

If you have apples which will not keep well, make apple sauce and refill your empty glass jars. In this way you save your apples, get double use of your jars and have apple sauce for spring use.

If one admires the patience, gentleness, sweetness and unfailing energy of another; if he finds himself renewed and invigorated and inspired by such contact—why does he not himself so live that he may bring the same renewal and inspiration to others?

Just Wonderful.

Vestry, Miss., Jan. 1st (Special)—The case of Mrs. C. W. Pearson, who resides here is a particularly interesting one. Here is the story told by Mr. Pearson, her husband, in his own words. He says:

"My wife's health was bad for a long time. Last July she was taken terrible bad with spasms. I sent for the doctor, and after making a thorough examination of her, he said undoubtedly the cause of her trouble was a disordered state of the kidneys. His medicine didn't seem to be doing her much good, so as I heard about Dodd's Kidney Pills, I got her a box just to give them a trial. Well, the effect was just wonderful. I saw that they were the right medicine and I got two more boxes. When she had taken these she was so much better that she had increased thirty pounds in weight. She is now quite well, and we owe it all to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

The Chinese domiciled in Siar have to pay a small poll-tax once every three years. When this has been paid the collector ties a string around the man's left wrist and fastens the knot with an official seal. The bracelet is the Chinaman's receipt and must be worn one month.

Florence Nightengale, the woman who revolutionized the sick-rooms and hospitals of the civilized world, is now eighty-five years old. The two hundred and fifty thousand dollar testimonial presented to her a few years ago she gave to a school for trained nurses.

Think of a landlord who exacts his rent in snowballs and roses. In the little town of Brookhouse, England, the annual rental is one snowball in June, and a red rose in December. The rose is easily arranged, and the snowball is now made of shaved ice.

An extremely sensitive lady in Elgin, Ill., wants a divorce because her husband snores all night long. She is entitled to it, for the illustrious bard struck a popular chord when he sang, "Yawn, and the world yawns with you; snore and you sleep alone."

A London chimney sweep displays ingenuity and a commendable brevity in the following sign: "His Majesty, the King"—in large letters—"has made a clean sweep of his enemies. There is only one clean sweep in this street—I'm him."

MALARIA???

Generally That Is Not the Trouble. Persons with a susceptibility to malarial influences should beware of coffee, which has a tendency to load up the liver with bile.

A lady writes from Denver that she suffered for years from chills and fever which at last she learned were mainly produced by the coffee she drank.

"I was also grievously afflicted with headaches and indigestion," she says, "which I became satisfied were likewise largely due to the coffee I drank. Six months ago I quit its use altogether and began to drink Postum Food Coffee, with the gratifying result that my headaches have disappeared, my digestion has been restored and I have not had a recurrence of chills and fever for more than three months. I have no doubt that it was Postum that brought me this relief, for I have used no medicine while this improvement has been going on." (It was really relief from congestion of the liver caused by coffee.)

"My daughter has been as great a coffee drinker as I, and for years was afflicted with terrible sick headaches, which often lasted for a week at a time. She is a brain worker and excessive application, together with the headaches, began to affect her memory most seriously. She found no help in medicines and the doctor frankly advised her to quit coffee and use Postum.

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TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

A CHOICE SELECTION OF INTERESTING ITEMS.

Comments and Criticisms Based Upon the Happenings of the Day—Historical and News Notes.

An advertiser with sand interests the customer with rocks.

All systems of government look alike to the anarchist, and none of them looks good.

The earth now has two frigid zones, two temperate zones, a torrid zone and a canal zone.

Russia's capacity for self-government is not at the present moment the most conspicuous fact in world politics.

Somebody ought to notify those Russians that work is one of the best things in the world for the constitution.

That list of names in the Hall of Fame at the New York University seems to be more exclusive than New York's 400.

One difference between a politician and a reformer is that a politician may get rich out of politics and a reformer may get poor.

Andrew Carnegie finds it's more fun to be lord rector of a Scotch university than to plant libraries in the hill on American soil.

If the University of Chicago succeeds in discouraging the great American toothpick habit, it will need no other claim to fame.

After bringing about peace between Russia and Japan, President Roosevelt turns his attention to allaying the horrors of warfare on the football field.

As it maintained a house and a famous cook at Albany, the Mutual Life's part of the insurance legislative work must have been to feed the animals.

The Standard Oil Company is paying 200 per cent a year. The Rockefeller Sunday school choir can sing with gusto "Gathering in the Sheaves."

Paris is to have a theater in which only the plays of unknown authors will be produced. If it can also get the unknown authors to buy seats the success of the scheme will be assured.

Grover Cleveland is mentioned for a place on The Hague tribunal; but any one who has stirred up as much war as Mr. Cleveland has recently, certainly has nothing in common with a peace commission.

The Equitable Life's expenses were nearly \$1,000,000 less for the third quarter of 1905 than for the corresponding quarter in 1904. Jimmie Hyde is now paying out of his own pocket for the entertainment of his friends.

