

# Our Women and Children

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## OUR COUNTRY

If it had been permitted us to choose a place and time for our existence, we could have chosen no place more conducive to health, hope and happiness than upon American soil and no age more glorious and full of opportunities than this, the twentieth century.

We would have let pass by aesthetic Greece in the golden age of Pericles and imperial Rome in the prosperous days of Augustus Caesar. No time, no land could have appealed to us so much as this land of ours in this day of ours.

It is true that the great principle of the brotherhood of man is not in operation toward the Negro; it is true that he is not given all the rights granted to its citizens by the constitution of this country; and that he still suffers many humiliations on account of race prejudice.

Regardless of all this we are optimistic. Obstacles often act as incentives to higher things. The outlook grows brighter every day. Men's rights must always prevail against men's wrongs. We should be too busy availing ourselves of the opportunities we have, to complain of the privileges which we do not have. Our rise has been so rapid that it is unprecedented.

This is a day of the evolution of our race. A day of the rise of our women. A day of hope for our mothers. A day of opportunities and possibilities for our children. A day of success for any man who struggles and labors to win. It should make us glad to form a part of a nation, whose natural beauty and resources, whose institutions and civilization, and whose wonderful opportunities rank second to none in all the world. L. S. E.

## A NEW YEAR'S BANK

"I have a bank," said Billy Bly.  
 "What do you think goes in it?  
 All pleasant words and deeds that I  
 Can crowd into each minute.  
 The interest is happiness,  
 And I am sure it pays!  
 The bank? You all know that, I  
 guess—  
 The year, with all its days."  
 The Youth's Companion.

## BOYS AND GIRLS

The difference is apparent early: A boy has as much fun in stoning a cat as a girl has in hunting for violets. A boy's curiosity is directed to the ice box; a girl would like to see what is in the top bureau drawer.

A girl can give the impression when away from home that her parents are wealthy; a boy cannot.

Every boy is old enough to be welcome to sit in the neighbor girl's parlor many years before his sister thinks he is old enough to sit in the parlor at home.

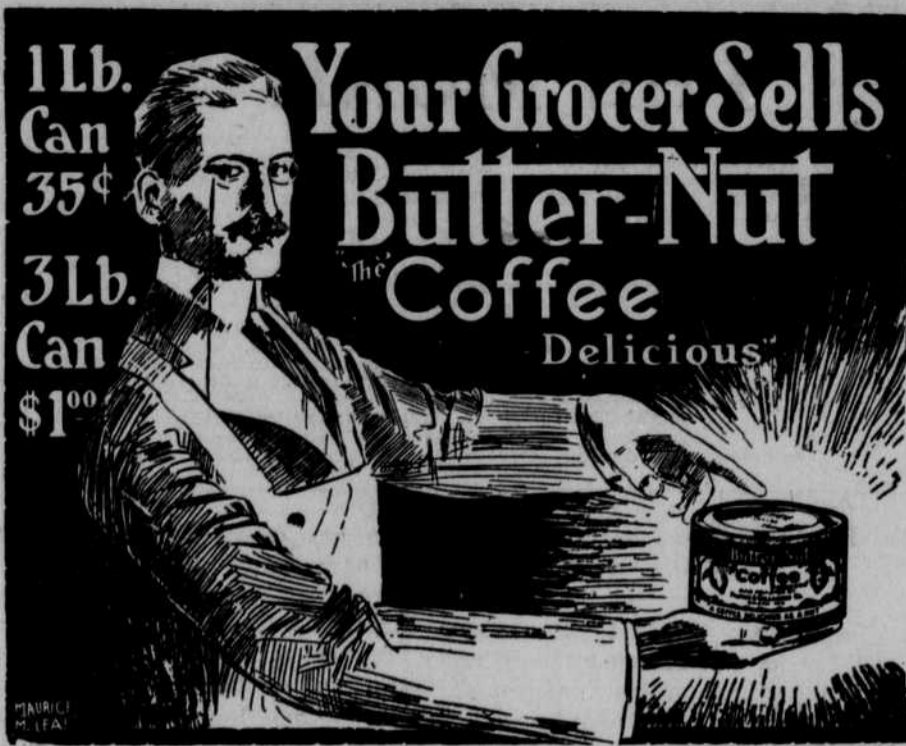
A girl is never so young that she will reveal to guests at a party that the spoons are borrowed; a boy child never grows so old that he fails to.

Give the boy a dollar and he will eat it; give his sister one and she will wear it.

A brother and sister may have hair of the same shade, but the boy's is called red and the girl's auburn.

When brothers fight, it is over the larger share of pie; when sisters quarrel, one has worn something belonging to the other without asking permission.—Ex.

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