

THE BOY SCOUT.

The little Boy Scout goes marching out In a khaki suit of tan, And a broad felt hat with a silver cord, Just like a grown-up man.

The little Boy Scout is only eight, And his eyes are blue and bright; His mother kisses and tucks him up In his pretty white bed each night.

The little Boy Scout is home again; To bed in the dark he goes, No more afraid of the bogey-bears That lurk on the stairs, he knows.

By One on Medical Duty in that Far Eastern Country. A Description of a Travel Through India that was Not All Pleasure or Luxury.

BARAMULLA, NOVEMBER 25th, 1913. Dear Home Folk: Yes, it is all over and here we are, and anchored tight to a muddy bank, with this yellow swirling river all about us;

This trip has been so delightful I do want to remember it all; but the servants—well, as I feel now, never again could I be induced to come into this country except, as I think I told you, in a flying machine, and so could look down on it all from a safe distance.

CHAKOTI, DAK, Bungalow.—Our first day is over and here we sit, perched high along the side of this gorgeous mountain and the view from here is so delightful one would like to build just beside it and know you could come back, for our green mountains are now a mad splash of color and the yellows, greens, reds and browns are wonderful, with a great snow-capped peak to be the crown against the blue.

Horror! The tomorrow decided I was having too good a time and opened its flood gates at about four o'clock in the morning and poured torrents, yet on we had to go. Great wreaths of mist hung low along the mountains and then those autumn tints were like a beautiful belt of Persian coloring below, and the river moving along deep below.

You want to know the size of the "tin box" (trunk) used in traveling. To be explicit, the tin box is thirty inches long, sixteen inches wide and eleven inches high, and we paid the coolies one anna (two cents) to carry packages to the train, and four annas to move the houseboat in the city, eight annas out of the city, and one anna a day for food (regulated by law.)

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earth deep down. We drove and drove and finally, near five in the afternoon, reached the top and only stopping long enough to eat some food we went on to Trete, and there spent the night, leaving as usual at daybreak, for our last twenty-five miles.

We stayed all day in the station waiting-room and cooked our food, and then went to a very nice hotel for tea, and drove about the city Raulapindi, and last night we came to Amaritsar, where we have spent the day. We went to see the Golden Temple and it was so beautiful, I am indeed glad I did not miss it.

Many native Hindus were worshipping and they were bowing and crossing themselves. In the center—sacred hall—sat many priests and a native band of three stringed instruments were playing very weird but pretty music, while all about sat these queer Punjabi women, either counting their beads or kneeling, touching the floor with their heads.

I have had no mail forwarded for nearly three weeks and I am just hungering for what is awaiting me in Jhansi. Eight days this getting home has taken and to be packed into a train as we now are—like sardines in a box—makes traveling mighty unpleasant.

DELHI.—Again I missed the mail so you will get this all next week when I reach Jhansi. We spent the entire day driving around the city; again we visited the fort and I renewed my acquaintance with all its loveliness.

We came down by third class on a night train and got into Jhansi at five o'clock in the morning, to find our bungalow still in the hands of the color-washers and so my rooms are in dreadful confusion. I had hoped to write you a nice long letter but as usual work has so heaped up I have been too busy to even think.

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Circus in Winter.

The end of the circus year has come. From every part of the country long trains of tired, worn out animals and human beings are finding their way into the haven of their winter quarters, there to spend five months in recuperation and preparation for the enthusiasm of the next year's season.

A Southern California town is the winter home of one of the largest companies traveling through the west. The merchants of that town so appreciate the additional business brought to them by the encampment of several hundred fine animals and the necessary attendants and trainers, that a carnival is being planned in honor of the company.

The circus of today is a highly organized business corporation and is managed after the strictest methods. The winter camp consists of only a small part of the company employed during the summer circuit. Whisky is absolutely taboo in most circuses.

The most important work of the winter period consists of doctoring and training the animals for any indisposition caused by the long, hard traveling of the summer. At the close of a long season hardly any animal is found in thoroughly good condition, and only the best veterinary science can restore the menagerie to good health.

One of the largest elephants in the circus grazed her shoulder during the summer. It had so developed that it did not yield to treatment. After being placed in winter quarters, it was decided a considerable amount of skin would have to be grafted on to close the opening.

