

Loup City Northwestern

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Reluctant Obedience.
A wise puppy being told to lie down in a certain place will obey meekly at the moment, and then, waiting until his master's attention is diverted, will slip slowly away from his post. His reluctance to stay where he is told is not based on a dislike of the spot, for he will often select it for himself—but purely on his prejudice against obedience as such. So the child loves to assert his freedom by doing what he would consider a serious hardship if he were compelled to do it. A keen zest is added to play if it is close to the edge of the forbidden. Like many of the naughtinesses of human kind, desire for the unpermitted underlies the great advances of the race. Erect a barrier, and the child and the man long to climb over it, says the Youth's Companion. The impassable mountain, the unsailed ocean, the mysterious law of nature, the infinitely distant star—these are so many irresistible magnets to the pioneer, and they lead him, through what we may truly call an audacious disobedience, to new worlds and new triumphs of mind over matter. "Why are the cows always getting out of the pasture?" asked the schoolmistress of the old farmer. "Wal, I suppose it's because they want to be where they ain't!" A glorious impulse, which climbs from brute to man—and so on, to the heights of future development! The puppy, the cow, the child, the pioneer, the man of science alike may glory in their reluctant and temporary obedience to the voice which says, "Stay here!"

Bookless Homes.
College teachers report almost incredible ignorance of standard literature among classes that come up to secure the higher education. An examination of the minds of many freshmen brings to light cavities of appalling magnitude; young men from well-to-do homes arrive at the college gates without any of the passwords which admit men to educated society. They have a hazy idea that the Bible is an old book which belongs with "The New England Primer" on the dusty shelves where obsolete publications are put out of the way. They have heard of Shakespeare, but are under the impression that he was a popular novelist. They have no knowledge of Col. Esmond, Mr. Pickwick, Sir Roger de Coverley, Miles Coverdale, or Evangelina. They know something about Rip Van Winkle because they have been to the theater, and for the same reason they are not without impressions of Hamlet, though they fail to associate his tragic career with Shakespeare. The examination papers in English are sometimes far more amusing than the journals which make joking a profession. If it were not for the entrance requirements, says the Outlook, some students who knock at college doors would be as innocent of knowledge of the literature which is supposed to be the common possession of educated men as if they had just arrived from Mars. Bookless homes are merely boarding houses for neglected children.

It may be that science and the doctors will yet prevail on man to sterilize the tempting lips of his lady love before kissing her, but if the latter were consulted she would prefer to have him bring along his barber tools unless he comes with a fresh shave. A Chicago girl has had a man arrested for making her cheeks sore by kissing her while he was in an unrazed condition. It is very annoying to the tender and confiding young woman who has read about kisses in the books suddenly to have a shoe brush shoved against her face, says Chicago Daily News, and to be expected to like that sort of thing. There is room for reform in kissing, but the kisses and not the scientist should say what the reforms should be.

The Seattle university professor who is advising the young men of his classes not to marry until the cost of living is lower, has put himself into direct conflict with the Roosevelt gospel of anti-race suicide. Moreover, he is wasting his breath. The chances are that numbers of his young men are already engaged to "coeds" and will cheerfully marry on nothing a year before next Christmas. Even the shadow of the dollar, says the Cleveland Leader, can not extinguish young love and hope, and fortunate it is for the world that this is so.

There was never a better time than now for the study and practice of scientific dieting. The provision market quotations are furnishing all the requisite inspiration for a more rigid regulation of what we eat. It is not only healthful, but necessary.

Yes, America was indulgent to Spanish ships during the recent war, but Spain distanced us in the matter of such consideration. She refrained from shooting a decent sized hole into our naval outfit.

If the royal baby at Madrid has wanted anything he hasn't got up to date, it is because he hasn't learned yet how to ask for it.

The Rev. Mr. Aked's observation that man does not live by stocks and bonds alone was never truer than in these slumpy times.

Trees don't mind the weather enough to hurt. Moral, send your roots down deep and grow tall in whatever you undertake.

THE BEST HE COULD GET.

Amateur Gardener Could Not Understand Why Seeds Did Not Sprout.

The woes of the amateur gardener are very amusing to others, but decidedly real to the man who has spoiled a suit of clothes, blistered his hands and lost his temper in his efforts to make things grow.

A young man, recently married, early in the spring secured a suburban place, mainly with the idea of "fresh, home-grown vegetables." Every evening he would hurry through his supper and rush out to his garden, where he displayed more energy than skill. But alas! When many little green things began to break the ground in his neighbors' gardens, his own remained as bare as the Sahara.

"It certainly has got me beat," he confided to a friend at his office one day. "I can't understand why not a blessed thing has come up. I planted peas and corn and tomatoes."

"Perhaps the seed were defective," the friend suggested.

"I hardly think it was that," the gardener replied, "for I got the very best—paid 15 cents a can for them."

