

JUNE TIME.

By Will M. Maupin. Singin' o' June, when the roses blow; Liltin' a song when the sun hangs low; Whistlin' away Through the livelong day— Singin' an' whistlin' a merry tune To the rosiest month of them all—that's June.

PLEASANT GAP PHILOSOPHY.

By Levi A. Miller. There is nothing like business for enabling us to get through our weary existence. Business gets over the hours without counting them. We may be very tired at the end, still it has brought the day to a close sooner than anything else.

Never be idle; exercise improves the health and employs the mind.

The religious fanatic and the martyr to political excitement have exhibited resistance to physical agents to a degree of inflexibility almost incredible.

Exercise is requisite to the development of both our corporal and mental capacities.

Forgetting that exercise is necessary for health, all seem to be imbued with the single idea of accumulating wealth, and not health.

I am convinced that the mind of man might, like the sun, grow larger at its setting, and shed more beautiful light at the period of its decline.

By a proper course of temperance in all things, no matter under what circumstances or climate we may be placed, our health will be comparatively secure, our longevity will be increased, and our happiness established; for where there is no temperance, there is no moral virtue, nor any security against crime; where spirituous liquors are used, the mind is under a state of animal excitement; without it the mind is calm and tranquil, seeing all things in their proper light.

It is always a difficult task to write about nothing, especially if it must be done well.

So many people don't seem to have the least idea of what they are here for, they don't have a proper conception of the duties of life.

Prize fights seem to have always been patronized by loafers.

I don't think that people talk too much, but they don't talk to the point. Talk, I say, but talk sense. Under any and all circumstances, conversation is an index of character. No difference when or where a wise man speaks, he reveals his wisdom, and is judged accordingly. The fool also, exposes the shallowness of his mind when he opens his mouth. A wise man may wear the habiliments of poverty, be careless as to his personal appearance, yet his words secure for him a degree of respect that a fool can never get. The latter may gain greater notoriety by means of wealth, display of cheek, or the use of high sounding words, but notoriety is not always respectable. In fact, the better class of people do not seek notoriety, but would rather have the reputation of being respectable and sensible. Every one cannot become a good conversationalist but that need not prevent him from having a few ideas; then he will never want for attentive listeners.

While women are naturally suspicious, yet at the same time they are the most gullible creatures in the world. They are always on the lookout for gnats and are constantly swallowing camels; and yet they succeed well. If women would just let up a little on politics and the abominable sphere, business, and set themselves to do that which they are best fitted for, and which their hands and hearts find to be done, they would achieve much more for themselves and be greater blessings to mankind and the world. Some there are and some there ever will be, to find fault and rail and denounce man, (often with sufficient cause). These may be designed by an all-wise Providence to keep the balance of the race awake to their duties. If woman would, she could make her existence in life wonderfully cozy and comfortable. Some do, but a great many do not. She can best do this by making her home a little paradise, herself playing the part of angel. It isn't necessary that she should have wings to be an angel, only that she should have a clear conception of what is necessary to make home attractive and pleasant. Her sphere is defined and located by a single word—home. There isn't much use to advise them what to do, because they imagine the correct principle is not to do or believe the thing a man suggests. However, a good woman is a blessing to mankind.

It is a matter worthy of note that in olden times the majority of fights, whether among the gentry or common herd, were about women, in whose defense they dreaded not the rage of fire and water, tempest or wasting age. Yes, apparently, women were at the bottom of the fighting business, unless the disposition is inherited from the purely animal part of human nature. There is nothing for which a

man will fight more fiercely than a woman. This was the origin of knight errantry. A man would love a woman so that he hated all other women and all men besides, especially those who dared to speak disparagingly of her. So jealous was he of her honor, and so solicitous of her comfort, and so anxious for her preference that he could bear no interference or reflections of any kind. He not only hated those who thought of her as he did, for of such he was jealous, but also those who were not of his way of thinking, for such he considered unfit to look upon her, much less speak to her or show the least familiarity. While prize fights are not tolerated by good society, yet there would be no serious objection urged if they were arranged to be in defense of women.

The human side of life, like the serious side has its literature, and it is a literature of untold wealth. In fact, pathos and laughter are the closest of kin, in their origin as well as in the pleasurable and beneficial effects they produce upon mind and body. Physiologists tell us that the lachrymal glands and the risable muscles are the nearest of neighbors in the human countenance. God would not have given man laughter if he had not meant he should laugh, said the imitable Rev. Sam Jones, the evangelist. Laughter is both pleasant and profitable. Thousands of evils and ills have been laughed out of existence. "Humor," says Whipple, "is the very juice of the mind, oozing from the brain and enriching and fertilizing wherever it falls. It glides into the heart of its object and looks amusingly but lovingly upon the infirmities it detects."

There is a vast amount of wisdom to be found in the sayings and writings of the men regarded as mere laugh-makers; in fact, they would not be so popular if their productions were not replete with human nature. We laugh at the effusions of these humorists because they are so true to life; because what is thus written is the epitome of every-day experiences. The copy of the funny man is always in demand.

