

**HER LUCK NOT ALL DESERVED**

Printed Prayer Responsible for Return of Pocketbook Only There by Accident.

She had been paying visits most of the afternoon, and on reaching home and putting away her wraps she discovered that her cardcase was missing. In it had been a dollar or two, her cards and a certified check for \$200, which she had intended to deposit, but had been too late for her bank.

"Heavens," she exclaimed, "shall I ever see it again?" and sat down in her despair to think over everywhere she had been and might have left it. Suddenly the telephone bell rang.

"Are you Miss Blank, and have you lost anything?" inquired the person at the other end.

"Yes; I have just discovered the loss of my cardcase."

"What was in it?" said the voice. "My cards, some money, a certified check for \$200, and, oh, yes! a little prayer on a slip of paper. Did you see that?"

"Yes," said the voice; "I picked the case up. And just let me tell you that it was that prayer that has brought your property back to you."

The cardcase owner heaved a sigh of relief and thought how lucky it was for her that a Catholic friend had slipped the little printed prayer into her cardcase last summer.

**PROBLEM FOR THE SCIENTIST**

How May the Energy of the Sun, at Present Largely Wasted, Be Utilized to Advantage?

The enormous energy which is constantly poured out by the sun is almost past the comprehension of the lay mind.

Measurements have shown that on a clear sunny day the sun transmitted to the earth energy which corresponded to about 7,000-horsepower per acre. At present all that is practically wasted. Attempts have from time to time been made to utilize this enormous supply of energy, but not with any great measure of success. If people only knew how to harness it they could, at the expense of lowering the temperature of the earth by a degree or so, obtain all the power necessary to perform the work of the world. Only about three-fifths of the energy sent to the earth from the sun is appreciable to the eye as light. If the sun were twice as hot as it is, four-fifths would be appreciable in that way, and if it were still hotter the whole of the energy would affect the eye as light. Radiant energy is not heat; that is, the energy of the sun does not reach the earth in the form of heat. It is not heat at all until it falls on bodies whose temperature can be raised. It might rather be called electricity; in fact, it is a form of electricity, for all the methods used to detect and measure radiant energy depend upon absorbing it and transforming it into heat.

**Loans of Honor.**

Tip never had a mite of patience with the fellow who looks with such reverence on a debt of honor. As a rule the debt of honor chap doesn't fret a bit about billing his grocer. But an experiment with "loans of honor"—put in the right places—has shown the average person is honest. Several years ago public spirited men "got together" at Lyons and formed what they called a Loan and Honor society. The purpose was to furnish money to clerks, laborers and apparently to any poor and needy persons. No other security than the borrower's word was asked. In 1910-11 money was lent to 334 individuals. Sixty-eight of these were women. All but twenty-seven of the borrowers were married. Sickness made 119 of the loans necessary; loss of work, 83; previous debts, 84, and starting housekeeping, 27. The sums borrowed varied from \$6 to \$60. During its several years of existence the society has lost only \$200. Yes, the average person is not a thief.—New York Press.

**"Solid Gold."**

Commercially speaking, the term "solid gold" is a misnomer, since such gold has not been used for many, many years. Some of the ancient Roman jewelry and some of that of the Renaissance period was, indeed, made of pure gold, worked up by hand with the crudest of tools, but since the old days there has been a constantly increasing employment of alloys, for the reason that jewelers found that the harder the gold was rendered by good alloys the greater its wearing qualities and the more secure, therefore, was the setting of the gems it contained. Nowadays jewelry is of 18, 14 or 10 carats, according to the design and character of the article, and it is much more frequently ten than eighteen carats.

**Youthful Musical Genius.**

Rennes, a sleepy Brittany town, which is known in contemporary history chiefly because the second Dreyfus court-martial was held there, has recently discovered in its midst a musical prodigy. A local professor vouches for this discovery. Young Rene Guillou is aged seven. He is not only a virtuoso on the piano; he is also a composer. He possesses ear to a remarkable degree, and distinguishes every note in symphonic music. According to the master, he hears music inwardly. He composes for voices and instruments without making use of any instrument whatever, writing down melody and accompaniment on the paper.

