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Items of Interest Dished Up for the Delectation of "Watchman" Readers by a Corps of Gifted Correspondents.

ATHLETICS, GAMES, Etc.

By L. A. Miller.

and rational amusements are becom-ing more popular they should be en- now, and in heaven, if earnestness in couraged by parents and teachers as the cause of christianity is a passport, well. The more progressive class of used to say he would as soon see the teachers are beginning to manifest a devil in his house as a fiddle, and great interest in athletics and ration- would prefer a company of imps to a al amusements. There are a limited number of teachers, however, who take the opposite view; they are the | or five hundred leads to playing poker ones who are not following their call- for money is the point to be decided. ing, they would be more in their ele- So many people differ in opinion on ment if engaged in digging post holes or building worm fences. Entertainments of a social nature, most of them given at home, except those of out-of-door character, are the very life of society. Ladies and gentlemen are thus brought together in a familiar and pleasing way, and the result is ever for the good of both.

There are many ways of making pleasant entertainments out of informal gatherings. Such an evening may last from nine to twelve o'clock. Where impromptu dancing is resorted to, as it often is, another hour is sometimes added. If dancing is excluded, games, music, cards, or recitations should take its place. If neither card playing nor dancing is permitted, the supper usually becomes the feature of the evening.

There is a certain etiquette to be observed in playing social games. In card playing especially, this is a ne-cessity. In the first place, it is the hostess who proposes the game. In the second, no one who refuses should this town working on the Sabbath, be urged in the amusement. They may have conscientious scruples, and tisement, but we would call attention respect should be shown their principles. Unless, however, this be the introduction. We do not advertise reason, no one should refuse to play and will thank our friendly scribe if from mere caprice, when their presence is required to make up a table.

The amusement question has been a vexed one, and is liable to be a fruitful source of trouble for some time to come. The difficulty appears to be in drawing the line. That some classes her stove. of amusement, so called, are harmful and demoralizing is not doubted, even by those who patronize them. But it does not necessarily follow that all classes are demoralizing, or even have a tendency in that direction. Sweeping condemnation of things is not always profitable. No matter how small the grain of good, it ought to be recognized, no difference where found. It often happens that those who make a great show of shunning the very appearance of evil, shun a great deal of good and miss many opportunities for enjoying themselves and making oth-

ers happy. Prize fights, dog fights and such like are called amusements by some, and properly enough, for the word means anything that is entertaining, even to a sermon. The preacher muses over it and then amuses his audience with it. The word, however, is usually associated with pleasureable pastime or mirthful entertainment. Therefore, there is nothing wrong in the dog fighter or prize fighter applying it to his entertainment, because Thursday evening. those who patronize it have such brutal tastes that they really and truly regard such performances with pleasure. Must those whose tastes are more refined be denied indulgence in harmless and entertaining, if not really edifying pastimes, simply be-cause they happen to be classed as amusements?

ping. He holds that it is a mere Over 35,000 College Students in Pennmatter of taste. A person has a perfect right to eat onions, limburger cheese, or smoke a vile pipe, but that does not

justify him in forcing his presence upon those who have no taste for such Card playing as an amusement or

pastime, has been a fruitful source of pastime, has been a fruitful source of discord in society. Because cards are used for gambling purposes, all games played with them are scratched by some very good people. That a so-cial game of cards has long been re-garded as a pleasant diversion, has no It strikes me that while athletics weight with the anti-card players. A deck of cards.

Whether the social game of euchre

SMULLTON.

Mrs. R. C. Bair, who has been hous ed up for some days with an attack of the grip, is very much improved. A number of flittings will take place

n our town this spring, and present prospects indicate several vacant nouses as leftovers.

Herbert Stover, our enterprising coal dealer, received another car of chestnut coal this week which was unoaded by George Waite and others.

The electric light service is giving satisfaction in our town. Regarding the question as to who deserves credit for their installation, we are unable to state exactly, but your correspond-ent is not claiming any distinction in and where every county is representthis direction.

