

A LEADER WHO IS DELIGHTFULLY DIFFERENT, BESS GEARHART MORRISON

"Looks and Acts Just Like Home Folks."



THERE is a feeling of confidence in presenting Bess Gearbart Morrison to our Chautauqua audience this summer, as she always "makes good." The Pelia (Ia.) Chronicle, where Mrs. Morrison filled a Lyceum engagement in March, 1916, says:

"Her success was not due to any stagy makeup or affectation of any kind, for she looked and acted just like home folks. Indeed, we think that may be the secret of Mrs. Morrison's great ability to please. We can't help thinking she was raised in the same kind of a home the rest of us were. She used the same kind of English we do in Iowa. She used no broad a's or clipped off r's. She pronounced 'vase' so that it rimed with 'face', and when she said 'star' you did not think 'stah.' It did us good to hear some one once more who is not ashamed of the country she grew up in. We did not meet her, but we'll bet that when she shakes hands she does not try to get her hand above her shoulder. She laughed on the platform when anything tickled her, and you did not feel that there was a chasm as broad as the Panama canal between her and the audience and that she was still excavating harder than Colonel Goethals.

"Mrs. Morrison's selections were of the kind that take hold of the audience. The most powerful one perhaps was Grace Richmond Smith's "Christmas Day In the Morning," which some in the audience had read in Everybody's a few years ago. Most of her pieces were taken from magazines and news papers, which may account for their ability to touch the listener. They all had to do with scenes among genuine people. She gave three pieces with musical accompaniment, the last of which called for a description of a parlor such as was to be seen a few years ago with its center table, framed hair wreath and small flat piano. The piano was telling the tale of the different players it had known during its lifetime. There was the child at its practice, the old Irish servant and the great musician even, and the audience heard them all.

"In closing Mrs. Morrison recited James Whitcomb Riley's 'Old Glory.' She told of her visit to Mr. Riley at his Indianapolis home a few years ago and a little of the Hoosier simplicity of his home life. We greatly enjoyed this visit with Riley, even if we were not there in person. We hope the manager of the course at some future time will secure Mrs. Morrison for another appearance at Pella. The audience was not as large Thursday evening as it has been Cheba Fiy Paper.

Take a great strong top of a shosbox cover mid key a few pieces of newspapers in the bottom of it, and pour in it just enough moinsses to cover the bottom of the cover and lay it on your kitchen table. You will be surprised at the number of files you will catch.

Laws of the Medes and Persians." Among the ancients, the law of the Medes and Perstans was regarded as unalterable and irrevocable, hence the expression has come to mean some thing permanent. In the Bible the expression is referred to in Daniel 4: 15: "Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians is, that no degree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed."

"St. Denis."

Among the ignorances of paragraphers is the use of "St. Dennis," whether as the name of a sensational dancer or otherwise. St. Denis, with one "n," is a very creditable French member in the Roman hagiography; the Irish Dennis, with two "n's," is a corruption of the name.—Springfield Republican.

Testimony and Argument.

Testimony is like an arrow shot from a long bow; its force depends on the length of the hand that draws it. But argument is like an arrow from a cross-bow, which has equal force if drawn by a child or a man.— Boyle,

In Three Parts.

A mountaineer preacher once said to his flock: "Brethren, I hev decided t' divide my sermon in three parts. Th' fust part 1'll understand, an' you won't. Th' second part you'll understand, an' I won't. The third part mobody'll understand."

Worth While Quotations.

"Noble disappointment, noble selfdenial are not to be admired, not even to be pardoned, if they bring bitterness—gentleness and cheerfulness, these come before all morality; they are the perfect duties."—Robert Louis Stevenson.

wrong Guess.

A teacher was giving to her class as exercise in spelling and defining words: "Thomas," she said to scurly-haired little boy, "spell 'ibex," "I-b-e-x." "Correct. Define it." "An fbex," answered Thomas, after a prolonged mental struggle, "is where you look in the back part of the book when you want to find anything that's printed in the front of the book."— Christian Register.

Bad for Doctor.

Mrs. Nexdoor—"How is old Mr. Moneybaggs this morning?" Mrs. Sharpeye—"I haven't heard; but I noticed that Doctor Bigfee looked very gloomy when he left the Moneybaggs residence a little while ago." Mrs. Nexdoor—"Ah, then the old gentlemen is getting well."

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We Know Them.

"Twobble is always being mentioned for some kind of office. I wonder why he never gets appointed to one?" "I suspect that's because Twobble's friends are the sort of people who wish you well without stepping to see whether their wishes are carried out or not."—Birmingham Age Herald.

Happiest Man.

The man who makes everything that leads to happiness depend upon himself, and not upon other men. has adopted the very best plan for living happily. This is the man of moderation, the man of manly character and of wisdom.—Plato.

Depths of Despair.

There is no despair so absolute and that which comes with the first moments of our first great sorrow, when we have not yet known what it is to have suffered and be healed, to have despaired and to have recovered hope. —George Eliot.

Sugar From Raisins.

Sugar is manufactured from raising in practically all of the countries of southern Europe and western Asia. There are two forms of raisin sugar imported into New York, one principally from Asia Minor and the other mainly from Spain.

Work for Explorers.

Vast expanses of grazing land and immense forests await exploration in the northwestern part of Paraguay, known as the Gran Chaco, which is inhabited mostly by nomadic tribes of Indians. It is estimated that Paraguay has a population of 1,000,000.

Never Given Credit.

The weather bureau never gets full credit for what it does. If it predicts a storm and the storm arrives according to schedule, as it frequently does, some old philosopher is sure to say the head of the bureau has a prophetic -bunion.

Fair Part of Income Saved.

The annual income of all the people in the United States approximates \$35.000,000,000. They save about \$7,-000,000,000 of this.

Says the Cronic Disbellever. It pleases the average man more to have a woman tell him that he is the first man she ever loved than to have her tell him the truth.