

In Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Virginia convicts are so worked as to be a source of profits to the state.

It is better to work too hard than too little. Mischievous is an ever ready enticer to the idle.

Fault-finding men are too apt to like everything not on the bill of fare.

The average story in a crowd of good fellows is wasted because each man is too busily engaged in thinking up one of his own to tell next.

It is hard in these days of great wealth, trusts, graft and favoritism to make the average American believe that every man is created free and equal.

A Nebraska woman by mistake used white canvas shoe cleaner for rouge. Now her face squeaks every time she talks.

There is no refuge from confession but suicide; and suicide is confession.

The problem about some of the problem plays is why people go to 'em.

The boy who knows bargains in socks makes the man who knows bargains in stocks.

It is estimated that in productive efficiency three outside laborers are equal to five convict laborers on an average.

One country, one constitution one destiny.

God grants liberty only to those who love it, and are always ready to guard and defend it.

No matter how small a man's salary is there is always some woman who will help him decide two cars get along on it.

If a mountain of soap really has been discovered in Kansas it will be well to keep that fact quiet until the great army of the unwashed has helped to harvest the bumper crop of the year. A mountain of soap would not be a big drawing card for hobo harvesters.

"Love is an intoxication," shouts a newly engaged young man—but it costs more than five cents a glass, as he will discover later.

The happiest man is the lazy individual who wouldn't recognize ambition in the same sleeping car berth.

It is said the art of whistling will soon be counted among the lost unless there is a revival of the cheery spirit that seems to be forsaking men. Nobody whistles as he works in these strenuous days. He has too much on his mind to pucker his lips in a whistle. Nor does he hum or sing to himself for that matter. Life is, if not downright sad, too busy for that joyous and unconscious expression of contentment.

It is simply the vocal chords which vibrate, not the throat. In the lower notes the whole length and thickness of the vocal chords are used, the thin edges being employed for the highest ones. Thus in speaking for a minute or two there is sufficient vibration engendered in the throat, were its walls of a solid nature instead of soft and flexible, to shatter and destroy it. Every minute we speak the vocal chords vibrate from 20,000 to 40,000 times.

The best way for a man to get rid of mosquitos is to wear high shoes and buy his wife a half dozen nice openwork shirt waists.

#### SALLOW FACES

Often Caused by Coffee Drinking. How many persons realize that coffee so disturbs digestion that it produces a muddy, yellow complexion?

A ten days' trial of Postum Food Coffee has proven a means, in thousands of cases, of clearing up bad complexions.

A Washington young lady tells her experience:

"All of us—father, mother, sister and brother—had used tea and coffee for many years until finally we all had stomach troubles more or less.

"We were all sallow and troubled with pimples, breath bad, disagreeable taste in the mouth, and all of us simply so many bundles of nerves.

"We didn't realize that coffee was the cause of the trouble until one day we ran out of coffee and went to borrow some from a neighbor. She gave us some Postum and told us to try that.

"Although we started to make it, we all felt sure we would be sick if we missed our strong coffee, but we were forced to try Postum and were surprised to find it delicious.

"We read the statements on the pkg. got more, and in a month and a half you wouldn't have known us. We were all able to digest our food without any trouble, each one's skin became clear, tongues cleaned off and nerves in fine condition. We never use anything now but Postum. There is nothing like it."

Read the little book, "The Sallow Face," by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

### TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

#### A CHOICE SELECTION OF INTERESTING ITEMS.

##### Comments and Criticisms Based Upon the Happenings of the Day—Historical and News Notes.

The squeezeless waltz is no doubt the forerunner of the kissless lass.

If Professor Brander Matthews is to be thorough should he not drop a t?

Now that Haakon has got it firmly fastened on, will he sleep as well o' nights?

History repeats itself in Russia, and invariably the results are unpleasant to contemplate.

Of course the man who thinks as highly of himself as you do of yourself is conceited.

Judging from the conduct of some of the white officials, the Congo Free State should be called the Congo Spree State.

