

At Home.

"I never was a hand to go gawping round!" exclaimingly exclaimed an old woman who boasted of never having seen a railway train or a trolley car or any town but her own. The gentleman of stay-at-homes in the country is perhaps passing away—the women—they were chiefly women—who peered themselves on their self-ignorance on farms or in village or a village, serving to demonstrate their devotion to home and children and duty. There is a class of men in the business world who have the same point of view in regard to the object of life. Fresh a one, dying at the age of 33, left a record of 55 years as the head of a banking house, during which he had been absent from his desk but two days—and those were accounted for by a spasmodic sickle. No vacation, no travel, no day of summer leisure with wife and children—55 years of steady, unswerving routine! There is something impressive in the story of a lifetime of persistent toil. But there is another point of view which deserves respect. The gadabout may be a useless member of society; but the stay-at-home is likely to be a narrow one. We find ourselves on this little planet, with its oceans and mountains and mighty rivers and wide prairies. We know not whence we came, nor if we shall ever pass this way again. Surely, exclaims Youth's Companion, we may do our task better in our own appointed place if we look about the world, feed our minds with the glories of nature, and discover how men and women before us have lived their lives, and embodied their aspirations in the great arts of building and painting and sculpture.

The man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before was long ago pointed out as deserving well of his fellow creatures, but if distinction is due to such a one, what, asks the Chicago News, shall be said of the man who develops a race of hens that would habitually lay more than one egg a day? Surely no tribute of honor and gratitude could be too great for such a one. Prof. Elmer A. Drew of the University of Illinois may be the one to whom such debt will eventually be paid, for he has been conducting studies and experiments which lead him to believe that there is no biological reason why a hen should not lay more than one egg a day. This being true it follows, that the same American enterprise which increases the quantity of all other agricultural products will be turned to the hen and compel her to do her full duty. A hen's time is of no value in other directions, and if she can occupy what has hitherto been idle leisure in producing more eggs, then no business on her part should be permitted. She should have no afternoons off. The eyes of the world are now expectantly fixed on Drew and the further results of his experiments.

A New York woman who is a famous authority on cooking has gone bankrupt while endeavoring to cater to the appetites of the people of her town, where she runs two restaurants. This innocent person should have known that the way to make money in New York is to buy in a dozen cold-shouldered sandwiches and a large stock of alcoholic beverages. To try to tempt the New Yorker with good cooking is one of the stupidest vagaries thus far recorded, declares the Chicago News. What he wants is something to stimulate his thirst, not to satisfy his appetite. It is well known that good cooking tends to destroy the craving for drink. Yet this expert in the culinary art deliberately undertook to practice her specialty in Gotham! New Yorkers do not want their craving for drink destroyed, so they probably breathe more freely now that the scientific cookshops have landed in bankruptcy.

The New York board of education is to investigate the question of corporal punishment, as it has been charged that the discipline of the schools has been undermined by the powerlessness of the teachers to punish and the advantage taken by the children in their knowledge of this immunity. It is solemn to be vindicated in these modern times and his wisdom admitted when he said that to spare the rod was to spoil the child! In his own day, it may be remembered, Solomon was considered a very wise man, and his record has not been signally broken by modern usage.

One New Jersey hotel keeper proved more than a match for a lot of college boys. He looked them in, turned in a few shams and had the boys turned out. There is nothing to quench enthusiasm of any kind like having cold water poured on it.

Once upon the ocean is at hand when things begin to happen that cause a rise in the price of coal. In this respect it stands in sharp contrast with the period for rises in the price of tea.

The New York Yacht club declines to Thomas Lipton's challenge to race with smaller boats than have heretofore been used. And yet it might have given Mr. Thomas a chance to win in some class. Possibly he has arrived at a stage where it behooves him to set his best according to his purse.

A dog in New Jersey attacked an inspector who had just been reading his master's dog meter. And yet many declare that dogs have not seen human intelligence.

WEALTH BY BILLIONS

VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS FOR THE YEAR 1907.

WHAT THE EARTH PRODUCES

Agriculturalists Have It in Their Power to Curtail the Operation of Trusts and Prevent Unequal Distribution of Money.

