

PEN, INK, AND PAPER.

ADELAIDE L. ROUSE.

I spent a month with Elmira last summer. Elmira is an excellent housekeeper; her bread is perfect, her linen is as white as snow, and she has a place for everything and everything in its place, except pen and ink. A trifling exception, you may think, in an otherwise perfect ménage, but it did not seem trifling to John one hot, sticky July day.

John came in with a neighbor who was to sign a receipt. He went to the sitting room closet, where writing materials are found when an occasional letter is written (there is not a literary household); he found a bottle of ink, mostly dried away, and a penholder minus a pen. Elmira's hands were in the bread, but she ran in answer to John's call. After some searching in a jar of lamp-lighters a pen was found and fitted in a holder. The ink was improved by the addition of a few drops of water, and as no other paper was at hand a leaf was cut from one of the children's copybooks. John wrote the receipt, stopping once to remove a hair from his pen, and as he had no blotter he passed the damp paper to his neighbor, who wrote his name and blotted it with his square thumb, and then wiped the thumb on his hair. After John had made the remarks alluded to, and vowed that if he lived through having his pen nib in a holder and key where he could find writing materials without scouring the neighborhood for them, Elmira went on with her bread, John returned to his hayfield, and I, who had always lived with writing materials at my elbow, made a mental memorandum of the incident for future use.

Elmira's is not the only household where it is a work of time to "drum up" the necessary things to do a bit of writing, and oftentimes when these are found a table must be cleared to write on. How much trouble and friction would be saved if there could be a desk in the living room filled with everything needful. The key should hang over it, and every member of the family should have access to it. It should be supplied with paper and envelopes of different sizes, postal cards, stamps, pens, ink, both red and black pencils, eraser, manila paper, paper cutter, cards, a box of rubber straps, and one of "H" fasteners, newspaper wrappers, and if possible a scale for weighing letters. There might also be a ball of cord, wrapping-paper, pasteboard for doing up photographs, and all the paraphernalia for wrapping up packages.

If such a store of conveniences was at hand how many things that are neglected would be done at once. The acknowledgment for the little gift would not be delayed till you are almost ashamed to send it; the paper you marked to send to a friend would go at once if you could lay your hand on a stamped and gilded wrapper; it would not be such a task to mail that photograph or the little package that everybody's desk stood in the room. Of course it will cost something to get a desk and stock it, but many of the things will last a long time, and it will pay in the saving of time and temper.

Judge—I understand that you prefer charges against this man? Grocer—No, sir; I prefer cash, and that's what I had him brought here for.

Maybe there is something worse than electricity in store for the man who said that this new method of capital punishment is revolting.

The girl with money can have anything she likes. She can also have anything she loves.

"Young Chumpleigh is quite versatile, isn't he?" "I guess so; he never does anything right."

When the plumber sends in his bill the dancing and paying the piper are done by the same person.

It is natural to suppose that when you stroke a cat's back the wrong way the poor animal doesn't feel fur straight."

"German Syrup"

J. C. Davis, Rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, Eufaula, Ala.: "My son has been badly afflicted with a fearful and threatening cough for several months, and after trying several prescriptions from physicians which failed to relieve him, he has been perfectly restored by the use of two bottles of Bo-

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J. F. Arnold, Montevideo, Minn., writes: I always use German Syrup for a Cold on the Lungs. I have never found an equal to it—far less a superior.

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"He sat on my joke," "What was safe," "Safe?" "Yes. There wasn't any point to it."

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The words "unstroke" and "nervous prostration" cover a multitude of plain drunks in the summer season.

Last year the imports of cheese from Canada into England exceeded fifty thousand tons.

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An egg picking concern in Michigan has over half a million of the fruit stored away in vats.

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Eda Davis, a child, fell over a precipice 150 feet high, in Washington, and was only slightly hurt.

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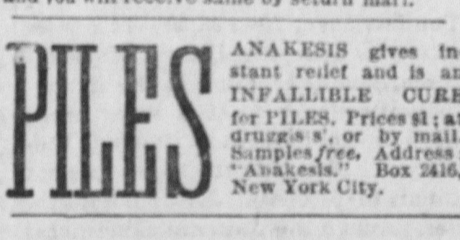
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HUMOROUS.

It is a wise hen that knows her own set.

The cyclone actually takes a town by storm.

No man is a hero to his valet. He is a martyr.

Merit may win, but it makes awfully slow time.

A progressive spirit—The alcohol in the thermometer.

The prettiest thing in gloves is the pretty hand of a pretty girl.

