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It is funny how sound a man can sleep when his wife crawls over him to build the kitchen fire.

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The roses that bloom on a woman's cheeks should find their roots in good health instead of a drug store.

They are not called chaperones these days, a word has been found which fits the case better. The new word is "promoter."

Jas. Burden went to a kissing party last week and got his mustache so full of tutti frutti that it was necessary to amputate it before he returned home. Don't tell his wife.

The divorce—we mean district court, which often enables a man and woman to live happy forever afterward, meets on the 15th of April. "You'll have to hurry."

A person sitting down and brooding over the past reminds us of a hen sitting on china eggs. One will accomplish about as much as the other, but both will live and learn.

When a young woman marries an old man and has romantic notions about being an old man's darling, she generally finds herself taking care of an old man in his second childhood instead of a baby in its first childhood.

A young lady in an eastern department store has recently fallen heir to \$5,000 for kindness and courtesy extended to a customer. Young ladies in Red Cloud department stores will please take note as we don't expect to live to be over seventy-five.

A boy of seven can have a whole lot of fun for five cents. At ten years it takes a quarter. At fifteen years it takes a V. At eighteen years it takes an X. At twenty years it takes a XX. At twenty-five years expenses don't count.

Some women want to vote and some don't want to vote. Let the men vote on the question as to which class of these women are the sweetest, most congenial and best housewives. We bet the don't want to carry by a large majority.

One stupid father in our city is very indignant because a young man has been calling on his daughter for the past two years and finally proposed that they leave papa out and live together in the future. What the dickens did he think they were talking about all that time?

The principal time in an old bachelor's life when he wishes there was a woman around is when he sews on a button and has to get up against the wall and push the needle half way through and then grab it in his teeth and pull it the rest of the way and then repeat the operation.

A number of the grass widows are kicking on the uniform divorce law. They appear to be of the opinion that they will have to wear a new kind of uniform so that the unsuspecting man will be enabled to distinguish them from common people. In this they are mistaken. This is not the intent of the law.

Many a man who has failed to make himself, has been made by marrying the right woman. And it occasionally happens that a man, otherwise all right, goes wrong as a result of marrying the wrong woman. There are as many different grades of women as there are of cigars, and like cigars they are not always what they look like.

The true sportsman is careful to note before shooting that his bullet or shot will do no damage except to the proper game. He closes and fastens the farmer's gates when he passes through, and refrains from firing his gun near the farmer's house and thus annoying the farmer's family. He does not shoot tame pigeons, or a hole through the fan of the windmill; he recognizes that he is favored by being allowed on the premises for a hunt, and proceeds to do that one thing. If each person who goes out with a gun and dog would exercise ordinary care, most lands would be open for decent hunters at any and all times.

There is one man in this city who is certainly to be pitied, and we refrain

from giving his name for that reason. He had chewed about twenty cents worth of tobacco per week and for economy's sake concluded to take the tobacco cure. During the first two weeks he used \$1.50 worth of cure, fifty cents worth of gum, several pounds of gum drops, and aside from this he consumed twelve large Faber ink erasers, six the rubber tips from fourteen lead pencils, chewed up a dozen penholders, and browsed off his mustache as high up as he could reach. He is now chewing tobacco for economy's sake.

Dr. Talmage, the great divine, says "religion prolongs life." That may be true, but some of the wickedest old sinners the devil ever claimed were old in years and crime. This proposition will pass for an off-hand statement from a pulpit, but when you come down to facts and common sense there cannot be any age limit to the piety question. Some of the most wicked and disreputable of men and women live to ease and defile their grand children and great grand children. We have often been told that "the good die young," but Mr. Talmage announces that piety brings old age. Now it would be perfectly in line for Mr. Talmage to advance an idea to the young between the ages of one minute and sweet sixteen whereby they might attain old age.

A young man born in this country has reason to congratulate himself. He comes at a time when all our young men have before them the greatest duties and the greatest rewards. The very atmosphere of the land is instructive and educative. It is in the air that there are important things to do, and nobody lacks urging and incentive to prepare himself for future duties. He can see on every hand fields which are sure to develop, into which he may enter, and, by striving, with brain and brawn, secure himself high position. From farming to war the chances of success are innumerable, and the profit large. They are ready to hand for those who are just entering the world as infants, and those who brave it as young men of age. The twentieth century holds something for every one.