Farms of the United States in 1907 will produce more wealth than all the gold mines of the world have produced in 50 years. Conservative estimates place the value of all farm products at approximately \$7,000,000,000, or about \$200,000,000 more than their value in 1906. The farmer is the magician, the alchemist, that makes use of nature to create the world. The farmer's corn crops alone average a billion dollars a year, and all the other cereals another billion, with cotton, tobacco, hay and flax worth another billion, and the fruits, garden truck and animals a few billions more. Thus it can be seen that the farmer produces wealth greater than taken from it by the miners for his precious gems and minerals. There is no other foundation for the wealth and business of the world other than the land. Men cannot eat gold; the coal is only useful to him as a means of utilizing what the earth grows; there is nothing in the mineral world that will sustain life, or anything that is necessary unless mortals eat, drink and wear clothes. When there is abundance of agricultural productions, there are prosperous times, and a famine when the opposite occurs. The whole financial fabric, the entire commercial system, is dependent upon the farmer, and his work.

One billion dollars is an amount beyond the comprehension of the average man. The life of an individual is not sufficiently long to count it cent by cent should he work ten hours a day, from his tenth year until death. This is the average value of the corn crop alone that the farmers of the United States produce yearly. One would not expect that if only a small portion of the vast wealth, which the farmers produce could be only retained in the agricultural communities, there would be a class of rich men greater than in any commercial community. Yet statistics show that for the amount of wealth yearly produced, the farmers are retainers of only a small portion of it. The tendency is toward concentration of wealth in great financial centers. It is in these places, and by the control of this great wealth, that trusts are built up, and the machinery put in operation that systematically draws from the agricultural sections the great wealth produced. Farmers can, if they will, bring about a change by a simple adherence to the home trade principle; by patronage of local business institutions instead of the concerns in the large cities. D. M. CARR.

FOR THE HOME TOWN.

Be a "booster" for your home town. By patronizing other than local institutions you are using a boomerang that is likely to fly back and do you injury when you least expect it. No one can be an ideal citizen and talk and work against the interests of his home town. So long as you are a resident of a community, do your part towards assisting it to greater progress.

Those who are opposed to the evils of capital concentration, the building up of trusts that work against the interests of the masses, should consider the fact that any and every system of business that depletes a section of the country of the wealth it produces strengthens the system of business and financial concentration. One of the most honest systems that at the present is working against the interests of the smaller cities and towns, and in the greatest medium of draining wealth from agricultural communities, is the mail-order system of doing business. From some rural towns from 40 to 50 per cent. of the trade goes to foreign concerns. If this trade were confined to the home town, its business would be doubled, employment given to twice as many people; the profits accruing from mercantile business would seek local investment, and within a few years the population of the town would be more than doubled, and all living within the district would be benefited.

Every kind and class of goods have a real value, and this value is based upon the cost of the raw material, the price of the labor in producing it, and the cost of distribution. Whenever there are big bargains offered in any line, and goods offered "below value," be careful and see that you are not getting an inferior article.

While the farmer may receive a dozen papers from the large cities, he invariably reads his local paper. It is in the interest of the farmer as well as the merchant that the latter use its columns freely to tell of the latest prices, goods freshly received, etc. The farmer wants to buy, and the merchant wants to sell, and the farmer will buy when and where he can save money. The merchant who lets his business go away from his town through lack of advertising rightly is not a very enterprising business man.

It is well to be on guard when dealing with itinerant agents, sellers of groceries, carriages, machinery, patent rights, etc. It is a pretty good idea to never take grab-bag chance when you wish to buy an article. See what you are purchasing before paying for it.

Picked Out the Thief. At Jersitz, Prussia, where a battalion of infantry is stationed, one of the men had visited a restaurant in town and not only departed without payment, but also took a purse from a barmaid who had served him. The young woman complained to the commander, who had the battalion paraded, and in his company she passed down the lines, scanning each face intently. The man, under the impression that he was being inspected by a princess at least, stood rigidly at attention. Their surprise was great when she stopped in front of a soldier and exclaimed in a pronounced Berlin dialect, "That's the thief." The man was at once marched off in custody.

Questionable Veracity. Green—So Bragg tells a different tale, does he? Well, I guess my word is as good as his. Brown—I should hope so. Bragg is a character member of a fishing club. —Chicago Daily News.

POOR GOODS, CHEAP PREMIUMS.

