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Eskimo Lover Must Travel Rocky Road

By ADDIE FARRAR

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In Lapland as soon as a girl baby is born and has been duly rolled in the snow, a ceremony which takes the place of baptism, her father sets aside for her a certain number of reindeer, branded with her initials, and as they increase and multiply, so does her chance of making a good match, for the maiden with the biggest herd of reindeer is the one that is the greatest belle in Lapland.

When some young countryman of this reindeer dowered maiden discovers that she is the one girl in the world for him he goes in search of a faithful friend and a big bottle of brandy. The friend enters the home of the girl's father, opens the bottle of brandy, drinks with him to the health of the family and girl and makes the proposal. Meanwhile the lover is outside trying to curry favor by chopping wood or some other labor. If the brandy so warms the heart of the girl's father that he gives a favorable reply to the proposal the friend goes to the door and calls in the lover and the two young people are permitted to rub noses, the Laplanders' way of kissing. Two or three years after this the marriage takes place, the lover meanwhile working in the service of his future father-in-law.

When the wedding day dawns, if there is a priest handy he reads the service, but if not the young woman's father merely strikes a spark from a flint and steel and names the couple man and wife and when either of them dies the steel and flint used at the ceremony are buried with them to keep them warm on the long journey to the better land.

Eating and Drinking to Promote Health

By Addison Hicks, Springfield, Ill.

I am assuming that practically everyone realizes the value of exercise, rest and fresh air, so that the lack of these is not the cause when we have ailments. Therefore there must be some other cause, as the rule of nature is health and any deviation from it is an indication that we have lived unwisely in some way and I believe that in nine cases out of ten it is the diet that is at fault.

For about fifteen years I have not taken medicines of any kind except in the form of food and water and at the same time I have indulged to a limited extent in drinking and smoking for the sociability and pleasure of it.

During all this time I have not had a severe cold and when I have had any at all I have believed it due either to overeating or improper elimination of waste or both. In my opinion the cause has been overeating. I have gone without a meal, drunk considerable water and eaten an orange and the cold has gone away. Yet as all ailments run their course I am not so sure whether the cold would have disappeared without the treatment. If I have thought the cold due to inefficient elimination I have eaten fruits with seeds in them, such as raisins and figs, and green vegetables raw, without any spices of any kind, such as lettuce and cucumbers, and also drunk considerable water.

Recently I was annoyed by a sore nose and reasoned that this was due to impure blood. I am of the belief that onions are of great value as blood purifiers on account of the sulphur they contain. I do not believe that sulphur in its mineral form is of much value, as the human system cannot readily assimilate anything outside of vegetable or animal food. So I ate about six raw onions in two days and my trouble disappeared.

Many Troubles Man Causes Lowly Tailor

By J. B. GEHRING, New York

Perfectly straight legs are rare. It's an art to shape fabrics over bow-legs so that they will not show, and no joke to hide the bends of knock-knees.

When a man begins to take on weight it shows first at the belt line, then on the shoulders and upper arms. Later it gets down to the legs. In the meantime the tailor has his troubles in keeping his customer from looking top-heavy. The tailor is supposed to take an imperfect anatomy and shape garments over it with such nicety as to produce a superb figure. It's a trying job.

Legs that are over-long are a source of some complaint. The waistcoat has to be dropped an inch or two in cases like this. There are knees which are fifty per cent. larger than they ought to be—great knuckles of bone that are hard to hide. Then there's the thigh, three times larger at the upper end than at the other. Men created on this model ought to be permitted to wear full-seated knickerbockers.

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HICKORY CHIPS

Gathered Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree

Mr. Bryan says that he has been the worst roasted man in the country. Then his countrymen are justified in saying, "Well done, William."

Men admire women who are perfectly square, but not too angular. Press dispatch says that Georgia senate opens its proceedings with prayer. Would you have thought it?

To start things coming your way, go after them.

More good news! Jack Johnson promises never to return to this country.

A \$50 milliner's creation is a poor sort of cap for a girl to set in an attempt to catch an economical bachelor.

It may be said of our investigating bodies that they face the heavy firing of the camera squads without flinching.

That correspondent who spoke of the present Balkan war as "a lapse into barbarism" was slightly in error. Our very best barbarians considered it unethical to fight among themselves.

As "acting president" Mr. Bryan proved that he was a good actor.

Most of us who are more fortunately situated like to tell ourselves that the gentlemen who dig the ditches and stoke the furnaces at 98 in the shade get used to it and do not mind the heat.

In the hot city the masculine half of the domestic wretch comforts himself with the thought that the feminine part cannot buy anything but picture post cards up there in the woods.

A St. Louis girl slept almost 150 hours and when she woke up asked if her new slit skirt had come home. Pleasant dreams!

Occasionally American millions go abroad as a matter of sheer donation without the festivity of a marriage.