Don't kick! If somebody is prospering or getting along a little better than you, let him prosper. Don't grunt and grumble; don't kick. Say a good word for him, look pleased, and let it go at that. If you see the town is getting along nicely feel good about it. Help things along. Solve a little, and try to get a little of the benefit yourself. Don't stand around like a bump on a log and waste your time feeling sore because some other person has had the sense to forge ahead and prosper. Do a little hustling yourself, but don't kick. If you are sore, and disposed to say something mean, keep your mouth shut. Don't kick. No man ever raised himself up permanently by kicking some one else down. We are helped when we help our brother. Be ready to give a kind word. Give it liberally. It won't cost you a cent, and you may want one yourself some day. If you want to throw something at somebody let it be roses, bouquets and cologne. Don't throw mud, don't kick. However, if you must kick, lead yourself around behind the smoke house and take a good kick at yourself.

Cincinnati sent out the following press dispatch a short time ago which we take from the New York Clipper: "Carrie Nation will travel during the season of 1901 with the Walter L. Main Shows. Negotiations have been carried on with her with a view to her en-

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engagement and today Mr. Main announced personally that her services had been secured. She will be featured throughout the country over all other attractions and will appear before the show audiences, according to the contract just offered her, only thirty minutes during the day. In the menagerie tent she will give a fifteen minutes talk on temperance during the afternoon and evening performances. A special tableaux wagon will be devoted to her, making her a big feature of the street spectacle. Several vaudeville managers were offering contracts to the temperance crusader, and it was at enormous expense that she could be induced to give her consent to accepting the terms offered her by Mr. Main. She will have a quarter section of a Pullman car, will be provided with a maid and all her meals will be served in her private apartments, making the fatigue of travel as light as possible. For the furthering of the cause which she represents Mr. Main has consented to allow the Main circus tent to be raised for her exclusive use on Sunday afternoons.

BLUE HILL.
March has been growing and showing her teeth.

Judge Sweezy has been confined to the house for some days.

W. S. Ashby of Oxford spent Friday and Saturday here, visiting friends.

Doctor Fulkerson left Monday on a health seeking trip to Texas and other southern states.

Miss Dora Acree has taken a position as clerk for H. F. Hallett, the new wall paper man.

Spring seems to be lingering in the lap of winter. This is original. Never saw it before, did you?

Hon. Louis Peisiger, member of the legislature was at home for Sunday. He squared himself in the matter of that lady caller.

The Presbyterian people, having heard that cleanliness and godliness are compatible, are papering their church building.

There has been much speculation here as to the identity of "Columbus" but since the Blue Hill Leader copied our poem from the Kansas City Journal, we cannot successfully deny that "we are it."

Fred Wehnes is building a two thousand dollar residence just east of the Christian church. While not a large house it will be one of the finest finished in town.

The whist club meets Saturday evening at the home of A. D. McNeer. This will be the last meeting of the season.

Mrs. Newcomer has been spending a few days at Kearney, visiting relatives.

A nine dollar law suit over a hog occupied the attention of Judge Hilton and several lawyers all day Saturday. The costs represented the value of quite a flock of hogs.

After a brief illness, Mrs. W. H. Skelton died last Saturday. She was buried on Monday, a large concourse of friends following her remains to the cemetery. She was a member of the Degree of Honor and Royal Neighbors and of the Christian church.

I sing the praise of Ireland's ancient saint,
The glorious Patrick, who without constraint
Of wife or child, to vex or give unrest,
Was, of all fish saints, the first and best;
With giant energy and mighty toll
He baulched every snake from Erin's soil;
He drove the dirty reptiles to the sea,
Whence, turned to eels, they're served to you and me.

Some fifteen hundred years have passed since then,
Some change has fallen to the lot of men;
St. Patrick, I infer, ne'er rode a bike
Or drove an automobile down the pike;
The ancient writers fall to state, alas,
If Patrick used or didn't use, a pass,
Or if he called a ya-hut or fiddled, well
Or how he voted, they forgot to tell.

I hardly think that, if the truth were known,
He ever gessed through a telephone,
Or ever took his priestly vestments off
To wear a blazer while he played at golf;
But let us not attempt to modernize
This saint whose words and life were true and wise;

Who first the standard of the cross upraised
On Ireland's soil must be forever praised,
Since Patrick's day when snakes were driven out,
The Irishman has roamed the world about,
By scores, by thousands, hundreds or alone,
At home in every country save his own;
He dons today the badge that makes him one
With every other Celt beneath the sun;
Let Irish faith and loyalty be seen,
Let's celebrate the day and wear the green.

COLUMBUS.

LINE.
Weather stormy.

E. W. Anderson was the guest of Will Aubushon this week.

Mrs. J. C. Foutz and children of Guide Rock were the guests of William VanDyk last week.

Mrs. Sufferland of Bostwick and Mrs. Taylor of Guide Rock were the guests of Mrs. Wilder this week.