The item appearing under the head-ing of "Smullton" last week which made mention of a certain citizen of was no doubt intended as an adverto the fact that our work needs no he will refrain from doing us this favor. We like to work, and no work will be done on the Sabbath unless it is absolutely necessary, and if necessary will take pride in seeing to it that tration recommends introducing comher stove.

BOALSBURG.

John Dernar is able to be out after serious attack of tonsilitis. Mr. and Mrs. Keller Snyder, of the Branch, were visitors at the D. M.

Snyder home on Sunday. Professor Whitehead is seriously ill with erysipelas. Mrs. Whitehead has also been ill, with quinsy.

Rev. and Mrs. Witham o. Wagner and A. W. Dale and daughter were entertained at the home of Mr. and til its fumes have entirely disappear-When Valentine made them war

LONG KNOWN AS THE DAY OF HEARTS AND LACE. sylvania.

One person out of every 260 resilents of Pennsylvania goes to college. Twenty-five years ago Pennsylvania savory delicacies. However, he has had one college student to every 865 just as much right to compel them to adopt his tastes as they have to force him to cease gratifying his. persons, or a total of 6,874 students, which was only 20 per cent. of the to-tal number of young Pennsylvania tal number of young Pennsylvania men and women who are now receiv-

ing college education. Today the number of university, college and professional students whose homes are in Pennsylvania, is more than 35,000 or enough to make up the entire population of Adams county. There are enough young men and women attending Pennsylvania colleges to entirely populate a city the size of Williamsport, according to figures compiled by Prof. A. H. Espen-shade, registrar of The Pennsylvania State College, from a bulletin recently issued by the federal bureau of educa-tion, based upon the late census fig-

Pennsylvania is exceeded only by New York in the number of its residents who are attending college, the New York number being about 50,000. Almost 80 per cent. of the Pennsylvanians who go to college are enrolled in institutions within the State boundaries. This State sends over 7000 to colleges and universities in other States. Over 8000 students from outside the State attend Pennsylvania colleges.

There are over 36,000 students attending Pennsylvania institutions, not including normal schools and independ-ent theological schools. In this respect, Pennsylvania is exceeded only by New York whose colleges have 55,-130 students in attendance.

Approximately one out of every ten Pennsylvania young men and women who attend colleges in the State are enrolled at The Pennsylvania State College where 95 per cent. of the total ed. This wide representation at State College is one of the big reasons why the institution should be recognized as the State University according to president John M. Thomas.

SALT WILL DESTROY SOOT.

Burning soft coal in furnaces causmon salt in the furnaces to remove the soot and gives the following advice with regard to its use:

"The fire is put into good condition with a substantial body of hot fuel. Common salt, thoroughly dried, is then

thrown or sprinkled over the incandescent fuel bed in a quantity depending entirely on the size of the furnace. In the case of a house-heating furnace, one pound at a time is ample; in the case of a large power-plant boiler, four or five scoopsful may be requir-

Rev. and Mrs. William J. Wagner to maintain the furnace temperature, So all the sweethearts in old Rome

"For this was on seynt Valentines day, when every bird cometh there to choose his mate."-Chaucer. tirely Out of Fashion.

The old notion was that birds began to choose their mates in February. Then Marcus Aurelius Flavius tom of sending anonymous letters or Claudius had a bishop of the church cards of amatory significance has been put to death on 14 February, seven- on the wane.

teen hundred and fifty-two years ago. The bishop became a martyr and a tuted long before the Christian era, saint and because his name was Vlen- and the day is mentioned by Shakestinus, February 14 became his day, St.

the courage of a christian martyr to publicly choose a mate. They used to Shakespeare, wrote: draw lots on St. Valentine's eve, the young men and the young women gathered together, making merry. And it is safe to suppose that when a young man was not pleased with his

lot, he made sarcastic remarks, until it occurred to him to transfer his bitterness into drawings wheih exaggerated the crossed eyes or the straight hair or the ugly expression of the unloved one. Having vented his own wrath, he could then show it to her, thus spoiling the evening for both of them, but possibly satisfying the "grouch" that at some seasons af flicts even lovers.

