

Now and Then

The way the advent of the New Year is celebrated in some of the large cities in this country is a travesty on civilization and a disgrace to the morality of the nation.

The late J. Steling Morton said years ago that if some chemist would compound a specific for hog cholera he would pay every farm debt in the state within ten years.

Ge, don't some of the swells back east spread it on! A Philadelphia man with more money than sense gave a party for an 18 year old daughter last week that cost \$100,000.

The finest Coffee Substitute ever made, has recently been produced by Dr. Shoop of Racine, Wis. You don't have to boil it twenty or thirty minutes.

A Brilliant Star

People who look in the heavens these evenings, notice a very brilliant star near the moon. This star is Venus and is not near as brilliant now as it will be later on.

The Falls City Odd Fellows kept open house and had a fine musical program for guests New Years day.

A Merited Tribute

Lack of time last week prevented a more extended notice of the excellent music rendered by the Ladies Orchestra at the Odd Fellows reception on New Years evening.

Their rendering of the song with orchestra accompaniment, of "Good Night Beloved Good Night" with Miss Edna Crook as soloist was a perfect gem.

The rendering of "Good Night Beloved Good Night" was the finishing touch to an excellent program, and in producing it the Ladies Orchestra gave our citizens not only a big treat but a big surprise.

When the Stomach, Heart, or Kidney nerves get weak, then these organs always fail. Don't drug the Stomach, nor stimulate the Heart or Kidneys.

About fourteen years ago Secretary Taft, then a district federal judge in Ohio, sent a labor leader to jail for violating an injunction.

In answer to questions propounded by the secretary of the Ohio federation of labor Mr. Taft approves of statutes defining the rights of labor in controversies with their employers.

Trial Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free, on request, by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. These tests are proving to the people—without a penny's cost—the great value of this scientific prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy.

Daye McCoy sold the most cigars for his house and took the prizes of set of Haviland china plates and a new \$50 suit of clothes.

FROM HIS FRIEND "MIKE"

Mean Trick Played by Practical Jokers on Man Who Carried Hobby to Extremes.

A rich and well known citizen of an eastern city boasts of an extraordinary collection of books wherein the authors have inscribed their autographs.

It is rumored that the envy and frequently the scepticism of his friends have been aroused by the flattering inscriptions in question.

The citizen recently purchased a rare edition of Montaigne's Essays. One evening, at dinner, the costly volume was passed from hand to hand and for a time the owner lost sight of it.

"To John Blank, from his old friend and classmate Mike Montaigne."—Harper's Weekly.

CONSPIRATORS.



Youngster—Well, I finally made sister throw herself into George's arms last night!

CIPHER CODE.

"So the dining room orchestra plays by instruction, eh?" said the new arrival.

"Oh, yes," replied the corpulent proprietor. "When I notice a guest sipping hot coffee I signal 'P. L.' That means 'play loud.'"

"Rather interesting."

"Yes, and then when I see one eating soup with a great deal of noise I signal, 'P. V. L.' That means 'play very loud.'"

"Clever, very clever. Is that all of the code?"

"Oh, no. When a man starts to eat corn off the cob, I hurry up and signal 'P. B. L. A. B. T. C.'"

"And what does that mean?"

"Why, play blaméd loud and beat the cymbals."

LOOKS AND SOUND.

A teacher in one of the lower grades of the public schools gave a talk to her pupils the other day about proverbs.

The next day when the teacher took up the proverb proposition again, one little girl handed in this: "Ferriek's change is no robbery."

VERY SENSITIVE.

"Yes," laughed the jolly drummer, "when they come aboard the train, I bet the boys in the smoker they were on their honeymoon. I won."

"How did you prove it?" asked the hotel clerk.

"Dead easy. I slipped into the dining car while they were lurching and every time the waiter mentioned any dish that had rice in it the bride blushed and quickly called for something else."

LETTING HIM OFF CHEAPLY.

"How much do I owe you for cleaning and pressing that pair of trousers?" asked the poet of his tailor.

The tailor sighed gently as he flicked a bit of dust from the trousers and began to fold them up.

"Well, sir," he said compassionately, "it will be just fifty cents this trip. I don't want to charge you more than the pants is worth."

HAD ALL THE REQUISITES

Candidate's Qualifications for Admission to Bar Satisfactory to Florida Judge.

"Examinations for admission to the bar," once observed a prominent attorney of New Orleans, "are, of course, easy or severe, according to the humor of the examiner."

"Can you ride?" "Yes, sir." "Do you own a horse?" "Yes, sir." "Can he swim?" "Yes, sir." "Then, my dear sir, I am happy to welcome you to the practice of law in my district."—Harper's Weekly.

PLEASURE IN STORE.