Isn't it astonishing the changes that have taken place during the last sixty years. Even the seasons and weather conditions are nothing to be compared to those of half a century ago, and the morals of our day are no comparison to what they were when I was a school boy. When Monks was hanged in the jail yard at Bellefonte for the murder of the drover for 10 cents, not only all Centre counties, and you might say all of central Pennsylvania could cease talking about the calamity for months. Today if we electrocute two or three men on a Monday, the incident is forgotten before the setting of the sun the same day. I want to demonstrate an actual fact:

Sixty-five years ago my old friend, Henry Brockerhoff, was an extensive wholesale dealer in whiskey. Most of the product was shipped to the lumbering regions of Clearfield county. I remember Frenchville was one of his best shipping points. When the goods arrived here they were placed all along the pavement in front of the Brockerhoff house; sometimes they were not removed for two or three weeks. The horizontal refreshment was undisturbed. Today, if the proprietor of the hotel would venture to leave a measly ten barrels lie there over night—what would the result be. If a guzzler were to swallow all that would be left the following morning, he would not have a sufficiency to make him imagine that he could whip any man between Hades and Egypt.

Penn State Revises Commencement Plans.

Plans for the annual June commencement week at The Pennsylvania State College have been revised from the traditional form that has been in vogue for many years past. The revision is the result of a desire of the College Senate to give the occasion a greater degree of academic dignity, and lays special stress on the importance of the program for graduates and the entertainment of their families, friends, alumni and distinguished visitors.

The commencement exercises have been moved up from Tuesday to Monday afternoon, June 15th. Alumni day is scheduled for Saturday, June 13th, and election of trustees by delegates will take place on Friday, June 12th. The entertainment side will be featured by alumni-senior-junior dances in the armory, and sophomores and freshmen will not entertain guests during the celebration. Another new phase outlined by president John M. Thomas in a letter sent recently to all alumni of the College, was a proposal to hold reunion conventions for the graduates of various departments of the College. Dr. Thomas expresses the hope that in time the Penn State commencements will become occasions when large numbers of the more prominent citizens of the State will be drawn to the College through their interest in its welfare.

Real Estate Transfers.

Anna Stull, et bar, to E. M. Hoover, et al, tract in Phillipsburg; \$1. Elizabeth H. Sloop, et al, to Sarah J. Morgan, tract in Bellefonte; \$8,500. Anne T. H. Henszey, et bar, to Harold J. Tarpley, et ux, tract in State College; \$350. W. H. Johnstonbaugh, et ux, to J. Earl Crust, tract in Patton township; \$2,300. Charles W. Weaver to Thomas Beaver, tract in Spring township; \$1. Samuel J. Woome, et al, to Clara J. Woome, tract in Rush township; \$1. C. N. Hockman, et ux, to Cora E. Gramley, tract in Miles township; \$1,000. Thomas B. Beaver, et ux, to Robert T. Willard, et ux, tract in Spring township; \$600. Safe Deposit & Trust Co., to Robert Orwig, tract in Taylor township; \$80. Dewart Milk Product Co. to Sheffield Farms Co., Inc., tract in Centre Hall; \$1.

FARM NOTES.

The past work of a hen may be judged by the yellow pigment in beak and shanks.

Watch out for American foul brood in your apiaries. It is dangerous to have around.

Good care and feed supplied the answer on many farms where ton litters were grown last year. A good hog man gives both to his pigs.

Where peach trees are under-nourished, it is well to fertilize with nitrate of soda, say fruit specialists of The Pennsylvania State College.

Preserve eggs now by using two quarts of waterglass and 18 quarts of water for each 30 dozen. Use fresh, clean eggs with good sound shells.

For the powdery mildews, such as are found on roses, an effective disinfectant is sulphur dust. Dust the plants before the rain, not afterwards.

Purebred dairy cows are better workers than grades or scrubs. One or two cows or heifers purchased now will provide the foundation for a future pure bred herd.

Where sheep are kept on the farm year after year every precaution should be exercised not to allow the flock to graze for long periods on the same pasture, but alternate frequently as the change is not only a preventive to pasture infection but stimulates appetite and promotes the growth of grasses.

Rose beetles on grapes, cherries, and similar fruits should be sprayed upon their first appearance, with a sweetened poison spray made up by mixing four pounds of arsenate of lead, two gallons of cheap molasses, and 100 gallons of water. A smaller amount may be used by taking ingredients in the same proportion.

Wormy pigs usually have good appetites and eat a great deal but are poor and do not grow fat. The hair of the pig looks rough and does not have a shiny gloss, and the pigs are usually "pot-bellied." Turpentine is the most economical and convenient remedy, one teaspoonful for each 100 pounds live weight. This should be administered in milk or slop and the dose should be repeated daily for three consecutive days.