It may be asserted with confidence that Col. Mulhall will never have a chance to acquire another such collection of autographs.

The frankness with which Mr. Bryan has discussed his pecuniary affairs will make work a little easier for some income tax collectors.

What the New Haven road appears to need more than new directors is an expert locomotive tamer.

C. C. Joy returned last week from Phoenix, for a stay of several weeks. Mr. Joy says that things are fine in the Salt River Valley, and that the Box Butte colony is growing.

Forest Service Does Good Work

Although the United States forest service seems to have been unsuccessful in getting large numbers of trees to grow successfully in the 300,000 acre tract which was reserved as a forest reserve in the sand hill country east of Alliance, and which will be thrown open to homestead entry this fall, it is more successful in other places.

An agricultural colony in Palestine is just applied to the forest service for help in planting trees to bind the drifting sands of the Mediterranean. The colony is near Jaffa, or Yafa, the ancient Joppa of the Bible, and there is being developed in connection with it a seaside resort, with hotel, villas, bath houses, and gardens.

The experts of the service point out that the reclamation of sand dunes is not a serious problem in the eastern United States because the prevailing winds are from the land and the sand is blown into the sea. On the west coast the situation is more serious. The most notable example of reclaimed sand areas there is furnished by Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, where grasses, acacias, and later, trees and shrubs have converted sand wastes into pleasure grounds of great beauty.

The attention of the Palestine colony is called to the wonderful reclamation of the Landes, France, where a wealth-producing forest of maritime pine, the source of the French turpentine, has been grown to take the place of shifting dunes. The American foresters also give the address of the French seedsmen who furnished this government with the maritime pine seed which has been used in planting experiments on the Florida national forest, near the Gulf coast.

A Live Paper in a Live Town

The Omaha Trade Exhibit for Saturday, July 26th, contained the following article, which contains some very good thoughts for the man who thinks his home paper doesn't help the town much. And if we do say it ourselves, we know that Alliance has two of the best newspapers published in a town of its size in the country. Compare them with other papers and see.

A live newspaper and a live town almost always go together. You seldom see a really live town without at least one live newspaper there, and you still more rarely see a live newspaper in a dead town. The newspaper reflects the town more surely than almost any other institution.

It takes live merchants to support a live newspaper. It takes a live

newspaper to help a live merchant and make his patronage profitable. Many merchants would like to advertise, so they say, if they had the right kind of medium, and many of them are right in that they do not have.

Many newspaper men say they can not afford to improve their papers because they do not get enough patronage from the business men in the town.

A good live newspaper is one of the town's best advertisements. It will inevitably draw trade to the town. When the people living in the vicinity of a town get a live newspaper once or twice a week, filled with news and the ads of the stores, it is bound to create a desire to visit that town and when the visit is made sales result.

Help your local papers all you can, all good business judgment will allow, and go a little further if possibilities are there. Encourage your paper to help the town, frown on the pessimism and applaud the booster spirit, the intelligent booster, not the effervescent kind that is all hot air and bluff.

Talk about good roads, booster days, fall festivals, fairs, chautauqs, and what not—nothing equals a good live newspaper supported by live merchants for a steady, every-day-in-the-week, genuine, permanent help to a town and its merchants.

J. W. Dittel, of Gillett, Wyo., one of the first settlers in Alliance, is in the city this week, visiting old friends. He had the first saloon in Alliance and built the frame building which now stands just north of the Watson brick store buildings.

Mrs. M. J. Baumgardner has a warm spot in the hearts of The Herald force. She treated them to

a feed of fine roasting ears, raised in her garden in Alliance, the last of the week. So far as we know, these are the first raised here this year, and they were certainly fine. She has one of the finest gardens in town.

Mrs. Ed O'Donnell has been ill for a few days.

Hemingford Hotel

Remodeled and in fine shape. Moderate rates and Excellent service. Experienced management. Give us a trial.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Knight Hemingford, Nebr.

On Your Trip

take with you a box of good

CIGARS and a late

Magazine

Get them at up-town news stand or at depot

Miller Bros.

The Wagner Cafe

(Formerly Alliance Cafe)

CHAS. WAGNER, Proprietor

NEW MANAGEMENT. Completely refurbished and remodeled. A neat clean restaurant that will assure you prompt and courteous treatment.

Sunday Chicken Dinner, 35c

Wagner's Home-Made Bread

Best bread ever sold in Alliance. At groceries and at the restaurant.

FRONTIER WEEK

and Carnival of Shows

At ALLIANCE

STARTING MONDAY, AUG. 4th

Under the auspices of the

Box Butte County Fair Association

Right in the heart of the city on the great White Way

10 Big Shows 10

Riding Devices. Four Big Free Acts. The Greatest Week of Good Happenings in Greater Alliance. Cheap Rates on the R. R. Come to the round-up of Fun.



MEET ME on the FREE MIDWAY Along the GREAT WHITE WAY