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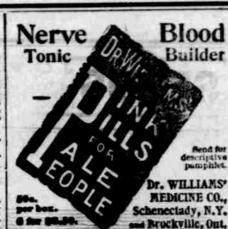
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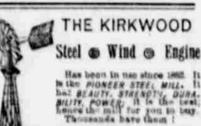
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MEDALS, HEIRLOOMS, ETC.

Dr. Alexander Imbert has imported from Europe a collection of watches of great value. The collection contains upwards of seventy-five timepieces, and dates from the time of Louis XIV.

The design for the exposition medal submitted by Aug. St. Gaudens to the secretary of the treasury will be of bronze. On the obverse side is a relief figure of Columbus and on the reverse the figure representing youth.

The sheriff of Tacoma, Wash, issued cards for a recent execution in the jail yard at that place printed in gilded letters on heavy black cardboard, cabinet size, with a vignette photograph of the "host" on the upper left hand corner.

Major M. M. Clothier of Whatcom, Ore., has a hickory cane cut at Plymouth Rock, Mass., in 1621, by Nathaniel Pierce, who came over in the Mayflower. The cane has been passed down to the eldest son or daughter for many generations.

The first carriage to cross the new stone bridge over Otter creek at Middlebury, Vt., which was traversed by vehicles for the first time last week, was the one in which President Monroe made a trip through Vermont in 1817. The carriage is exhibited in the museum at Middlebury.

After several years' toil a Warsaw mechanic has devised and completed a wonderful clock-a miniature railway station, where the customary activity of whistling engines and departing trains, with perplexed women passengers, forms an interesting panorama at the striking of the hours.

Several thousands of pounds were paid for the wooden leg provided by the sultan of Turkey for one of the first favorites of his harem. Having lost her leg in an accident, she sultan had an artificial one of wood made for her, and by his directions it was set with rare and costly jewels to the value of many thousands of pounds. When released from its position each night, this jeweled limb is guarded with great care, and restored to its fair owner when she rises in the merning.

MEANT FOR MERRIMENT.

Nell - Miss Passe hasn't a very beautiful form, has she? Belle-No, but she makes up for it.

"How about that last scheme of Blinks? Did it work out all right?" Blanks-Oh no. It only played out. Chief of Police, examining applicant for position as detective-Do you know what is meant by a felony? Applicant-Yes, sir. A felony is a man with a sore thumb.

Little Mabel - Ethel must think you're lots better than any of her other beaux. Mr. Spoonaway, gratified and blushing-Why, dear. Little Mabel-Because she lets me stay in the room when you call an' she don't when the others call.

"As I grow older," said a man of moderate means, "I find that I have much to be grateful for. Wealth wen past my door and stopped at my neighbors; but then, so did death; while health stopped at mine, and has kept us jolly ever since."

Inquisitive Tommy-Sunday is the first day of the week, isn't it, pa? His Pa-Yes, my son. Inquisitive Tommy-And Saturday is the last day, ain't it? His Pa-Yes. Inquisitive Tommy-Then how is it that Saturday comes before Sunday?

Teacher-Tommy, have you found out the difference between a republic and a monarchy yet? Tommy-I asked paw about it, and he said that in a monarchy the people obey their rulers because they respect them, and in a republic they obey the bosses cause they can't help it.

"I stoled a woman's new \$25 bonnet oncet," said the retired burglar, "but you can bet your life if I ever go into the business again I won't steal another one." "Did the woman run you down and get you sent up?" "Naw. But I took the thing home and give it to me wife, and she never let up on me till I gets her a \$200 dress to go with the bonnet. See?"

NOVELTIES IN PLANT LIFE.

The British scientific expedition to he Philippine islands is said to have discovered 2,500 feet above sea level, on the sides of the extinct volcano Apo, a flower five feet and a half in diameter.