LIFE INSURANCE A SACRED TRUST.

Evidently President Kingsley of the New York Life Insurance company has learned the great lesson of the times with respect to the responsibility and duty of directors of corporations. Speaking to the new board of trustees, on the occasion of his election to the presidency, he emphasized the fact that "life insurance is more than a private business, that life insurance trustees are public servants, charged at once with the obligations of public service and with the responsibilities that attach to a going business which at the same time must be administered as a trust."

He also realizes that similar responsibilities rest upon the officers of the company. "I understand," he says, "your anxiety in selecting the men who are day by day to carry this trust for you, who are to discharge this trust in your behalf, who are to administer for the benefit of the people involved the multitudinous and exacting details to which it is impossible for you to give personal attention. My long connection with the New York Life—covering nearly twenty years—my service in about every branch of the company's working organization, gives me, as I believe, a profound appreciation, not merely of the heavy burden you have placed on my shoulders, but of the standards of efficiency, the standards of faith, the standards of integrity, which must be maintained at all times by the man who serves you and the policyholders in this high office."

Best of all, perhaps, he feels that words are cheap, and that the public will be satisfied with nothing short of performance. "My thanks, therefore," he continues, "for an honor which outranks any distinction within the reach of my ambition, cannot be expressed in words; they must be read out of the record I make day by day."

PRIVILEGES OF A GENTLEMAN.

Youngster Probably Will Change Ideas in Course of Time.

There is a small boy in this town, says the Baltimore American, the son of a rather distinguished lawyer, who has decided opinions on what constitutes true aristocracy. One day recently a friend called upon his mother, and while waiting for the hostess, was entertained by the small boy.

"What are you going to do when you grow up?" was the stereotyped question she propounded in the effort to start the conversation.

"Oh, I am going to smoke."

"Yes?"

"And chew."

"Oh!"

"And gamble."

"Indeed?"

"And swear."

"Really?"

"And drink corn whisky."

"And why are you going to do such things?" asked the visitor aghast.

"Oh, all southern gentlemen do them."

Careful Public Guardian.

One of the pillars of the city ordinances is a traffic policeman stationed at Fourth avenue and Twenty-third street. He loses no opportunity of making war on persons who drop banana peels in the street. He pounces upon an offender and orders him to pick up the slippery menace to life and limb and to carry it to a receptacle for waste on the sidewalk.

COULDN'T KEEP IT.

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WATER FOR NEW YORK.

WORK ON WORLD'S GREATEST ACQUEDUCT IS BEGUN.

Tremendous Engineering Project Will Cost \$161,000,000 and Is Estimated Will Take From 15 to 20 Years to Complete.

Peekskill, N. Y.—With impressive ceremonies work was formally inaugurated the other day on one of the greatest engineering undertakings in the world's history—the aqueduct which is to supply New York city with water from the Catskill mountain region.

The aqueduct will be the greatest of ancient or modern times. It will cost \$161,000,000—\$20,000,000 in excess of the estimated cost of the Panama canal and 30 times the cost of the

Corinth canal, which the Roman empire under Nero undertook but did not finish.

It is estimated that it will take between 15 and 20 years to complete the aqueduct. When finished it will increase the water supply of the metropolis by 500,000,000 gallons every 24 hours, led under the Hudson river more than 100 miles away from the seven artificial lakes to be constructed in the Catskills, and of these sources that at Ashokan alone will contain more water than all three of the lakes of Killarney.

The building of the aqueduct, which will have the capacity of a small river, beneath the Hudson river and the irregular country adjacent known as the Highlands is an extremely difficult problem. An enormous territory must be drained, whose northern boundary is 130 miles from

'PHONE MARRIAGES ILLEGAL.

Texas Estate Tied Up by Contesting Heirs.

Galveston, Tex.—If the higher courts of Texas affirm the decision of the Nolan county court that a telephone marriage is not a legal marriage there will be a rush or remarriages in Texas, where the telephone fad has been quite popular.

The \$250,000 estate of the late Thomas Wemberley, ranchman, is tied up on this legal point. Upon his death, some months ago, a contest of the will was made by certain relatives, and the question of the legality of the marriage was raised by counsel for relatives of the dead ranchman. This question was fought upon every ground. The court held that a marriage ceremony to be legal must be solemnized by a minister or judge or other authority in the presence of the contracting parties and witnesses, all of whom shall attest the ceremony.

The Wemberleys were united by a telephone ceremony, in which the bride and bridegroom responded to the justice, who married them over a telephone when they were 20 miles apart. There have been several hundred telephone marriages in Texas, and a few years ago an east Texas judge refused to recognize a man and woman as man and wife in a court proceeding because they had been married in this way.

Produces Vegetable Novelties.

Washington.—One of the agents of the department of agriculture working on his New Jersey farm has produced a new vegetable novelty in the shape of a seedless tomato. The variety has been called the Giant, because of the large size that the plant attains.