Watch for the lowly cutworm on cabbages and tomatoes, for great may be the destruction it causes.

Plants set out on newly plowed soil land are likely to be especially subject to attack by this pest, states H. E. Hodgkiss, extension entomologist of The Pennsylvania State College. If the worms appear destroy them quickly by using sweetened poison bait.

The formula given by Hodgkiss is as follows: 20 pounds of bran, two quarts of cheap molasses, one pound of Paris green or white arsenic, and three and one-half gallons of water, or enough to make a "sloppy" mixture.

The thornless blackberry is the result of crossing a selected descendant of a dewberry growing wild in North Carolina (which was partially subject to attack by this pest, states H. E. Hodgkiss, extension entomologist of The Pennsylvania State College) with other cultivated blackberries for many generations, until the new thornless type was developed and fixed with productiveness and quality added, states Mr. Burbank.

The amateur may take up the experiment at this stage and produce other thornless varieties, remembering, however, that it is not enough to select a single fruit which shows the qualities wanted, but the entire plant which averages nearest to the ideal sought, and which is developed through numerous generations.

"How about the Himalaya berry?" "This was developed," answered Mr. Burbank, "from seed which was sent to me from India, and for this reason it was named Himalaya berry. It bears a most prolific crop, a single plant producing sometimes several hundred baskets of fruit in one season. The bushes are enormous growers and very thorny. The berries of the Phenomenal Berry, which is a cross of the California dewberry and the Cuthbert blackberry often weigh 1 ounce each and measures three by four inches around; by this their size may be imagined. Neither of the above varieties are hardy in the cold northern States."

"One would almost be tempted to specialize on blackberries alone—but there are strawberries and raspberries on our list."

"And sunberries," added Mr. Burbank. "These are annuals, much like the large huckleberries of the east, are easily raised even on the poorest of soil, and are grown much the same as tomatoes. The plants bear great quantities of berries, which have become popular for cooking and canning. "When eaten raw, the berries must be allowed to ripen for two weeks after turning black like some of the blackberries when they will be very sweet, but if they are to be cooked or canned they may be used one week earlier."

"Will they grow anywhere?" "Anywhere, and are not particular about soil. Under good cultivation, however, they produce 20,000 to 40,000 pounds of fruit to the acre. A little black beetle, in some localities, eats holes in the leaves of the young, tender plants, but a dusting of air-slaked lime holds the little rascals at bay until the plants are able to care for themselves."

"We started out with strawberries," said the inquiring gardener, "and they must not be overlooked."

"No, no one forgets strawberries, be a producer or consumer," said Mr. Burbank, "and, fortunately, skill in raising them is soon acquired, but a study of soils must be made, so as to adapt the plant to the soil. It is well, however, not to have the ground too heavily enriched, as it is apt to produce too rank a growth of foliage and runners and the berries will have a tendency to softness and lack of flavor."

"After deep digging, fertilize with old stable manure or better, with bonemeal. Make the beds about three feet wide, planting in them three rows of plants set about 15 inches apart each way. Give them plenty of room and keep the soil loose and soft by good cultivation, and keep the unnecessary runners cut away, for they shorten the crop of berries even more than weeds."—Philadelphia Record.

TIME DRAWS NEAR FOR GREAT MOTOR CLASSIC

The jinx is defied by that most debonair of the world's great racing drivers, Jerry Wonderlich. Affectionately dubbed the "sheik of Hollywood" by the other famous speed pilots, he has entered for the 250-mile classic on June 13 at the Altoona speedway, where he was seriously injured, almost killed, in a crash just one year ago.

Fred J. Wagner, of Los Angeles, internationally known starter and sportsman, who is the director of the renowned chases in Altoona, took Wonderlich's entry from Charlotte, N. C., where Jerry raced on Confederate Memorial day, but was forced to the background because of engine trouble.

Roaring through life on the great board ovals at speeds around 140 miles an hour, shaking hands with the old grim reaper every minute of their battle for the rich purses and honors, the kings of speed have many pet superstitions, but the jinx has the high throne in the hard luck hierarchy. It is this monarch that grinning Jerry treats so irreverently when he signs to compete in Altoona on Flag day.

Only June 13, in itself an omen, can tell whether or not during the course of the terrific contest that a cloud of dust will rise into the air as one of those gallant heroes of speed crashes off the board course on to the dirt safety apron, which is really for the safety of spectators, or huge timbers flying into the air like match sticks as one goes over the steep outer rim. If either happens, it means but one thing—one less of the great pilots lives to exult in the victorious gamble speed.

Bluff, boyish Howdy Wilcox, was the first to wager and lose his life in the gamble when the speedway at Altoona was opened on Labor day, 1923. Wonderlich was the second on the list of the jinx, but he survived, though badly hurt and his car a complete wreck. Then generous Joe Boyer, millionaire winner of last year's Indianapolis classic, was killed in the third race last Labor day. That's the jinx three.

If it's readable, it is here.

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