

FOREIGN PERSONALS.

William J. Van Patten, of Burlington, Vt., has given the Vermont Sons of American Revolution a part of the old Ethan Allen farm, known as Indian Rock, for the purpose of the erection of a memorial tower to Ethan Allen.

Gen. Kuropatkin is an expert in botany and geography, and he is interested in the progress made from week to week in all the sciences. Scientific periodicals are sent to him in Manchuria from Russia, France and Germany. As an author he is best known by his geographic works. Agricultural problems engage much of his attention. If Lord Kitchener is the confirmed woman-hater that he is represented to be, he has not conveyed that impression to every member of the feminine sex, at all events. Not very long ago he received from an unknown lady admirer in America a sprig of laurel as a "mascot," the receipt of which he found time to acknowledge in a graceful letter of thanks.

Alfredo Trombetti of Bologna enjoys an international reputation as the world's greatest linguist. He speaks 400 different languages and dialects and is still adding to his knowledge of strange tongues. Ever since he was 14 years of age he has been mastering the various languages of the world, and he intends shortly to come to America to complete his knowledge of the dialects of the Indians of the Rockies.

Before the Russo-Japanese war broke out Gen. Kuropatkin said to Stoessel, the man who so gallantly defended Port Arthur: "Stoessel is a bad soldier, but a wonderful engineer. Pit him with equal forces against a Gourko or a Skobelev and you would find him outmaneuvered and cut into mincemeat in one day and night. But set him behind earthworks and battlements of his own devising and not all the forces of earth, with those of hell combined, will prevail against him."

Lady Donoughmore, formerly Miss Grace, of New York, is known as "the children's angel" in Ireland. She is giving much of her time and money to teach the impoverished children in the west of Ireland the beauties of nature. Lady Donoughmore has had a census of the poor children taken by the poor law guardians and through them she has been able to secure the services of well-disposed women who take the waifs to comfortable farmhouses for a few days at a time. She maintains that the monotonous lives which these children are forced to lead, with limited facilities for recreation, are bound to have unfavorable influences in the future.

TO BE POPULAR GIRLS.

- Be neat. There is great charm in neatness. Be athletic, as that means health, and healthiness means wholesomeness. Be affectionate and sympathetic and don't be self-conscious and ashamed to show either quality. Be natural. People are quick to discern affection of any kind and have a contempt for it; so give up affectation. Don't have "moods." Avoid the blues. People like to know how to find a girl, not to have to renew her acquaintance every time they meet. Be home loving and kind to all old people, poor people and children. These are womanly qualities, and all love and admire the womanly girl.

A FELLOW FEELING.

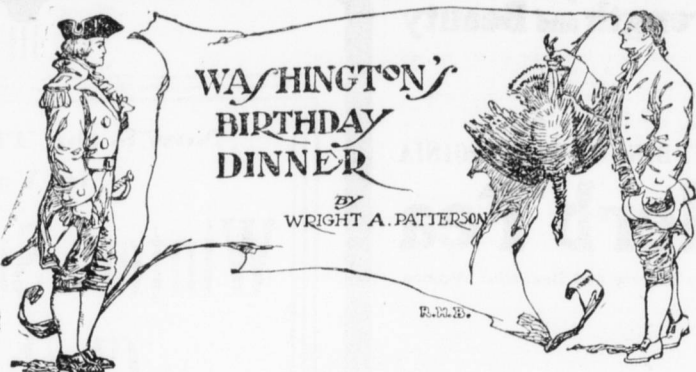
Why She Felt Lenient Towards the Drunkard.

A great deal depends on the point of view. A good temperance woman was led, in a very peculiar way, to revise her somewhat harsh judgment of the poor devil who cannot resist his cups and she is now the more charitable. She writes:

"For many years I was a great sufferer from asthma. Finally my health got so poor that I found I could not lie down, but walked the floor whilst others slept. I got so nervous I could not rest anywhere. Specialists told me I must give up the use of coffee—the main thing that I always thought gave me some relief. I consulted our family physician, and he, being a coffee fiend himself, told me to pay no attention to their advice. Coffee had such a charm for me that in passing a restaurant and getting a whiff of the fragrance I could not resist a cup. I felt very lenient towards the drunkard who could not pass the saloon. Friends often urged me to try Postum, but I turned a deaf ear, saying: 'That may do for people to whom coffee is harmful, but not for me—coffee and I will never part.'