It's a fortunate thing that the people who start customs which are to last until the planet cools, have no no-tion of what they are starting. Fancy poor old Valentine's dismay as he as-cended to the stake, if he had realized that his name would be taken in vain

by every young man making amorous advances to a young woman along in the early spring—"I am your valentine," not knowing that what he was really saying was, "I am your martyr." And those Chaucerian boys and right machine to choose Valen and girls, meeting to choose Valentines-fancy the irritated one with a talent for drawing suddenly seeing burg, himself at the head of a long line of ungallant youths, his effort at satire Penn State in the days when engineerthe forerunner of all the ugly comics that ever made a maiden blush or a

matron lose her temper. But it might have made the sweet

souled youth a bit smug when he en-closed his undying affection in gilt and lace and wrapped it in a sweetscented fern, to look down the years ahead of him at the truck loads, the car loads, the factories built to produce just such lace and gilt and silver concrete tokens of an instinct no less the past year president in addition-been pointing out the many additionbeautiful because it frequently is evanescent.

To Valentine, a bishop then, To tell their troubles came young men. For Claudius had edicts read That no young warriors should be wed. For single men, he said, were quite More likely to be put to fight; Said he was sorry if it vexed. But Mars came first and Venus next. But Bishop Valentine, old saint,

Was much opposed to such restraint.

IS LOSING POPULAR FAVOR. Pretty Custom of Sending Anonymous "Valentines" Threatens to go En-

Valentine's day is now almost out of fashion. Year after year the cus-

True, it is an ancient custom, instipeare, Chaucer, and as well by Lyd-gate, who died in the middle of the Valentine's day. It is easy to find some satirical sig-nificance in the superstitions on the known writers of valentines, or poetcalendar of these days, the bishop's ical amorous addresses, was no less a and the bird's. It takes something of personage than Charles, Duke of Orleans. Drayton, a contemporary of

Muse bid the morn awake, Sad winter now declines; Each bird doth choose a mate, This day's St. Valentine's: For that good bishop's sake Get up and let us see What beauty it shall be

That fortune us assigns.

Notwithstanding the reference to the "good bishop," many claim that St. Valentine had nothing to do with the matter beyond the accident of his day being used for this purpose.

State Man Built Famous Railroad.

The fact that it was a Penn State college graduate, William M. Porter, who is said to have had charge of the construction of the railroad up Pike's Peak, developed through the investigation of records of graduates undertaken recently by president John M. Thomas. Mr. Porter was one of the most prominent civil engineers ever graduated from Penn State. He was a member of the class of 1888 and followed his profession in Colorado, where he died about eight years ago. He was a native of Huntingdon county, and was born and raised in Peters-

The Pike's Peak engineer attended ing studies were fast becoming popular through the early development of the land grant colleges throughout the country. These State colleges were started by an act of Congress with a leading purpose of providing collegiate grade instruction in "agri-culture and mechanic arts." Many of these colleges have since been estab-lished as State universities, and for the past year president Thomas has al advantages of service to be received by the people of Pennsylvania if State College is given recognition and adequate state support as the State University.

A House Divided.

A northerner was hnuting in the south, and one afternoon he got drenched through. A southern farmer took him in, gave him a suit of clothes to wear while his own clothes dried, and insisted that he stay all night. The northerner, of course, was pro-foundly touched by this display of southern hospitality. Just after supper, as the contented northerner, full of good food, was going up stairs to his bedroom for his pipe, he met the lady of the house coming down with a huge book under her arm. As he had her husband's clothes on, she mistook him for her husband in the dim light, and brought

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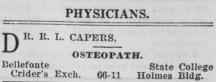
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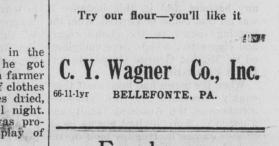


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To some the word conveys only the attention or sanction of those who are seeking the solid comforts of life.

