effect transformed very quickly by ripping off the pink velvet bands and trimming the frock with pale yellow. An original way of using the roses on the skirt is to arrange the lower portion with the small roses at the top. To carry out the rose idea, a few of the flowers should adorn the corsage. If one does not care to use artificial flowers, hand-embroidered silk roses may be substituted. These can be bought by the yard or separately, and should be arranged in the same graduated style as the artificial flowers.

Clean the bath-tubs, stationary washstands and sinks with kerosene, as there is no better vanquisher of grease and dirt. Rub them well with oil, allow it to dry and let the hot water run until the oil has disappeared.

You will doubtless find a great many ribbons that are faded in spots or streaks, so that no amount of cleaning will make them look well, and the best way to dispose of them is to save them until you have a pound or more, then dye them with black diamond dye for silk. It makes no difference what colors they are, they will be a beautiful jet black when done. The best way to dry a ribbon that has been washed or dyed is to take it from the rinse water without wringing, and press it smoothly upon a clean marble slab. A very smooth, clean board will do if the marble is not at hand. Let it stay until dry. It will not need ironing, and will have a lustre like new ribbon. Another way is to roll it tightly around a large rolling pin and leave it until dry. Ironing silk is apt to make it too stiff, which destroys its beauty, causing it to wrinkle easily.

COOKING RECIPES.

Celery, onions and lettuce are very good foods for those who are nervous. They are said to promote sleep, as they quiet and soothe the nerves.

The market contains a variety of dried and fresh fruits the year around which can be utilized either in their fresh state, or added to other ingredients to form a boiled or baked tidbit.

One of the little-known fruits which a housewife would do well to become acquainted with is the "pulled" or "bag" fig. This fruit, instead of being pressed and packed in layers is dried just as it is pulled from the tree. It can be found in all cities and nearly all of the larger towns, and is more reasonable in price than the pressed fig.

Dutch Apple Cake.—Two cupfuls of flour, one egg, one scant cupful of sweet milk, one-half teaspoonful of salt, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-fourth of a cupful of butter, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of cinnamon, and four sour apples. Mix and sift the dry ingredients, put in the butter, add milk and well-beaten egg. Have the dough soft enough to spread easily on a shallow baking pan, making it one-half an inch thick. Cut some apples into eighths, removing skins and cores, and press the sections into the dough in parallel rows. Mix spices with sugar and sprinkle over the rows of apples. Bake in a moderately hot oven for about thirty minutes.

Commencement Pudding — Soak one-half package of gelatine in a gill of water for three hours, then pour over it one-half pint of boiling water. Add one and one-half cupfuls of sugar and allow both sugar and gelatine to become thoroughly dissolved by placing the bowl in a dish of boiling water and stirring the mixture. Add next one cupful of orange juice, strain and set away to cool. When it begins to thicken add the unbeaten whites of eight eggs, place the bowl in ice water and beat until thick. Pour into moulds to harden and serve with a custard made as follows: Two-thirds of a cupful of sugar in one-half cupful of milk in the double boiler, add the grated rind of one orange and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Beat up the yolks of the eggs used in the pudding, add to them one-third of a cupful of milk. Pour this into the hot milk, beat and boil five minutes in the double boiler.

Tomato Catsup.

Peel one peck of ripe tomatoes, and cut in pieces. Put them in a preserving kettle, bring to the boiling point, and let simmer until soft; then force through a sieve. Add three cupfuls of sugar, one fourth of a cupful of salt, one tablespoonful of black pepper, one teaspoonful of ginger, one teaspoonful of cloves, one eighth of a teaspoonful of cayenne, and one quart of vinegar. Bring to the boiling point and let simmer until of the right consistency, the time required being about two and one half to three hours. Turn into bottles, filling the bottles to overflowing, cork and seal. It must always be remembered in filling glass jars or bottles with a hot mixture to place them on a cloth wrung out of hot water.

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Boys and Girls.

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Deep down into the sweet hay pressed,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking!"

Never an egg like this was seen,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking O!"
Let meaner pullets split with spleen,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking!"

The red cock blows an empty blast,
"O cut-cut-cur-darking O!"
But Speckle can cackle ten times as fast
As he, "O cut-cur-darking!"

Come Muffie, and Creeper, and Crumple Crown,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking O!"
And on this wonderful egg look down,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking!"

Poor silly Speckle; the housemaid heard
Her "Cut-cut-cut-cur-darking O!"
And into a pudding the egg was stirred,
"O cut-cut-cut-cur-darking!"

—Anna Boynton.

EXPERIMENTS FOR EASTERTIDE.

Anything that has to do with eggs is suited to the Easter time and the following experiments may be interesting to boys and girls.

Take two eggs of the same size, one raw, the other boiled hard. Place around each of them, lengthwise, a stout rubber band so that it firmly grasps the egg. Fasten a piece of string to each egg by means of the rubber band and suspend both eggs from the chandelier by the strings.

Twist both strings to the same degree and then let them go. The eggs will spin around as the string untwines, but suddenly one of the eggs will stop turning, while the other twirls and twirls, still untwining the string. The uncooked egg stops because its contents are liquid, and are not fastened to the shell, and it is only the shell of that egg that is set in motion by the untwining string. The friction of the moving mass inside soon stops it.

In the next experiment the same two eggs are to be used. Put two plates before you, and on each one set an egg spinning on its side. The hard-boiled egg will spin easily and stop easily; but the raw egg will be harder to spin, and when it has been set in motion it will not so readily stop. Even if you stop it for a moment, by placing the palm of your hand on it, it will start spinning again when you remove your hand.

The reason of this is just the reverse of the conditions in the first experiment, for the liquid part of the egg is set to spinning, and when you stop the egg, it is only the shell that you stop, the contents continuing to move; and when you let the egg go, the revolving mass inside starts the shell going round again, even if stopped for several seconds.

If you will make a strong brine of salt and water you will find that a fresh egg will float in it. Now try it in pure water, and the egg will sink. Leave the egg at the bottom of the vessel containing the pure water and get a glass funnel that will reach to the same bottom. Pour the brine through the funnel and the pure water and the egg will rise together, floating on the brine. When the vessel is full you will find the egg suspended in the middle, half in brine, half in the upper layer of pure water.

The next trick is with a hard-boiled egg. Shell the egg and have ready a wide-mouthed water bottle, with its neck a little smaller than the egg. Into the bottle throw a piece of burning paper, and after a moment place the egg end down, in the mouth of the bottle. The air in the bottle becomes so rarified that the pressure of the outside air on the egg forces it into the bottle.

And now we offer a pretty little trick that needs some "luck" to make it successful. Take two egg cups such as are used to put an egg in when it is eaten from the shell. Place one cup on the table directly in front of you and put the egg in it. The other cup you place just beyond the first.

Now, if you will blow suddenly and sharply on the egg, just where it touch the cup directly in front of you, with luck, as we have said, and the aid of the air under the egg, your breath will lift it over into the other cup.

Now for a wonderful, but simple, trick that has puzzled wise men for generations. You have heard how Columbus puzzled his men by saying that he could make an egg stand on end, and then did it by gently cracking one end of the shell so that it made a flattened surface. But if he had known this trick, he could have accomplished the feat without cracking the shell, as you may do, to the surprise, perhaps, of all who see you.

The yolk of an egg, you know, is enclosed in a thin membrane that keeps it separate from the white. Now, if you give the egg a sharp shake, and break this membrane, the yolk, which is heavy, will fall to the end when you try to make the egg stand up, and its weight will be sufficient to keep it in that position without any outside aid.

A PARTY PASTIME.

Here is a very funny diversion which will serve to fill in an odd half hour during that party you may be planning to give.

It is founded on an optical illusion and the fact that very few people are aware of anything like the actual height of the crown of an ordinary high hat. So the first thing you do is to ask each person to put his or her index finger on the wall above a table to mark the height that he or she supposes the high hat to be.

