Humorous.

A job lot—Boils.

The farmers' share—The plowshare.

A writ of attachment—A love letter.

A stringed instrument—The clothes-line.

Failure in the yarn trade—Writing unsuccessful novels.

The fellow that is hard up is apt to become a man of note.

Many a widow's weeds are wilted by the simple phrase, "Wilt thou?"

Why does the ocean get angry? Because it has been crossed to often.

The cockroach is always wrong when he attempts to argue with a chicken.

If a young man feels that his life is a blank he should try to fill it out and have it sworn to.

It dosen't matter how tough a young man may be, a good looking girl is very likely to break him up.

Mrs. Partington claims that there are few people nowadays who suffer from "suggestion of the brain."

When an Arab of the desert wants to inquire if his sister is going to leave home for a while he says, "Are you going oasis?"

When you are at sea and ask a man at the wheel how she heads, and he tells you. "Sou'-sou's-east-by-sou," you get all the news there is in a small compass.

"Mable, I have something to say that I think will astonish you." "What is it, Harry?" "I am going away." "O, Harry! you are always getting up some nice surprise for me.

Visitor: Your new house is very pretty; but you will have trouble to do anything with the garden, it's so small, but, then, I shall put in folding-beds."

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The pitcher had a little ball, and it was white as snow, and where the striker thought it was that ball it wouldn't go. It had a sudden in-shoot curve, it had a fearful drop, and when the striker wildly struck, that ball it did'nt stop. "Why does the ball fool strikers so? the children all did cry. "The pitcher twirls the ball you know," the teacher did reply.

Bread Baking.

A barrel of good flour should make from 270 to 285 five cent loaves. Many bakers blend four brands, as two Minnesota Springs and two Indiana Winters, before they get the right alloy. Others use only one grade of spring and two of winter wheat. These make the best brands of fancy bread. Formerly yeast was made of malt, potatoes and hops, and this is extensively used. Fancy bread bakers use a patent yellow compressed yeast. It is popularly supposed that bakers use alum extensively in order to whiten their bread. That is not the fact. There is no necessity for the use of alum, and it is not used in the trade. There are about twenty large steam bakeries in New York, which give employment to several hundred men. One of these, a noted Broadway establishment, makes a specialty of Vienna bread and does an immense business. Vienna bread is made in air tight ovens, of the best grade of flour, and milk is used instead of water in mixing the dough. In baking the steam settles back on the bread instead of escaping. This makes the outer crust thin and tender, and gives the bread a peculiar rich taste and pleasant aroma. What is known to the trade as "steam" bread is another recent invention. It is made of the very finest of flour and baked in air-tight pans, which inclose it on all sides. It is thus baked in its own steam, and possesses a flavor peculiarly its own. One very large bakery in New York is devoted solely to the production of aerated bread. It is a steam factory, and the bread so made is extremely light and spongy. The invention is an English one, but has been in use here for years. When the dough has reached a certain consistency, it is run into an air-tight cylinder and strongly impregnated with carbonic acid gas. This creates the lightness and sponginess without detracting in the slightest from its nutritious qualities.

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Blue ink has of late years been much in demand. The coloring matter is said to be sulphate of indigo and tincture of iron, or according to another recipe, Prussian blue dissolved in water by means of oxalic acid. Red ink is usually made by boiling in the proportion of two ounces of Brazil wood in a pint of water for about a quarter of an hour, and adding a little gum and water. This ink is not in demand now, carmine having superceded it; this color is attained by a solution of carmine and ammonia, also adding gum. The great merit of our common writing ink is in the freedom with which it flows from the pen, allowing of rapid writing, and the manner in which it bites into the paper, so as not to be removed by sponging. The great defect is in the want of durability. Such inks partake of the nature of dyes. The writing ink of the ancients, on the contrary, is characterized by great permanency; its basis was finally divided charcoal, mixed with some mucilaginous or adhesive fluid. Indian ink is of this character; it is formed of lampblack and animal glue, with the additions of perfumes, not necessary, however, to its use as in ink, and is made up into cakes. It is used in China with a brush, both for writing and printing upon Chinese paper, and it is used in this country for making drawings in black and white, the different depths of shade being produced by varying the dilution with water.