"At last, however, I bought a package of Postum, although I was sure I could not drink it. I prepared it as directed, and served it for breakfast. Well, bitter as I was against it, I must say that never before had I tasted a more delicious cup of coffee! From that day to this (more than two years) I have never had a desire for the old coffee. My health soon returned; the asthma disappeared, I began to sleep well and in a short time I gained 20 pounds in weight.

"One day I handed my physician the tablets he had prescribed for me, telling him I had no use for them. He stayed for dinner. When I passed him his coffee cup he remarked: 'I am glad to see you were sensible enough not to let yourself be persuaded that coffee was harmful. This is the best cup of coffee I ever drank,' he continued; 'the trouble is so few people know how to make good coffee.' When he got his second cup I told him he was drinking Postum. He was incredulous, but I convinced him, and now he uses nothing but Postum in his home and has greatly improved in health." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."



Under Martin Roberback's tattered blouse there beat a sturdy, patriotic heart that knew not the meaning of fear, and had known not the meaning of love until the Continental army marched into Philadelphia in the fall of 1777. It was in Philadelphia that Martin met Beccy Sharp, a demure little Quaker lass, who returned Martin's ardent New Amsterdam affection, even though she could not bring herself to approve fully of the uniform he wore when that uniform meant the shedding of men's blood.

So long as Lord Howe left the Continental troops in possession of Philadelphia Martin cared not whether the war waged elsewhere or not. So long as he was free to go and come between Beccy's house and the camp he was entirely satisfied with his lot, nor did he mind the little lectures he received from her on the evils of war and the virtues of brotherly love. He was content to be a soldier under such conditions, even though his being one served no better purpose than the giving of Beccy something to lecture him about, for it was a great pleasure to hear Beccy talk.

But Lord Howe was not content that the Continental army should enjoy the comforts of city life. Philadelphia offered opportunities as a winter resort which he coveted, and Washington's tattered army not being strong enough to successfully resist, they were forced to march away to the desolate camp beside the Schuylkill at Valley Forge.

Deep down in his heart Martin rebelled at such a necessity, but there was nothing to do but go, and go he did. At any rate, thought he, it is not so bad for Valley Forge is but 14 miles from Philadelphia, and that is not much of a walk. He did not remember the double line of sentries between himself and Beccy, or if he did he snapped his fingers at them.

A week after camp was made at Valley Forge Martin asked permission to visit Philadelphia, and was promptly refused.

"To be gobbled up by the British, eh?" cried his captain. "No, they have enough of our soldiers now, and you will stay here."

Protestations of his ability to go back and forth through the British lines without being detected were of no avail, and he stayed, but only to ask again the second week. Again he was refused, but week after week the request was repeated.

In February there came a messenger from Philadelphia into the camp, and he brought with him a dainty feminine note for Martin. It said many things, to be sure, but it said more pointedly than anything else that Martin should find a way to see Beccy Sharp if he still loved her, and that Martin proposed to do with or without permission, as might be necessary. At the first favorable opportunity he repeated his request for permission to visit Philadelphia, promising in return information as to the enemy stationed there.

"And be hung for a spy," said the captain. "No, here you are and here you will stay. The general needs no information about Lord Howe and his roysterers in Philadelphia that you could get."

But Beccy's little note tucked safely away in the pocket of his blouse kept his heart in a tumult. Fighting for one's country was all right, he thought, but one's country should not demand too much. There could not possibly be any harm in his going to the city for a day or two, and so leave his share of the scanty store of provisions for his hungry comrades, and he went. It was early in the forenoon when Martin turned into the street where Beccy lived, and rapped at her door. He had slipped away from the camp long before it was light, and he intended being back again that evening. If he should do that it was quite possible that he might escape detection, for he was on special duty and did not have to answer roll calls regularly.

But love laughs at good intentions, just as love laughs at a good many other things, and Beccy's sweet little lectures and her bright eyes were too entrancing to get away from easily. Besides Beccy promised that if he would wait until morning she would consent to a cherished plan of his and they would be married. Such a promise was too much for even Martin's sense of duty to withstand. He had been afraid that Beccy would become enamored of some of the British in the city, and knew well enough that her parents would not strongly oppose such a match, and Martin stayed.