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out through an opening and securely bound up in splints. A huge sponge soaked in chloroform deadened the animal's sensibilities. This operation was undertaken as an experiment. It was thought at first that the animal would be shot, but the veterinarian wanted to attempt a treatment.

While many of the performers in the circus have homes of their own in which they spend the winter season, a considerable number of them remain at headquarters and spend the winter in developing new tricks or securing agility in the daily practice of their old ones.

The spawning season of fish varies considerably, actually there is no general spawning season. Some fish—the sturgeon, for example—prefer the spring time, but, even in northern waters, the various periods form a complete circle of the year.

There is quite as little agreement among fishes as to the number of eggs that ought to be laid in a well-regulated family. The cod boasts of being able to lay 9,100,000 eggs, but naturally does not do so except to make a maximum record.

Among the most formidable are those of the sea-bass (2,200,000), the flat-fish (1,462,000), the tautog (1,142,600), the mackerel (546,000), the pollock (425,000), the muskalonge (265,000), the haddock (250,000), and the shad (156,000). The lobster is below the 100,000 class, its figures being 97,640.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN

DAILY THOUGHT.

It is only necessary to grow to become indulgent. I see no fault committed that I have not committed myself.—Goethe.

A critic of the American girl says that her smile has been altogether too golden. He means that filled teeth are too often revealed by the American smile. While this is less to be regretted than unfiled teeth lost altogether, it is a calamity that would be averted by greater care, especially of the teeth that "show."

Moreover, the author of the "Don'ts" says do not hold pencils or penholders in the teeth. Pins or hairpins, being harsh metal, should not be held in the teeth, for the same reason.

It is fashion's decree that fussy blouses have had their day—for a time at least—and so we must give our attention to such simpler designs. They are extremely smart and very becoming to most women.

Too much flesh on the neck is perhaps one of the greatest obstacles to beauty which any woman can possess. It is almost as bad in appearance as a scrawny throat, and is much more difficult to remedy.

The important change in the suit for spring will be in the quantity of material used for a suit. The skirts will be flaring and short and the jackets will in general be short.

Meat Rolls. Take two cupfuls of seasoned cooked meat, seasoning with onion, Worcester-shire sauce or any other, depending on the kind of meat.

Crullers.—Mix one-half cup of butter and one cup of sugar until creamy, add one beaten egg, one cup of buttermilk and one level teaspoon of soda, sifted in two cups of flour.

For high class Job Work come to the WATCHMAN Office.

FARM NOTES.

—There should be system in feeding pigs that are to be used for breeding, and that system should contemplate and have for its purpose rapid growth and early maturity of the animals; but at the same time they should be fed for a growth of frame and bone—not fattened on corn, but expanded by a feed rich in protein.

Several new strains of winter and spring wheat on the experiment plots of the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin have heads well filled with heavy berries, borne on straw that stands up well, promising large yields.

—The morning meal should be comparatively light, consisting mostly of grain with some chaffed hay. It should not possess much bulk, and should be in condition to be easily and rapidly consumed, so as to be well out of the way when the animal is led from the barn.

For horses taxed to the limit of their endurance all grain should be ground and fed upon moistened, chaffed hay. Food thus prepared is more rapidly masticated, and consequently remains a longer time in the stomach.

—It seems that chemists fail to find the stimulating principle in oats. On account of their palatability it is claimed that some oats should be included in every ration. New oats are unfit for horse feed, it is said by some authorities, as they have a tendency to soften the horses, causing them to sweat easily.

Whole wheat has no advantage over the same weight of bran and shorts in the ration, but two parts ground wheat and one part bran make a good ration, fed with hay. The "bran mash," made by scalding bran with hot water, is fed once or twice a week as a laxative in most countries.

Straw forms a feeding stuff much inferior to hay, but is generally regarded as well worthy of conservation against times of drought, when the more valuable feeds are scarce and dear.

Lucerne produces a coarse hay of high feeding value. The leaves of all varieties of sorghum form a bright, palatable, nutritious hay, free from dust and very useful for feeding horses especially.

Some silage may be fed to idle horses, but for working horses the amount must necessarily be limited because of its bulky, soft character. In time of drought silage—often the only feed readily and cheaply obtainable—may be used to form a portion of the ration, but it cannot be made the mainstay of horses, as can be done with cattle and sheep.