

A Gentle Word is Never Lost.

A gentle word is never lost. Oh, never then refuse one. It cheers the heart when tempo is lost. And fills the ears that busy one.

The Empty Schoolroom.

Gray dust upon each window-sill. A broken chair. The benches that are scratched so long.

A LEGHORN HAT.

Nine o'clock of a cloudless summer morning. The tinted and shaded floor at the door in the narrow street below.

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The Russian Knout.

There is probably no more terrible instrument of punishment, or it may be said that the knout is not a new thing.

The Silver King.

There is a man alive at the present moment who, by the way, is not a Russian.

Fencing in Japan.

A famous company of professional fencers were performing at Yokohama when I was in Japan.

Magnificence of Ancient Rome.

The following vivid pen-picture is from "The Old Roman World," by John Ford.

Clothes Moths.

This name includes several distinct but similar species of minute insects.

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

Technical Terms Used by Poultry Breeders. There are very few persons who are familiar with poultry, their general appearance, and common habits.

Items of Interest.

Members of the Fox-hound Club. Never tell a weather-cock to pull down his tail.

What is the difference between a ten-cent and a five-cent piece?

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