The man who lives by his wits seldom finds that life is a joke.

The music of a drum is always on tap, usually with a "stick" in it.

The saddest feature of the day we celebrate is the week we recuperate.

Time is money, but we never realize it until we have to pay for some one else's.

The wise man is not disposed to father every idea that "pops" into his head.

The angrier first lies in wait for his catch and then lies in the weight of his catch.

When a baby gets a feather in its throat the mother fees down in the mouth.

Do not imagine that the young lady means yes when she nods after midnight.

The man who carries his heart on his sleeve doesn't display an equal amount of brain.

When some men discharge an obligation you can hear the report for miles around.

Ideas are like leard; men not having any until they grow up, and women none at all.

"Though I speak but one language, I am familiar with many tongues, said the physician.

An Albany man recently stole an eight-day clock. The judge made it ten days for him.

An economical bartender can make two lemons with one lemon, but it is a tight squeeze.

Man may want but little here below, but he usually keeps up a fearful kicking unless he gets it.

"I get your views," said the sheriff, as he proceeded to seize the photographer's stock in trade.

Sunshine is better than medicine, and you don't have to pay a \$1.50 for five cents worth of it, either.

A carpenter may be a first-class boarder and yet be very far from finding favor in the eyes of his landlady.

"I hear Gus is going to get married." "Yes." "Is he in love?" "No; in debt."

When a girl is in love she inevitably compares the object of her affections to the heroes of all the novels she reads—greatly to the heroes' disadvantage.

Pandora's Box.

Pandora was the first woman on earth, according to the Greeks. The name means "all gifted." Aphrodite (Venus) gave her beauty, Hermes (Mercury) gave her boldness and cunning, and each of the gods gave her some gift by which she should bring misery to man. Her husband had a jar in his house, which Pandora opened; from it escaped all the miseries and ills of mankind. Pandora closed it again just in time to prevent Hope from escaping also. According to later writers, Pandora brought down with her from Heaven a box, given by the gods with instructions not to open it; her curiosity overcame her, and she opened it with the result above described. Later writers say that the box contained blessings for mankind, and that all of them escaped except Hope.—New York Sun.

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TURA'S FAIRY WIFE.

A Pretty Polynesian Legend—Why Gray Hair Shocked an Immortal.

Tura, coming from over seas, found himself in a land named Ota, and leaving his canoe, journeyed inland. Traveling through the dense forest, he saw fairies sitting in the flowers of the climbing plants and swinging on the lianas which trailed from the high boughs across the vistas of the wood. These fairies were curiously-shaped beings, having small heads and large bodies, while their hands and feet were attached to limbs so short that they seemed as if extruding from their bodies.

Tura had brought with him the sticks wherewith fire is produced by friction, and he proceeded to kindle a fire and to cook some food, much to the astonishment of the fairies who had always consumed their food in its natural state.

Tura fell in love with one of the fairy women and married her. His wife reciprocated his affection, and they lived happily together; but one day, when the elfin spouse was combing out her husband's hair, she suddenly cried out:

"Oh, Tura, what is this white hair among the black ones?"

He told her that it was the sign of age and of approaching decay, the forerunner of death. Then his wife wept bitterly and refused to be comforted. It is a touching story, the saddest surprise and grief of this child of the immortal on her discovery of that which to us, poor sons of clay, is so common and obtrusive a fact.

The old legend has given rise to a proverb saying "the weeds of Tura," as a synonymous expression for gray hair.

A Floor of Gems.

The following description of what may be seen in the Colorado Desert which so much has been said of late is from the Boston Transcript. It reads like a description of the valley of gems in the Arabian Nights:

The northern portion of the desert is paved with the most wonderful pebbles in the world—in many parts so exquisitely laid as to defy successful imitation by the most skilled worker in masonic flooring. They are made of porphyry, azule, carnelian, quartz, crystals, garnets, chrysolite and other beautiful materials.

They are packed together so that the surface composed of them is like a floor, and they look as if pressed into it with a roller. As a rule, they are of nearly uniform size, and each one is polished brilliantly, as if oiled and rubbed. Most of them are perfect spheres, and the reflection from them of the sun's rays is gorgeous beyond description. Each convex surface gives back a ray of light, and the ground for miles seems as if literally paved with gems. Thus the whole surface of the plain is a combination of myriads of reflectors, each pebble being so highly polished that it is like a mirror, and it is believed that the lakes of the desert mirage are produced by this means. The pebbles are polished by the loose sand which is blown hither and thither.

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