Among the more common amusements, dancing has probably been fought over more than any other. In the country districts, particularly, has it been the subject of no little discussion. The text for many a sermon and the cause of no end of trouble. Socie-ty has been shaken from foundation turret, families wrecked, and churches broken up by it. One philosopher would conclude that the best thing to do where it caused trouble either to society, home, or church, would be to drop it altogether. Anoth-er philosopher regards each faction as equally guilty of offense. Those who might enjoy a little quiet dance have as much right to their enjoyment as those who spend their time sitting around the fire or lunch table gossip-

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SCRATCHED IT ALL UP!!

Mrs. William Goheen returned Monday from a visit with her daughter, dense white fumes which may require Mrs. E. R. Tussey, at Arch Springs. The Tusseys expect to become resi- disappear. If results are not secured dents of Boalsburg in the spring.

Ex-Kaiser and His Bride Living Apart.

The correspondent of the Yorkshire Evening News, wiring to his paper from Doorn says:

"In spite of elaborate efforts to hide the truth I have discovered that the idea of something light, worthless or trivial, and therefore, unworthy the failure and that at the present moment he is living in one part of the castle while his wife and her chil-dren are in another. I am told that a very few weeks sufficed to bring about the breakdown.

"Those who are near the ex-Kaiser have been struck by the grave alteration not only in his mood but in his character. He is said to have been affected very unfortunately by the operation for gland transference he underwent before his second marriage. His own children have not forgiven him for the second marriage and his step-children avoid him.

is living today under most unhappy family conditions. He can command neither service, affection nor companionship and the breakdown in his domestic arrangements is painfully ap-

Prescription Sent by Radio is Delivcred in Ten Minutes.

A radiophone was used in Bayonne, N. J., recently by a physician to order a prescription from a drug store. When Dr. Frederick C. Gray called at the home of Mrs. Marie Wandelt he found her suffering from influenza, which showed signs of developing into days, thin paper cut in a design of pneumonia.

noticed Mrs. Wandlet's son, Paul, 21, the verses penciled on the margin. A operating a radiophone. Dr. Gray few years ago, some old English val-

Got the Gate.

"I understand you have an efficiency expert over at the place where you work

"'Have' is wrong; 'had' is the word."

"What was the matter? Was he incompetent?"

"No, he was too darned competent. He discovered that the boss was wasting half of our time telling us things that we knew better than he did."

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St. Valentine.

"The Catholic Encyclopedia" tells us that at least three different St. Valentines, all of them martyrs, are mentioned in the early martyrologies under the date of February 14. One "His means are reduced and his pri-vate expenditure strictly limited. He another as Bishop of Interamnia (the modern Terni), and these two seem both to have suffered in the second half of the Third century, and to have been buried on the Flamenian Way, but at different distances from the city Prescription Sent by Radio is Delivthird St. Valentine, who suffered in Africa with a number of companions, nothing further is known.

Old Home-Made Valentines.

Often an old book will reveal a "home-made" valentine of the early interwoven hearts, in a forgotten art, In an adjacent room the physician the edges clipped into delicate points, asked the young man if any druggist in town had a radio outfit, and Paul remembered that of A. C. Nuber Jr. The druggist happened to be at his set, the prescription was ordered by radio, filled and delivered within ten minutes. This fashion is men-tioned in a little English book of 1830, but it is many years since the custom has been observed.

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competitor in point of production, the August output of the Pacific coast State being 11,849,000 barrels.

Frogs and Toads.

Frogs and toads are certainly entitled to our protection on account of the good they do in destroying vast numbers of insects and worms. The toads do this in the gardens and the frogs in marshy places, where the air, on account of flies and other insects, would be almost unfit to breathe without the services they render. The Department of Agriculture estimates the value of one toad to be twenty dollars a year.

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