

The Social Breakfast.

A London newspaper wonders why we no longer invite people to breakfast. The reason is to be found in the state of mind that usually possesses the free and independent citizen at that hour in the morning, a state of mind that makes him unbearable to himself and to every one who comes near him.

Big Clocks.

The big clock of the Metropolitan tower at Madison square, New York, is by long odds the costliest and most elaborate public timepiece ever constructed and is the only great clock in the world operated wholly by electricity without the touch of human hands.

The other three largest clocks are the one face dial of the Colgate factory in Jersey City, which is forty feet across, the next in size of mammoth public chronometers being the dial at St. Bombard's, in the old city of Malines, in Belgium, which is thirty-nine feet across.

The Origin of the "Marseillaise."

In the reign of terror under Feron and Barras, when hundreds of victims were carved by the guillotine and the people rose against the aristocracy, was born the hymn of France, composed by Rouget de l'Isle. He was an officer of engineers and at a banquet was asked to compose a war song. He wrote it in his room that night before going to bed, and the next morning his hostess, the wife of the mayor of Strasbourg, tried it on a piano, and in the afternoon the orchestra of the theater played it in the square of Strasbourg, where it created much excitement and gathered many volunteers.

Westminster Hall.

Westminster hall, England's old hall of the king's justice, is one of the world's notable historical shrines. Built four centuries before Columbus sailed for America, burned, restored, remodeled, it has seen more history in the making than perhaps any other building west of Rome.

Tried to Fly.

John Milton in "Britain to the Conquest" says that the youth King Harold, last of the Saxons, strangely aspiring, had made and fitted wings to his hands and feet. With these, on the top of a tower, spread out to gather the air, he flew more than a furlong; but the wind being too high, he came fluttering to the ground, maiming all his limbs, yet so conceited was he of his art that the cause of his fall was attributed to the want of a tail, as birds have, which he forgot to make.

His Recommendation.

Tom—Hello, Bill! I hear you have a position with my friends Skinner & Co.? Bill—Oh, yes; I have a position as collector there. Tom—That's first rate. Who recommended you? Bill—Oh, nobody. I told them that I once collected an account from you, and they instantly gave me the place.

Firmness of Purpose.

Firmness of purpose is one of the most necessary shews of character and one of the best instruments of success. Without it genius wastes its efforts in a maze of inconsistencies.

The Real Grievance.

"You are always complaining. You ought to be satisfied with the money you've got." "I am. It's with that which I haven't got that I am not satisfied."

Going Round the World.

In sailing around the world eastward the days are each a little less than twenty-four hours, according to the speed of the ship, as the sun is met a little earlier every morning. These little differences added together will amount to twenty-four hours.

On the other hand, in sailing westward the sun is overtaken a little each day, and so each day is rather longer than twenty-four hours, and clocks and watches are found to be too fast. This also will amount in sailing around the world to the point of departure to one whole day by which the reckoning has fallen in arrears.

Modern Gold Mining.

Up until about 1850 only placer or surface gold was mined—that is, free gold, deposited in the beds of streams, in sands and in the crevices of rocks. Placer mining, mainly in new and remote regions, still furnishes a material though not a large percentage of the world's output.

Why Boiled Water Freezes Easily. Water which is hot of course cannot freeze until it has parted with its heat, but water that has been boiled will, other things being equal, freeze sooner than water which has not been boiled. A slight disturbance of water disposes it to freeze more rapidly, and this is the cause which accelerates the freezing of boiled water.

Gardens in the Ice.

A glacier when it dislodges itself and sails away over the Arctic ocean never travels alone. In the wake of every large one floats a line of smaller companions. The Eskimos call this phenomenon "the duck and ducklings," and any one who has watched the progress of the wild duck followed by her brood will appreciate the aptitude of the name.

A Bismarck Incident.

It used to be the privilege of Austria's representative at any conference of representatives of the German states to smoke, the others refraining. This was supposed to be an acknowledgment of Austria's supremacy. At the first conference that Bismarck attended as Prussia's representative he began to puff smoke across the conference table as soon as the Austrian diplomat lit up.

A Timely Warning.

"Your dog seems a very intelligent animal," remarked an inexperienced sportsman to a gamekeeper. "Yes, sir," was the ready response. "Wonderful intelligent he is! Yes, 'other day 'e bit a gent as only give me a 'arf sovereign after a day's shoot!"—London Scraps.

Her Dear Friend.

Susie—Now, when I'm asked to sing I never say, "Oh, I can't." I always sit down at the piano—Jennie—And let the audience find it out for themselves?—Illustrated Bits.

The First Step.

Young Woman (before milliner's window, to her maid)—That hat is perfectly lovely. I must have it. Marie, be sure to remind me to kiss my husband when I get home.

Quickly Subdued.

Von Blumer (roaring with rage)—Who told you to put paper on the wall? Decorator—Your wife, sir. Von Blumer—Pretty, isn't it?

Looks like ever' thing in the world comes right if we jes' wait long enough.—Mrs. Wiggs.

Dry Goods.

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Shoes.

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THE CALL OF THE SEA.