How Money is Sometimes Squandered in Patronizing Prize-Package Concerns.

MIX THIS YOURSELF

Recipe for Simple Home-Made Kidney Cure.

Here is a simple home-made mixture as given by an eminent authority on Kidney diseases, who makes the statement in a New York daily newspaper, that it will relieve almost any case of Kidney trouble if taken before the stage of Bright's disease. He states that such symptoms as lame back, pain in the side, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night; painful and discolored urination, are readily overcome. Here is the recipe; try it: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime.

A well-known physician is authority that these ingredients are all harmless and easily mixed at home by shaking well in a bottle. This mixture has a peculiar healing and soothing effect upon the entire Kidney and Urinary structure, and often overcomes the worst forms of Rheumatism in just a little while. This mixture is said to remove all blood disorders and cure the Rheumatism by forcing the Kidneys to filter and strain from the blood and system all uric acid and foul, decomposed waste matter, which cause the afflictions. Try it if you aren't well. Save the prescription.

A Whistler Criticism.

The late James McNeill Whistler was standing bareheaded in a hat shop, the clerk having taken his hat to another part of the shop for comparison. A man rushed in with his hat in his hand and supposing Whistler to be a clerk angrily confronted him.

"See here," he said, "This hat doesn't fit." Whistler eyed the stranger from head to foot and then drawled out: "Well, neither does your coat. What's more, if you'll pardon my saying so, I'll be hanged if I care much for the color of your trousers."—"Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree" in Everybody's.

Only Royal Doctor.

The only royal doctor in Europe is Duke Carl Theodore of Bavaria. Few German princes have had a more royal career than Duke Carl Theodore. He recently completed, with his wife as his assistant, his five-thousandth operation for catarrh.

Poor people flock to his hospital, where they are treated free, the duke asking payment only from those who can easily afford it. He is who successfully treated the kaiser, when, eight years ago, he was temporarily blinded by a swinging rope when cruising on the Hohenzollern in the North sea.

Stretching Rings.

A jeweler in Third avenue, New York city, advertising "Wedding rings purchased here will be stretched to any size without extra cost." His enterprise is based on a knowledge of human frailty. "The girl often happens to balk," he says, "and the fellow gets it in the neck. The ring for that intended may not fit the finger of the next intended; so I stretch it for nothing. I have stretched rings as many as five times for one man." Why not use rubber rings?

Signs of the Times.

In the household department of a farm magazine we find the following communications: "I am willing to exchange a well preserved copy of Browning's poems for some geraniums."

"I have a complete edition of Byron, containing all his poems and letters, which I shall be glad to exchange for some watermelon seed."

No man is called to a life of self-denial for its own sake. It is in order to obtain a compensation which is real and always proportionate.—Drummond.

OLD SOAKERS

Get Saturated with Caffeine.

When a person has used coffee for a number of years and gradually declined in health, it is time the coffee should be left off in order to see whether or not it has been the cause of the trouble.

A lady in Huntsville, Ala., says she used coffee for about 40 years, and for the past 20 years has had severe stomach trouble. "I have been treated by many physicians but all in vain. Everything failed to give relief. Was prostrated for some time, and came near dying. When I recovered sufficiently to partake of food and drink I tried coffee again and it soured on my stomach."

"I finally concluded that coffee was the cause of my trouble and stopped using it. I tried tea in its place and then milk, but neither agreed with me; then I commenced using Postum, had it properly made and it was very pleasing to the taste."

"I have now used it four months and my health is so greatly improved that I can eat almost anything I want and can sleep well, whereas, before, I suffered for years with insomnia."

"I have found the cause of my troubles and a way to get rid of them. You can depend upon it, I appreciate Postum." "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pgs.

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CHILD SAVING INSTITUTE.

An Omaha Institution That Has Accomplished Great Good.

This institution has accomplished a great work the past ten years in providing temporary shelter and food for more than two thousand homeless children and afterwards placing them in permanent family homes. These homes where so many little ones have been adopted have been repeatedly visited and are known to be good homes, giving evidence that the homeless ones taken from the institute are now surrounded by moral and uplifting Christian influences with advantages for education and social life and protection in a financial way. Many of them have already been made the sole heirs to farms and to other valuable properties. Some of the children in the institute were taken from evil surroundings and others from homes of extreme poverty and still others from county poor houses. A few years ago a mother died in western Nebraska, leaving eight children, the oldest being 12 years of age. The father was an invalid receiving help from the county. The eight children instead of going to the poor house were brought to the institute and are doing well in good homes.

