

ELECTIVE AFFINITIES.

Chemists first noted the disposition of a substance brought into contact with other substances to cleave to the one for which it has the stronger affinity, says the New York World.

But it is to artists and the possessors of the artistic temperament generally since Goethe's day that we owe the application of the principle to human beings.

Usually the affinity is kept in the background until the divorce proceedings make her appearance essential to the interlocutory decree.

A very reassuring publication is made by the Bureau of Labor at Washington, giving tables of statistics to show that the percentage of increase in the wages of labor is greater than that of the cost of food.

COFFEE FOR BREAKFAST.

While I am an earnest advocate of tea-drinking, as against the reckless overuse of coffee, there is one thing about the bean that appeals to my soul, my heart and my imagination.

AUTOMOBILE SLAUGHTER.

The number and frequency and fatality of automobile accidents are appalling. Not a day passes without an addition to the mortality record.

We doubt, however, that this looks to reform in the use of power vehicles. Other people have learned how to get out of the way; the scorches have not learned how to take care of themselves.

But we are in a transition period, and before long it will be brought about that the perils of riding in an automobile are no greater than those of the pedestrian who gets in the way of these machines.—Boston Post.

BROKEN ARMS MORE REMUNERATIVE.

Thirty cents is the amount at which a Chicago judge valued a woman's broken heart in a breach of promise suit recently. At this rate it is more profitable to get an arm broken in a street car accident.—Baltimore American.

A New York magistrate says woman was made to be man's boss. The best part of it is she almost invariably lives up to the specifications.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

There were no Trusts seventy years ago; but do you have an idea that it was much fun to live in an age when people thought the world was coming to an end if there happened to be a meteoric shower or some other racket in the skies?—Kansas City Times.

Japan announces that she will have a World's Fair in 1912. This may be intended to contradict the widespread reports that Japan's finances are so straitened that she has no money to throw away.

Napoleon held that five hours' sleep is enough for men; seven hours for women, children and fools. The only possible inference from this is that the Little Corporal may have had a sleepier interest in an alarm clock factory.

NO OCCASION FOR JEALOUSY. It is said that King Edward has the most remarkable collection of sticks in the world. But so long as President Roosevelt has the big stick no one will waste any time feeling jealous.—Baltimore American.

That agricultural department employe, who says he has heard birds singing familiar hymns, might as well write out his resignation. But perhaps that is his way of resigning.

The child that is "Ruled by Love" and the child that has its own way live at the same house.

Cures Woman's Weaknesses.

We refer to that boon to weak, nervous, suffering women known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Dr. John Fyfe one of the Editorial Staff of THE ELECTRIC MEDICAL REVIEW says of Unicorn root (Helonias Dioica) which is one of the chief ingredients of the "Favorite Prescription":

"A remedy which invariably acts as a uterine invigorator... makes for normal action of the entire reproductive system. He continues: 'In Helonias we have a medicinal which more fully answers the above purposes than any other drug with which I am acquainted.'"

"The following are among the leading indications for Helonias (Unicorn root). Pain or aching in the back, with leucorrhoea; stonic (weak) condition of the reproductive organs of women; mental depression and irritability, associated with chronic diseases of the reproductive organs of women; constant sensation of heat in the region of the kidneys; menorrhagic (flooding) due to a weak condition of the reproductive system; atonic (thin blood) habit; dragging sensations in the extreme lower part of the abdomen."

"It is an important remedy in disorders of the womb. In all catarrhal conditions and general debility, it is useful." Prof. John M. Souder, M. D., late of Cincinnati, says of Golden Seal root: "In relation to its general effects on the system, there is no medicine in use about which there is such general unanimity of opinion. It is universally regarded as the tonic useful in all debilitated states."

"Valuable in uterine hemorrhage, menorrhagia (flooding) and congestive dysmenorrhoea (painful menstruation)." Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription faithfully represents all the above named ingredients and cures the diseases for which they are recommended.

BEARS AND BABIES.