According to Edward Eggleston it was the cookery of the Middle Ages that led to the discovery of America. "The rage at that time for spices for flavoring purposes," said the doctor in · lecture in Ba timore the other day, sent the Portuguese south to their discoveries in Africa and sent Columbus in quest of India.

The so-called Russian thistle, which has become such a pest in the Northwestern states, is not properly a thistle at all, but an annual, nearly allied to the saltworts. It has done more than \$2,000,000 damage to the cross tast year. It was accidentally introtuced seventeen years ago, in some flaxseed imported from Russia by a man in Scotland, S D. It is estimated tnat it will cost fully \$9,000,000 to tradicate it, and the department of agriculture has been appealed to to take the matter is hand.

The sunflower, which so many perions want installed as the national flower, has some very interes ing sharacteristics. It follows always in the wake of civilization, a fact of which Western travelors find abunfant evidence. There is a legend to the effect that the Nurmons originally past abroad the souds of the sundower as they journeyed toward the setting and However that may be. the flower is found in the greatest profusion or ryw-are west of the Rocktes, but avariably in sections where some attempt has been made st cultivation.

HOW TO MAKE A SCRAPBOOK.

Nothing Will Do Unless It Be Good For at Least a Year. For a book in which to paste the cut-

tings simost any bound volume will do, especially if its pages show a wide margin and the print can be readily covered by two widths of ordinary newspaper clippings. The margin may be used for notes, including dates and a few explanatory memoranda. The clippings should be kept for a week or so before they are pasted down, because a second judgment may rule them out. It is quite safe to advise collectors that no cutting will do unless it bids fair to be fresh and intelligible a year after it has been honored with a place in the scrapbook. If the pages become too thick for the cover, cut out two or three leaves after each page filled with the clippings.

When there is the slightest possibility that a scrapbook may be used for pub-lishing purposes, or that any of its entries may be cut out for other uses, cover one page only. But on the page used the clippings should be pasted closely together. If possible, each clipping should retain the "rule" which marks the end of a printed paragraph or poem. The column lines need not be retained. In fact it is best to cut newspapers always along these lines. Ragged edges of course should be avoided, and the mucilage with which the clippings are pasted down should be used sparingly, lest it coze through the paper or exude from under the edges. Flour paste is better than mucilage, and what is known as photographer's paste is excellent.

How to Account For the Story of "Jack and Jill."

The term "Jack and Jill" evidently took its name from two liquid measures bearing the same name and commonly in use in former days. "Jack" was a waxed leather pitcher, and a "gill," or "fill," was, as now, a metal measure of capacity. These words in time became representatives of the two sexes, and some think it is a humorous personification of the two vessels which had been accidentally upset.

How Trees Affect the Climate of a Country. A wooded country is almost invariably wet. An average amount of trees or vegetation brings an average supply of rain, and by the same rule is the sun's heat distributed. As sandy surfaces are bad conductors, the climate by day is very hot, and as the cooling effect of the earth's radiation is greatest over sand the heat passes off at night, and it is comparatively cold. As vegetable growth receives the rays of the sun and none of them falls on the soil, the temperature of the soil does not rise so high as that of land with no vegetable covering. Hence this marked difference. The heat of the day is more equally distributed over the 24 hours where there is vegetation, and it is less intense by day and not so cool by night.

How to Make Chestnut Soup.

Peel and scrape the nuts; boil them in through a sieve; put this puree into a saucepan containing a chopped onion almost the passes of the them from their moisture and press them ready fried. Add the necessary quantity of water to prevent the mixture from being too thick. Berve with fried toast out in dice.

How to Treat Children's Catarra.

A prominent physician advises cool sponge baths twice a week in winter and oftener in summer. These should be given in a warm room, and be followed by friction by rubbing to produce a glow, and if not followed by a chill or headache the reaction has been prompt and beneficial. Begin the baths with warm water for the first one, changing gradually to cold in following baths. It is best to begin this treatment in spring or as long before winter as convenient, as they will stimulate the circulation, prevent colds and act upon the nasal membrane and promote the healthy action of all the functions of the body.