The Irrigation Engineer in charge of the Pacific district tells us that there are now 35,000 irrigated farms in California. This means not only making waste places populous, but also making it possible to cultivate the land all the year round.

President McCurdy of the Mutual made his family doctor vice president of the company out of gratitude for the physician's success in pulling Mrs. McCurdy through a serious illness. It will be difficult to get some of the women to believe that Mr. McCurdy's act was not a noble one.

American women in London are trying to raise a fund which shall do for women what the Rhodes scholarships do for men. The plan is to send one or two students from each State for a course in one of the English universities. It is hoped that ten million dollars can be raised for the purpose.

King Edward is reported to have offered a Bible to the Episcopal church at Williamsburg, Va. It will be especially inscribed and will commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the church at Jamestown, of which the Williamsburg church is regarded as the successor.

Some men seem to live on a diet of discontent. Everything is wrong; nothing is as it should be. They are always in the dark. They even regret the sunshine, for fear it will fade something; they bemoan the rain for fear of the mud. If they would find less fault and make some effort to better matters they might at least lift themselves out of the quag.

The Board of Health of Mount Vernon, N. Y., has passed an ordinance forbidding roosters crowing at night, as they disturb the repose of the citizens. Dogs are also prohibited from barking, railroads must not blow whistles, and even church bells must

be silent between the hours of ten at night and six in the morning. In fact, the cat seems to be about the only night disturber that has escaped, yet all the other sounds combined are no worse than a couple of cats indulging in a vigorous Kilkenny dispute under the bedroom window. Mount Vernon's new law needs revising, and then the fun will come in enforcing it.

"It is difficult to understand," remarks the New York Times, "why a woman who writes wishes to conceal her sex." Apropos of this, one of the Four-Track News' most popular contributors not long ago sent a manuscript to a leading magazine. The accompanying letter was signed with the writer's initials, and the editor naturally supposed his new contributor to be a man. The submitted manuscript so greatly pleased its recipient that he wrote a letter of acceptance, earnestly soliciting more along the same line, and asking the contributor to call at the editorial office. In due time the invitation was accepted and the writer was ushered into the presence of the astonished editor, who was dumfounded upon discovering that his correspondent was of the gentler sex. That settled it! There were no arrangements made for further contributions from that quarter, and shortly after the interview the accepted manuscript was returned with a letter of apology from the editor for having changed his mind, as he had decided not to use it. This was, perhaps, an extreme case, but it happened, and it may be that it has happened many times, and that may explain why we have had so many George Ellots, Charles Egbert Craddocks, George Sands, and G. E. Mittons. As long as the prejudice exists in the sanctum, it matters not how free from that prejudice the public may be, it is a bar to honest effort, and not only explains but justifies the women masquerading behind masculine pseudonyms.

According to a compilation of child labor laws of the several States, recently issued by the Bureau of Labor, children only ten years old may be employed in factories in Alabama, Arkansas, Nebraska and Vermont. This is the lowest age at which the employment of children is authorized in any State. In some States, however, there is no law fixing an age under which children may be put to work for hire. South Carolina, in which the percentage of child labor was in 1900 greater than in any other State, has a new law, which is rapidly improving the conditions. Under it the employment of children under ten in mines, factories or textile mills was ordered stopped on May 1, 1903. After May 1, 1905, it became illegal to employ any child under eleven, and on May 1, 1906, the legal age will be raised to twelve years. In most of the Northern States reasonably satisfactory laws have been passed for the protection of children, and the ability of the father to earn larger wages than formerly has made it unnecessary for the whole family to work in the mill. There are more mothers at home and more children in school in the factory towns than a few years ago. In the South whole families still go to the mills, because of the demand for labor that cannot be met otherwise. As the capacity of the adults to do more increases, the necessity to employ the young children will disappear. The national sentiment against permitting the children to be denied their rightful opportunity to develop their bodies in play and their minds in school is already forcing legislatures to pass better laws to safeguard the future of the race by taking care of those who are to be the fathers and mothers in a few years.

No Need of Hurry.

The train, as usual, crawled along—you know the line—and then stopped dead. "Guard," shouted a humorous passenger, "may I get out and pick some flowers?"

"Afraid you won't find many about here," said the guard, good-humoredly. "Oh, there'll be heaps of time," replied the jovial one; "I've brought a packet of seeds."—Tatler.

Neglected.

Mrs. Stiles—I do wish you'd try to keep yourself neater.

Mr. Stiles—But, my dear, you're not so careful—

Mrs. Stiles—I'm not—I'm certainly more careful of my clothes than you.

Mr. Stiles—Exactly. Whereas, you should be more careful of me.—Philadelphia Press.

Reassuring Him.

"I was delighted, Miss Roley," began Mr. Roxley, "to meet your mother to-day for the first time, but I was surprised to find—er—"

"Oh, don't mind that," interrupted Miss Roley, hastily. "I take after father, you know."—Philadelphia Press.

It seems that when a boy hurts himself, everybody in the family and the whole neighborhood, has been expecting it.

When a man leaves town, or dies, the first thing his wife does is to invite all her kin to the house.

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