A long piece of wrapping paper should be pinned on the wall above the table, thus you will be able to record each person's guess by marking the spot where the finger touches and writing the guesser's name underneath.

You'll find a great diversity in the guesses, as nearly every one will guess from several inches to a foot above the actual height of the crown, which proves the optical illusion concerning the hat; it is invariably overestimated in its height.

THE FUNNY HOBBLE-HOOP RACE.

From the spectator's point of view at least, a hobble-hoop race is one of the funniest sports imaginable.

A regular hoop or a barrel hoop is all that is necessary to be furnished each competitor. The hoop must first be laid flat on the ground and then the racers are invited to step inside it, after which the hoop is lifted to ankle height, and then strapped or tied securely to both ankles which are on the inside.

Now have the racers squat down and place their hands, palm downward, on the ground, but inside the hoop. They should be at the starting point of the course when they are prepared for the race, and the course should be about fifty feet in length.

The idea is that each boy works himself along the ground as best he can, his feet being restricted by the hoop, and his hands, too, as he is not allowed to touch the ground with his hands unless they are within the circumference of the hoop.

The progress of such a race is rather slow, but this drawback is more than compensated for by the funny antics of the bow-legged racers.

A somewhat varied experience of men has led me, the longer I live, to set the less value on mere cleverness; to attach more and more importance to industry and physical endurance. Indeed, I am much disposed to think that endurance is the most valuable quality of all; for industry, as the desire to work hard, does not come to much if a feeble frame is unable to respond to the desire.

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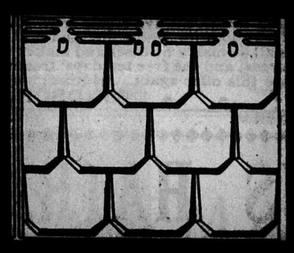

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Woman and the Home.

Pure Air for Babies.

We noticed not long ago a news item in a paper, concerning a woman who was in the habit of taking the baby out in the yard every day in its baby carriage. It seems that on even the coldest days she would wrap her baby up, put it in the carriage and suspend the carriage from a tree while she hung out her clothes, or did other work that required her to be out in the yard.

Some of the neighbors saw this going on from day to day, and not knowing that cold air was good for babies, as well as grown people, they took alarm and commenced to stir up matters for fear that the baby would be frozen to death.

After a while a delegation went to see the mother concerning it. The mother very pointedly informed them that the baby was hers and she knew enough to take care of it. The committee retired rather crestfallen.

The next thing they did was to inform the chief of police. A policeman was detailed to look into the matter. The officer found that the child was dressed warm enough for weather ten degrees below zero, and also found that the baby was a fine, healthy specimen, bigger and healthier than any of his own. So the officer came back believing that hanging a baby out under a tree in cold weather is good for it.

Poor, deluded humanity! When will they ever get over the fear of fresh air. This mother knows enough to wrap her baby up in the coldest weather and take it out every day. If she kept it indoors all the time, as many mothers do, instead of having a plump, bright, healthy baby, she would have a puny, little, sickly thing to brood over by day and walk the floor with by night.

The fresh outdoor air was made for babies, and we certainly congratulate this mother on having sense enough to take her baby out, even in zero weather.

Watch These Sideslips.

Never use the word "liable" when you mean "likely." Do not say, for instance, that "he is liable to come in at any moment." "Liable" implies misfortune, and means "exposed to," "subject to," "in danger of."

Why do most of us speak of "unravelling a mystery"? Any good dictionary shows that "ravel" means to "unweave." You "ravel" a mystery, therefore, when you solve it. In "Hamlet," Shakespeare says: "Make you to ravel all this matter out."

If you and your friend Smith know a man called Jones, do not speak to Smith of "our mutual friend"—meaning Jones. Jones is your common friend. If you are friendly to Smith, and Smith is friendly to you, you and Smith are "mutual friends"; but that is the only sense in which the term may rightly be used.

In Front of the Mirror.

It is marvellous how many plain people turn away from their mirrors self satisfied. It's a poor sort of woman who is ugly and does not know it.

A woman looks into her own mirror with her own eyes. It reflects her as she sees herself. But the eyes of men reflect her as she is.

To tell a plain woman that beauty counts for nothing is like explaining to a starving family that the lives of the rich are wretched.

She who is beautiful within, is never altogether ugly without.

It may be easier for a plain woman to be good than for a pretty one; but you will not find the plain woman who will believe it.

If a woman proves that she has brains in her head, people soon forget to look for a dimple in her cheek.

Some people talk as though brains always were given as compensation for an ugly face.

Wrinkles in the face are not necessarily a sign of deep thoughts in the head. Wrinkles are often only frowns perpetuated.

Much beauty is not even skin deep.

Cheerfulness, cheerfulness, cheerfullness, is the only true and permanent beautifier in the world.

A true smile is something born deep down in the heart, which beams from the eyes and the mouth and the whole being by the force of its warmth. It is a breaking forth of inward light. In order to have a beautiful smile, teach the heart; the lips will learn of themselves.

To be beautiful in the eyes of those at home—this is to be beautiful indeed!

No woman is a heroine to her mirror.

The Training of Boys.

It has come to this, then, that the home must be the centre in which we are to gather material for a re-invasion of public life with those sweeter courtesies which are so much better than the dancing school elegancies—the courtesies of the heart, which I would like to call manners, if manners were not so commonly without them.

The courtesies of the heart, or heart manners are to a great extent cultivable. They grow up best in the home under the mother's eye. They are not much helped by book training. The rules of etiquette have little to do with them, beyond giving them historical treatment—summing them up with more or less accuracy. They find their soil and finest nourishment in a certain tenderness of heart, which ought to belong to every child born. Like the violet, they will grow best in a dewy glebe, and are watered by tears.

Among the lowly and uneducated you find heart manners quite as often as in courts. They feed on the distresses incident to poverty and sickness. Self-helpfulness associating itself readily with helpfulness of others, is their clear and open manifestation

Out of the circumstances of a worn mother, or a father who has been thrown down hard in the struggle of life, of a lame brother or sad-eyed invalid sister, are born the sweetest graces of the home—graces which learn to show themselves in the face, the eye, and every movement of the body. This other self-helpfulness need not pass into absolute altruism, for which the world is hardly yet ripe, but it may with safety pass into a gentle unconscious and guiltless habit of self-abnegation, such as makes the face take a share in another's happiness. All grace of external manners may be acquired when these heart manners are established, and no "superior" polish will wear well without them.

When George William Curtis, one midnight, going home from a great dinner, put his arm in mine, saying: "I am going your way; may I go with you?" I was sure that his manners did not come from Chesterfield. They had the neutral grace of the man who had carried the heart lessons of childhood high on the public ways all his life. In those essentials, the courtesy of Emerson was beyond that of any king. He had acquired it in the school of adversity, when he and his brother had but one overcoat between them to help bear the asperities of a Boston winter. With the anxious, hard-working mother behind them, it was easy to face playmates at school, who met them with the question, "Whose turn is it to-day?"—Professor Morse, in "Harper's Bazaar."

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Hickory Nut Mac

One pound of powder pound of chopped hickor whites of five unbeaten cupful of flour, one tea baking powder. Drop on b and ry in the oven. The ious.

Lemon Brandy for Pud

Don't throw away any Slice off the yellow part a bottle of brandy. Pea stone meats chopped can al in the same way.

Baking Powders for Bis Shortening.

Bicarbonate of soda, 4 tartar 8 oz., and properly thoroughly mix. It shoul well-corked bottles, to pr ness, which neutralizes th about three teaspoons to flour being baked; mix wit have it—if not, wet up wit and put directly into the

Tutti Frutti Sal

One-half of a pound of one-quarter of a pound dates, four oranges, cut slices; one cupful of berries, one cupful of apple, the juice of one le four tablespoonfuls of su cupful of sherry.

Orange Pie.