How to Use Kerosene as a Cleaner. Kerosene will remove iron rust and fruit stains from almost every kind of goods without injuring the fabric. Wash the soiled spots in kerosene as you would in water. The spots must be washed in kerosene before they have been put into soap and water, or it will do no good.

How to Make Orange Float. Put a pint of water in a double boiler, add the yellow rind of a large lemon tied in a bit of thin muslin, cover closely and bring to a boil. Remove the bag, squeeze the same dry, add half a teacupful of sugar and the juice of lemon. When it boils, stir in 2 tablespoonfuls of cornstarch wet in cold water and boil five minutes, stirring constantly. Peel and alice 6 oranges, removing all seeds. Place them in a glass dish, pour over the custard, and when very cold serve with whipped cream spread over the top.

How to Make a Gloss For Shirt Fronts. To give shirt bosoms, collars and cuffs a glossy appearance, an ounce of white wax and 2 of spermaceti are melted together, and a little of a thick solution of gum arabic is used in the starch, a ta-blespoonful being enough for a pint of

How the Word "Humper" Came Into Use. A "bumper" means a full glass. This term is used when the surface of the wine bumps up in the middle, so that the center is higher than the brim. When the wine is concave, it is called a brimmer. The word is supposed to be a corruption of au bon pere, meaning the pope, and refers to the bumpers taken by the monks to that toast. This is incorrect, so the toast would be au saint pere and not "bon." Pero is applied to any friar in priest's orders and bon pere to the head of the monastery.

How to Care or Help Sure Throni. When the first symptom appears, usually a raw, smarting sensation, prepare a cup of strong black tea. Add a teaspoonful of pure glycerin, being sure to etir it well in, and use the mixture as a gargle as hot as it can be borne.

What He Said.

In an English court a man was on trial who could speak nothing but Irish, and an interpreter was called and duly sworn. The prisoner at once asked him some question, and he replied. The judge interpos

"What does the prisoner say?" demanded

the judge.
"Nothing, my lord," answered the inter-

"How dare you say that when we all heard him? What was it?" "My lord," said the interpreter, begin-ning to tremble, "it had nothing to do with

"If you don't answer, I'll commit you. What did he say?" "Well, my lord, you'll excuse me, but he

said, 'Who's that ould woman with the red bed curtain round her sitting up there?'" The court roared.

"And what did you say?" asked the judge, looking a little uncomfortable. "I said: 'Whist, ye spalpeen! That's the ould boy that's going to hang yez."-Youth's Companion.

Forbidden Fruit.



"Bessy, do you think she'd let me hold that doll for a minute if I wuz to ask her?"

Very Disappointing. "Now look at that letter," said young Summers as he threw a scented square en-velope across the cafe table. "What would

you think to find that in your letterbox when you came into the club?"
"Why," said the visitor, picking it up and noticing the delicate handwriting, "I should think that some fair young woman was going to invite me to drink tes with er tomorrow afternoon.

"Do you know, that's just what I thought when I saw it, and that's why I am disgusted. The other night at the horse show I was introduced to an awfully pretty girl

"Do you want me to read it?" "You may if you care for such things.

There is nothing private about things that
gain your confidence under false pretenses
of perfumed and sealed envelopes and feminine hands. It's getting outrageous that one should at every turn have his heart set beating with visions of pretty notes, only to find printed slips telling you of the virtues of the latest clothes cleaning establishment and the low priced menu of the new restaurant on the corner. That note informs me that I can have my trousers press water with salt till quite soft; strain regularly once a week for 25 cents, and the wagon will call to get them. Isn't that a

Getting Even.