Almost every man of experience has noticed that when he tells a girl how beautiful she is she doesn't seem surprised.

One would naturally think that the Russian giant who stands 6 feet 3 in his stockings, would be greatly needed at home.

The published portraits of Miss Bertha Krupp don't look as if she needed that income of \$5,000,000 a year to land a husband.

Henry Labouche says all anarchists are lunatics. We can't agree with him. We believe some anarchists are merely lazy.

The "sisterhood of States" had to move up and make room for Oklahoma just when Delaware began to feel that she is entitled to a little more elbow room.

Mark Twain has written an appreciation of W. D. Howells. Mr. Howells is worthy of it, notwithstanding the fact that he has never written one of the six best sellers.

A large part of the Russian army has mutilated. We are almost positive that Nicholas in ignoring our oft-repeated advice to run is going to hang around until it will be too late.

It must not be supposed that the manufacturers of black pepper are confined to the use of lampblack and tallow. They can make an excellent article out of ground coconut shells.

Colonel Watterson tells the young men to "go South," while Uncle Yim Hill bids them go West by North. Torn by conflicting emotions, most of the young men probably will remain where they are.

A lady who is suing for divorce after a honeymoon which has lasted for three months says she married the man because he owned a new automobile. In the absence of further particulars we assume that the machine is broken down.

Civic pride will preserve and improve the great cities of the United States in spite of pessimists who are constantly prophesying that these centers of population will become so corrupt they will soon be undesirable for residential and business purposes. The pessimists overlook the important fact that the people are honest and that their verdict on public measures is generally correct. The residents of the leading cities are more interested to-day than ever in the improvement of their political, financial and domestic affairs.

Push has made American men what they are to-day. It is the great American spirit condensed into a monosyllable. Hand in hand with push goes publicity as a motive power toward success. The two are so close that it is difficult to know them apart. The man of push is a champion of publicity. If he has a good thing he wishes the public to know about it. If he has goods to sell there must be push and publicity if he would convert those goods into income. What is the use of having the goods to sell if no one knows of them? How are the buyers to be found? Push and publicity will provide the articles to be sold and the persons to buy them. Push and publicity are the antidotes of stagnation and starvation.

Not one woman in ten thousand takes employment for wages without a reservation in favor of marriage when the right man happens to come her way. Not one woman in ten thousand of the army of wage earners expects to pass her life in that capacity. She has therefore little or no incentive to advance herself to a position of responsible trust and corresponding usefulness, whereas the young man that takes employment does so in the expectation of making himself more and always more useful to the interest he serves till he reaches the height of his possibilities. Right here, indeed, is the heart of the mys-

tery. It is an ancient but brutal epigram that "there is no friendship in business." The same is true of sentiment.

In this popular government the people not only elect their public officers, but undertake, in good right, to instruct them. The officer who listens to the voice of the people acts as a wise politician; more than that, he shows himself a faithful, conscientious servant. His great problem is to know just what utterance is the voice of the people. A hundred newspapers tell him what to do; the newspapers disagree, and it is hard for him to know which express the will of the majority. Two deputations wait upon him, one urging one thing, the other urging the opposite thing. Worst of all his troubles is a petition signed by many people. The petition requests him to pardon a convicted man, or help to expel a member of the body to which he belongs, or use his influence for some measure which he does not believe in. There always must come to him the question whether he should do what he believes is right or what so many petitioners apparently believe is right. Many persons sign petitions not in accordance with positive conviction, but in compliance with the requests of friends.