Some "philosophic thought" paper has been glorifying the teddy bears because the children's familiarity with them tends to dispel their fear and hatred of animals and make them humane and loving. But in the midst of the applause stirred up by this discovery there comes a clergyman of St. Joseph, Mich., who preaches hotly against the same woolly little toy.

This is a very curious idea; probably it will take decades of terrible toll in the child study departments of the universities to determine whether there is anything in it. If we may be permitted a mere conjecture, we should say that exactly the opposite result from that apprehended by the Michigan clergyman is to be expected. It is all a case of "playing mother," anyway; the little girl cultivates the disposition by her tense interest in the toy; and the waning of the teddy bear craze will probably be followed by an unexampled development of the doll business.

And by and by, in her search for the most beautiful forms of diversion, the little girl, grown bigger, substitutes a live man for both doll and teddy bear. This is when the question really arises.

AMBASSADORIAL LUXURY.

Some of our innocents abroad appear to be much scandalized by the extravagant style of living displayed by the American Ambassador at the Court of St. James, Whitelaw Reid. They say that though his salary is but \$17,500, his house in London must cost him not less than \$200,000. This luxury they regard as in shameful contrast with the simplicity of the lives of Franklin and Jefferson when representatives of this country in France. Yet matters and customs have changed since then, even in diplomacy. Franklin and Jefferson were no less honored at the extravagant court of Versailles than if they had expended \$200,000 a year, and Whitelaw Reid has no more political consideration with the British Government than if he continued his expenditure to his salary of \$17,500. Others have done it before him and have made a very respectable figure in English society.

Whose business is it if Ambassador Reid expend his own money lavishly in dispensing his hospitality as American Ambassador? He does the same thing at home when a private citizen in his splendid residence in Madison Square. Should he be required to change his style of living on his transfer from New York to London and in exchanging his private station for a diplomatic post? There is no necessity that his successor should be a millionaire capable of vying with him in expenditure. With his home furnished him an American Ambassador can live very respectably on \$17,500 a year, and many good men will be willing to take the position on the same terms.

In the socialistic millennium, one will be able to register at a hotel as "John Doe and affinity."

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the name of J. C. Watson

MARRIAGES IN AMERICA.

"Why American Marriages Fail" is discussed by Anna A. Rogers in the Atlantic. As contributory causes she cites the 2,921 courts in this country which are empowered to grant divorces, as against one in England, twenty eight in Germany and seventy-nine in France.

Other reasons are found in the "growing individualism" of woman and her failure to realize that "marriage is her work in the world." From the "excessive education and excessive physical coddling of young women," their devotion to physical culture and sports, a hybrid feminine has been evolved, according to Mrs. Rogers, who is "a cross between a magnified, rather unmanly boy" and a spoiled, exacting creature who sincerely loves herself alone.

A new relationship between the sexes has thus arisen, "a slipshod, unchivalrous companionship," which after marriage is discovered to be "a cause for tears or temper." The girl of the period, in Mrs. Rogers's phrase, "considers it a gauche-ness to blush," and regards shyness as a laughable anachronism, sentiment "sickening nonsense" and courtesy bad form.

But do American marriages fail in fact? After all, only six-tenths of one per cent. of the 13,000,000 and more American wives are divorced. If Mrs. Rogers's indictment of her sex is true, it must be said for the men that they have accepted the inevitable with a good grace.

PROGRESS.

The arts and sciences advance at the sacrifice of beauty and aestheticism. The steam locomotive, the most fascinating of mechanisms in the eyes of a boy, is gradually being lost to our youth. In place of its throbbing soul we are brought face to face with the lifeless electric motor. Instead of noble Percherons, Normans, Clydesdales and Cleveland Bays hauling our merchandise we are rapidly getting used to autotrucks, which have no interest beyond the fact of their utility.

The Ohio medical society has decided to expel members who charge less than full fees for their services. Even for operations they must not give cut rates.

It is announced that the Empress Dowager of China is about to retire. This is the only form of practical joking indulged in by that elderly and celebrated lady.

"PLEASE" ON THE 'PHONE.