A prominent Englishman, Lord D., a proverbial hater of America and Americans, was dining lately in Paris with the British minister, and next to him at the ta-ble was a noted Newport belle, Miss X. The conversation had drifted to a discussion of things American. It is needless to say that Lord D. made some pretty disagreeable remarks about some Americans he had met and some Yankes customs he

"Why, d'ye know," he continued, with an almost unpardonable want of tact, "that at some of the places I dined in America I saw people eat with their knives and spill their soup on the tablecloth." Miss X. was thoroughly provoked by this time, but she replied with an apparent un-

"What poor letters of introduction you must have had, my lord!" There was no more unpleasant talk about America that evening.—Harper's Bazar.

What Hurt Him. "I don't mind your refusing me cold victuals, ma'am," said the time worn and travel stained pilgrim at the kitchen door, buttoning his faded remnant of a coat under his chin, "but when you call me a worthless tramp you do me a cruel injus-tice. I have a standing offer of \$15, ma'am, from one of the best medical colleges in this country for my corporosity, just as it

And with a stately bow he turned away, shuffled down the steps and carried his insulted corporosity to the next kitchen .-Chicago Tribune.

Explained. Teacher-Tommy, have you found out the difference between a republic and a

monarchy yet? Tommy-I saked pa about it, and he said that in a monarchy the people obey their rulers because they respect them, and in a republic they obey the bosses 'cause they can't help it.—Indianapolis Journal.

Precisely. "How is it that Dodger finds boarding cheaper than housekeeping with his large family?"

"I suppose one reason is that he never pays his board bill."—Chicago Inter Ocean. A Great Combination.

Penelope Don't you see the advantage? Richley-No; I do not. Penelope-Why, you know how to make money, and I know how to spend it. What

Exceptions.

a team we'd maket-Life.

Henderson-Do policemen always run away when there is a fight going on? Williamson-Ob, no. I saw six or seven of them resh right into a dog fight the other

The Retort Courteous Said the foreman to the printer One dull afternoon last winter, "You're a clever sort of chap, I don't deap, But you're worse than Jew or peddier in the sonse of being a meddier,

For you've always got a finger in the pil" Here the printer let his copy Fall upon the floor so slog py, As he answered, "Mr. Foreman, I shall step

Fingering the princreafter.
So just coast rour jokes and laughter,
For you are, sir, I have let the matter drop.

-- itaymond's Mouthir.

ERRORS OF SPEECH.

Some That Have Been Eradicated and How)nes That Are Appearing.

In English a great number of errors have been so well reproved that they are grow-ing rarer. "And which," and the false collocation of only, which a few years ago were everywhere, are sometimes hardly to be met with in the whole of a leading article. On the other hand, new outrages are gradually getting common. "Infer," for "imply," which would some little time ago have been smiled at as a mere garism, is incredibly frequent in con-sation and by no means unknown in

But far more hideous is "human" for human being. And this has appeared of late in London newspapers that ought to know better. Our own complaints as to this offense have been merely a plea that the word so used is English poetry as well as colonial prose and may be found in the poems of Mrs. Browning. Obviously, however, she uses "the human" not in place of "the man," but precisely as "the beau-tiful," "the true," were so constantly used by the antepenultimate Lord Lytton. New follies are the more to be resisted

as the language of the press is shedding old ones and is gaining much in simplic-ity. The jaded phrase, being spent, is at ity. The jaded phrase, being spent, is at last allowed to drop out and die. And with it will, by degrees, pass away the habit of exaggeration, toolsterous, cold, disappointing, from which a reader turns with chilly disapproval. The weak exaggerate often, and the strong exaggerate now and then. Exaggeration is quite a different thing from extravagance, violence, delirium. These may lawfully claim their moment in art. But they can never cover or disguise the intrusion of exaggerates. cover or disguise the intrusion of exagger-ation, instantly unmistakable and forever

Then there is the opposite of exaggestion, which is not less mischievous, but sillier. It is not common in literature, but it is a most familiar note in a certain kind of respectable journalism. There is an ex-cellent instance in Tuesday's Times (Duke Ernest's biographer is describing thes prince's action and influence as contribetory to the work of German unity): "The

tory to the work of German unity): "The remark of the Emperor William to him at Versailles, 'This I owed partly to yea,' was in a certain measure justified."

