



Brain Leaks

Those who walk by faith are never alone.

Straight voting often makes crooked politics.

Agitation is the deadliest foe of stagnation.

The door of hope has no locks, bolts or bars.

An honest workman never steals his employer's time.

Some men mistake moral dyspepsia for sanctification.

Sunday piety is not an antidote for week day depravity.

A boost is better than a thousand knocks in any market.

When doubt enters the door faith flies out of the window.

When a man begins wondering if he looks his age he does.

Now if it had only been a green persimmon that Eve plucked!

Some people make no bones about the skeletons in their closets.

Men who fear death are those who are always looking backwards.

A receipt for the pew rent is not a pass through the heavenly portals.

It's hard to make your boy believe the stories of your early struggles.

The man who declared that "talk is cheap" lived before the days of telephone bills.

When a man is convinced that he is right he can submit to a great many wrongs.

The quicker you lift a fallen brother the less danger there is that he will drag you down to his level.

Every time you see an undersized man married to a big wife it's almost a cinch he calls her "Birdie."

If we were worth 'steen millions we would take great delight in talking about the blessings of poverty.

Many a fool has secured a reputation for wisdom merely by knowing enough to keep his mouth shut.

There will be something new under the sun when some multi-millionaire admits that poverty is a hard grind.

Job acquired the reputation of being a patient man, but he lived before the days of flats and amateur cornetists.

Right now is when the city man puts in his evenings planning how he

would make garden in the spring if he had land enough to begin on.

You will cheerfully admit that the printer earns good wages after you have tried to read some "popular novels."

Gold minted from the toil of children does not have a musical sound when dropped into the church collection box.

Some men never look into the Bible until they want to find some scripture they can distort into an excuse for their meanness.

A lot of homes would be happier if some husbands would treat their wives as well and as often as they treat their friends.

Mr. Harriman may not know it, but he is showing Uncle Sam how easy it is for one individual to take control of all the railroads.

Isn't it funny how well preserved a man's summer trousers look to him when the thermometer is pointing to ten or twelve below?

People who have tried fighting the devil with fire have gained some valuable lessons in the handling of the devil's favorite weapon.

In this golden age there is no doubt that the lamp of knowledge will continue to burn as long as a trust can make us pay any price it sets on the oil it sells.

A whole lot of men who talk loud and long about civic righteousness are responsible for a lot of bad language by neglecting to sift ashes on their icy sidewalks.

Deserves a Medal

Years ago a little woman in north-west Missouri was left a widow. The long illness of her husband exhausted their little resources, and when the husband and father was laid away the widow found herself penniless with four little children.

She did not sit down to weep and repine. Her grief was deep, but her duties were heavy. She faced those duties bravely and performed them well. With her own unaided hands she provided for her little flock. She kept them well fed and well clothed, and gave them every educational advantage. During all these years of strenuous labor and heavy responsibility she found time to scatter sunshine into many dark places. Her example was an inspiration to the people of her community. Her three boys grew to young manhood and started in life for themselves. All three of them are model citizens and have achieved success in their chosen professions. One is a prosperous lawyer, another a successful physician and the other a civil engineer whose ability is recognized throughout the country. The youngest child, a daughter, was a successful teacher for several years, and a few weeks ago was married to a wealthy merchant.

The little mother, old in years but still young in spirit, is now enjoying the evening of her life, free from worry and from care, and happy in the knowledge that she has performed her full duty as a mother and as a citizen.

In the distribution of hero medals should this noble little woman be overlooked?

Judged

The Pompous and Self-Sufficient Man, after years of posing and activity, found himself at last before the

gate presided over by St. Peter.

"You will have to show cause before you enter in," remarked the guardian of the portals.

"I was a big man among big men while on earth," said the applicant.

"Men are all of one size inside these gates," said St. Peter.

"I gave millions to educational institutions," said the applicant.

"There are no millions to give here," said St. Peter.

"I furnished employment for thousands of people who otherwise might have suffered," said the applicant.

"You made your profit from their work, and have nothing more coming to you from that source," said St. Peter.

"But I paid heavy taxes on my property for the support of public schools," pleaded the applicant.

"Speaking of public schools," said St. Peter, "reminds me of children; and speaking of children reminds me that you mentioned manufacturing establishments. I'll look up the record."

Calling the Recording Angel to bring the books, St. Peter turned to the proper page and scanned it for a long time. Then pressing a button he called the elevator up from below and said to the man:

"You paid taxes for public schools, then brought about industrial conditions that forced the little ones into your factories and shut the doors of the schools in their faces. I find the page in the record devoted to you stained by the blood and tears of little ones from whom you stole the play time of youth. The elevator on your left will carry you down. Step lively, please."

Different

"Did young Kickerly work his way through college?"

"No, he kicked his way through. He was the star punter of the football team."

Best Scheme

"Bingerly made a fortune out of automobiles last year."

"Selling them?"

"No."

"Repairing them?"

"No."

"How, then?"

"Advertising them."

Satisfactory

"Look here, Swiggins; did you tell Biggins I was the biggest liar on earth?"

"I did not, sir. I merely told Biggins that a gas metre was the only thing that could beat you at the lying game."

"O, well; if that's what you said, all right. But I won't allow any man to call me the biggest liar on earth."

In a Hurry

I do not know that money talks. If it does 'twould appear it goes through my hands so very quick I never get to hear it.

—Judd Lewis, in Houston Post.

It doesn't talk, that I avow, When down my way it flutters, I've got to shove it on so fast That it just fairly stutters.

Great Scheme

"That young Dr. Smoothun seems to be getting a splendid practice."

"You bet he is, and the scheme he works entitles him to it."

"What's the scheme?"

"When a man or woman consults him he pretends to believe that their nerves are all unstrung on account of speeding too rapidly in their automobile. It tickles the patients so much to think that any one imagines they own an automobile that they recommend Dr. Smoothun to their friends."

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