The 450 girl operators of the Keystone Telephone Company will not say "please" to the subscribers, and the subscribers have been requested not to say "please" to the operators. The word is used here 900,000 times in twenty four hours on the average.—Philadelphia Dispatch.

If this idea could be carried out in every business in the world, what a wonderful saving of time would result! The marvel is that the genius of the Philadelphia telephone company has not thought it out before.

Billions on billions of hours a day could be saved by cutting out all the courtesies of life and reducing everything to the level of the cave-dwellers. Think of how much time could be saved by leaving off the prefix "Mr." in addressing your less intimate friends! No statistician can calculate how much breath could be spared by wives and sweethearts if they would abandon the use of terms of endearment.

The time-saver of the telephone exchange might better have adopted a rule against expletives in denunciation of the usually venal service. If the time spent in holding the wire and the time spent in cursing out the operator could be reduced to statistics it probably would make the waste on politeness look trivial. Here is where the most economy of telephone time can be effected.

THE DRUNKARD'S BLACK-LIST.

In Fond du Lac, Wis., there is a portrait gallery which grows apace. It is made up of pictures of the town's habitual drunkards. Every saloon is a branch gallery. Woe and a license forfeited for every saloon-keeper who sells a drink to a man whose face is in the collection, says the New York Times.

From this it is perceived that Fond du Lac is a town which imitates but does not learn. London had the idea of the picture blacklist ordinance in 1903 and discarded it in 1904. It did not work. It never will work. Where there is a determined thirst there is a way which cannot be blocked by a photograph hung on a wall. Besides, the way to cure a curable man of evil is not by trifling with whatever he may have remaining of self-respect.

A town burgess in Pennsylvania, by name Punnypacker, also tried the blacklist scheme a few years ago and promoted chiefly the gaiety of the unlisted.

Solon of Athens punished inebrity with death. Lycurgus of Sparta destroyed his vineyard to cut off the wine-bibbers. It is a far cry from these classical examples of heroic dealing with drunkards to the nagging processes of saloon rogues' galleries.

To elderly people London is no longer a pleasant place of residence. The streets have become a labyrinth of horror and difficulty, a region of hideous sounds and foul smells. With motor buses toppling over on the sidewalk and private motors knocking down lampposts and impinging on the shelters, the unfortunate citizen knows not whether to wend his trembling steps.—London Graphic.

This ought to give some comfort to those who want to know how people are ever going to get about in the New York of the future.

GRAFT IN ICELAND.

Why can't this grafted country get some immigration from Iceland, where there have been but two thefts in 1,000 years? But is there anything in Iceland worth stealing?—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

MAIN TRAVELED ROADS.

If the preacher who declares there are 40 roads to hell will look around a little he may find people who are traveling all of them at once.—Philadelphia Press.

LAUGH AND GROW FAT.

Dean Swift declared that he laughed only twice in his life. Once was at an incident in the burlesque of "Tom Thumb" by Henry Fielding, the father of the English novel.

Boston has an 8-year-old boy who feeds on higher mathematics, learns foreign languages four at a time and puts it all over his professors. But this type of juvenile nuisance ought not to be considered an oddity in Boston.

It has been shown that a well-made watch can be frozen into a cake of ice without interfering with its time-keeping qualities. However, the average citizen will prefer to carry his timepiece in the same old way.

PULLING DIFFERENT WAYS.

"Be sane," says Leslie M. Shaw. But with G. B. Shaw telling us to be insane, how are we to follow the advice of the whole Shaw family?

ONLY A BARBARIAN.

The deposed King of Anam was addicted to boiling his wives in oil. Being only a barbarian, he did not send them to Paris to get divorced and tell the reporters about it.—New York Evening Post.

APPEALS TO THEM.

As might be expected, all Philadelphia is watching Professor Koch's experiments on the victims of the "sleeping" disease in Africa.—New York Herald.

Why does every doctor say to every convalescent patient: "If it weren't for your vitality—?"

Professional Card.