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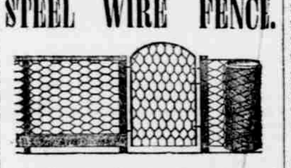

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After this insult added to the already potent injury of the stones and rocks, tired mortal hails his tent with joy, hails even these iron structures on which we are pending a third of our time, and the bedding of which is not so hard as a pine board, neither is it eider-down by a long shot. Yet you cling to that bedding with strong desire as, at 5 or 6 in the morning as may be, the pragoman comes to call you. Coffee is served in a half hour, the men are already beginning the uncording of your tent, so you must arise. In another half hour all are supposed to be ready to mount and be off, thus taking advantage of the cool and delicious early day. A rest of a couple of hours is made for luncheon (which has been brought on donkey back) and for a lounge for you, and if the rood may be applied, for the horses also. Arriving at the day's journey's end, one is highly gratified to find everything set up as marvelously as it disappeared while taking his morning coffee. Dinner is served at half past 6 and the evening is passed in conversation, cards, or in writing up journal, for early to rise means early to bed. Some one has said that this combination means healthy, wealthy and wise, but I don't believe it—except for Palestine.

For tent life is a happy one—when it does'nt rain. Even if it does, your canvas house is, it is to be hoped, of double thickness and well corded down by Arabs who have been doing just that same thing all their lives. Against dampness, sometimes a board flooring is laid, but large rugs are always spread upon which the bed and washstand are always set up, and which makes a pretty harmony with the inner canvas covering which has been gayly adorned in a sort of Oriental patchwork, the effort of Carirene art ideas, and presents an inviting appearance—cool by day and warm by night—something like the Irishman's whiskey, cold in summer and hot in winter. With your chair in the doorway, or reclining by the adjustable window, you settle down to Baedeker or Stanley or Hepworth Dixon, feeling quite sure that the tent arrangement is the most sensible mode of living yet invented—for Palestine. Particularly is this true if, at this juncture, Hassan makes his appearance with a cup of tea, which he always has ready on your coming into camp.

Good Manners.

Good manners are not so common as to be of no weight in society, like good speling or language. One may be as rich as the Rothschilds, one may be highly educated, and not possess them, or any may have them in a degree.

The Duc de Morny's definition of a polite man was, "one who listens with interest to things he knows all about, when they are told by a person who knows nothing about them;" but this is but one phase of his character. Good manners are more serviceable than a passport, than a book account, or a lineage.

They make friends for us; they are more potent than eloquence and genius without them. They undoubtedly spring from a kind heart, and are the dictates of good humor. They are not something to be learned from fashion news and books of etiquette; they are not imported or borrowed. The good-mannered person does not tell us our failings, does not lecture us; he does not merely wear his manners because they are becoming or polite, but because he can no more exist without them than without air.

They resemble the antique painted glass, in which colors were not laid on but stained through; they are as much a gift as poetry is to another, or inventive faculty. There are those who may be said to have a positive genius for them, as another has for conversation; they know how to sway others by them.

Polite people have an influence that is not due to their position or possession learning or their wit. There are those who believe that good manners are only another name for good clothes and good food and good homes with the modern conveniences and luxuries, that they are talkative and emphatic and showy; but we do not always find that the best-mannered people live in palaces.

Good manners are something which nobody can afford to do without, no matter how rich or powerful or intellectual he may be. They add to beauty, they detract from personal ugliness, they cast a glamor over defects, they ameliorate the round shoulders of this person and the squint of the other.

