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MAGIC ON TAP.

It May Be Bought the Same as Dry
Goods or Groceries.

Magic has become a mail order business. Chicago is the center of the trade in the United States. There is manufactured in Chicago magic enough to supply the Merlins of the world, and every week large orders for sleight of hand tricks are filled and sent off to the Philippines, Australia, Germany, England and France.

The times of Cagliostro are dead. Black magic and the delusions which belief in it made possible are things of the past. Conjurings have been lifted from the plane of witchcraft to that of pure legerdemain. It has become a white art, yet the world is not less eager to be deceived than it was in the old days. Yoganindra, the goddess of illusion, still reigns. This fact constitutes fully one-half of the unusual business of the magic shop.

There is not a feat known to the profession which cannot be bought, and society is full of people, young and old, who are eager to become magicians. Apparently there is no other kind of dust in the eyes which is so popular socially as this double mystery of sight and touch. Success is equally a matter of simplicity of apparatus and the performer's skill. Anybody can become a conjurer who has manual dexterity, personal presence, tact and fluency of speech. To become a phenomenon in this calling, however, requires, of course, phenomenal capacity.

The magic shop is an interesting place, full of curious apparatus and familiar objects which are all bewitched, subject to the spell of the magician's hand. Conspicuous among the collection is the famous orange tree of Robert Houdin, that piece of mechanism by which the "father of modern conjuring" gave Paris a genuine thrill a generation ago. As it stands upon the shelf the contrivance is nothing but an artificial orange tree, yet once, before the startled eyes of Paris, it burst miraculously into bloom at the wave of Houdin's wand, its blossoms became fruit, ripe oranges, which were distributed among the audience, and from the orange at the top two butterflies flew out bearing a handkerchief belonging to one of the spectators.

American conjuring, declares the man to whom the shop belongs, is the most original and inventive in the world. Its range is much wider than that of the marvelous Chinese jugglery, and beside the delicacy of its method the famous Indian jugglery is clumsiness personified.

Magic has certainly become at last "an art as lawful as eating," now that the world is linked by it, and the magicians in the various countries form a great brotherhood. The skill of Mage Merlin, of vast wit and a hundred winters, has given way to a magic no less subtle because more easily accessible and more readily understood.—Chicago Tribune.

Disappearing Hotel Towels.

"We lose money enough in stolen towels every week to board half a dozen porters," said a hotel clerk. "We never know exactly where they go, but they certainly disappear, and that right fast. If some of the people who take our towels had exerted their energies in a more laudable vocation they would have been rich many moons ago. There is scarcely a room in the hotel that does not lose a towel at least three times a week. Of course, we place several kinds—face towels, bath towels and just plain towels—in each one, and some one finds them so attractive that they are dropped into a grip and hustled out with the remainder of the luggage. When you figure that a good bath towel costs from 10 to 20 cents and other towels anywhere from 3 to 5 cents, you probably can estimate the dead loss to a hotel. It is very convenient to drop them into satchels, suit cases or trunks, and they are right handy to wrap shoes or other dirty articles of clothing in."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Keep Close to the Right Kind.

Whatever you do in life, make any sacrifice necessary to keep in an ambition arousing atmosphere, an environment that will stimulate you to self development. Keep close to people who understand you, who believe in you, who will help you to discover yourself and encourage you to make the most of yourself. This may make all the difference to you between a grand success and a mediocre existence. Stick to those who are trying to do something and to be somebody in the world—people of high aims, lofty ambition. Keep close to those who are dead in earnest. Ambition is contagious. You will catch the spirit that dominates your environment. The success of those about you who are trying to climb upward will encourage and stimulate you to struggle harder if you have not done quite so well yourself.—Success Magazine.

To Waterproof Boots.

Put a pound of tallow and half a pound of resin in a pot on the fire. When melted and mixed, warm the boots and apply the hot stuff with a painter's brush until neither the sole nor the upper leather will suck in any more. If it is desired that the boots should immediately take a polish, melt an ounce of wax with a teaspoonful of lampblack. A day after the boots have been treated with tallow and resin rub over them this wax in turpentine, melt not before the fire. The exterior will then have a coat of wax alone and will shine like a mirror. Tallow or any other grease becomes rancid and rots the stitching as well as leather, but the resin gives it an antiseptic quality which preserves the whole. Boots and shoes should be so large as to admit of wearing cork soles. They will then be much warmer.

