

BETWEEN ETERNITIES.

M. V. Thomas. Beautiful, pure as a lily, Sweet as the breath of heaven; Into the hands of the earth-king An immortal soul is given.

MORONS.

A correspondent asks whether we do not believe that the number of youthful degenerates is decidedly on the increase in America. It is not an easy question to answer.

LARGEST ELECTRIC ENGINE ON TOUR.

The General Electric Co. has built what it claims to be the largest and most powerful electric engine in the world. It is owned by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad which is now with reasonable pride, exhibiting it throughout the country.

A Glowing Star for World War Heroes.

An electric star, crowning a tall staff in Madison Square, has been presented to New York city as a tribute to New York men who gave their lives in the world war. It is to be called the "Eternal Light," because it is to be kept burning for years, perhaps for centuries, to come.

Used Clothes of Movie Stars Much in Demand.

Los Angeles.—"You may tear, you may spot the old clothes, if you will—" "But the glamour of stardom will cling to them still."

Restless, Naturally.

Sweet Young Thing—What makes the boat jump about so? Another S. Y. T.—Bob says the poor spaces in a tack.—The Harvard Lampoon.

There is a Happy Land.

Kansas has 50,000 more telephones than the whole of South America. And there are people who will discover in that fact reason for envying South America, where there are great open spaces in which the telephone bell never jingles at inopportune moments.

California has made the study of the United States Constitution compulsory in all its public schools.

A GOOD MANNERS CLUB.

A Milwaukee High school has solved the problem of school discipline in an ingenious way. It has tactfully enlisted the aid of its pupils; not by the honor system which has been found effective in college examinations but by a similar device. The students have been encouraged to form good manners clubs. Boys and girls are naturally "joiners" and the new organization has proved a success.

Builders Unable to Make Wind Scapegoat

The wind that accommodately comes in at the kitchen window on a summer morning and into the library or across the front porch on a summer evening, when the architect has given due consideration to orientation factors in certain locations, becomes a veritable demon when it topples a brick wall or a billboard onto a pedestrian. And, demon though it is, it is designated an "act of God" in law if the wind were hanging up a record run. This circumstance opens the way to a fertile field of excuses in court cases.

Simple Hairdressing

While one or two ornamental pins may be stuck into the hair of the Chinese or Japanese woman, they are at best only added attractions, and all the work of keeping the complicated coil and elaborate structure firmly in place is done by one pin and one pin only. The Detroit News says.

Capital's Government

The government of the Federal City (as President Washington called it until the commissioners gave it his name in 1791) has been since 1874 vested in a commission of three officers, appointed by the president and the senate. They have charge of all municipal and administrative affairs, police, street improvements and schools. Congress is the sole legislative body of the city and district, the citizens having no suffrage. Since the government owns nearly half the property in the district, and the city exists largely for the benefit of the officers—legislative, executive and judicial—it has been settled by act of congress that the government pays half the annual expenses of the city government, the other being taxed upon the property of the citizens.—Kansas City Star.

Official Headpiece

"Halt, there!" commanded Constable Sam T. Slackputter, the well-known guardian of the peace and dignity of Petunia. "Consider yourself under arrest for exceeding the speed limit!"

New Street-Car Idea

Hope appeared on the horizon of the strap hanger the other day in Detroit in the form of a new type of street car. This car, or rather three-in-one car train, is designed to give greater seating capacity for the same street space than the usual type of cars. It consists of three connecting cars on four sets of wheels and seats 140 people. The street railway company also wins, as the three-in-one train weighs less and is cheaper to run than three ordinary type cars.

Train Indian Boys in Fine Art of Stealing

The Stone Hammer society, an organization to teach Eldatsa Indian boys how to steal, is described by Miss Frances Densmore of the Smithsonian Institution's bureau of American ethnology in a study of the music of these little known and almost extinct North Dakota Indians which has just been announced.