**SHOULD BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY**

Childish Mind, Grieving in Darkness, Is Craving for Information That Is Denied It.

Every trace of useful information is carefully concealed from the very young child. A rattle, or at most a rubber doll, is its only plaything. As it grows older it is very slowly and gradually introduced to the various forms of the animal kingdom. Of the mysteries of numbers and of languages it has as yet no conception. Its constant questions are for the most part answered "humorously" and hence incorrectly, or they are not answered at all. This eternal "humor" is most galling of all. Why should a human infant be such an irresistible joke? The lower animals take their young seriously and train them from the start with a very definite purpose in view. Yet their possibilities are infinitesimal as compared with those of the average baby. And we sit calmly by and enjoy the "humor" of childhood and insist that the child is enjoying itself also, even though its little soul may be thirsting for information which is laughingly denied it. And we continue to put off the inevitable day when the child will have to take life seriously and hence, according to our tradition, sadly.

One important point which is quite overlooked by the upholders of the business and silliness are just as taxing to the infant mind as useful information would be. It requires no more mental effort to realize that A is A than to grasp the extraordinary fact that a mass of brownish softness is a "fuzzy little Teddy bear, yes it is." In fact, the letter A has a distinct advantage. And at a more advanced age it is certainly less puzzling to be told that five and five make ten than to have one's own respectable pink toes described as a series of pigs going to market or entering into the various other activities of life.—Sigmund Spaeth in Harper's Weekly.

**TURNED LEAVES OF ROMANCE**

Vangy Found, as Others of Her Sex Have Done, That Man Was Ever Fickle.

"Will you have a cup of tea, Vangy?" asked Mrs. Greene, as Vangy came in from hanging out the clothes. "Ah don' cayah of Ah do, Mis Greene. It right col' on de roof an' Ah's mos' chill to de marrer ob mah bones. Yo's very kin'" as, yielding to Mrs. Greene's suggestion, she deposited her portly form on a chair near the kitchen table, "Yo's allus tryin' to make a posson comfable. Yo' min's me ob mah maw—o' eos' yo' ain' as ol' as her, but yo' like her in yo' mannahs. Oh, yes'm, Ah likes sugah in mah tea. Weneber anybody ast me of I like sugah in mah tea Ah t'ink ob a gamman f'ren' Ah was 'gaged to oncet. 'Ware he now?' Lor, Ah dunno, he lef' de city. He ain' no 'count no how an' Ah don' cayah of he nevah come back. Dere's jes' as good meat in de hash as eber come out ob it, Mis Greene. Wistah's his name?" honey. His name Wistah Dobson, at dat time. He use come 'roun to mah house to take his afternoon tea wif me an' maw. He mighty sweet on me den. Ah 'member one day he come an' maw, she po'd out a cup of tea fo' him an' he taste it an' den he say mos' 'grayshatin' like, 'Mis Vangy, would yo' min' puttin' yo' lilies f'ingah in mah tea—only de ve'y tip ob it?' 'Wot yo' wan' me put mah f'ingah in yo' tea fo'?' Ah say, 'W'y, he say, 'yo' maw fo'got to put in de sugah an' I cayn drink tea 'less it be very sweet.' Now days," she concluded with a shake of her head, "he wouldn't drink his tea. Ah reckon, ef Ah was to put mah whole han' in."

**Bomb's Deadly Work.**

Paris is truly a city of tragedies. At a quarter past eight the other morning there was a terrific bomb explosion on the Place de Montrouge. Policemen rushed up, and found a young man of eighteen, Alfred Hervo, shrieking with pain, and rolling in agony on the ground. His face and hands were covered with blood and his clothes were burning. Two policemen put the fire out, put Hervo in a cab, and took him to the nearest hospital. The other policemen found the bomb. It had been made of two metal soap boxes tied together, and filled with powder and nails. Hervo declared that he knew nothing about the bomb. He was on his way to his work, saw the thing lying on the pavement, and kicked it off into the gutter. It broke open, and wondering what the black stuff in it was, Hervo lit a match and bent down to find out. An explosion followed.