The jaded phrase, the silly phrase and the phrase of exaggeration are to be avoided simply by simplicity. To attend, to wait upon what you really think; not to interrupt yourself with too loud a word; not to translate your uncertainty by too not a phrase, your moderation by one tee pat a phrase, your moderation by one too emphatic—to do this much is to lend an effectual hand in a work that has become

who lives up the avenue. The whole who lives up the avenue. The whole we had quite a chat. She promised to send me her card. I thought this was it. It's a greatly necessary.

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In the use of compound words from fearth and in a work. pate. In like manner you may hear the Englishman (perhaps a little doubtful as to the pronunciation of the other word) ask you how you like "Rusticana."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Apples.

Chemically the apple is composed of vegetable fiber, albumen, sugar, gum chlorophyl, malic acid, gallic acid, lime and much water. Furthermore, the German analysts say that the apple contains a larger percentage of phosphorus than any other fruit or vegetable. The phosphorus is admirably adapted for renewing the contains a state of the contains the contains and the contains the contains a state of the contains the contains a state of the contains the contain sential nervous matter—lecithin—of the brain and spinal cord.

It is perhaps for the same reason rude ly understood that old Scandinavian traditions represent the apple as the food of the gods, who, when they felt themselves to be growing feeble and infirm, resorted to this fruit, renewing their powers of mind and body. Also, acids of the apple are of singular use for men of sedentary habits, whose livers are sluggish in action those acids serving to eliminate from the body noxious matters, which, if retained, would make the brain heavy and dull or bring about jaundice or skin eruptions and other allied troubles.

Some such experience must have led to he custom of taking apple sauce with roast pork, rich goose and like dishes. The malic acid of ripe apples, either raw or cooked, will neutralize any excess of chalky matter engendered by eating too much meat. It is also the fact that such ripe fruits as the apple, the pear and the plum, when taken ripe and without sugar, diminish acidity in the stomach rather than provoke it. Their vegetable sauces and juices are converted into alkaline carbonates, which tend to counterest acidity.—North American Practitioner.

Unsafe Gifts.

A Chicago bride once displayed checks among her wedding presents. I am not sure that this is not often done. It is one of the most disgusting bits of brag on social record. No self respecting, decent member of society ought to flaunt money about, for every sake. The remedy has come at last in the shape of real danger. It is no longer safe to talk about or show money, for there are desperate people at every hand waiting to seize every available coin. If we have got to have burgiars and thieves always with us, and if we are obliged to supply means for their support and amusement, let us by all means try to give them as much employment as we cap for our (or is it their?) money. I sympathize with timid ladies who lay their plate outside their door, on the rug, with a pelite appeal to burglars not to disturb the since mos of us, ladies or otherwise, would give all the plate we have in the world to ape a horrid midnight shock or shot, but to call the attention of inattentive burglars to the whereabouts of hitherte unsuspected valuables seems superfluous -Chicago Post.

Beecher on Heredity.

It seems hard that when a man does wrong his children should be put under an almost trres stible inclination to do wrong; it seems hard that when a man drinks spirituous liquors his cilldren and his cilldren's children should find themselves urged by a burning thirst, which they can carcely withstand, toward indulgence in intoxicating drinks; it seems hard that diseases should be transmitted, and that because a man has violated the laws of health his children should be sickly and short lived—these things seem hard so long as we look at them only on one side but what a power of restraint this econo my has when every man feels, "I stand not for myself alone, but for the whole line of my po terity to the third and fourth Words" is Ladies' Home Journal.

Don't Healtse Their Rudenses

There seem to be lots of well to do per sons in this city whose breeding is not fine enough to make them see the vulgartry of conversing so loudly in the str cars that their talk is forced upon the al tention of fellow passengers, who would milter be thinking of their own affairs.— New York Herald.