Vacation and Profit Gathering Spruce Gum

Spruce gummers are now busy in Northwest forests harvesting a unique crop worth about \$100,000. Some spruce gum diggers or pickers who are industrious and real woodsmen bring out gleanings valued at \$1,500 for six weeks' work.

Old Ring-Off Signal

Among the early types of telephone switchboards manufactured by the Western Electric company was the universal board, which made its appearance in 1878.

German Students

With an increase from 10,265 in 1915 to 22,863 in 1924, the number of students of law in German universities has risen far above that of those studying medicine, who numbered 18,121 in 1918, 24,476 at present, reports the Statistisches Jahrbuch. Theology has lost much popularity, there being only 2,514 Evangelical students, compared with 3,672 in 1918, and 1,824 Catholic students, against 1,908. Students of political economy rose from 2,212 to 18,212, and those studying the technique of electricity in the technical colleges increased from 753 to 3,746. Students of historical philology fell from 18,692 to 10,496, and those of mathematical and natural sciences from 7,276 to 3,746.

Murderer's Doom

Papuan, according to Mr. J. H. Holmes' book, "In Primitive New Guinea," believe that a man guilty of murder is doomed to an eternal living death in a swamp in the next world. "He will strive continually to escape and be everlastingly sucked down again till only the top of his head is visible. By an extraordinary effort he will struggle upward, only to be sucked back again. His eyes will bulge with pain as he rises and sinks forever and ever. His arms and fingers will grow long and gnarled, like the roots of a mangrove tree."

Wood in Disguise

Material which seems to be a very coarse stone, used for decorative purposes in large public buildings, is really a wood composition, a contractor explains. The wood is ground up and chemically treated, then pressed into strips. When prepared, it looks like stone, and adds decorative value to almost any building. It is deceptive to an uninitiated person, however, to watch a carpenter and other workman saw this "stone" into strips or trim off a corner with a knife.

Revenue From Cards

The Peruvian government, through the Tax Collecting company, its own monopoly, reserves the right to import playing cards, according to an executive decree of February, 1924. A fine of from 5 to 50 Peruvian pounds is imposed for illegal transportation of playing cards.

White Pine Prominent in American History

The white pine has been more important to the commercial development of America than any other tree, says the American Tree association of Washington, which is compiling a countrywide vote in an endeavor to select a national tree, according to the American Tree association.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

DAILY THOUGHT. Do you ask to be the companion of nobles? Make yourself noble, and you shall be. Do you long for the conversation of the wise? Learn to understand and you shall hear it.—Ruskin.

Hat crowns soar higher and higher. The only hat which lacks a very high crown today is the small beretta type, and even this has a notably high upturned brim.

While the vogue for alligator and snakeskin—often brilliantly dyed—is at its height here come silver and gold leathers. The latter are reported to be chiefly for facings.

Silk muslin is being used for mid-summer lingerie, and a dainty as well as practical choice it is. In pale shades as blue, lavender and yellow, this dotted soft material is most attractively made up into underthings with trimmings of white or black lace.

Though the beltless frock of today, as translated into American styles, is straight and slim as a wand, yet it has its mitigations. These come in clever plaitings at the sides, or in a swirl of ruffles.

Before going out into the hot sun or in bathing rub the face gently with some pure cold cream or white vaseline. When you return it is easily washed off and the skin is perfectly clear of blemish or burn from the hot rays of the sun.

Every one knows the comfortable feeling which results from a hot bath after a hard day's work. That feeling is enhanced when the bath is made fragrant by the addition of a muslin bag of powdered orris root, about a tablespoonful in a bag, and a dessert-spoonful of benzoin, which is a balsam.

The aromatic and perfumed atmosphere that reigns in your bathroom is delicious, soothing and mildly stimulating.

Bridge Maxims.—A good partner is rather to be chosen than great lands. Jack of all suits is master of none. A fool and his aces are soon parted. It's a long suit that has no returning.

