

Hours of Sleep.

A healthy infant sleeps most of the time during the first few weeks, and in the early years people are disposed to let children sleep as they will.

Hall's Catarrh Cure

Is a constitutional cure. Price, 75c.

Strawberry Souffle.

Put half a pint of the pulp of fresh strawberries passed through a sieve in an enameled saucepan with an ounce and a half of butter, seven ounces of sugar, half a gill of cream, and a little more than a gill of milk mixed with an ounce of flour and half an ounce of arrowroot.

Put a large doctor bill. - L. Baker, 4225 Regent St., Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5, 1898.

When one is low enough to insult you, be too high for him to reach.

It is of more profit to have a contented spirit than a fat bank account.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth, be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP for Children Teething.

"Marriage is a lottery," when it is a corner lot-ery.

There is not only an art but an eloquence in silence. - Cicero.

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Schools and churches abound everywhere. Nearly markets for all farm products. South and North Dakota are the banner diversified farming and stock-raising states of the West.

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Give your neighbors rope enough and they will eventually attempt to hang you.

FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION PEOPLES PARTY AT ST. LOUIS JULY 2ND.

The WABASH, the shortest and quickest route has been selected as the line from Nebraska for delegates and their friends to travel.

Statistics show that the French live longer than the Germans.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes.

JOHNNY'S FOURTH.

It Came a Little Late but He Made Things Hum Just the Same.



IF I LIVE TO BE A hundred years old, I'll never forget that Fourth of July! You see it happened like this: My big brother AIL went off to Uncle Ben's to spend his summer vacation an' 'bout t'n weeks 'fore the Fourth, ma went up there too, for Uncle Ben's her only brother.

Well, the boys, on our street, lotted on a splendid time. We didn't care 'bout the doin's at the center; our celebration was goin' to be held in the back alley. But what should come the night 'fore the Fourth, but a letter to gran'ma from father an' O, my! didn't she feel big over it, she wouldn't let me teach it, an' hedn't I see good a right to read a letter from my own father an' he nothin but a boy o' hern!

Well, I got up purty early an' gran' ma was up too, an' will you believe it, she wouldn't let me go out the door, an' all the boys were a hootin' an' yellin' an' firin' off amemition like sixty!



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I thought sure she'd let me go after breakfast, but she looked at me stern like, an' said: "Johnny, you must stay in doors fur your father said fur me to keep you right to home, an' I'm goin' to do my duty by you an' keep you right under my eye."

Perhaps you don't know my gran'ma is one o' them sort that never remembers bein' young! Yes, she forgot long ago that Fourth o' July was made for picnics an' good times. She's also one o' the kind that never goes back on their word, so cryin', kliekin' nor nothin' would do no good, an' make her change her mind one bit, but I sot down and cried, first an' orful mad sort of a cry, then an' orful sorry cry, an' then I got to sleep an' woke up most starved, an' gran'ma give me a big bowl o' bread an' milk, fur the girl was gone. Well, when night come I was the gladdest boy; fur 'twas the very longest day I'd ever 'sperenced!

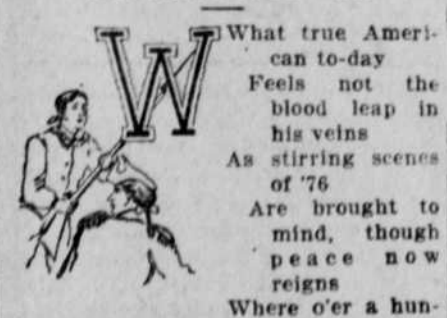
When ma come home, the next week, I jest told her all about it, an' she felt so bad fur me that she almost cried, then she went right to the buttery an' brought me a big lot o' fire crackers an' things she got a'fore she went away—you know mothers never forget a feller's wants. She told gran'ma all about 'em; but she forgot—she's got such a good forgettery.

Of course, 'twan't best to let me know 'bout 'em fur I'd likely used 'em up a'fore time. But I went an' got the neighbor boys over, if 'twas the 13th of July, an' we had a jolly time; fur mother made lemonade an' cake an' ice cream—tell you I 'preciate mothers now!

You see father wrote fur her to keep me to home, meanin' I musn't go off to no celebration, an' he would n't care, but 'spected I'd go out in the alley 'th the boys, an' mother told him to jog gran'ma's memory 'bout the Fourth of July amemition up in the buttery! but he forgot to say anything about it.

Huh! I guess those old forefathers knew what they was about when they 'pinted a day fur boys to make a big noise! 'Spect we boys couldn't stand it if we couldn't yell all we wanted to one day in the year, an' Fourth of July is Young America's day, fur a fact. So a havin' my Fourth on the thirteenth, was like eatin' ice cream 'bout no ice in it or drinkin' soda water when the foam an' fizz is gone. So I live to be a hundred, I'll not forget that Fourth o' July that I was cheated plum out o'!