**Fashions Long Kept Up.**

The British admiralty's annual order for black silk handkerchiefs for the navy, recently placed for 90,000, led to inquiry, "why black?" It is said to be as mourning for Nelson's death at Trafalgar. Another instance of long-continued mourning is shown in the dark clothes officially worn by the Anglo-Saxon race; at the decease of the duke of Gloucester, Queen Anne's heir-apparent, the bar went into mourning and has never doffed this, though the lapse of the Stuart dynasty on the British throne was scarcely to be regretted. Doubtless the largest following of one fashion by men was after Alexander set the style of having the face clean-shaven; this was kept up by the Graeco-Roman world for five hundred years.

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**How Shall We Manage Our State Institutions?**

All voters interested in the welfare of our state hospitals, penitentiary, reformatory institutions, etc., are urged to take an active interest in the adoption of Amendment No. 3 on the ballot this year, entitled "A Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska Creating a Board of Commissioners for State Institutions." The adoption of this amendment will have the effect of placing the control of these institutions, in the hands of a Board which will have for its object the placing of superintendents and employes in the institutions on the merit system. This will be in contradistinction to the method heretofore in vogue in Nebraska where by the institutional positions have been looked upon as perquisites to be dealt out in the form of rewards for those who were most active politically. In other states it has long been recognized that as nearly as possible these appointments should be governed by merit and that nonpartisan control contributes to the efficiency of management and renders the conduct of such institutions more economical than where frequent changes in administration are made for political or other reasons. Amendment No. 3 as already pointed out offers a solution for this difficulty in Nebraska and should have the vote and active support of every one interested in the conduct of our state institutions.

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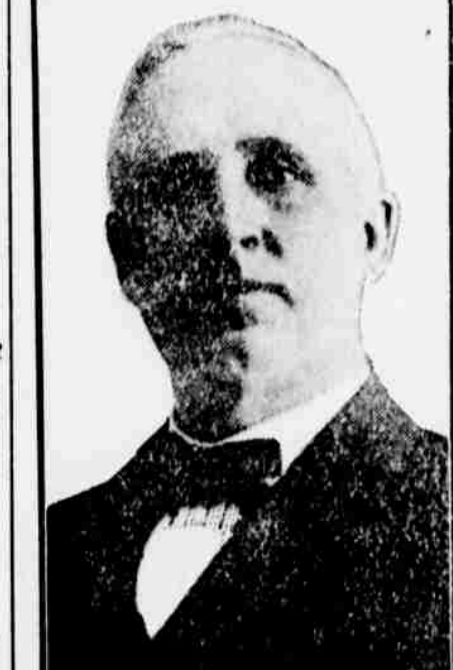
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**A. M. MORRISSEY,**  
Candidate for the Democratic Nomination for Attorney General, at the Primaries April 19th, 1912.

From the spring of 1898 to the fall of 1911, Mr. Morrissey was engaged in the practice of the law at Valentine, the county seat of Cherry county, and during the first four years of that time, he was the county attorney of that county. At the expiration of his second term, he declined to hold the office longer and engaged in private practice. As prosecuting officer of this big county he met and tried cases against many of the foremost lawyers of the state, who had been called in to defend in criminal cases. In successfully coping with these big men of the profession, his reputation as a trial lawyer spread into the adjoining counties and for the past ten years he has been rated as one of the most successful men at the bar. In the summer of 1911 he gave up his residence at Valentine and removed to Lincoln, where he is now engaged in the practice of his profession.

He is a delegate to the last democratic national convention and has a wide acquaintance with the party workers of the state. His friends believe that his nomination will greatly strengthen the state ticket, as he is the only man who has fled who is representative of the western end of the state, and this, together with his high standing as a lawyer, will help to round out a ticket that will appeal to the voters next fall.

He is a native of the state of New York, but has lived for twenty years in western Nebraska and may be said to be one of the pioneers of the state

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