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The winds which blow to this country from the south and the east being warm tropical winds, can hold much moisture, and are full of this invisible vapor of water which they have taken up from the Gulf of Mexico and the ocean. Coming to the cooler land, they gradually become cooled. Their moisture, therefore, falls as rain while they pass over the land, till, by the time they reach western Kansas and Colorado, the moisture being gone, no more rain can fall. But the winds which come to this country, from the north and west are colder than the land, and, as they sweep over it, toward the south and east, they gradually become warmer; so that instead of giving up their moisture in the form of rain, they are constantly taking up moisture from the earth. It is for this reason that our north and west winds are dry winds, and mean fair weather; while the south and east winds bring rain. For this reason, also, the Eastern and Southern States have an abundance of rain, while the Central and Western States are often very dry.

And there is still another point to be considered. We already have noted the fact that at great heights the air is cooler. Hence, when a warm wind full of moisture comes blowing across the country and strikes a monttain range, it bends upward and rises high in the air to past over. In so doing it becomes cooled, giving up its moisture, and passes over to the other side a dry wind. It is for this reason that some islands, like the Hawaiian Islands in the Pacific Ocean, where the winds blow almost always from the same direction, are subject to almost continuous rain on one side while on the other rain is exceedingly rare.

This also shows why California, west of the Sierra Nevada mountains, receives sufficient rain to make the soil fit for cultivation; while Nevada, on the east, is nearly rainless and barren. The moisture coming from the south and east is all condensed by the Alleghany, the Rocky, and the Wahsatch ranges; while that from the west is cut off by the Sierras. Hence, the great extent of country known to geologists as the Great Basin—which reaches from Oregon on the north to Mexico on the south, and from Colorado on the east to the Sierras on the west, comprising an area of not less than 200,000 square miles, which is nearly equal to the whole of France—receives over a great part of its surface an annual rainfall of not over four inches, and is ftherefore a desert.

Composting Materials.

The true mode of saving manure is to compost it, or to thoroughly mix it with some absorbent material. On the farm the stocks, straw and leaves may be advantageously used, but time and labor may be saved by first reducing all such materials as stocks and straw to short lengths, first using them for bedding the animals, and then adding them to the manure heap. The absorbent materials take up the liquid manure and prevent evaporation and "fle-fanging," while the manure, in turn, assists in decomposing the absorbent materials, thus converting the whole more quickly into available plant food. Throwing stalks and whole straw into the barnyard to be tramped is a well-known practice, but it requires a much longer time to reduce them to pieces in that manner as they are partially protected by a thick silicate that is not only insoluble but renders the whole impervious to water. The materials used in the manure heap are quickly decomposed by water, as chemical action occurs more readily in liquids. The labor required to reduce the absorbent materials to a fine condition will be found insignificant compared with the labor saved in handling, spreading and hauling the manure to the fields, as those who have been accustomed to loading manure containing undecomposed cornstocks are aware, and an additional advantage is also secured in the manure being in a more complete condition for application and as plant food. But it is best to always use the absorbent matials in the stalls, in order to allow them to be saturated by the liquids, and after the formation of the heap any liquids that may be saved should be poured over the heap. In this manner a large quantity of manure may be made of a superior quality and far more serviceable than that not so carefully prepared. Dry earth is cheap substance, and should be used freely, while marl, in addition to be excellent absorbent, in itself contains potash, lime and the phosphates in an insoluble condition, but which are changed in composition and converted into plant food by the action of the manure. If well sheltered and protected from the rains and sun a greater value will be possessed by the manure than if exposed to the influence of the weather.

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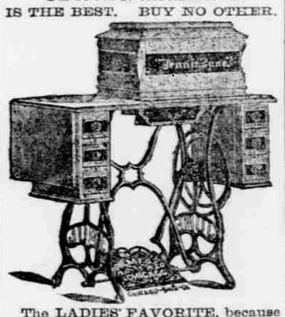

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Clothing is classed as merchandise and can be mailed only at the rate of one cent an ounce.

Wedding cake can only be mailed when packed in a tin or wooden box. Confectioneries the same.

