

Should Men Talk Business at Home?

One of the real reasons of divorce of interest between men and women of this country is that women do not take an interest in their husband's business.

In accordance with plans of the war department, Surgeon General O'Reilly has recently enlisted a large number of the most skillful and noted surgeons and physicians in an army medical reserve corps.

The Romanes lecture which President Roosevelt has been chosen to deliver at Oxford university in 1910 is given under the provisions of a bequest of the late George John Romanes, an eminent biologist.

Count Boni De Castellane has withdrawn his suit against his former wife for alimony. Considering that she obtained the divorce, the withdrawal of a demand for support is not altogether magnanimous.

One of the little tragedies of the Boxer uprising in China has just come to light. The young American woman who painted the portrait of the late empress dowager wrote recently of the sittings, and mentions the long finger nails of her distinguished subject.

Tragedy in New Jersey. A woman going from one room to another in her house met the harmless, necessary cat carrying a mouse; whereupon the woman screamed and fell dead.

The National Good Roads association was organized by delegates from 38 states in national convention in Chicago, November 21, 1909.

Mme. Curie, co-discoverer with her husband of radium, has been promoted to full professorship in the University of Paris.

England thinks freedom would be very bad for India, and also thinks that India would like to risk the consequences.

How ROOSEVELT MAY HELP TO CHRISTIANIZE AFRICA

Invitation to the President from the Methodist Missionary Society Brings Forth a Surprising Exposition of Missionary Conditions in Africa Which May Be Improved Greatly Through the Coming of the Great White Chief "Pesheya."

WASHINGTON. — The heroes of the dark continent are not all mighty hunters and explorers. The hardest fight that is waged for the opening of the continent is not a fight in the open with wild beasts or howling savages while the world looks on and applauds.

President Roosevelt accepts the invitation of the Methodist Missionary Society to take part in missionary work while traveling through Africa he will have thrown the weight of his influence in the scales for a cause particularly in need of such help.

Great Aid to Missionaries.

Even if the president should not take an active part in the work, he undoubtedly will visit the mission stations, and the mere fact that a chief of such bigness that the full scope of the African imagination hardly can take in his orbit visits familiarly with the missionaries will give a very helpful prestige to them in the eyes of the natives.

On the other hand, President Roosevelt in his writings certainly will touch on the practical side of a work of such significance as that of the Christian missions. The question of the capacity of the African native for civilization must be answered at the mission stations if it is answered at all.

Missionaries have opened the country to white men, and the chief highways penetrating the African continent still are called "missionary roads." When Livingstone's house was sacked, his books torn and scattered to the winds and his medicine bottles broken in revenge for his championship of the natives against the aggressions of the border ruffians, this disaster was the impetus that drove him to his real work as an explorer.

HAVE FORMED LAZY CLUB.

Plan of English Workmen to Discourage the Habit of Being Tidy.

One of the best assets of a manufacturing plant is the interest of employees, and when this develops into friendly rivalry its value is many times increased.

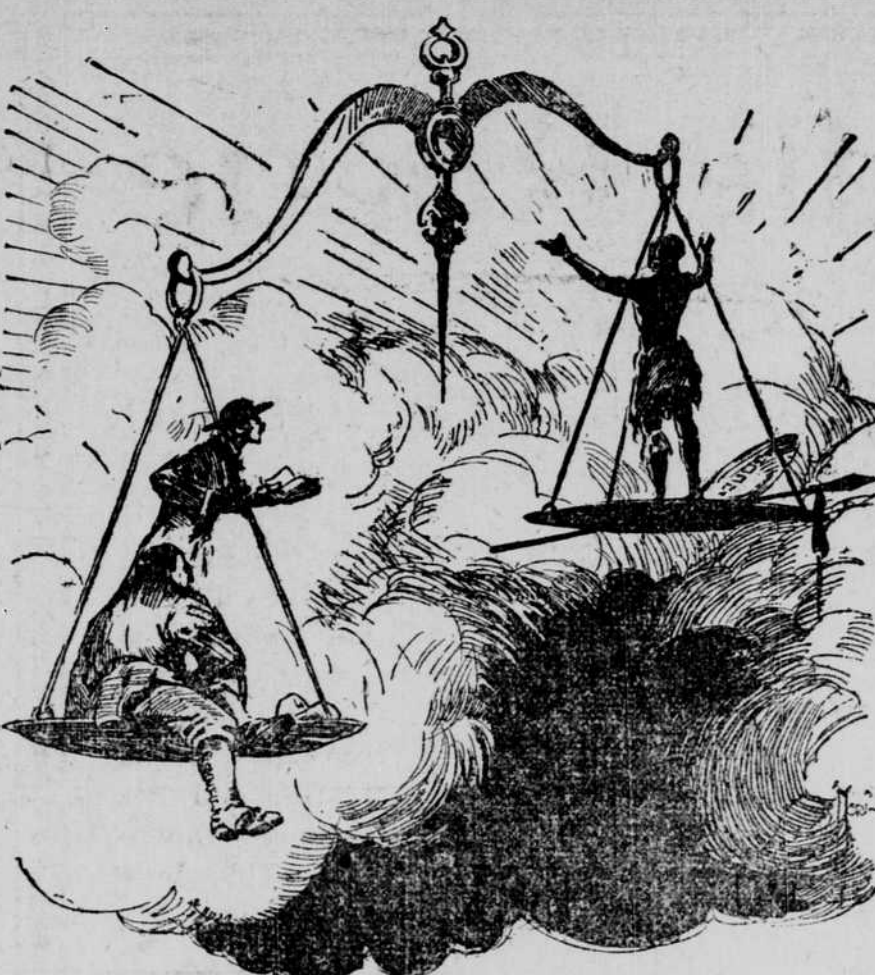
In the engineering shops of a cer-

tain English firm the workmen a year or two ago originated what they called the Lazy club. It was entirely their own idea, which for obvious reasons has received neither recognition nor financial support from the management.