It is the fashion nowadays to deplore the general want of moral principle and to lament lugubriously the decline of old-fashioned honesty. But, really, how about the old-fashioned honesty? It is always easy to see a saint in a dead relative, just as it is easy to see a statesman in a dead politician. Grandfather's virtues, like grandfather's clocks, may be a badge of respectability, but in our own day they are not always in good running order. Our forefathers were no better than we are—indeed, to judge from the criticism of their contemporaries, they were a good deal worse. The world in which old-fashioned honesty lived was singularly uncomplicated. Smith knew Jones and Jones knew Smith, and if the one did not cheat the other there was every chance that each would die in the odor of respectability. Individualism set the limits to old-fashioned honesty. We need this individualistic honesty to-day, and we have it. But we need to-day a very much bigger sort of honesty—an honesty which sees that our obligations are set not alone by our relations with each other, but also by our relations with municipalities and states, with a nation and a world. Such honesty is not any too common, but it is growing. Men have gone down to their mausoleums labeled honest millionaires who were directors in corporations whose methods would bring blushes to the cheek of a confidence man. According to the standard of old-fashioned honesty there was nothing to be said against these honest millionaires. But from the point of view of the new honesty they were thieves, though they robbed legally. One does not need to be an academic optimist to see the beginning of this new-fashioned honesty. We are doing the best we can to shape up law which shall express a new social conscience. Morality is always a generation or two ahead of legality. The number of offenses against the moral and legal codes is increasing enormously. Moral principle never cut so large a figure in the affairs of this American people as it does now. Our godly ancestors had one moral qualm where we have twenty. It never occurred to them that a lottery was wrong, or that it was wicked to whip a child or a wife, or to enslave the black man and cheat and debauch the red man. Nine out of ten of the little conscientious niceties of life are discoveries of the last fifty years. More societies to do all sorts of good and work all kinds of reforms were created in the last two generations than had been formed or thought of before from the beginning of the world.

#### THE NEWER RECREATION.



Robinson—Hullo, Brown. Fine color you've got!—Golf, I suppose?  
Brown—(with dignity)—I don't golf. I garden!—New York Press.

#### Looks Possible.

Church—Wonder how Philadelphia manages to escape the flat wheel cars?  
Gotham—Why, don't they have any there?  
"I don't suppose they do. If they did, the people couldn't sleep so much."—Yonkers Statesman.

Many a man will earn an honest day's pay while another is planning schemes that will not work.

Hard labor is not always the path to success. There is the hard labor of a convict, for instance.

America has furnished to the world the character of Washington. And if our American institutions had done nothing else, that alone would have entitled them to the respect of mankind.

An eastern writer is endeavoring to take away the halo from the head of the barefoot boy and place it on the crown of the brown haired girl. Many brown haired girls "dyed" which still leaves the barefoot boy in the center of the stage. No peroxyde for him!

John Morley, who is "a great lover of animals, always has a pet dog sitting on his lap when he is writing in his study.



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Because you cannot admire a man is no reason why you should hate him.

Contractors for prison labor pay about 57 per cent, or a little over half, what is paid outside labor for the same work.

Whatever makes men good Christians, makes them good citizens.

The average man would grow rich if he could sell his great schemes six for a quarter.

To produce with outside labor a year's output of prisons, would require \$11,915,429 in wages.

I would recommend taking a table-spoon of olive oil right after each meal. Take only the very best. I would recommend drinking with meals and munching things between meals. Eat plenty of pure sugar and don't worry.

Young Chisholm was one of the most popular young men socially and personally in Birmingham. He comes from one of the best families in the south.

Too many people have only sympathy for the deserving poor.

#### COULD NOT KEEP UP.

Broken Down, Like Many Another Woman, with Exhausting Kidney Troubles.

Mrs. A. Taylor, of Wharton, N. J., says: "I had kidney trouble in its most painful and severe form, and the torture I went through now seems to have been almost unbearable. I had backache, pains in the side and loins, dizzy spells and hot, feverish headaches. There were bearing-down pains, and the kidney secretions passed too frequently, and with a burning sensation. They showed sediment. I became discouraged, weak, languid and depressed, so sick and weak that I could not keep up. As doctors did not cure me I decided to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and with such success that my troubles were all gone after using eight boxes, and my strength, ambition and general health is fine."

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A friend of mine who is barred from Greek societies is bound to be in the swim anyhow. He has formed a society to be known as the "Eat-a-Bite-a-Pi Society" and has named himself as president and general consumer of club property.

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