Beat one tablespoonful one cupful of sugar to a Then to four eggs well b butter and sugar, three of grated rind and the oranges. If sweet orang add two tablespoonfuls of now half a pint of wh Bake it either with one medium-heated oven), an ingue and brown very lig two crusts.

Seed Buns.

Two pounds of flour, el dripping, six ounces of ounce of caraway seeds, and a half of yeast. As rise quickly, mix as for cakes. When risen, roll o ly on a well floured boar tumbler, and bake in a When rather stale, these split in half, toasted a children being especially

Scalloped Oyst

Roll fine one pound of c ers. Butter a dish and p of crumbs. Pour off the the oysters and add to it half pints of milk. We with this and put in a la and small pieces of butte and pepper. Alternate t top one being crumbs, wit of butter. Beat two eg them a cupful of milk; top. Bake, covered with hour in a quick oven. cover and let them remain ed.

Boston Baked B

Pick one quart of bea stones and dirt. Wash cold water over night. ing pour off the water, c water, put two pounds o with them, and boil until split open (the time depe age of the beans, but it thirty to sixty minutes), into the colander, and po two or three quarts of co about half of the beans in en pot, tthen put in the ally the remainder of th one teaspoonful of mus tablespoonful of molasses water. Pour this over t then add boiling water Bake slowly ten hours. water occasionally.

Yankee Brown B

For each good-sized loa take 1½ pts. corn meal an water upon it, to scald i stand until only blood w about 1 qt. of rye flour u and pour in a good bowl with a little saleratus gill of water, kneading in make the consistence of If you raise it with yeas salt in the meal, but if with salt-risings, or emp I prefer, no more salt is into loaves, and let ther and a half or until li place, in summer, and on under the stove in win about two hours. Make t as stiff as for white bre harder; for if made too s rise good. The old sty only one-third rye flour,

HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS

SUPERVISED BY THE CHEF OF THE MARRIAGGI, WINNIPEG

Hickory Nut Macaroons.

One pound of powdered sugar, one pound of chopped hickory nuts, the whites of five unbeaten eggs, half a cupful of flour, one teaspoonful of baking powder. Drop on buttered paper and ry in the oven. These are delicious.

Lemon Brandy for Puddings, Etc.

Don't throw away any lemon peel. Slice off the yellow part and put into a bottle of brandy. Peach and plum stone meats chopped can also be treated in the same way.

Baking Powders for Biscuit without Shortening.

Bicarbonate of soda, 4 oz.; cream of tartar 8 oz., and properly dry them and thoroughly mix. It should be kept in well-corked bottles, to prevent dampness, which neutralizes the acid. Use about three teaspoons to each quart of flour being baked; mix with milk, if you have it—if not, wet up with cold water, and put directly into the oven to bake.

Tutti Frutti Salad.

One-half of a pound of figs, cut fine; one-quarter of a pound of stoned dates, four oranges, cut into small slices; one cupful of canned strawberries, one cupful of canned pineapple, the juice of one lemon, three or four tablespoonfuls of sugar, and one cupful of sherry.

Orange Pie.

Beat one tablespoonful of butter and one cupful of sugar to a neat cream. Then to four eggs well beaten add the butter and sugar, three tablespoonfuls of grated rind and the juice of two oranges. If sweet oranges are used, add two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice; now half a pint of whipped cream. Bake it either with one crust (in a medium-heated oven), and add a meringue and brown very lightly, or make two crusts.

Seed Buns.

Two pounds of flour, eight ounces of dripping, six ounces of sugar, one ounce of caraway seeds, a teaspoonful and a half of yeast. As these should rise quickly, mix as for other yeast cakes. When risen, roll out very lightly on a well floured board, cut with a tumbler, and bake in a quick oven. When rather stale, these buns are nice split in half, toasted and buttered, children being especially fond of them.

Scalloped Oysters.

Roll fine one pound of common crackers. Butter a dish and put in a layer of crumbs. Pour off the liquor from the oysters and add to it one and one-half pints of milk. Wet the crumbs with this and put in a layer of oysters and small pieces of butter, a little salt and pepper. Alternate the layers, the top one being crumbs, with more pieces of butter. Beat two eggs and add to them a cupful of milk; pour over the top. Bake, covered with a tin, half an hour in a quick oven. Remove the cover and let them remain until browned.

Boston Baked Beans

Pick one quart of beans free from stones and dirt. Wash and soak in cold water over night. In the morning pour off the water, cover with hot water, put two pounds of corned beef with them, and boil until they begin to split open (the time depends upon the age of the beans, but it will be from thirty to sixty minutes). Turn them into the colander, and pour over them two or three quarts of cold water. Put about half of the beans in a deep earthen pot, tthen put in the beef, and finally the remainder of the beans. Mix one teaspoonful of mustard and one tablespoonful of molasses with a little water. Pour this over the beans, and then add boiling water to just cover. Bake slowly ten hours. Add a little water occasionally.

Yankee Brown Bread

For each good-sized loaf being made, take 1½pts. corn meal and pour boiling water upon it, to scald it properly; let stand until only blood warm; then put about 1 qt. of rye flour upon the meal, and pour in a good bowl of emptyings, with a little saleratus dissolved in a gill of water, kneading in more flour to make the consistence of common bread. If you raise it with yeast, put a little salt in the meal, but if you raise it with salt-risings, or emptyings, which I prefer, no more salt is needed. Form into loaves, and let them set an hour and a half or until light—in a cool place, in summer, and on the hearth or under the stove in winter; then bake about two hours. Make the dough fully as stiff as for white bread, or a little harder; for if made too soft, it does not rise good. The old style was to use only one-third rye flour, but it does not wear if made that way; or, in other words, most persons get tired of it when mostly corn meal, but I never do when mostly rye flour. Let all persons bear in mind that bread should never be eaten on the day on which it is baked, and positively must this be observed by dyspeptics.

Onion Scallop.—Peel the onions and cook in salted water, changing the water two or three times; when tender, drain the water from them as completely as possible and place them in a baking dish; have prepared a sauce made with three tablespoonfuls of butter, the same amount of flour, stirred smooth, and a cupful and a half of boiling milk; pour this over the onions, season well and cover with a thick layer of cracker crumbs and pieces of butter; bake for half an hour.

Oyster Bisque.—Chop a quart of oysters fine and put them over the fire with the liquor which has been strained from them, and boil just two minutes after a hard boil is reached; have ready a cupful of rich milk thickened with a tablespoonful of butter rubbed to a paste with a heaping teaspoonful of flour and stir the oysters slowly into this; season to taste and pour gradually, beating steadily, upon the whipped yolks of two eggs. Return to the saucepan for half a minute and serve.

Dutch Pie.—Use two eggs, half a cupful of sugar, a tablespoonful of melted butter, a fourth of a cupful of chopped almonds, the grated rind and juice of half a lemon, an eighth of a teaspoonful of cinnamon, a pint of Dutch or cottage cheese and half a cupful of milk or cream; rub the cheese through a sieve, adding to it the cream or milk; beat the eggs and sugar until light, add the melted butter, almonds, lemon, cinnamon and cheese in succession, then cook in a double boiler until thick, stirring constantly; fill into a baked pastry shell.

Pork Cake.—Without milk, butter or eggs. Chop one pound of raw pork very fine, add a half-pint of boiling water, one pound of seeded raisins, one-fourth pound of shredded citron, two cupfuls of sugar and one cupful of molasses, one teaspoonful of soda, dissolved in a little water; mix these ingredients together, then add a tablespoonful each of cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg; stir in sifted flour to the consistency of common cake mixtures; bake slowly for one hour and forty minutes; test it with a broom splint, and if nothing adheres it is done.

Macaroni and Sausage.—Drain the boiled macaroni and place in an earthenware baking-dish that can be sent to table, pour over it a cupful of boiled milk and set it on the back of the stove; fry fresh sausages, and when they are well browned take them out and arrange them around the edge of the dish over the macaroni, and lay some slices of apple in the fat; when they are fried, take them out and cover the macaroni with them, letting them lap over each other in the middle of the ring of sausages. Eat hot. This makes an excellent dish for the mid-day meal in cold weather.