Three hundred children annually is the average number sheltered and provided for by this institution. The number on hand daily is from 40 to 60. What would become of these homeless children without this place of shelter and protection? This work is a necessity in our community. In spite of all that has been accomplished and in spite of its being a necessary work it lacks financial support. The officers of late have been struggling with a debt on current expenses. The work after all does not seem to be well known. Surely, in this prosperous section of our country, and in these prosperous times, there is money enough to take care of the orphan and dependent little children. This institution does not send out financial agents to collect funds. It takes about half of what such agents collect to pay their salaries. There is one field agent of the institute who travels to visit children, investigate homes, who incidentally receives donations of funds. It is hoped that readers of this article will send contributions, making checks payable to C. W. Lyman, treasurer of the Child Saving Institute, Eighteenth and Ohio, streets, Omaha, Neb. Every penny will go to the benefit of the helpless and homeless. All food supplies have advanced in prices. How can the children be fed during the coming winter? How can fuel be provided to warm the buildings? How can nurses and helpers be paid to take care of the babies? The readers of this article, friends of the friendless, are looked to for assistance to help answer these questions. If people could only understand and realize the needs there would be generous responses.

BRYAN AND HOME FOLKS.

A Famous Painting by Madam Carlisle Cooley Now on Public Exhibition in the City of Omaha.

Some months ago in this publication was given two pictures of "Milk Time on Gov. Sheldon's Ranch on the Weeping Water," and "The Pioneer Haymakers' Lunch Beyond the Missouri," made from the paintings by Catherine Carlisle Cooley of Omaha. The paintings for some time were in the show windows of prominent Omaha merchants, attracting much attention. Another painting by the same artist is now on exhibition in the Nebraska metropolis and is receiving much favorable criticism. This later acquisition is a painting of William J. Bryan, Mayor James C. Duhman and members of the Nebraska "Home Folks" delegation who met the Nebraska statesman on his return from Europe. Through the courtesy of Mrs. Cooley, the picture is publicly shown for the first time, and that, too, alongside of the famous painting of the renowned artist, Rosa Bonheur, whose pupil she was. Mrs. Cooley is the woman who presented a \$5,000 painting to Alcee Roosevelt, the white house bride, and who has made portraits of Blaine, Conklin and other distinguished people. This famous painting is now on free public exhibition at Nicollet, the Tailor, Karchuck Block, Omaha, Neb.

Fire at Fremont Normal.

Fremont—The main building of the Fremont Normal school was badly damaged by fire. The loss will reach \$45,000, with only \$20,000 insurance on both building and contents. The origin of the fire is unknown. It caught in the southeast part of the building above the laboratory and when it reached the chemicals spread rapidly to the east and north.

After a Fire or Wind

Loss you need the money. Friends say sympathize but if you want a company which pays cash try the Farmers and Merchants Ins. Co., established since 1835. Over a million dollars already paid to patrons.

Cannot Bring Body Home. Plattsmouth—Word was received from D. E. Thompson, United States minister in Mexico, that the body of Will Edgerton, who died in Mexico, and been buried, and that according to the laws of that country it could not be removed for five years. Edgerton was a Plattsmouth boy, and was employed with a boring gang in that country. He died in a hospital at Guaymas, Mexico. He was a member of the Masonic lodge here, and members took considerable pains to have the body brought home.

Complain of Bonding Company. General Colby of Beatrice has requested the state insurance department to cancel the right of the American Bonding Company of Baltimore to do business in Nebraska until a judgment secured against the company and several saloon keepers of Beatrice has been satisfied. The bonding companies and two other parties were sureties for one or more saloon keepers in Beatrice against whom a judgment was secured by the widow of a Beatrice citizen who was killed while under the influence of liquor.

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DID NOT WANT TO BUY.

The Great Musician Had No Use for His Production.