THE HEROES OF '76.



What true American to-day Feels not the blood leap in his veins As stirring scenes of '76 Are brought to mind, though peace now reigns Where o'er a hundred years ago The Briton came in fierce array.

But surely 'twas not thus to be: A higher Power ruled over all: And out of war's grim, wrinkled front We merged, despite its gloomy pall.

Thus on this day of all the year Columbia's brightest stars may shine To tell of Independence won, While low we bow at Freedom's shrine.

A GENTLEMAN OF '76.

He cut a gallant figure In bonnie buff and blue; A goodly sight his buckles bright, And slightly powdered queue!



My great-great-grandpapa, He held the brutal Briton A "thing" beneath his scorn; A tory he conceived to be The basest catfiff born;



Thy whole long life of love and strife, Thou saint in buff and blue! Beyond all touch of travail, With great-great-grandmammas, Now flooding time, slips by in rhyme For great-great-grandpapa!

Very Accommodating. Grandpa (looking up)—What is it, my boy? Freddie (at window)—Stand out a little farther on the sidewalk. I have a package of terpedoes, and I want to drop them down on your bald head.—Judge.

Quite Proper. Stranger—Your orator has a loud voice, but he is murdering the Queen's English in the most horrible manner, Native—Why shouldn't he on the Fourth of July.—Puck.

Dangerous Jokes. Jokes which include the exploding near people of the largest-size cannon crackers are of the kind that it is better not to dwell upon.—Philadelphia News.

FIRECRACKERS. To the patriotic small boy the Fourth of July is a game that is always worth the Roman candle.—Puck. Some leave the city on the Fourth for quiet, while others, following the fireworks' example, go off for a lively time.—Philadelphia Times. The cheapness of fireworks is likely to give young America an exaggerated idea of the value of democratic reform.—Kansas City Times.

Electrical Equipment of Long Trunk Lines.

Dr. Duncan, who has paid much attention to the subject of the application of electricity as a motive power on existing steam lines, says it is a mistake to suppose that electric traction is still in an experimental stage.

Making Sailing Ships Go Faster.

The statement of an Italian sea captain that he had proved by experience that a ship goes faster when her hull are perforated with a number of holes than when they are quite sound, was at first looked upon as too ridiculous for consideration.

A Kansas Church of Sod.

The Methodists of German township, Smith county, Kansas, worship in a sod church. As its name indicates, its walls are built of sod taken from the prairie which surrounds it.

Mozart the Prodigy.

In one of the peaceful arts, we have the astonishing example of the Austrian musician and composer, Mozart. This lad was what we call a prodigy. He was the son of the bandmaster to the Archbishop of the city of Salzburg.

Good Advice From a Heavener.

A little watchfulness over ourselves will save us a great deal of watchfulness over others, and will permit the kindest of religions to drop her inconvenient and unseasonable talk of enmity and strife, bread-cakes and catfishes, battles and exterminations.

Let Your Light Shine.

"It is better to put a silver dollar on the collection plate than a \$5 gold piece," said Babbalanza to Hildfeld.

Better Than 16 1/2.

A person went to the post-office "the other day and asked what a money order for \$2.50 would cost. The deputy said three cents. He said he would take one. Writing it out and giving it to him, he handed over the three cents.

If Remote from Medical Help.

Doubly essential is it that you should be provided with some reliable family medicine. Rosetter's Stomach Bitters is the best of its class, remedying throughout as it does such common ailments as indigestion, constipation and biliousness, and affording safe and speedy help in malarial cases, rheumatism and inertness of the kidneys.

The self-conceited man listens to his enemy to be eaten.—Wakantani.

Did you ever see anything as queer as a robin trying to feed its own reflection on a window glass? That sight has been going on at my house in Rochester for a day or two. The poor deceived bird gets a worm in its bill and then runs up to a basement window, where it has seen its reflection, and there taps, taps, taps, at the glass trying to feed its shadow.

Thought That Ought to Settle Them.

Old Negro Woman (pouring coal-oil among a nest of cockroaches)—I jest reckon I's goin to fix you this time. I've tried lime, insect poddah and hot watah, an' hasn't done no good; but now you'd jis' as well gip up, fer you can't buck de Stan'ard Oil company.—Truth.

Hegeman's Camphor Ice with Glycerine.

Cures Sore Throat, Hoarseness, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Eyes, Catarrh of the Nose, etc. C. G. Clark Co., New Haven, Ct.

Faderewski, sweet as is his music, cannot soothe himself with it.

The world is full of people with both hands extended to welcome any temptation that is out of a job.

Has been the rallying cry of reform, directed against abuses municipal or social.

"Mend it or End it," has been the rallying cry of reform, directed against abuses municipal or social. For the man who lets himself be abused by a cough the cry should be modified to: Mend it, or it'll end you. You can mend any cough with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

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