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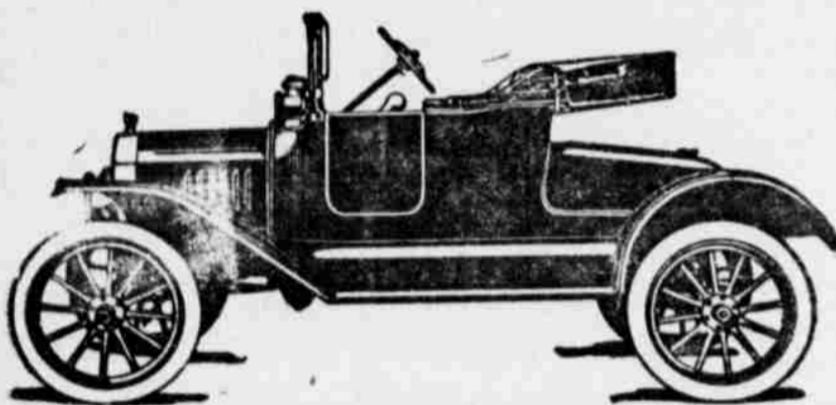
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Larry Boyle was one of the suburban boys of a thriving western town. "I hear you boys are going on a hike," he said one day to a soldier. "When you come to Snake river take a good long rest. It is full of under currents and eddies. I am the only living man who has swum that river." Some boys later the man crossed the river on a cable ferry and the ferryman casually inquired of a waiting soldier "You don't happen to know of a man down in your country by the name of Boyle, do you?" They tell me he's got rich. "Yes," said the soldier "I was talking to him the other day. He told me he swam Snake river once." "That's right," said the ferryman. "I'm sure and, but we was all shooting at him."

Dr. John M. Mason many years ago was pastor of the Scotch Presbyterian church of New York, and upon one occasion went to Washington to look after some matters in which he was interested. It being known that he was to remain over Sunday arrangements were made to have him preach. Congress was in session and among its members was a southern senator whose note for his brilliancy than his piety. This senator had a good, pious, psalm singing friend in the city. The friend, knowing of the absence of the Doctor, Mason, and thinking it would be a pleasure to his senatorial friend, urged him to go and hear the sermon. He did so. The next morning the senator was met by his psalm singing friend, who said to him: "Well, did you hear Dostor Mason preach?" "Oh, yes," "Well, how did you like him?" "Very much very eloquent discourse. But, by the way, what kind of hymns do you folks use around here?" "Hymns! Rouse's meter of David's Psalms." "Rouse's meter of David's Psalms. Oh, then I know why Saul pursued him over the mountains and tried to kill him."

"We believe," says an exchange, "in energy and push." It depends entirely upon their direction. The man who devotes energy to shooting off his mouth, and pushes most of the time against the top side of a dry goods box on some street corner is not much to be believed in.

There is nothing that makes a man feel more like making the air look blue than to go home feeling himself the most abused person on God's footstool and ready to give his family a curtain lecture and find that there is company at home. Then he has to put on a pleasant face and pretend he is the happiest man in the world. B-r-r-r! It's a terrible feeling.

"What are you crying for, boy?" "I got licked by the teacher." "Well, it does no good to cry." "Huh! how can you expect a boy that whaler not to blubber?"

"Pshaw!" said a Sixteenth street lady to her husband, who had been criticizing her attire. "What does a man know about a woman's clothes anyway?" "He knows the price, my dear," he replied, gently, and she retired.

"What is your business?" was the question which a lawyer asked of a witness who lived in a suburban town. "The catching of trains and ferry boats," was the reply.

As a woman was walking a man looked at her and followed her. "Why do you follow me?" asked the woman. "Because I have fallen in love with you!" was the reply. "Why are you in love with me?" said the woman. "My sister is much handsomer, she is coming after me; go and make love to her."

Balzac had for a neighbor at one time a nobleman of high degree, and often used to pay him a visit in the morning, clad in the completest negligence. One day Balzac met at his neighbor's the latter's niece, and felt bound to excuse himself on the nature of his attire. "Monsieur," replied the young lady, "when I read your books I did not trouble myself about the binding."

There was a fish dinner, and Henrietta, aged five, was doing considerable grumbling about a couple of bones that despite her mother's caution, were in her portion. Edith, aged six, listened to Henrietta for some time without comment. Then suddenly she burst out, patience having apparently reached its limit. "For goodness sake, Henrietta, don't fuss so! God put 'em there!"

The story is told on former Representative Amos J. Cummings of New York, who was once city editor of the Sun. One Saturday night it was announced that all the saloons were to be closed the next day. Cummings called his star reporter, Murray. "Tom," he said, "go out tomorrow and find out if the saloons are selling liquor." It was Thursday when Tom again appeared at the city desk. "They were," he reported.