Take care of the trumps and the tricks will take care of themselves. A little 10-ace is a dangerous thing. Bridge table conversations corrupt good manners.

A woman is known by the trumps she keeps. The wages of bridge is debt. The proof of the bidding is in the beating. All honor is not without profit, save in the dummy.

An old writer says that "the blue eye is the eye of truth." Most of us have a weakness for the blue-eyed child or person. By the way, you have sailors so often blue or blue-gray eyes? They are usually men of open and genial character, so that the old saying seems true in their case!

But blue eyes must not be too pale; in that case their owners are rather too simple, and if the eyes are remarkably pale they denote selfishness. The dark blue eye is the rarest of all eyes; it is the sign of an unusually strong and forcible character. And its owner often has a magnetic charm. Combine such eyes with red gold hair, and you have a beauty of marvelous type and attraction.

Brown eyes are most popular, gray eyes most trusting, and really black eyes rare, and not invariably trustworthy. The eye of most character and originality is found in the curious hazel and in the shade called green. The owners of hazel or green eyes are seldom, if ever, quite ordinary humdrum folks; red hair accompanies such eyes, and the red haired man or woman is always one to be reckoned with in life.

Pongee may be made to look like new, no matter how many times it is washed, if it is washed properly. First it should be rubbed and squeezed gently with the hands in a suds made of luke-warm water and a good white soap. When quite clean, it should be rinsed also in luke-warm water several times and the water squeezed out gently, not wrung out. When perfectly dry, instead of sprinkling it, rub or squeeze the pongee gently with the hands until it is well crumpled. This removes any hard or deep wrinkles. Iron then with a very hot iron and your pongee will look as fresh as new.

Since this newly decorative spread is always removed at bedtime, all sorts of materials are suitable for its making; and since real effects is now valued as highly in the bedroom as in the more formal rooms, the dainty sprigged chintz of the first venture—some counterpane has given way quickly where possible to daring colors and unique design.

More sumptuous is the taffeta counterpane. Taffeta bedspreads are much in vogue, and for those who have homes on a somewhat elegant scale, there is no better selection. This bedspread may be simple, when finished the top is the size of the top of the bed; the flounce may be cut in two parts if desired, the under ruffle joined above the binding on the inner side of the upper ruffle. The pillow may show an unusual ruffle coming out from under the scalloped edge.

The bedroom illustrated with a Chinese print counterpane with a green taffeta flounce. The whole room is remarkably beautiful with its oyster gray walls, black furniture, deep piled tape carpet, green jasper saten upholstery, green taffeta window draw curtains with black-grounded figured overdrapes, and gray Georgette glass curtains edged with coral color. Coral shaded lights and green and gray hooked rugs complete the scheme.

Boiled Coffee Frosting.—Mix two cups of sugar, half a cupful of very strong black coffee, one-eighth of a teaspoonful of cream of tartar, four tablespoonfuls of cream and one tablespoonful of butter. Boil together without stirring to 240 degrees, or the soft ball stage, remove from the fire and add a few drops of vanilla extract. Cool until tepid and beat steadily until thick enough to spread.

FARM NOTES.

In 1920 Pennsylvania had 3,632 pure bred horses, 81,290 pure bred cattle, 15,781 pure bred sheep, and 34,775 pure bred swine on the farms.

Tests of weed killers, to determine whether they measure up to the claims of the manufacturers, will be made by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

About 55,000 individual specimens of Pennsylvania insect life are in the collection of the Bureau of Plant Industry. Many of them were found during nursery inspections.

According to the last census, Pennsylvania has more than 6,500,000 bearing apple trees. This is a decrease of about a million trees below the figures quoted for 1910.

Pennsylvania is the third nursery State in the Nation. It is surpassed only by New York and California. There are 264 commercial nurseries on the State's inspection list, and they cover about 4,000 acres.