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A DEMURE LITTLE QUAKER LASS RETURNED HIS AFFECTION.

Beccy a blushing bride, Martin started to leave Philadelphia and work his way through the British and American lines again. Well enough he knew that his absence had been discovered before that time, and well enough he knew that a period in the guard-house was in store for him. But he had Beccy safe and what cared he for such trifles as the guard-house.

Martin had slipped by the outer line of British sentries safely, and though he did not now expect to encounter any trouble with the British, he was too good a soldier not to keep a sharp eye for possible trouble. When he left camp he brought his gun away with him and secreted it in a hollow log before he reached the British lines. It was a relief to find the gun still in the log when he returned for it, and with it over his shoulder he felt more secure as he trudged campward through timber.

He was within two miles of the Continental lines when he detected the figures of men moving through the timber some distance ahead of him. Secreting himself in the brush he awaited developments and was rewarded by seeing two British soldiers approaching directly towards him, one of whom carried an enormous turkey. He had faced greater odds than two to one on many a battlefield, and hesitated not a moment when they were within a few feet of him, and with his gun at the "ready," commanded them to surrender.

"Now," said Martin, when he had the two soldiers at his mercy, "I will make a bargain with you. To-morrow is our general's birthday and he needs the very bird you carry for a dinner party. In fact, it was to secure it that I have been in these woods. If you will deliver the bird to me you can return to your well provided kitchens in the city. If you will not you can about face and march before me into camp."

It was more than a fair bargain that Martin offered and the British did not hesitate in taking advantage of it. With many promises of no attempt at retaliation they placed the bird in the snow and marched away toward the city, Martin watching them until they were well out of sight in the timber. Then, taking the turkey under his arm, he again set out for the Continental camp, which he soon reached.

"Who comes there?" hailed the sentry.

"A friend with a birthday dinner for the general," replied Martin; but the turkey would not serve as a counter-sign and the officer of the guard was called. To him Martin insisted upon being taken to the general's headquarters that he might present his prize in person.

"A birthday dinner to Gen. Washington with the compliments of Beccy Roberback and the Third New York foot," said Martin, when ushered into the presence of the commanding officer, "and with the hope that he will invite Capt. Rosterhouse, of that regiment, to eat a birthday dinner with him."

Then Martin explained Beccy's connection with the presentation and his own dereliction from duty, not forgetting a description of Beccy's bright eyes and rosy cheeks. It is needless to say that Martin did not go to the guard-house, and that the wrath of Capt. Rosterhouse was appeased when he was invited to dine with the general the next day, which, being February 22, all the army knew was the great man's birthday.

TO BUSY STORK—SHOO! Human Ingenuity Raises an Obstacle to the Machinations of Fate.

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"Clever idea of mine," said the agent, naively. "That is to prevent the stork from alighting on the premises."

Being a philosopher, the Utopian said nothing, but stood gazing far into the distance where an ocean liner from the tropics was making her way up the harbor crowded to the rails with immigrants.

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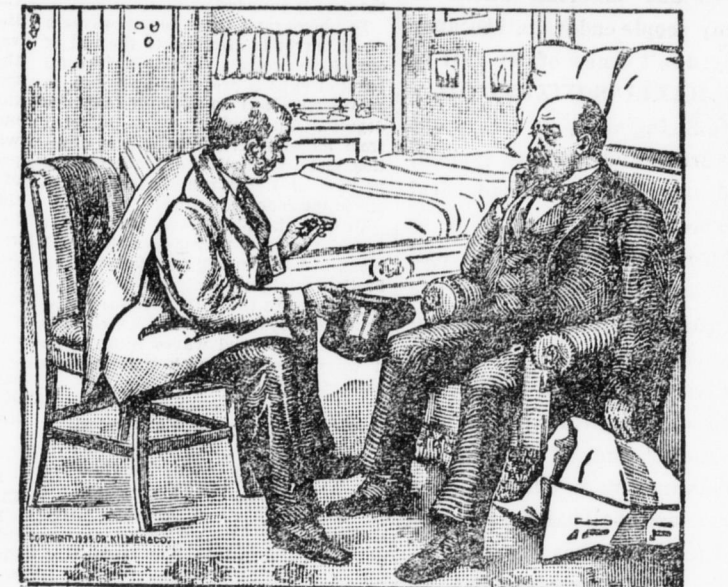
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