Macaroni Croquettes. — Take six ounces of macaroni and boil for twenty-five minutes in salted water, then put into the colander and drain, then into cold water, drain again, cut into one-half inch pieces; put half a pint of milk on to boil, rub two teaspoonfuls butter into two tablespoonfuls flour until smooth, stir into the milk until it thickens, add two teaspoonfuls grated cheese, the macaroni, salt, pepper and yolks of three eggs; cook for a minute longer and turn out on a dish to cool; when cold, form into comb-shaped croquettes, roll in beaten egg, then bread crumbs, and fry in olive oil or butter. The oil costs a little more than butter and less is required in cooking. Serve with cream sauce and tomato salad.

Easter Egg Pudding.—Make half a pint of rich and rather thick boiled custard; pour it into a glass dish and leave it; while it is cooling, beat the whites of three eggs to a very stiff froth with four ounces of powdered sugar; divide this into three parts; color one brown with coffee, one pink with cochineal cranberry juice or melted currant jelly and leave the third one white; have ready a saucepan full of boiling water; draw to the side of the stove; dip a dessert spoon into this and heat it, and then lift up a spoonful of the egg froth and shape it into the form of an egg, now plunge the spoon into the water and the meringue will float off. Proceed thus until all the mixture is made into "eggs." Allow them to cook on the water for six or seven minutes; carefully lift them out on a skimmer, let them drain for a moment and pile them artistically on the custard. Be careful not to let the water boil up after the meringue is put in or the eggs will break.

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Poultry Pointers.

If your hens do not want to sit early, you will find an incubator almost a necessity. A good machine is not difficult to operate successfully.

Milk is an excellent food and may be fed whole or skim, sweet or sour. It will not, however, take the place of water as drink and the latter must be furnished also.

To produce plenty of eggs a hen must have food which contains considerable protein. This is easily furnished by feeding beef scraps, which can be purchased from any dealer in poultry keepers' supplies for a reasonable price. This may make up ten per cent. of the mash, or may be fed in hoppers constantly before the fowls.

As the cold weather continues, there is more and more need of compelling the birds to exercise vigorously, of furnishing plenty of fresh air to breathe and of feeding the right kinds of food. A fowl is naturally active and to confine it in a hen house with but little chance to exercise is not only hard on the fowl, but cuts down its productiveness and in that way spoils the profits for its owner.

To give a hen more eggs than she should cover in winter is to invite poor hatches. One breeder refuses to sell more than ten eggs for a sitting. He says his customers hatch more from ten eggs in winter than they would hatch from fifteen eggs equally fertile. With ten or eleven eggs a large hen is reasonably sure of covering them all; with fifteen eggs one or more is usually out cooling. The result is that all are chilled more or less and the hatch spoiled.

Dairy Notes.

Use a damp cloth to wipe off the udder of the cow before milking if you don't want dirt and dust in the milk.

Give away the dog that pesters and drives the cows. He may be a nice pet, but he costs in decreased milk supply.

One of the best times to observe the golden rule is when you are preparing butter to send to town or milk to send to the creamery. Do not send stuff which you would not care to put on your own table.

The cow is more or less of a factory for the production of milk, and she will make returns approximately as she has food material to work on, that is, the right kind of a milk cow will do this and that is the only kind of a cow to keep for dairy purposes. You would not want to keep a cow unless you knew she was paying for her board. There is just one way to find out and that is by testing it with the Babcock test. Then you absolutely know. It is only guess work to go by the color or the quantity of the cream.

It is the little things we forget to do that cause us worlds of inconvenience. Instead of sitting on a rickety old box or crouching down until your limbs ache, why not take the time to build a simple milk stool? Then have a place where it can be hung up when not in use.

Ask your husband if he doesn't think it would pay to feed the cow some grain. He never hesitates to give the horses their full ration, whether they are working or not. He sometimes can't see the profit in giving the cow her share, although she is working hard all the time in turning her food supply into milk.

If the cows are failing in milk supply, buy a little bran or a few roots. Such feed will help out wonderfully in maintaining the milk flow and the cow that goes dry at this time of the year will not make up for the deficiency until grass comes and probably not even then. Try to make the cow give a little more each day rather than a little less.

Winter dairying is the profitable kind of dairying. There is a vast difference between selling butter for 30c. a pound in the winter and selling the same butter for 10c. a pound in the summer. By paying a little attention to supplying the proper kind of winter foods and arranging to have the cows freshen in the fall, it is just as easy to sell butter for the high price as it is to sell it for the low price.

Do not feed hay or fodder which is likely to be dusty either before or during the time of milking. It causes too much dust in the barn, which in turn causes unsanitary milk, to say nothing of the dirt. Each speck of dust is usually made the dwelling place for some kind of a germ. If you have gotten the cows into the habit of eating during the milking time to make them more gentle and contented, feed corn or oats and then feed your hay either at night and during the time when the cows are more at leisure.

Dairy Business Not Overdone.

The profits of the dairy business are inducing more and more people every year to go into this occupation. The product is also increasing in amount. The question often arises as to whether the profits of the business will be minimized in years to come.

There are several reasons why the dairy business will always continue to be a profitable business. In the first place, education has enabled the butter-makers of the country to make a very superior grade of butter, and it is a well known fact that when we increase the quality of butter, we also increase consumption. If the farmer's wife does not believe this let her try the experiment of putting rank butter on the table, noting the time it will last, and then following the same program with sweet, clean butter. One drawback in making good bread and good butter is that it doesn't last long. It is certainly true that when we increase the quality of our butter we also increase a greater demand for it.

In the second place, the dairy business is not likely to be overdone for the reason that city people are finding out that good milk and cream are really cheap to buy for table use. If there is one thing more than another that makes the city woman long for the privilege of living in the country, it is that she might have all the milk and cream she desires. Therefore, the city housewife is getting into the habit of buying more and more cream, milk and butter all the time.

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The third and principal reason why the dairy business will not be overdone is because people do not like to milk cows and will not do so any longer than necessary. It has been the history in all new countries that when mortgages were abundant and times are hard, the chief reliance for the steady income of the farm is usually placed upon the dairy cow. When the mortgages are paid off and the farmer gets in a position to be independent he concludes that life is too short to milk cows for a living and accordingly he begins to feed cattle, sheep and hogs and lives in the easiest way possible. Considering all these facts, we therefore cannot conclude that the dairy business will be overdone.

One of the best maxims that was ever given is that which tells us "If we want to make dairying a success, treat the cow as we would treat a lady."

Gentle, contented cows are the ones that give profitable returns of milk.

Agricultural College Education.

There is a future for the boy who is being educated at an agricultural college. More and more the need of scientific farming is becoming felt—how to get the most from the soil and how to best utilize the soil's products, are all-important questions that are being answered by the experiments and work now being conducted at the experimental stations and agricultural schools.

Graduates from the various departments of the agricultural colleges now in existence are needed as instructors in the new stations and schools which are being established so rapidly that the demand is far greater than the supply.

Let the boy follow his bent for studying horticulture, formation of soils and crop growing, animal industry, breeding and feeding, dairying, forestry, veterinary science, etc., etc. A place will be awaiting him when he has finished a thorough training along any line.

The Dominion and Provincial departments want dairy and food inspectors, chemists, entomologists, state and district veterinarians, beside the demand for instructors in the agricultural schools and experiment stations.

And to the boy who loves out-of-door life there can be no more fascinating occupation than to work hand in hand with nature and learn the ways, times of growth and creative forces and how to help forward her work.

The field may not be equally as wide for girls, but capable instructors in sewing and cooking find situations everywhere, not only in the agricultural schools, but in private and public schools also, and horticulture and other lines of agriculture for which they may have a taste will furnish them as suitable an employment or situations as instructors as their brothers.