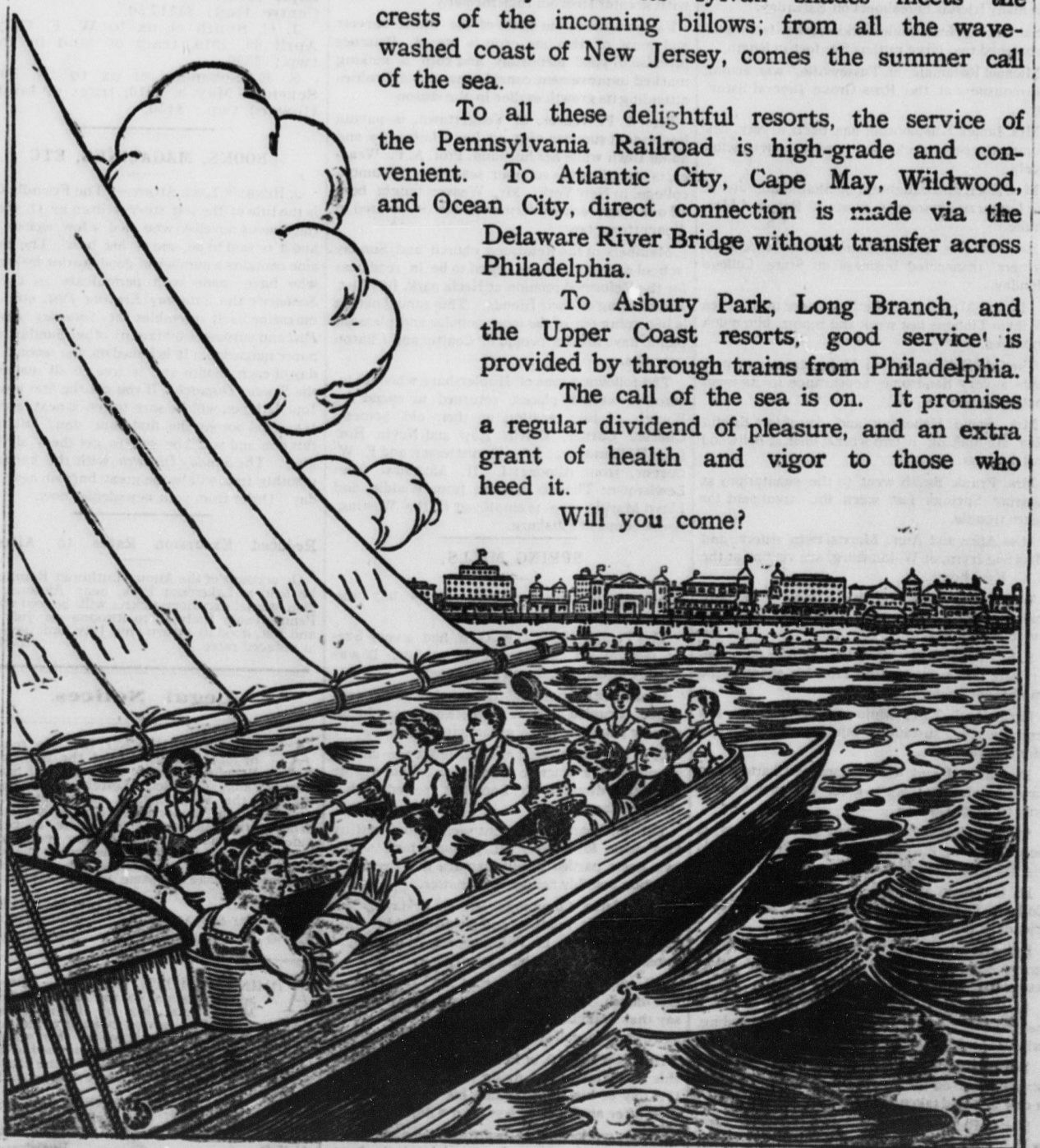
"The water is fine; come in!" From gay Atlantic City comes the call; from witching Wildwood; from Cape May in the flush of her rejuvenation; from Asbury Park and Long Branch where the rare beauty of the country with its sylvan shades meets the crests of the incoming billows; from all the wave-washed coast of New Jersey, comes the summer call of the sea.

To all these delightful resorts, the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad is high-grade and convenient. To Atlantic City, Cape May, Wildwood, and Ocean City, direct connection is made via the Delaware River Bridge without transfer across Philadelphia.

To Asbury Park, Long Branch, and the Upper Coast resorts, good service is provided by through trains from Philadelphia.

The call of the sea is on. It promises a regular dividend of pleasure, and an extra grant of health and vigor to those who heed it.

Will you come?



"If."

Joseph Chamberlain, the English statesman, was once indebted to a nursery rhyme for a great oratorical hit. In one of his speeches he was criticizing Lord Beaconsfield and Lord Salisbury on their return from Berlin, where they had been carrying on negotiations with Bismarck.

Marriage Marts.

The famous Tunis marriage mart is held twice a year, in the spring and in the autumn. The Tunisian girls attend by the hundreds, each with her dowry in coin and jewelry disposed about her person.

A prettier custom prevails among the Ooroon maids, who, at stated intervals, assemble in the market place. In front of each is a lighted lamp, an emblem of conjugal fidelity. A young man feels attracted and gently blows upon the flame, extinguishing it. When the girl relights it, it is a rejection; if she allows the lamp to go unlighted, however, the suitor is acceptable.

Wise Elephants.

Elephants, those animal sages that are constantly changing keepers, become so wise and know so much about the tricks of the trade and human nature in general that they finally will not work for any man. It is doubtful if there is a bull elephant more than fifty years old performing in this country. They have not "gone bad," as the showmen say, but have learned too much, picked up from their keepers, and they cannot be worked with safety.

Generally Has That Effect. She—I wonder why Methusalem lived to such a great old age. He—Perhaps some young woman married him for his money.—Boston Transcript.