If you have any space left in the garden plant some pop corn and navy beans now. Both of these require a long season to reach maturity. White Rice, Golden Queen and Tom Thumb are popular varieties of pop corn.

Reports indicate that there is likely to be a scarcity of good tobacco plants in Pennsylvania. Good seed is scarce and the stand is none too good in many beds. Growers are urged to take good care of the plants they have.

Be sure to hit the apple red bug in the calyx spray. Don't wait for them to arrive. Use one pint of nicotine in 100 gallons of dilute summer strength lime sulphur, adding arsenate of lead to control the coddling moth.

Milk from tuberculosis cattle may spread disease to any animals drinking the milk. It should never be fed without being heated at least to scalding temperature, or held at 145 degrees F. for 30 minutes. To be certain of safety, it is best as a practical measure, to boil the milk.

To reduce danger of bloating, cattle and sheep should be given a good fill of dry feed, particularly roughage, before they are turned on green forage, such as red clover or alfalfa. If some dry roughage is convenient for them in the pasture they often contract, of their own accord, tendencies to bloat. Dew and rain increase the danger of bloating.

Now is the time to plan for soiling crops to help out when pastures get short next summer. Oats and peas will thrive, give good yields and make a good crop for soiling purposes. Any surplus makes an excellent quality of hay. A field of corn convenient to the barn or pasture will be found useful for green feed for the dairy herd for late summer. Stowells Evergreen Sweet is a good variety for this purpose.

Thorough washing of the milking machine is essential in the production of clean milk. All parts of the machine coming in contact with milk should be sterilized with steam or boiling water every day. An ordinary wash boiler can be used to good advantage. The parts are placed in the boiler with the lid on and the water heated to 190 degrees. The boiler is then removed from the stove and the parts left in the water until the next milking.

The soy bean is a friend in need where clover will not catch and humus is required before successful farming can be carried on. Soy bean hay is high in protein, and has as high carbohydrate and higher fat content than alfalfa. It is palatable. Cattle and sheep like it as forage hay, or in a silage combination with corn. The soy bean plants are nitrogen-gatherers and when a growth of this crop is turned under the next year's corn crop will be as great as clover land. About one peck will seed an acre on well-inoculated soil, and a wonderful growth is seen in 10 weeks. Seed matures in 90 to 100 days.

Any system of farm management that does not provide for sufficient vegetable matter to replace the humus that is burned and washed out of the soil every year will be unsatisfactory in maintaining the yield of crops. Nature unaided by the farm manager, cannot replace the humus so necessary in maintaining plants in seasons of drought. Cover crops, catch crops, pasture crops, use of manure, and other means of increasing the vegetable matter in the soil will be necessary on most farms. All vegetation cannot be removed from the soil and the humus supply remain sufficient for normal yields. Suitable mechanical and the proper physical conditions will be imperative for soil maintenance, to say nothing of soil improvement.

Fruits and vegetables produced on many Pennsylvania farms are being sold from roadside stands. Numerous farmers will use this method of marketing for the first time. The Bureau of Markets of the State Department of Agriculture offers the following suggestions based on the experience of others:

Such a business can only be developed successfully through satisfied customers. Graded products, attractively packed and displayed, are the foundation on which a permanent business must be built. Most of the successful roadside stands have acquired customers through the recommendation of patrons who had been satisfied with previous purchases.

Prices should be set somewhere between the return that the farmer receives at wholesale and the prices prevailing at stores in nearby towns and cities. Freshness and uniformity of product will do much to bring back customers, providing prices are reasonable.

Customers should understand that all of the receipts at a roadside market are not profits. Aside from the costs of production, returns should at least be sufficient to cover cost of packing and the time of the person who is selling the produce. The larger the daily sales, the lower the expense of selling per package.

The wider the variety of products offered on the stand, the greater will be the inducement to the purchaser to patronize it. More customers mean more sales and therefore more profits to the farmer.