If possible, help the boys and girls to a year in the nearest state agricultural school, and if they are at all ambitious and sufficiently energetic to make a success of anything they will work for the means necessary to go on and fit themselves either for instructors or scientific, up-to-date farmers, than which there is no more enjoyable occupation, when pursued from the love of it.

Is the Horse to Go?

Good-by to Dobbin, the faithful and sturdy old farm horse. No longer will "the plowman homeward plod his weary way." Instead he will simply turn on the second speed of his agricultural motor car and go dashing up the lane to the farmhouse at the rate of 20 miles an hour.

In the early months of 1902, what proved to be the first successful gasoline agricultural motor appeared, contesting at nearly all of the great agricultural competitions of the season in England and carrying off the gold medals from the horse in every contest.

Plowing proved to be the first phase of farm work to which the agricultural motor was introduced and at which it made its initial reputation, says a writer in the Technical World. Steam engines had proven too heavy for the soft land being plowed and here the agriculturist expected to mire the internal combustion motor, but he signally failed. For a plowing test among horses, steam power and the gasoline motor, two and three-quarter acres of heavy clay soil were selected. It was a condition that the furrows were to be nine inches wide and six inches deep. In doing the work, nine horses, three to a plow, with three drivers and three boys, did the work at a total cost of $8.25, or at the rate of $3.68 an acre. By steam power the total cost of plowing the same area amounted to $9.80, or at $4.08 an acre, and with the gasoline motor the cost totalled $4.44, or at $1.97 an acre. For plowing purposes a three-furrowed plow is invariably used except in heavy clay soils where a couple of furrows prove sufficient.

How to Prune Trees.

We must prune young fruit trees before they are planted, cutting the top severely to produce a balance between the top and the root, the latter having been greatly reduced in digging the tree from the nursery, says Suburban Life. We must cut out at this time any branches not needed for the formation of the head, and we may pare the ends of the roots smoothly that were roughly cut with a spade in digging. We must watch the young tree during the growing season and stop the growth of any shoots out-growing their neighbors and rub off any shoots not desired as soon as they are discovered. We must prune out here and there, as the tree grows older, such shoots as are being smothered by branches above them or that are being injured by others rubbing against them and aim to give the tree a symmetrical low-headed form. When the lower branches become weak we must increase their vigor by cutting out branches from the top, thus forcing growth into them, and never, if it can be avoided, cut a large branch from the main trunk.

Judge a man's charitableness by the way he acts when his wife asks him for money.

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The Uselessness of It.

The doctor—"Isn't it painful to think of the ——"

The professor—"I presume it is. Let us not think of it."

Unwilling Victim.

"Darn this paternalism!" grumbled the man in the loud check suit, as the officer sternly warned him not to go on board the floating poolroom. "After a while they won't let a man have a chance to lose any money at all in this town!"

After a Fashion.

"Senator, I congratulate you. I understand you have been vindicated."

"Triumphantly, Johnson. At the first trial the jury disagreed. At the second trial my lawyers found a flaw in the indictment, and the case was thrown out of court."

Vaulting Ambition.

"I suppose, Willie, when you are a man you are going to be an auctioneer like your papa," remarked the caller.

"I expect to be an auctioneer," said the little boy with the large head, "but not one like father. He has neither the vocabulary nor the faculty of unique and original expression that a man in his vocation should possess."

The Professor.

"That spendthrift nephew of mine," said the doctor, "is so good for nothing that sometimes I am tempted to operate on his skull with an augur to see if I can find out what is the matter with him."

"Don't do that," advised the professor, "Use a silver instrument on him. Cut him off with a shilling."

The Worm Turns.

Garrulous Acquaintance—"Aren't you sometimes afraid that a day will come when you will have written yourself out and will have to quit and go at something else for a living?"

Borus (struggling author)—"My dear sir, such an idea is wholly fallacious. You have been talking for fifty years, and you haven't talked yourself out yet, have you?"

Anything for an Excuse.

Mr. Tyresum had buttonholed him at a street corner.

"Say, Ruggles," he said, "I haven't told you about my trip to Portland."

"I'd like awfully well to hear about it,' said Ruggles, glancing at his watch, "but I'm in a hurry just now, I'm getting ready to go on my vacation."

"Glad to know it. When do you start?"

"Er—week after next."

Paris vs. Evansville.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon has a good story of an Indiana man whose birthplace, Evansville, will ever keep a loving memory in his heart.

Some years ago this faithful son of Indiana was enabled, by reason of an inheritance, to take a trip abroad. Upon his return the Evansville people were anxious to have his impressions of "furrin parts," a wish with which the traveller obligingly complied. "Tell us all about Paris," some one finally suggested.

"Paris," observed the Evansville man, gravely, "is certainly a wonderful place, gents—all things considered, a wonderful place. But," he added, thoughtfully, "Evansville for pleasure."

Beyond Human Ken.

Owing to the numerous breakdowns on the track ahead of it, the Halsted street car was nearly an hour behind time.

A passenger with a suit case hastily climbed aboard at a crosstown line intersection.

"Is this car going downtown?" he asked.

"If it be the will of heaven," answered the conductor, pale but calm, "it is—but there's a wabbly wheel on that diddledy dag-goned beer wagon just ahead, and I'm betting we're going to have another durned breakdown in about a minute."

Lafe Ollet's Witty Retort.

Everybody is laughing at a jeu d'esprit attributed to Mr. Lafe Ollet, a distinguished senator from a certain western state.

"Senator," said a waggish friend, assuming an aspect of unearthly solemnity and stopping him on the sidewalk the other afternoon, "I should like to ask you an important question."

"What is it?" he asked.

"It is this: When is a door not a door?"

"When it's a pompadour," retorted the senator, without a moment's hesitation, removing his hat and exhibiting the hirsute adornment that stands straight up from his ample forehead.

It is scarcely necessary to add that he gave the "o" in the last syllable of the word its long sound.

Hot One on Mr. Twig.

There is much amusement in official circles in Washington over an extremely droll story related of Secretary Twig, who occupies an important position not entirely unconnected with the state department.

It may be said, in confidence, that he is preparing for a semi-official visit to the South American republics. Before he returns he will make a personal inspection of the Panama canal, so far as there is anything to inspect.

Knowing this, a friend called on him a few mornings ago and jestingly asked him:

"Mr. Secretary. do you expect to do any actual digging?"

"That is what I am doing now," instantly answered Secretary Twig, signing his name to a check in payment of laundry bill.

Discouraged.

Full of years and honors, and possessing a competence, Judge Wraxham had retired from the bench, built a fine new dwelling in a desirable part of town, and moved into it.

With lamentable short sightedness, however, he built it close to one edge of his lot, and before he had occupied it a year an enterprising capitalist erected a three storey apartment house on the adjoining lot, close up against the judge's mansion, and completely shutting off the light from that side of it.

No member of the family took this more to heart than his youngest son, Clifford.

One Sunday, not long after this calamity had begun to take shape, Clifford's Sunday school teacher was endeavouring to impress upon the class the necessity of living up to the ten commandments.

"Do this, boys," she said, "and some day you will have a mansion in the skies."

"Aw, what's the use?" said Clifford. "Somebody'll build a flat alongside it!"

Uncle Ned's Philosophy.

The landlord finds the feller with a rent in his coat seldom has it in his pocket.

The woman that sheds the most tears ain't always the one that feels the most grief.

The good thing about truth is, it don't have to waste time going round corners.

Unless a feller's got a good memory he's an awful fool to start lying.

Sympathy has never filled a hungry stomach.

The rolling stone gathers no moss, but it gathers an awful lot of bumps.

The early bird may catch the worm, but he loses an awful lot of sleep.

Rob dollars by wholesale an' hand out dimes by retail an' you'll be a philanthrophist.

Tell secrets to your friends an' it won't cost you a cent for advertising.

The way to stop divorce is to teach the women folk how to cook.

There's nothing on earth will keep a woman's mouth closed as well as a homely set of front teeth.

If every one in the world turned honest some fellers would kick because there was no one to steal their money.