Mrs. Reeves of Guide Rock has moved in with her son-in-law James Keagle and will make that her future home.

Mrs. Ruben Keagle of Carlisle, Oklahoma, is visiting friends in Line this week and reports the winter wheat looking fine and gardens ready for use.

bride is the daughter of J. M. Guthrie who formerly resided in this county.

Rev. Simms preached at District 8 last Saturday.

Louis Aubushon will farm the Ceph Rosencrans place on Buffalo creek this year.

Richard Keagle is around again after a siege of grip.

The meeting at Pleasant Dale was largely attended Sunday. Mrs. Miller preached in the morning and Mr. Miller in the evening. They will conduct a series of meetings next week.

A union Sunday school was organized at Pleasant Dale last Sunday. George Mountford was elected superintendent and E. W. Anderson, assistant. Will meet the first Sunday in April.

The literary has closed for the season. V. H. Scribner was doing business in Line this week and reports his peaches all right.

Ernest Beau-champ is on the sick list this week.

W. I. Haskins is the owner of a new windmill.

Some of the boys made a disturbance at Pleasant Dale Sunday night. They had better look a little out or they might get in trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Amack of Garfield were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Throckmerton Sunday.

Will Aubushon and Ed. Mountford made a business trip to Smith county.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Bloomington were the guests of Wm. Vandyke this week.

Sowing oats is the order of the day.

STATE CREEK.
Mrs. Davis who has been sick for some time is convalescing.

Mrs. Wm. Mackey is up and around again after a serious spell of sickness.

Abel Malode of Iowa who formerly lived here, was visiting his sister Mrs. Davis last week.

The literaries have all closed. We think it best, as it was almost impossible to have any order at Andersonville.

Mr. Gilbert of Red Cloud has moved to Andersonville.

Dave Haskins has moved to North Branch.

V. H. Scribner says the Judson correspondent had better move to Andersonville as he picks up most of his items on State creek. The correspondent went after him through last week's Argus and he says to come at him through the CHIEF or some other paper he reads and not take under holts that way. If it is some little fellow that has taken exceptions to the name of the town he need not, for it is named after General Anderson of Ft. Sumpter.

Lawrence Fitzgerald of Missouri, a nephew of C. Arbuckle, is visiting among relatives this week.

Dave Elliott, the popular assessor of Logan township is now trying to find out what the people are worth this year.

Prof. Frazier's school at Mt. Hope will close in two more weeks with an entertainment. He has taught a very successful term of two months.

The Wm. Vandyke residence is going up fast, several carpenters being at work on it.

One of the Smith county examinations was held at the Mt. Hope school house last Saturday and was well attended, several school districts being represented.

In the State Creek items two weeks ago there was a little mistake concerning Jack Wilmot. It made him out as running a pottery instead of a poultry yard.

Chas. Barrett's little girl is on the sick list.

The people of this part differ wonderfully as to the time to sow alfalfa, their opinions ranging from April 1st to June 1st. Will some authority help us out on this.

Oats sowing commenced last Monday. Several were seen in the fields on that day, though they never came out to see their shadows the next day.

OCCASIONAL.

GARFIELD.
Ed. White was over on Lost Creek last Sunday.

H. C. Wolf has commenced sowing his oats and plowing them in.

Geo. Wolf has a twelve pound boy. Doc says he never did like to work, and now that the boy is big enough to milk, he can sit and smoke and take comfort.

McClelland's sale was postponed on account of the windy weather.

The Martin Cemetery Burial board held their annual meeting Wednesday and elected their officers.

John Campbell has been building an addition to his residence. It is nearly completed.

Graveyard Stanser has purchased a good mare from Mr. Coon for \$100.

in light marching order and seemed to be dancing a jig to the tune of "Fishers' Hornpipe" or on a wild, go-as-you-please race for the Gulf with no time to loiter by the way.

Rev. Lemon was in Garfield Thursday taking some views.

The school in Dist. No. 30 was not in session the last of the week.

Charles Wolf was thrown from his buggy last Tuesday breaking his leg. Dr. Beck was called in to reduce the fracture and the patient is resting as well as could be expected.

What We Ode to the Wind.
Gee whiz!
Most a bliz—
I like to friz
In that mix of Spring and Winter weather:
Dirt and dust,
Eat I must,
If I bust,
When Spring and Winter blew out and in together,
Nebraska soil,
In a coil,
Rich as oil,
Was caught in that Spring and Winter blast,
Made to fly,
Low and high,
In your eye,
By that Spring and Winter zephyr lately past,
—Sto.

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