A book presented for mailing without letter attached to it would subject the entire package to letter rates.

Matter enclosed in a sealed envelope, though the corners may be cut or the ends notched, is subject to letter rates.

Liquids, poisons, explosive and inflammable articles are not received for mailing, no matter how carefully wrapped.

Chromos, engravings or lithographs belong to the third class and can be sent at the rate of two ounces for one cent.

If you wanted to send a suit of clothes by mail which weighed six pounds you would have to make two packages of it.

Photographic and autographic albums are classed as merchandise and postage is charged at the rate of one cent an ounce.

Animals, reptiles, live or dead (not stuffed) insects, except queen bees when safely secured, are excluded from the mails.

An unclaimed postal card is not returned to the writer, even though the address is given upon it, but is sent to the dead letter office.

Letter heads, bill heads and envelopes, blank or printed, are charged as merchandise, and postage must be paid at the rate of one cent an ounce.

A postal card is not mailable with any writing or printing on the address side, except the address, nor with anything pasted or pinned to the other side.

When mail matter is once deposited in a postoffice or in a street letter box it is beyond the control of the person putting it there and cannot be reclaimed.

The dead letter office is a monument to the carelessness and stupidity of the American people. The average number of letters received there daily is about 15,000.

Every business man should use return-request envelopes in all his correspondence. If everybody used them the dead letter office would soon wind up its business.

Postal cards are handled with as much care and promptness in the matter of dispatch and delivery as though they were letters, even though the matter thereon is printed.

Third and fourth class matter can be mailed in the same package, provided it does not exceed four pounds in weight, but it subjects the entire package to fourth class rates.

A newspaper is not forwarded in the mails unless postage is fully prepaid, so don't think you can beat Uncle Sam by attaching a one cent stamp when two are required.

Don't forget that all parcels deposited for mailing must be so wrapped that they can be examined without destroying the wrapper, otherwise letter rates of postage are charged.

There are thousands of little articles now sent by express which can be more safely, quickly and carefully carried by mail if registered. The fee is only ten cents in addition to the postage.

In making a present of a book it is permissible to write an inscription or dedication upon the cover or one of the blank leaves, but it must not contain anything that partakes of personal correspondence.

Written visiting cards are regarded as first class matter and subject to letter rates. If printed they can be sent at the rate of one cent for each two ounces; that is, if the card is of an embellished design.

Any person who sends money or jewelry in an unregistered letter not only runs the risk of losing his property, but places needless temptation before persons who might not otherwise be tempted to commit a felony.

In all your correspondence, whenever it can be done, give the street and number, as well as county and State. This saves much time and is a sure preventive against errors of delivery. It is much better to spell the name of the State in full.

A box with its lid nailed on is held as being closed against inspection and is therefore subject to letter rates. Postmasters have no right to pry open such a box and nail it up again. Even if they had the right to do so, they have not the time.

A tax bill, a receipt, an abstract of title, a power of attorney, a promissory note, mortgage, a draft or check, canceled checks, coupons, an invoice bill, a statement, a voucher, a telegraphic dispatch, a bank note, or any document with writing upon it, is subject to letter rates.

Table Etiquette.

Never smack your lips when eating.

Never pick your teeth at the table.

Never propose a conundrum or whisper at table.

Never put your finger into your mouth.

Never put your knife into your mouth.

Never put your elbow on the table.

Never carry fruit or bonbons away from the table.

Never scrape your plate or tilt it to get the last drop of anything it contains or wipe it off with a piece of bread.

Never play with your knife and fork or salt cellar, or balance a spoon on your glass.

Never watch the dishes as they are uncovered nor make any explanation when the contents are revealed.

Never tuck your napkin, bib-fashion, under your shirt collar. Unfold it and lay it across your lap.

Never say r do anything at table that is liable to produce disgust.

Never stretch your feet under the table so as to touch those of your vis-a-vis.

Never bite fruit. An apple, pear or peach should be peeled.