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New Field for Bright Women.
The young woman bicycle "promoter" does a flourishing business. Not only does she skim along the highways, but she is a feature of the bicycle schools, and earns a good salary by simply wearing a stylish suit, looking as if she were thoroughly enjoying herself, and riding with ease and grace. Of course, she is supposed to be a patron of the school, and her proficiency and evident enjoyment attract others to follow her example.
"What's this?" exclaimed the policeman.
The prostrate man hissed between his teeth: "Take care, take care. I'm a snake. I'll bite you."
"Oh, get out of this. Come with me," said Policeman Kane.
The man sat up and began thrusting out his head and drawing it back like a snake-collaring for a jump on its prey. The human snake was with great difficulty bundled into a patrol wagon and taken to the Tremont Station, where he hissed in both French and German.
"I'm a serpent with a fiery sting."
When Dr. Klein, who had come from Fordham Hospital in response to an ambulance call, arrived the man tried to bite him, and his teeth just grazed the doctor's ear. He was finally landed in the Harlem Hospital. The doctors think that Franz has either been bitten by a snake or frightened by one. He is undoubtedly mad and his bite would be poisonous, they say.

Business Methods in Tennessee.
One bright forenoon last fall near a deserted mill in the outskirts of Chattanooga the following bit of Tennessee bargaining was overheard: An aged negro, driving an old, slowly moving mule hitched to a two-wheeled dump cart, came along. He was bound for a wood yard on the banks of the Tennessee River near by, where that muddy stream sweeps around the foot of Cameron Hill and begins curving a graceful bow to bold Lookout Mountain, which looms up before it. Just as the outfit had crossed a rickety culvert the negro was accosted with the customary "Howdy?" by a lazy-looking native wearing a jeans suit and a broad-brimmed hat.
"Howdy?" grunted the negro, as he stopped his mule with a fierce jerk, which sent the front of the cart against the beast's hunches and the shafts higher than its ears.
When the cart had come to a standstill the young man took a portly chew of tobacco, slowly adjusted his right foot on the hub of the cartwheel, and with slow, measured accents, asked the other:
"How much be you selling wood for?"
"Four bits a load, boss."
After mature deliberation and masturbation the prospective purchaser drawled out:
"Four bits a load?"
"Hits little 'nuff, boss," replied the colored man. "Hit leaves me only two shillin' fer totin' gin I pay two shillin' fer the wood at the yard—little 'nuff fer totin'."
"Yes, I reckon."
Then the languid young man picked up a stick and began whittling, and the teamster sat mute in his cart for five minutes, breaking the silence finally with:
"Dye reckon you'll want a jag o' wood?"
"That's wat I lowed I would, but I dunno," replied the other.
There was another silence of ten minutes, broken only by the slash of the jackknife through the yellow pine stick. A horseman rode by "totin'" a bag of meal in front of the saddle. After the usual speculation as to whom the stranger "must be" the whittling and the blank staring processes continued for several more minutes. Finally, when the stick had been all whittled away, the prospective purchaser said:
"Wall, I don't spect I'll take any wood to-day."
His foot fell lazily from the hub, the wood hauler clucked to his mule, and the two men slowly went their respective ways.

An Apple for a Starving Stomach.
For staying off the hungry craving when a meal is unavoidably delayed it is difficult to find anything better than an apple.
Rarely is a book written that the reader doesn't think that he or she could have improved upon some part of it.

Parental Co-operation.
Weast teachers of the youth of our land are very forcibly impressed with the fact that if we wish to educate the boys and girls we must be helped by the parent. It is often found necessary to not only request pupils to master their lessons, but to require or demand it positively. When this is done the pupil sometimes becomes displeased and would gladly make himself conspicuous by his absence from school. This is one of the times for the parent or guardian to co-operate, and if he does not at this critical moment, who can estimate the harm done, the pupil by an immature graduation. We know that we have such an official as "truant officer," but we also know that this will not reach all cases. There are times in the school life of many children when they become weary with the arduous duties. Times of dark, unpleasant scenes; but in order for him to enjoy the bright sunshine of truth, he must pass through these scenes. It is the difficulties overcome, the obstacles surmounted, which gives us strength of character and mind. Easy tasks do not give power. But if we wish to mate of the "Pierian Spring" we must drink deep. We must solve the hard problems, master the difficult lessons, before we are lifted into a clearer, purer atmosphere of knowledge.

JOKES IN THE BOOK.

CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION FINDS THEM.

Arithmetic Adapted Contains Many Witticisms of Its Author—Rival Publishing House Hires an Expert to Pick Out Absurdities.

Mathematical Monstrosities.
One of the most original and excruciatingly funny joke writers in America is claimed for Chicago, but his work has never come properly before the public, and even his name is known to few people. His works are read principally by children, but occasionally a grown person stumbles across one of his volumes and at such times his reputation as a humorist receives a boom.
The outpourings of the unknown's funny phase, however, are confined to the inside of a school text book of arithmetical problems. The children who wrestled with the problems came across the funny paragraphs, but failed to see their humor and submitted them to their teachers and parents. They were in the form of examples for solution, but the disguise was thin. And some of the teachers and parents, and later members of the Board of Education called them "bulls."