Two huge colored men lived in a precinct at Evansville during a campaign in which a certain politician ran for mayor. "Who is you fo', anyhow?" asked one of them one morning when he met the other. "How's you goin' to vote in de 'lection?" "Why, I've fo' Smith, that's who I've fo'—and you already knowed it. Why you ax me dat?" "Yes, yote fo' Smith I know you's fo', all right. You's fo' sale, dat's who you's fo'."

Profit in Tears.—As she stood outside the little country inn two great tears shone in her innocent eyes, tears so large that the passing cyclist saw them. Beauty in distress caused him to dismount and ask if he could be of any assistance. "I'm afraid not, thank you!" replied the damsel, sorrowfully, as she pointed to an automatic chocolate

thing and nothing has come out." "That's soon remedied!" said the young man, confidently. He slipped a coin into the slot, and then another. After the sixth he muttered angrily, raised his cap, and pedaled wildly away. As he disappeared a female voice peeped round the door. "Any luck?" asked the owner thereof. "Oh, yes, ma!" replied the simple damsel, gaily. "That's the tenth. I've netted fifty cents since dinner!"—Chicago News.

## Start Tomorrow and Keep It Up Every Morning

Get in the habit of drinking a glass of hot water before breakfast.

We're not here long, so let's make our stay agreeable. Let us live well, eat well, digest well, work well, sleep well, and look well. What a glorious condition to attain, and yet, how very easy it is if one will only adopt the morning inside bath. Folks who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when they arise, splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, can, instead, feel as fresh as a daisy by opening the sluices of the system each morning and flushing out the whole of the internal poisonous stagnant matter.

Everyone, whether ailing, sick or well, should, each morning, before breakfast, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast. While you are enjoying your breakfast the water and phosphate is quietly extracting a large volume of water from the blood and setting ready for a thorough flushing of all the best organs.

The millions of people who are bothered with constipation, bilious spells, stomach trouble; others who have sallow skins, blood disorders and sickly complexions are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from the drug store. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone a pronounced crank on the subject of inside-bathing before breakfast.

Brother, don't stop your paper just because you don't agree with the editor. The last cabbage you sent in didn't agree with us either, but we didn't drop you from our subscription list on that account. No, we simply said "I'm not interested in what we are about to receive"—and after we received it we were not able to say anything.

Should Sloan's Liniment Go Along? Of course it should! For after a strenuous day when your muscles have been exercised to the limit an application of Sloan's Liniment will take the soreness and stiffness away and get you in fine shape for the morning. You should also use it for a sudden attack of toothache, stiff neck, headache, stings, bites and the many accidents that are incidental to a vacation. "We would as soon leave our baggage as go on a vacation or camp out without Sloan's Liniment." Writes one vacationist: "We use it for everything from clamps to toothache." Put a bottle in your bag, be prepared and have no regrets. Adv.—2

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"Employees who have been in the service for over one year, and who are receiving \$3,000 or less per year, will receive the equivalent of three weeks' pay, while those of the same class who have been in the service over three months, but less than one year, will receive the equivalent of two weeks' pay. Employees receiving over \$3,000, and less than \$5,000 per year, will also participate in the payment, but not in the same proportion as those receiving the lesser rate of pay.

"This is not a distribution of profits. It is intended to help those employees whose margin between income and necessities is narrow. "It is estimated that the total amount to be distributed in this group will approximate \$300,000, and in the five states 9,000 employees will be benefited. The bonus will be paid to employees about January 1, 1917."

Fourteen Affected Here  
There are some fourteen employees at the Alliance exchange and all participated in the extra money allowance. It is estimated that \$400—possibly a little more and possibly a little less—was distributed to Alliance employees of the company.

In addition to distributing some \$400 the Nebraska Telephone Company has raised the wages of the telephone operators approximately \$30 a year, the exact sum depending on the length of service of the various girls, of whom, including extra girls, there are nine. Thirty dollars a year for nine girls is \$270. This sum added to the \$400 to be distributed means about \$670 extra money the telephone company is turning into Alliance.

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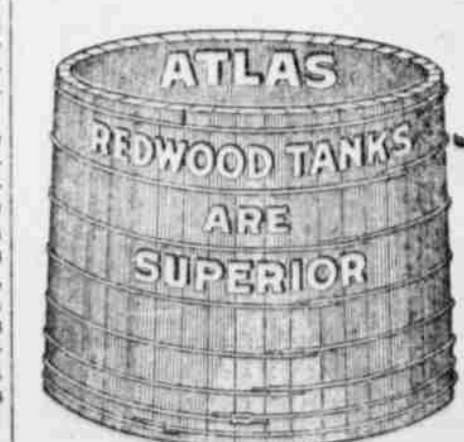
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