Six years of experiments was necessary to produce the seedless tomato. Each ordinary tomato contains hundreds of seeds, while the form now developed seldom contains more than 50 seeds, and often none.

Before attaining success in his experiments the government scientist produced large crops of freak tomatoes. Some plants included clusters no larger than peas. In one instance the fruit had the flavor of a strawberry.

Germany Bars Camera Fiends.

Law to Stop Taking of Photographs Without Obtaining Consent.

Berlin.—The snapshot photographer in Germany is threatened with extinction owing to the risk he will run of being mulcted in heavy fines under the new act which goes into force soon.

The right of all persons to the exclusive reproduction of their portraits or those of their houses or belongings is made absolute by the new enactment. The law, however, permits the granting of permission by anyone to a photographer to take his photograph or that of his landscape or of his cattle or horses. But there is danger ahead for the amateur or professional who takes snapshots of some one or something without previously obtaining himself with the necessary authorization. Prosecution and punishment may quickly follow.

Even when requested by a friend to take a photograph of a room with its contents, which the owner may so

FAMILIAR FIFTH AVENUE SIGHT



Miss Anna Held, the famous French actress, and her poodle, who may be seen spinning down "Millionaire's row" most any nice day that she is in New York.

WILL SEEK REVENGE ON STAGE.

Ex-Convict Will Appear in Own Play to Exploit Alleged Wrongs.

Middlebury, Vt.—Declaring his intention of going on the stage and appearing in the star part of a drama of his own production to right his alleged wrongs, John Ketcham, who has been serving a sentence for complicity in the wrecking of the Farmers' National bank of Vergennes, was released recently from the Addison county jail. Ketcham was a teller in the bank and assistant to the cashier, David H. Lewis, who, like Ketcham, was sentenced to prison following the discovery of a shortage of about \$50,000 in 1902. Ketcham has served five years and two months.

Ketcham, by mail correspondence

New York city. In an area of over several hundred square miles entire towns were destroyed to make room for the reservoir. It has been decided to carry the tunnel beneath the famous headland of the Hudson known as Storm King. At this point the viaduct will be built more than 500 feet below the surface of the river.

The aqueduct will be covered throughout its entire length. Much of it will pass far below the surface, where it will be necessary to tunnel. In places where the aqueduct will be above or near the surface it will be built in the form of a trench and later arched over. In such cases even the roof will not be left exposed, but will be covered with earth and stone to strengthen it against all possible attacks of time and weather.

The aqueduct will carry 30 times as much water as did all the famous aqueducts of Rome combined. Twelve reservoirs which must be constructed to hold the enormous flow of water from the various watersheds of the Catskills and adjacent hills will far exceed in size anything of the kind in the world. One of these reservoirs will be 12 miles long, with an average width of one and a half miles. The Ashokan reservoir alone will have a capacity of 170,000,000 gallons, or double the present water supply of New York city.

BEER DRIVES OUT ABSINTHE.

France Takes More of the Former and Less of the Latter.

Paris.—The consumption of beer in France has increased by more than 40 per cent. during the last five years. In 1906 it reached the imposing total of 317,040,000 gallons.

It does not appear that the increased use of beer has diminished in the slightest degree the consumption of wine and cider. But Consul Mason is quoted as saying that, as the consumption of beer increases, that of alcohol, especially in the perfidious form of absinthe, is slowly but steadily decreasing.

The statistics of 1904 show that during that year the amount of absinthe sold for drinking purposes in France fell off more than 130,000 gallons, or 2.8 per cent. This is not a sweeping or conclusive reform, but statistics seem to show that the maximum danger point has been passed.

Much of the beer is imported (or purports to be so) from Pilsen and Munich, though most of the leading breweries in other German cities have Paris agencies and distribute their beer to retailers. This entails high prices to customers, as there is a heavy import duty. Under the stimulus of this protection the brewing industry of France has developed rapidly both in respect to quantity and quality of its product.

The Psychological Moment.

The fact that Priam was closeted with the adjuster did not prevent Cassandra from dropping in to say that she had told him just how it would be. "She was all I saved," murmured the burnt-out monarch, jerking his thumb at the retiring prophetess. "Say no more," rejoined the other. "We'll call the loss total, and if I could make it any more than that, old man, I'd do it, under the circumstances."

This incident shows the value of a word spoken at the right time.—Puck.

Parental Advice.

"Father, I am thinking of getting married."

"All right, my son, but remember that love is not everything. Take care to select a wife who will support you in the style to which you have always been accustomed, or you run the risk of being very unhappy and may be of having to go to work yourself."

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Were He a Bird.

With an ugly sneer he tossed aside the bread which she had made with her own hands.

"If I were only an ostrich—" he began.

But the young woman cut him short.

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