A great tenor had been singing for some hours into a phonograph. "The phonograph," he said, "is a wonderful thing. It almost realizes the wish of the Scottish poet, the wish that we might see ourselves as others see us. We can now, at least, hear ourselves, a thing impossible before. The phonograph teaches us many valuable lessons. When I was in the army, before I realized the capabilities of my voice, I played the flute. A phonograph salesman brought a phonograph to my quarters and tried to sell it to me on the installment plan. I was undecided. Finally the man took out a blank cylinder. "See," he said, rather reluctantly. "There is a blank cylinder. You may make a record on it, then we will run it off and you shall hear yourself. It's a costly favor I am doing you, but it will show you what a fine instrument this is."

"I was delighted. 'Til get my flute," I said. 'Til play a flute solo." "Well, I played my best into the machine. It seemed to me that I had never combined before such feeling with such accuracy. I was more than pleased with myself. Then the man put in the cylinder, and the music began to issue forth. I frowned. "Is that me?" I said. "Yes, sir," said the man. "Really me, just as I played?" "Precisely, sir, precisely. And now," said he, "do you want to buy the phonograph?" "No," said I; "I want to sell the flute."

NO STAIN ON HIS RECORD.

That's Where the Driver Had the Best of the Preacher.

A New York clergyman, who often spends his vacation in fishing the streams of the Adirondacks, was on one trip adopted by a handsome setter dog, which insisted on following him from camp to camp, as he moved along the stream. One day he met a party of men working upstream with a native guide. The guide immediately recognized the dog as his own property. "Trying to steal my setter, are you?" he shouted at the clergyman. "I'll have you to jail for this! There's a law in the woods just as big as you have in the city." The clergyman endeavored to explain that he was an unwilling companion of the dog, which had refused to be driven away, but to little effect until he added a two-dollar bill to his arguments. "It's queer what strange things happen to a man up here," he said to the stage-driver who later carried him away from the woods. "That is the first time I was ever accused of stealing a dog."

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The Way of It.

Stella: How do you know Jack is going to propose? Belle—His speech leaked the last time I was with him.—N. Y. Sun.

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Lots of people are poor subjects for a mind reader.

WHAT IS PE-RU-NA?

Is it a Catarrh Remedy, or a Tonic, or is it Both?

Some people call Peru-na a great tonic. Others refer to Peru-na as a great catarrh remedy. Which of these people are right? Is it more proper to call Peru-na a catarrh remedy than to call it a tonic? Our reply is, that Peru-na is both a tonic and a catarrh remedy. Indeed, there can be no essential catarrh remedy that is not also a tonic.

In order to thoroughly relieve any case of catarrh, a remedy must not only have a specific action on the mucous membrane affected by the catarrh, but it must have a general tonic action on the nervous system. Catarrh, even in persons who are otherwise strong, is a weakened condition of some mucous membrane. There must be something to strengthen the circulation, to give tone to the arteries, and to raise the vital forces. Perhaps no vegetable remedy in the world has attracted so much attention from medical writers as HYPERASTIN CANADENSIS. The wonderful efficacy of this herb has been recognized many years, and is growing in its hold upon the medical profession. When joined with GURKEES and COPAIBA, a trio of medical agents is formed in Peru-na which constitutes a specific remedy for catarrh that in the present state of medical progress cannot be improved upon. This action, reinforced by such renowned tonics as COLLINSKIA CANADENSIS, GUYDALLI FORMOSA and GERARDI SEED, ought to make this compound an ideal remedy for catarrh in all its stages and locations in the body.

From a theoretical standpoint, therefore, Peru-na is beyond criticism. The use of Peru-na, confirms this opinion. Numberless testimonials from every quarter of the earth furnish ample evidence that this judgment is not over-enthusiastic. When practical experience confirms a well-grounded theory the result is a truth that cannot be shaken.

Sailing Days Not Over.

Just at a time when every one who is at all interested in the sea and ships is talking over the Lusitania, her size and her record, it comes a curious reminder of old times to catch sight of a new gold sign in the windows of a skyscraper down at Bowling Green which announces a "mailing service to Australia and New Zealand." The world never will be made clean by folks trying to reach one another.

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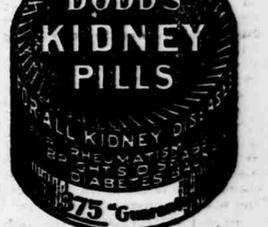
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