If water was ten dollars a quart, all the common drunks would break their necks to get it.

When a feller makes an ass of himself he must expect to be ridden.

If God took words for deeds, Heaven would be full and the Devil would close up shop.

How Edison Smokes.

Mr. Edison once complained to a man in the tobacco business that he, the inventor, could not account for the rapidity with which the cigars disappeared from a box that he always kept in his office. The "Wizard" was not inclined to think that he smoked them all himself.

The tobacco man suggested that he make up some cigars—"fake" them, in other words—with a well-known label on the outside.

"I'll fill 'em with horsehair and hard rubber," said he. "Then you'll find that there will not be so many missing."

"All right," said Mr. Edison, and he forgot all about the matter.

Several weeks later, when the tobacco man was again calling on the inventor, the latter suddenly said:

"Look here! I thought you were going to fix me up some fake cigars."

"Why, I did!" exclaimed the other, in hurt surprise.

"When?"

"Don't you remember the flat box with the green label—cigars in bundle form, tied with yellow ribbon.

Edison smiled reflectively. "Do you know," he finally said, in abashed tones "I smoked every one of those cigars myself!"

Dowdy, After All.

In a London milliner's shop a lady, accompanied by a patience-tried friend, was fidgeting among the hats with little idea of what she wanted. In fact, she was not quite sure whether she wanted a hat at all. Another customer was trying on hats near by when a most humorous situation arose.

After trying on nearly every model in the shop, the lady pounced with glee on one she had overlooked.

"Now this is something like!" she said. "Why didn't you show me this before?" Without waiting for an answer she appealed to her patient friend. "There's some style about this, isn't there? How do I look?"

The friend distinctly sniffed. "It makes you look a hundred, and its very dowdy," she said.

The other tried the hat at another angle. "It is rather dowdy," she admitted, "perhaps I won't risk it, after all."

A voice from behind her made its third attempt to gain a hearing. "If you've quite done with my hat," it said, very bitterly, "I should rather like to put it on."

Anecdotal.

The Archbishop of Dublin recently performed a marriage in the family of a wealthy Irish distiller. After the breakfast the distiller thanked the archbishop effusively for his share of the proceedings, and said to him as he

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On one occasion the Dean of Wells in introducing A. E. Freeman, whom he could abide neither as man nor historian, said: "I rise with great pleasure to propose the health of our eminent neighbor, Mr. Freeman, the historian, a man who—in his own personal characteristics—has so often depicted for us the savage character of our first forefathers."

A London newsboy, who is accustomed to shout "Extras" every evening, recently had a very bad cold and became hoarse. Feeling himself at a disadvantage, he carried a large card in front of him, on which he had roughly written: "Hush! Noise is a nuisance! I can't shout my extras, but I have them all the same!" It did not take the boy long to sell out his stock of papers to the grateful passers-by.

While a temporary sojourner in the United States, Wong Kai Kah was asked a question regarding the antiquity of his family. "Oh," he said, with naive modesty and yet with a merry twinkle in his eye. "my family is new in China; indeed, we have nothing to boast of as to long establishment in that country, for we have been there only 2,500 years, having come from a place to the south and east of the Caspian Sea."

"In South America," said the returned traveller, "there is a peculiar species of fish which is provided with a set of embryo limbs on which it is at times able to hop across the fields and even to climb trees. I believe that this is the only instance known of fishes that can travel overland." "Oh, I don't know," commented the other man. "Right here in the United States I have known fish that travelled thousands of miles overland." "You don't say! May I ask what sort of fish they are?" "Canned salmon."

"Once, in Banbury," said a well-kuown American oyster grower, I dined with an English farmer. We had ham for dinner, a very delicious ham, baked. The farmer's son soon finished his portion and passed his plate again. 'More 'am, father,' he said. The father frowned. 'Don't say 'am, son,' he said,' 'say 'am!' 'I did say 'am,' the lad protested, in an injured tone. 'You said 'am!' cried the father fiercely. ''Am's what it should be. 'Am, not 'am!' In the midst of the squabble the farmer's wife turned to me, with a little deprecatory laugh and said, 'They both think they're saying 'am!' "

"Why Tommy, you didn't pass in your spelling test."

"No, pa."

"Why not, will you tell me?"

"Well, you see, pa, I hesitated between the new and the old style because I couldn't make up my mind whether to side with Congress or to stick to the President. Then I got confused and mixed up both styles."

When it was proposed at one time, to allow a man to qualify for his doctor's degree, at Oxford, by merely writing two essays, Mansel, the celebrated metaphysician, scribbled down and handed to his fellow councillors this doggerel:

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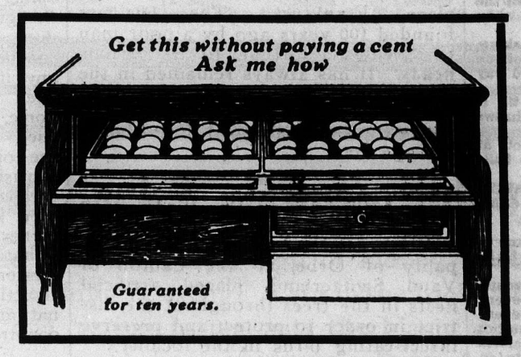

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If you will do that right now, I will tell you, also, how you can make the Peerless earn its whole cost long before you pay one cent for it.

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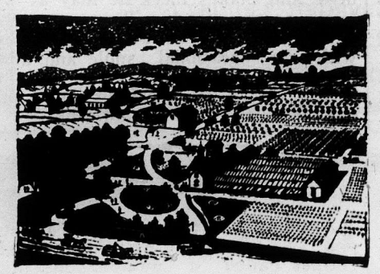

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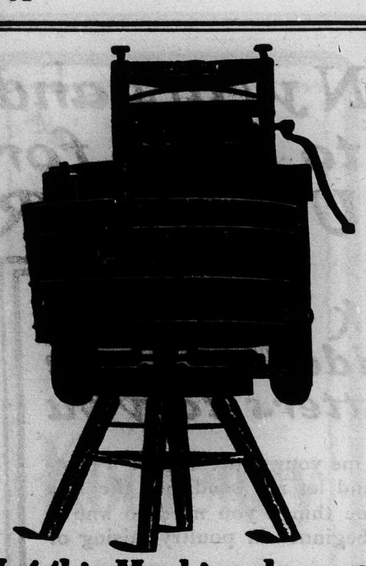

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April.

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A Tyrian light the village fills;
A wider sunrise in the dawn;
A deeper twilight on the lawn;
A print of a vermillion foot;
A purple finger on the slope;
A flippant fly upon the pane;
A spider at his trade again;
An added strut in chanticleer;
A flower expected everywhere;
An axe's shrill singing in the woods:
Fern odors on untravelled roads—
All this, and more I cannot tell,
A furtive look you know as well,
And Nicodemus' mystery
Receives its annual reply.

— Emily Dickinson.

Origin of the "Frankfurter."

The little sausage known as "Frankfurter" and "Wiener" was offered for sale for the first time in 1805, and the centennial was observed in Vienna by the Butchers' guild. The inventor of the sausage was Johann Lahner, who named it for his birthplace, Frankfurt. The business founded 100 years ago by a poor man has yielded a fortune to its various heads. It has always remained in the same family, and is now conducted in Vienna by Franz Lahner, a grandnephew of the original Frankfurter sausage man.

Artificial Nest For Birds.

A year and a half ago the municipality of Orbe, in the Canton of Vaud, Switzerland, placed artificial nests in the trees throughout the district in order to protect and preserve insect-eating birds in the locality.

The branches of the trees were studded with sharp nails to prevent access to the nests by the birds' enemies.

Blackbirds and thrushes were the first to show their appreciation of the facilities provided, and their example was soon followed by other members of the feathered tribe.

The artificial nests are closely imitated from the originals, and a Swiss naturalist conducts the new industry, which is in the hands of women.

New Superstitions for Old.