The staff members of the board have had much fun over the absurdities in the little volume. They hardly expected to find a book which was submitted to them for use in the public schools a second year contain a host of gross mistakes, and they have taken advantage of the unique incident to brush up on their mathematics.
But in spite of the fact that the arithmetical textbook teemed with absurd questions it was accepted by the board as one of the school manuals for the next school year. The managers of a rival publishing house obtained a volume and engaged a mathematician to go carefully through it and mark each problem that was ridiculous. When he had done this a score of problems were marked which no one can attempt to solve and meet with any success.

Among the gems of the book are the following:
If four boys can earn \$36 in one week, how much can seven men earn in the same time?
If a family drinks six pints of spring water a day, how long will such a can last them?
If two men can do a piece of work in six days and one of them alone can do it in four days, in what time can the other do it alone?
Take 75 cents; buy sugar, coal and coffee and return with 15 cents. Tell how much each cost.
Take 50 cents; buy butter and cheese and return with 5 cents. Tell how much each cost.
A bill of goods amounted to \$5.05. Name the bills and coins received in change out of \$10.
A member of the board of education worked over these problems for a long time, and has made remarkable progress in reaching a conclusion in each case. After wrestling with the first one a long time he calculated that the men would earn more than the boys. In the second example he estimated that the life of the "such can" will be about two years, if it is not inside it. Then he rested.
The third example gave him the most trouble. But he finally arrived at the conclusion that if one man did the work in less time than the two they must have been "soldiering." So he lets X represent the man who loated the more and Y denote the more industrious. As X does the work in four days he thinks that Y would never do it. Problem 4 he did not find as hard as it looked. He says that when he used to do errands, if he were sent to the store with 50 cents and bought provisions for all but 15 cents of it, the residue would go for candy. Then he could say he spent all of it. The same with No. 5, but he would not have so good a time. With the last problem he had another hard struggle. He says, owing to his being careless in the matter of change, he might get a plugged dime, a battered quarter, one lead and one silver dollar and a Confederate \$2 bill. But he might not take all of it.
Of the questions which have been marked not one has any indication of having been inserted as a "catch" question. They appear at all parts of the book and among the regular problems of the various lessons.—Chicago Chronicle.

Things that Make a Teacher Feel Good
To be told by an ignorant man that he can't teach school.
To hear an itinerant preacher, a one-hour lawyer, or a quack doctor say that teaching is simply a stepping stone to the learned professions.
To have people, with whom you could think of no greater misfortune than to change places, sympathize with you, because you are so unfortunate as to be a school teacher.
To hear physicians flatter the ignorant rich by telling them their children are of such a nervous temperament and their brains are so active that it is almost dangerous to send them to school, and that their headaches, the result of late hours and other dissipations, are caused by hard study and the high pressure system of our public schools.
To hear politicians out of a job discuss public school questions, courses of study, educational values of studies, etc., with all the assurance and impudence that can be begotten of ignorance and inexperience, and then compare the teacher's work and salary with that of the day laborer.
To have a man, who spends a dollar a week for tobacco, grumble because he is asked to buy a 25-cent book for his child, and wonder why they don't do as they did when he was a boy—use one book through the whole course.
The teacher has many disagreeable things to contend with, and is subject to many unjust and thoughtless criticisms; but if she gets in the habit of looking on the bright side of things and of taking criticisms for what they are worth, she can get both amusement and profit from them.—S. B. Todd, in Teacher and Student.

The Close of School.
The end has come, as come it must.
To all things; in the sweet May days
The teacher and the scholar trust
Their parting feet to separate ways.
They part; but in years to be
Shall pleasant memories cling to each,
As shells bear inland from the sea
The murmurs of the rhythmic beach.

One knew the joy the sculptor knows
When, plastic in his lightest touch,
His clay-wrought model grows
To that fine grace desired so much.
And one shall never quite forget
The voice that called the dream from play
The firm but kindly hand that set
Her feet in learnings pleasant way.

O Youth and Beauty, loved of all!
Ye pass from childhood's gate of dreams
In broader ways your footsteps fall,
Ye test the truth of all that seems.
Her realm the teacher leaves,
She breaks her wand of power apart,
While for your love and trust she gives
The warm thanks of a grateful heart.
—J. G. Whittier.