Tommy—Mr. Johnson, are you blind? Mr. J.—No, my boy; why do you ask?

Tommy—Why, nothin'; only pa said you'd get your eyes opened if you married Flo.

ALMOST LOST.

"No," declared the duke, "I cannot marry you. Your annual income is too small."

"But wait a moment, your grace," pleaded the beautiful heiress, "wait! Do not leave me before you have heard all. I shall inherit \$4,000,000 from my grandmother when she dies, and we have just received a telegram saying that she is very ill."

"Ah, my sweet one, forgive me for doubting your love. Let us arrange it so that we may have bulletins from the bedside every twenty minutes."

MARKED FOR SUCCESS.

"I saw a man to-day who has a great success before him," remarked Col. Sizzleby, of Kentucky, as he released the straws and placed the glass on the table.

"And what does that mean?"

"Why, play blaméd loud and beat the cymbals."

FINANCIAL SUPERSTITION.

"See here," said the lady, "you told me that work would only cost me \$13, and here you've sent in a bill for \$14."

"Yes'm," replied the carpenter, "you see, when I came to think the thing over afterward I was afraid maybe you'd be superstitious about the 13."

TRAINING.

Miss Terry—Mother, I notice that lately whenever I ask you for money you grumble and growl and act nasty. What's come over you? You didn't use to be that way.

Mrs. Terry—My dear, you are going to be married soon, and I am getting you used to it.

BETTER THAN NATURE.

Crittick—I just saw Kammerer's picture of your wife. You don't like it, do you? Henpeck—Yes, indeed. Crittick—Why, it doesn't look like her. Henpeck—Perhaps not, but it doesn't talk like her either.

WHAT THEY ARE FOR.

North—Language was invented to conceal thought, someone has said. Sider—Yes, and health boards to conceal epidemic diseases, when it suits them.

BAROMETER COMES IN HANDY

English Schoolboys Find Profit and Pleasure in Use of Forbidden Instrument.

Every English schoolboy who can afford it has a barometer that he keeps hidden under his bed or in his trunk, for in all English schools barometers are strictly forbidden.

Why, on the one hand, should they be forbidden? Why, on the other hand, should they be desired? The answer is amusing.

Through the autumn and winter the English schoolboy plays football every afternoon, weather permitting. Football, like Latin, is compulsory. He must play two hours each clear day.

These two hours are taken off his recitations. They make his school tasks two hours lighter. Hence, when he knows beforehand that the next day will be clear, he may spare himself two hours of useless study the night before.

But when the instrument points to "Change" then the schoolboy knows that there will be no football on the morrow, and he shirks none of his appointed tasks.

Thus a boy with a barometer has a big advantage. He can even take many a long evening's loaf, and at the same time he can always be well up in his studies.

WISDOM OF EXPERIENCE.

"This," said the village minister, as he entered his wife's sitting room with an open letter in his hand, "is a call to Grassville, Kas. I understand it is a very nice place."

"What salary do they offer?" queried his practical better half.

"One thousand dollars a year, free rent and two donation parties—one in the spring and one in the fall," replied the good man.

"I think," answered his wife, "that you had better write and ask if they would be willing to make the salary \$800 a year and cut out the donation parties."

EVIDENCE OF WEALTH.

"You remember that artist husband of yours?" asked the red-checked man of the little grass widow.

Her eyes took a far-away look and then came back again.

"I believe," she said, "that I have a faint recollection of him. Why?"

"He's making money," said the red-checked man.

"No!" exclaimed the little grass widow. "Did you see it in his hand?"

"No," said the red-checked man; "but I met him last night in a cafe and he bought me a drink."

STRIPPED CLEAN.

The hostile cruisers were anchored off the American coast. Suddenly they weighed anchor and put to sea at full speed.

"What caused the sudden departure?" asked the war correspondent.

"Neither," laughed the general of the fortress. "I just signaled that we were about to strip each ship."

"But they were not afraid of our guns?"

"No; they thought we were going to send souvenir hunters to do the stripping."

IT DOES SO.

Wise—He says he has perfected plans that will enable him to build low-priced motor cars, placing the machines within the reach of all.

Browne—My, that means a great business undertaking.

Wise—H'm! It also means a great undertaking business.—Catholic Standard and Times.

THE VILLAIN.

"You wish to employ one of our detectives to watch your husband?"

"I do."

"May I ask what has aroused your suspicion of him?"

"He sent me a bunch of violets and a box of candy from town yesterday."—Houston Post.

THE OTHER WAY AROUND.

"I suppose your son will adopt a profession?"

"Well," answered Farmer Corn-tassel, "that's the way Josh talks about it now. But I shouldn't be surprised if he'd see the sense of gettin' out an' lookin' for a profession that'll adopt him."

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