Away back in ancient times the "dog days" were dreaded as a period of pestilence and strange maladies. There were superstitions witnout number concerning the baleful influence of the season. Long exposure to moonlight was believed to drive men mad at this time; animals were believed to be possessed of evil spirits, and there was general fasting and praying in an effort to evade the many ills supposed to belong to the time.

Just when "dog days" begin and end has never been very clear. The ancients held the season began early in July and ended about September 1. Now, it is said to begin about July 25 and end on September 5. The period takes its name fromthe star Sirius, called the dog star, which is said to rise during this season with the sun.

The old superstitions concerning the "dog days" have been forgotten, but there are some of modern origin. Nowadays the term is supposed by many to have reference to the susceptibility of dogs to rabies in the season. And the common idea is that "dog days" begin on August 1.

The weather man says there is nothing about "dog days" to distinguish them from any other part of the summer.

If two tuning forks of the same pitch are placed facing each other—the one sounding, the other silent—in a few seconds the silent one will be giving out a distinctly audible note.

Magnet Removed Nail.

At Salt Lake City, Utah, a nail was drawn from a point close to the heart of a girl aged 16 months, by means of an electro magnet. The child put the nail in its mouth while playing on its back, and drew it into one of the bronchial tubes. The exact location was discovered by means of an X-ray skiograph. The physician who performed the operation decided it would be fatal to cut through the lung. Experiments on a dog showed it impossible to extract the nail by ordinary instruments. A long, curved piece of steel, attached to a powerful electro magnet, was pushed down the windpipe. As soon as the current was turned on, the nail became attached to it and was withdrawn.

The Ingenuity of a Spider.

The trap-door spider is almost the only member of the lower form of animal life that exercises human ingenuity in the construction of a house. This spider digs a hole straight down in the ground and builds over the top a door. This door is so devised that it can be as readily opened or shut as can any in a man-made house. It stands open when the spider is away from home, but when pursued or when threatened by foes the spider draws down the open trap-door and is safe from intrusion. This trick also prevents the escape of any victim that may find its way incautiously into the lair of the owner. The abode is an excellent imitation in miniature of the ordinary western cyclone cellar, and its construction affords boundless interest to natural history students all over the country.

A Curious Wedding Custom.

If in the village of Tigara, in northwestern Alaska, one sees a young man beating out a piece of metal and fashioning a finger ring, it is usually intended for some young woman; but it remains for the meeting of the two mothers to arrange matters.

The two families may be living close together, yet the mother of the young man will call on her neighbor and tell her how she has intended to be more neighborly, but she has been so busy.

The neighbor will declare how delighted she is to see her.

Then mother No. 1 begins to tell what a great hunter her son is, and how good he is. Mother No. 2 remarks that her daughter is such a lovely cook. Having taken lessons, she knows how to cook everything.

Mother No. 1 declares that they are never hungry in their igloo, as her son is always successful and brings lots of seals home.

Mother No. 2 remarks that her daughter is such a good sewer, and knows how to chew a beautiful boot sole.

It is finally decided that the young man shall enter the girl's family on a sort of trial. If the girl turns up her nose and makes faces he may as well leave, as the match will never amount to anything; but should she greet him with an occasional smile and allow him to sit by her side in the evening, it will all be clear sailing, and they will unite as husband and wife.

Birds At Work.

Arriving by train at Gifu about 8 p.m., we chartered what our 'rikisha coolies called a number one boat, which proved to be a comfortable houseboat, for which the usual charge is five yen. In a few minutes the artistic Japs had made it quite festive with matting, red and white draperies, and paper lanterns (Gifu is noted for its paper lanterns), and we rowed up the stream to meet the six fishing boats, thankful that there was no moon to spoil sport. After waiting for some time in the shadow of a cliff, while the boatmen beguiled the time by smoking their funny little doll's pipes (kiseru), we saw lights in the far distance, and soon the boats were abreast of us, and we drifted down the river with them to watch this strange method of catching fish, which has existed for some twelve hundred years or longer. Each cormorant (u-kai) wears at the base of its neck a metal ring, left loose enough to enable the bird to make its supper of the small unsaleable fish that it swallows, but too tight to allow the larger fish to pass below. A blazing torch is projected from the forepart of the boat to attract the fish, and then the master boatman lowers his team of twelve trained birds into the water, holding each bird separately by a string. The ungainly birds immediately set to work con amore, darting hither and thither excitedly in search of prey, and on this occasion they caught so many fish that we feared some of them would choke outright! But when the master boatman saw that one was gorged, he skillfully shortened that particular line of string, lifted the bird on board, squeezed out the fish, and before we realized what he had done, the bird was again at work in the water.

Strange Gods Still Worshipped.

Nearly every man and woman of today read, years ago, in the school books, of the Hindoo mother who committed her child to the bosom of the Ganges river, hoping, should it survive a journey on the holy waters, that it would be purified for the career to come. That was a true story. The Hindoo mother is doing the same today.

With these superstitious people such a practice means sacrifice, for the river is infested with crocodiles, and the chances of an infant escaping their hideous jaws are slim.

For centuries the Ganges has played an important part in Hindoo mythology and religion.

In the religion of all classes of Hindoos—the classes in that land are almost as the sands of the seashore for number—the Ganges is held in particular veneration as the cleanser of sins and, finally, the gateway to Paradise. When death reaches one upon its banks burial is made there.

Almost from the source of the Ganges to its mouth temples and shrines line the banks; the junctions of the river's various affluents are especially sanctified spots.

That of the Jumna, at Allahabad, is considered the most sacred, and is, consequently, the most frequented place of ablutions, annually visited by thousands of pious pilgrims.

The lower sections of the river are infested with crocodiles, while tigers and other wild animals roam on the banks. Yet the Hindoo mother, with blind devotion to the teachings of her religion, calmly launches her little one upon the Ganges' tide

Of late years the British Government has taken a firm stand against this practice, although emotionally inspired women still stealthily commit their children to the waters when they are able to slip past the sentinels on the banks.

The skin of an elephant usually requires about five years to tan. The skin of the famous elephant "Jumbo" was eventually used to make traveling-trunks, now in the possession of an English gentleman.

The sea has no herbivorous inhabitants. Its population live on each other, and the whole of this immense expanse of water is one great slaughter house, where the strong forever prey on the weak.

The never failing medicine, Holloway's Corn Cure, removes all kinds of corns, warts, etc.; even the most difficult to remove cannot withstand this wonderful remedy.

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Making Precious Stones.

While the artificial diamonds so far produced have been very expensive, and are too small to have any commercial value, the manufacture of rubies seems to be developing into a considerable industry. The process of making these "Geneva rubies," as they are called, has been supposed to be a secret one, but it is understood that the apparatus used by a Parisian chemist includes a blowpipe like that used by glass-workers and a heating pipe. In the latter a pointed sugar loaf is built up in strata by alternately sifting in finely pulverized alumina and chromium oxide. This makes possible gradual heating, the molten mass takes a spherical form, and on slow and careful cooling the oxide of aluminium forms regular and perfectly clear crystals. Great care is necessary to avoid bubbles. In this simple way it is possible to make three or four stones at a time, often a quarter of an inch across and weighing thirteen to sixteen carats, and as they are genuine rubies only experts can distinguish them from the natural.

Queer Things Made from Milk.

It is probably not generally known that from a substance called galalith, made of milk, there are manufactured many articles that are commonly supposed to be of ivory.

Milk stone, or galalith, or petrified milk, is milk subjected to a chemical process, by means of which the casein is converted into a yellowish brown powder.

This powder is mixed with formaline and a horn-like product is formed, called milk stone.

By mixing with various other substances there are made substitutes for many other useful materials--ivory, celluloid, hard rubber and even amber. There is no limit to the number of useful articles which can be made from this wonderful substance called galalith, and they include almost everything, from cigarette holders to mantelpieces.