Whenever a workman is more than five minutes late after time he finds the gate locked and he is not allowed to enter until the half hour is up. This half hour is deducted from his wages, but in addition he has also to pay to the treasurer of the Lazy club about five cents for coming late.

If he is late more than once or so during a week everybody is aware of the fact, and the second or third time he makes his appearance after starting time he is greeted with a terrific combination of noises produced on any available material by his fellow workmen.

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children, is no puzzle at all to them. It was thus their own kings lived when they were in their glory. In the same way the agricultural figures of speech in the parables of Christ fit right into their own speech. Their favorite books in the Bible are those that abound in a picturesque imagery such as the Apocalypse, the Book of Job and—best of all—The Song of Solomon.

It is a very different thing when it comes to learning a foreign language and mastering the intricacies of grammar, arithmetic and geography. Grammar might as well be relegated to the outer darkness at once. When you have taught an African native the difference between a verb and a noun you have taught him about as much as his mind can grasp.

Meantime the boys are engaged in the work of the farm or in building or carpentry. The pastor of the station is fortunate if he has a white man to assist him in superintending these branches of the work. More likely he, in addition to his cares as pastor, is physician and magistrate, his own farmer, gardener, builder, architect and furniture maker.

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Bible Images Familiar.

Classes and recitations and more particularly lessons to be prepared of for more violence to the native prejudices. He likes to hear the Bible stories or stories of other countries and to read them for himself when he has mastered the combination of letters in familiar sounds.

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They pick up tunes with surprising readiness, and repeating them with trills and "variations" is an amusement that never palls on them.

It gives the missionary respite for his letters home or to fall asleep over a book or to go out and look at the stars and wonder how it would seem to talk to a man of his own kind or to hear good music or merely to see electric lights, to feel hard pavements under his feet and hear the clanging of street cars.

HOW TO DESTROY EXPLOSIVES.

The best way to destroy ordinary black gunpowder is to throw it into a stream under conditions that prevent any harm coming to human beings or animals through the dissolving of the saltpeter.

To destroy dynamite cartridges the paper wrappings should be carefully removed, the bare cartridges laid in a row with their ends in contact and the first cartridge ignited with a fuse without a cap.

Ammonium nitrate explosives may be thrown in small fragments into an open fire, or if they do not contain nitroglycerine may be destroyed by means of water.

DUST EXPERT IN A WAY.

One Man Who is Constantly Conscious of the Presence of Dust in the Air.

"No matter where you live and how high in the air you always find dust settling on everything everywhere, but," said the near-sighted man, "if you want to realize this fact as you never did before you want to wear spectacles and work at some employment that requires constant bending over."

HER MOTHER-IN-LAW Proved a Wise, Good Friend.

A young woman out in Ia. found a wise, good friend in her mother-in-law, jokes notwithstanding. She writes: "It is two years since we began using Postum in our house."

"While visiting my mother-in-law I remarked that she always made such good coffee, and asked her to tell me how. She laughed and told me it was easy to make good 'coffee' when you use Postum."

Many a girl who is looking for a husband may discover that even after she gets him she may spend most of her time looking for him.

TO APPEAL TO VARIOUS RACES.

Missionaries Provide "Holy Families" of Different Aspects.

A colporteur, delivering a New Year address before a Sunday school, displayed a number of pictures and images of the Holy Family.

"Our Holy Families for missionary use," the colporteur explained, "are always made in the likeness of the people they are to go among."

TOLD TO USE CUTICURA.

After Specialist Failed to Cure Her Intense Itching Eczema—Had Been Tortured and Disfigured But Was Soon Cured of Dread Humor.

"I contracted eczema and suffered intensely for about ten months. At times I thought I would scratch myself to pieces. My face and arms were covered with large red patches, so that I was ashamed to go out."

A SPEEDY ONE.



Miss Tappes—Of course, some typewriters are extremely expert. Clerk—Oh, yes. I know of one who married a rich employer in less than three months.

A Running Broad Jump.

"One day," related Denny to his friend Jerry, "when Oi had wandered too far inland on me shore leave Oi suddenly found that there was a great big haythen, tin feet tall, chasin' me wid a knife as long as yer arm."

How to Know the Trees.

There is an auctioneer whose "gift of gab" and native wit draw many purchasers to his sales, but sometimes he is the subject rather than the cause of amusement.

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CAUGHT.



"I'll give you a penny if you can spell fish." "C-o-d." "That ain't fish." "What is it, then?"

A New Omaha Author.

The winter season always produces an active demand for little story books whose authors aimed to interest and instruct the children.

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