No Use for a Dictionary.
A good story comes from Meeker County, Minnesota, and has to do with a well known school district there. When it came time last summer to hire a teacher the local board discovered that there were two applicants, both young men. As to salary there was no difference between their bids, but the second one insisted that, if he were employed, the board should provide a dictionary for the school room. The first one made no such demand, and said that he would be well able to get along without a dictionary. As he expressed it, it was useful only in the matter of defining words and giving their "pronunciation." Number one got the school. Last week the board made its first visit to the building. Everything went well for the first fifteen minutes, but finally a red-headed, freckle-faced youth in the rear of the room held up his right hand and snapped his fingers in a very energetic manner.
"What is it, Charley?" asked the teacher.
"I want to know how to pronounce a word," said Charley.
"Spell it," replied the teacher.
Charley in a loud voice spelled out the word "vocabulary."
"Vo-ca-bul-ary," responded the teacher, placing the accent on the "bul," and he added, as to its meaning, "appertaining to horned cattle."
The board cut short its visit, and is now looking for a new teacher and getting ready to buy a Webster's International Dictionary.—School Board Journal.

A Word to Pupils.
We see in our schools of to-day those who are striving after wisdom and those who strive not at all; those who are constant in their inattention. In these two classes we see the respected man of the future and the ignorant, if we waste the privileges God has given us how can we expect him to place us in positions of honor and usefulness? As we shape our destiny let it be with the most conscientious meditations and endeavors, that we may never need to regret the manner in which we spent our days of preparation.—A Teacher.

Parent, when your child seems discouraged and wants to stay at home today, think, inquire into the cause: the teacher; lend a helping hand to the child in the form of kindness stiffened with firmness, but see to it that he stays in school at these times, for they are the times that we need him most. Ignorance in our country in this age is a crime, and should be considered such. We believe that our laws are weak from the fact that we do not require our unemployed youth to remain in school until 21 years of age. If this were the case we would not witness the sad and painful sight of young boys and girls from 14 to 21 years of age, walking our streets comparatively uneducated, paving the way for other generations of ignorance and crime. Education is power. So, parent and teacher, let us join heart and hand to educate the boys and girls and to banish ignorance, crime and vice.—S. S. Robinson, in Teachers' Program.

Don'ts for Readers
Don't read in railway trains or in vehicles in motion.
Don't read lying down or in a constrained position.
Don't read by frelight, moonlight or twilight.
Don't read by a flickering gaslight or candlelight.
Don't read books printed on thin paper.
Don't read books which have no space between the lines.

Nature's Sweet Restorer.
Lady Londonderry attributes her youthful freshness to the practice of spending one out of every ten days in bed. She sleeps until she wakes naturally, takes a warm bath and goes back again, where she partakes of a light breakfast, remaining in her room until 6 o'clock. She then puts on a light robe and has her dinner served in her room, and reclines on the sofa until 10 o'clock. She will not allow anything to interfere with this program. A prominent business woman in this city, famed for her good looks and an authority on the care of the complexion, stated to a friend that from Saturday night until Monday morning she remained in bed, resting quietly, advising it as the only treatment to keep one's brain, nerves and strength in good working order.

The Camel Rasp.
A new rasp, styled the "camel," has been brought out. The teeth of this tool are raised by a double stroke, which is claimed to make them much sharper and of greater strength than the teeth in the old styles of rasps. The steel from which the "camel" rasp is manufactured is of extra tough quality, and is tempered by a special process, which has the effect of preventing the teeth from breaking off. The rasp is made in various styles, and will, it is stated, last longer than any other yet introduced, the use of it also involving less labor on the part of the workman.

An Anonymous Cow.
A teacher in one of the public schools recently asked her pupils to write a sentence which should introduce the word "anonymous," explaining to them that the word meant "with a name." When the papers were handed in this startling sentence met her eye: "On the way to school this morning I saw an anonymous cow."

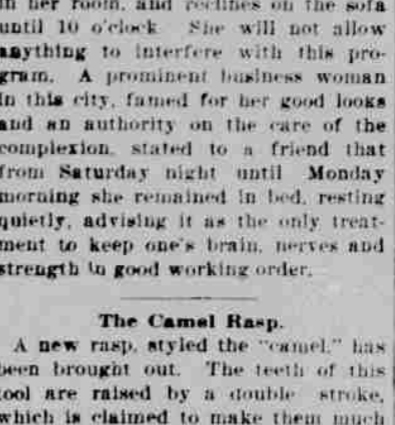
What He Recused Most
A story is told of a now famous American artist who had hard luck in his Paris student days. One day he was seen in the street with his clothes in the last stages of rags and his shoes tied with twine. There was a wild gleam in his eye when he caught sight of a friend across the street. "I've got \$100!" he cried, waving the bill in the air, oblivious of the crowd. "One hundred dollars; and I'm going to buy some shoe-strings!"—Chicago News.

Lost Rebuke
"George" said she in a tone of bitter rebuke, "as far as I can see you are going to the dogs."
"You're never contented, Maria!" returned her erring husband. "You made me give up horses, and here you are complaining about dogs. Do I object to your cats and your canaries? No, madam! I would scorn to interfere with your pets—and I beg of you to respect my preference for nobler animals!"—New York Tribune.

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