Piano keys are now seldom made of real ivory, except in the case of the more expensive instruments. This is rather remarkable when one remembers that from a single elephant's tusk, no fewer than ninety-six sets of keys have been cut. However, galalith is now the best substitute for ivory that we have, for it is smooth to the touch, retains an excellent color, and, unlike celluloid, is proof against fire.

Coals to Newcastle.

A benevolent old gentleman brimful of information, saw a plainly dressed looking man leaning against a fence gazing earnestly at the telegraph wires. Going up to the countryman, he said:

"Wating to see a message go 'long, eh?"

The man grinned and said "Ay."

The benevolent old gentleman devoted the next quarter of an hour to an attempt to dispel his ignorance.

"Now," he said at last, "as you know something about the matter, I hope you will spread the knowledge among your mates on the farm."

"But I don't work on a farm," replied the rural citizen.

"Where, then, may I ask?"

"Me and my mates are telegraph linesmen, and we are testing a new wire."—Exchange.

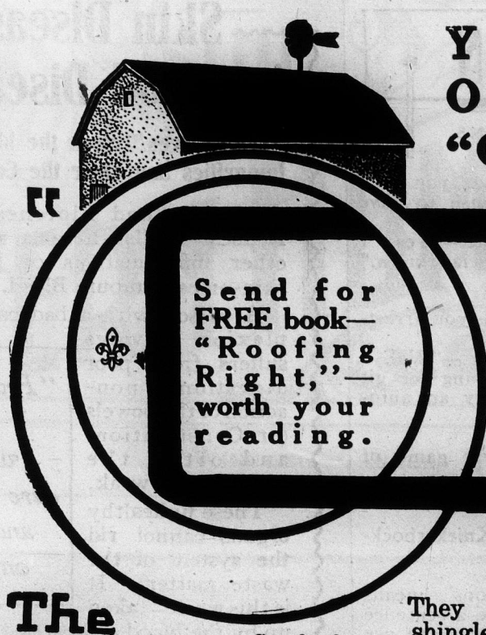
Notes and Notions.

It is a fashionable fad now among city people to become tanned. It shows they have had a country outing. But, girlies, if you have a sun bonnet, wear it. Keep your complexion clear and pretty if you can.

Always wash the face thoroughly and well just before retiring. This beautifies the skin.

Mix lemon juice and honey for a lotion to whiten the hands. Rub in after taking the hands from wash or dish water, and at retiring.

If you are "bilious" use olive oil. Learn to use it on all kinds of salads. If objectionable at first, mix with lemon juice.



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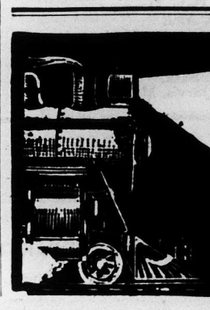

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"Norah. I want you to keep that policeman out of the kitchen." "I know it isn't good for-rm, mem, but he just won't go into the pa-arlor."

Joe married Miss Paula M'Quaver.
And, although she was thin and passe
She really had lots in her favor—
About eight city lots on Broadway!

The mourners of the simplified
The while their grief they tell,
Assure us that it's laid aside
For just a simple spell.

This is the faith that is in it;
Joy ain't a-runnin' away;
World wuzn't made in a minute
An' trouble ain't comin' to stay!

Shad.—"Why did the union make Grab a walking delegate."
Pike.—"Because he's the only one down here that could fill the position."

Mrs. Biggs.—"I don't see as much of my husband as I used to." Mrs. Wiggs.—"Is he travelling?" Mrs. Biggs.—"No; he's been taking anti-fat."

"My! but old Russell is a storage battery of energy. Doesn't he just fire one with enthusiasm?" "Yep; I used to work for him, and I was never fired more enthusiastically by any one."

Tommy.—"What does the paper mean by calling Mr. Sharp an eight by ten business man?"
Tommy's Father.—"I presume it means he is not exactly square."

"What is the reform most needed in Russia?" asked the student.
"I don't know for sure," answered the man with a lexicon, "but I should say it was spelling reform."

"You worked for my election because you thought I was the better man, didn't you?" said the official.
"Nope," answered Farmer Corntassel; "the less of two evils."

A little child was addressed by a gentleman the other day. "How old are you, my dear?" he asked.
"Old!" said the child, indignantly; "I'm not old at all, I'm quite new."

There once was an architect fly,
Who said I will aim at the sky,
I can't reach the star,
And the sun is too far,
But the moon man I'll poke in the eye.

Driver of Overloaded Dray.—"That hoss too old? Why, bless yer koind heart, lady! he ain't a day older'n I am, an' I ain't but 51." Old Lady.—"Dear me! you don't say so! I beg your pardon."

A woman agitator, holding forth on the platform and presenting the greatness of her sex, cried out: "Take away woman and what would follow?" And from the audience came a clear, male voice: "We would."

Ruffon Wratz (laboriously trying to read fragment of newspaper,—"What is a 'calumny?'" Goodman Gonrong—"It's either a graduate of a college or it's the stuff they put in these bakin' powders. Wot about it?"

Wealthy Physician.—"I didn't have $500 worth of practice until I bought an automobile." Aged Invalid.—"Made your own patients, I suppose?" Wealthy Physician.—"Well, you see, I'd run over people, load them in the tonneau, carry them to the office and operate on them before they came to. Couldn't leave them on the road, you know."

Cannibal Chief.—"Have you any last message that you wish to have sent home?"
Stern Looking Female.—"Yes, I have. Don't let my son-in law know."

The Owner.—"Why are you arresting us?"
The Country Constable.—"Wal, I need th' money. I'm trying ter git enough from fees ter buy an automobile myself."

He.—"I played my first game of golf this afternoon."
She.—"And what did you go round in?"
He (innocently). — "Knickerbockers."

Teacher. — "'Anonymous' means without a name. Give me a sentence showing you understand how to use the word."
Small Boy.—"Our baby is anonymous."

"I can induce the most contrary man in all the world to agree with me."
"Indeed! How, pray?"
"By saying mean things about his neighbors."

When you see a boy skating and you begin to say to yourself, "I could beat him skating when I was his age," it is a sign that you are growing old. The older you get the better you could skate when a boy.

Little Girl.—"Your papa has only got one leg, hasn't he?"
Veteran's Little Girl.—"Yes."
Little Girl.—"Where's his other one?"
Veteran's Little Girl.—"Hush, dear. It's in Heaven."

Student—"There must be some mistake in my examination mark. I don't think I deserved an absolute zero."
Inspector.—"Neither do I, but it is the lowest mark I am allowed to give."

"Father," said the little boy, "what is a scientist?"
"A scientist, my son, is a man who tells you something you always know in such long words that you fail to recognize it."

"Ah," said the doctor, "you've got a bad cold again. Really you ought to be careful about sitting in the draughts."
"I ab. I caught it this tibe by havi'g to sit dext to a Bostod lady at didder."

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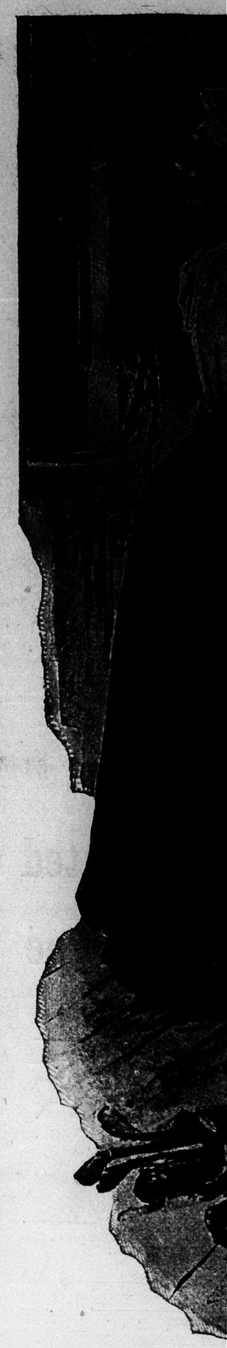

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