Mitchell, Leader of The Miners

To be an important factor in deciding such a question as to strike or not to strike means much responsibility and much nerve racking anxiety when great industries like that of coal mining are involved. To some the position of John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, may seem an easy one. To some it may seem that all he has to do is to travel around and make speeches to gatherings of workmen and to hobnob with coal barons and railway magnates when there is strike talk in the air, as at present, but that is a very erroneous view of the case. To bear upon one's shoulders responsibility for the welfare of 500,000 workmen and the wives and children dependent on their labor is no small thing.

The weight of such a burden has pressed sorely upon Mr. Mitchell since the negotiations between the coal operators and miners began, and his features have given evidence of the strain he has been under. From his home in Indiana his wife journeyed to New York in order to be near him and give him such support as only a wife can when a husband is under severe mental stress. Not long ago Mr. Mitchell was offered a nomination for congress, but he would not take it. He said he had resolved to devote himself to advancing the cause of labor and did not propose to turn aside from that task. There have been rumors from time to time that this or that federal office was to be tendered Mr. Mitchell as a representative of the wage earner, but all such rumors have proved unfounded, and the labor leader has gone along in his chosen path, working for the betterment of conditions in the world of labor and especially in that part under his jurisdiction as head of a great workingmen's organization.

President Mitchell has a smooth shaven face and has such a look of serious-



JOHN MITCHELL.

ness, if not of solemnity, that it is often said he ought to have been a priest. For a time he wore a mustache, which changed materially the aspect of his features, but he has returned to the shaven upper lip. Though he is a man very much in earnest, he can see the humorous side of things. He was once discussing a certain English financier whose views, he said, reminded him of Marshall Saunders of Braidwood.

"Braidwood is an Illinois town, and I passed my boyhood there," said Mr. Mitchell. "Marshall Saunders had a fine apiary. He raised good bees and good honey. It was a pleasure to visit his neat, well painted city of hives. Marshall had an inquiring mind, and he would sometimes ask himself strange questions. One of the questions he continually asked himself was this:

"Have I any right to rob these bees of their honey?"

"And for a long time he could not answer that question to his own satisfaction. Finally, though, he found an answer. I heard him tell it to his friends with pride.

"I used to feel mean," he said, "about robbing the beehives, but after thinking the matter over I see now I'm in the right. If it wasn't for me taking the honey, all them bees would be out of work the whole of next summer."

Mr. Mitchell added that it did not require a great stretch of the imagination to apply the story to the philanthropy of some capitalists and political economists.

President Mitchell has several children himself, and he is much interested in giving the boys who work in the mines a better chance to get a start in life. He tolled in the mines as a boy of thirteen and knows what it means for a lad who ought to be at school to be so employed. Once he addressed a meeting where many of the breaker boys were present, and he said afterward:

"I was shocked and almost lost my grip at times as I saw those eager eyes peering at me from pale little faces, and I—well, there are some things a man cannot forget. That fight had a new meaning to me. I felt that I was fighting for the boys; fighting a battle for innocent childhood; battling to get for those brave little fellows a chance in life. I felt that if I might be weak in some things I should be true to those little lads."

The labor leader can be very eloquent from fitting occasions. He has a strong sway over the men who look to him for guidance.

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Souvenir Postal Cards.

The McCook Souvenir Postal Cards printed by THE TRIBUNE are on sale at The Ideal Store, The Tribune Office, L. W. McConnell's, The Post Office Lobby. Ten different views printed. Other designs are in preparation. Price—Two for five cents.

Parties wishing to have THE TRIBUNE print their sale bills can have the copy prepared by bringing the description of the articles they have to offer for sale to its office. There will be no charge for preparing the copy and the bills will be promptly and accurately printed at a moderate cost.

Three little rules we all should keep,
To make life happy and bright,
Smile in the morning, smile at noon,
Take Rocky Mountain Tea at night.
L. W. McConnell.

Is Disease a Crime?

Not very long ago, a popular magazine published an editorial article in which the writer asserted, in substance, that all disease should be regarded as criminal. Certain it is, that much of the sickness and suffering of mankind is due to the violation of certain of Nature's laws. But to say that all sickness should be regarded as criminal, must appeal to every reasonable individual as radically wrong.

It would be harsh, unsympathetic, cruel, yes criminal, to condemn the poor, weak, over-worked housewife who sinks under the heavy load of household cares and burdens, and suffers from weaknesses, various displacements of pelvic organs and other derangements peculiar to her sex.

Present bearing of children, with its exacting demands upon the system, coupled with the care, worry and labor of rearing a large family, is often the cause of weaknesses, derangements and debility which are aggravated by the many household cares, and the hard, never-ending work which the mother is called upon to perform. Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 21 one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound.

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