H. A. McKILLIP ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Columbia Building, 2d Floor Bloomsburg, Pa.

A. N. YOST, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Ent Building, Court House Square, Bloomsburg, Pa.

RALPH R. JOHN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Hartman Building, Market Square Bloomsburg, Pa.

FRED IKELER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office Over First National Bank, Bloomsburg, Pa.

CLYDE CHAS. YETTER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office in Wirt's Building, Bloomsburg, Pa.

W. H. RHAWN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office Corner of 3rd and Main Sts. CATAWISSA, PA.

CLINTON HERRING, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office with Grant Herring, Bloomsburg, Pa. Orangeville Wednesday each week

A. L. FRITZ, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office—Bloomsburg Nat'l Bank Bldg. Bloomsburg, Pa.

J. H. MAIZE ATTORNEY AT LAW, INSURANCE AND EAL ESTATE AGENT Office in Townsend's Building Bloomsburg, Pa.

N. U. FUNK ATTORNEY AT LAW Ent's Building, Court House Square Bloomsburg, Pa.

SADE T. VANNATTA (Successor to C. E. Krapp) GENERAL INSURANCE Office 238 Iron St., Bloomsburg, Pa. Oct. 31, 1901. 10\*

M. P. LUTZ & SON, INSURANCE and REALESTATE AGENTS and BROKERS. N. W. Corner Main and Centre Sts. BLOOMSBURG, PA. Represent Seventeen as good Companies there are in the World and all losses promptly adjusted and paid at their office.

DR. W. H. HOUSE SURGEON DENTIST Office Barton's Building, Main below Mar Bloomsburg, Pa.

All styles of work done in a superior manner. All work warranted as represented. TEETH EXTRACTED WITHOUT PAIN by the use of Gas, and free of charge when artificial teeth are inserted. Open all hours during the day

DR. M. J. HESB DENTISTRY IN ALL ITS BRANCHES Crown and bridge work a specialty Corner Main and Centre streets Bloomsburg, Pa. Columbia or Telephone connection

J. J. BROWN, M. D. THE EYE A SPECIALTY. Eyes tested and fitted with glasses. No Sunday work. 311 Market St., Bloomsburg, Pa. Hours 10 to 5 Telephone

J. S. JOHN M. D. PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office and residence, 410 Main St 7-30-14 BLOOMSBURG, PA

EDWARD FLYNN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, CENTRALIA, PA. Office Liddicoat building, Locust avenue

H. MONTGOMERY SMITH, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Office:—Ent building, 11-16-99

WILLIAM C. JOHNSTON, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. Office in Wells' building over J. G. Wells' Hardware Store, Bloomsburg. Will be in Millville on Tuesdays.

EXCHANGE HOTEL, I. A. SNYDER, Proprietor. BLOOMSBURG, PA. Large and convenient sample rooms, ba rooms hot and cold water and all modern conveniences.

CITY HOTEL, W. A. Hartzel, Prop. No. 121 West Main Street Large and convenient sample rooms, rooms, hot and cold water, and modern conveniences. Bar stocked with best wines and liquors. First-class livery attached.

MONITOR TELEPHONE. BELL TELEPH EYES TESTED, GLASSES FITTED. H. BIERMAN, M. D. HOMOEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN AND SURG OFFICE HOURS: Office & Residence, 4th St 10 a. m. to 2 p. m., 5:30 to 8 p. m. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

C. WATSON McKELVY, Fire Insurance Agent. Represent twelve of the strongest companies in the world, among which are

Franklin of Philadelphia, Penna., Phila. Queen, of N. Y., Westchester, N. Y. North America, Phila. Office: Clark Building, 2nd Floor.

Advertisement for Coupon Bond featuring a testimonial from the American Writing Paper Company. The testimonial describes the quality and strength of the Coupon Bond paper, highlighting its durability and suitability for business use. The advertisement includes the company name, address, and contact information.

Coupon Bond The De Luxe Business Paper Large Book of Assorted Samples Free on Request Carried in stock at the COLUMBIAN PRINTING HOUSE, BLOOMSBURG Where sample can be seen.