

The Telephone Voice.

An Indiana Telephone girl has won a husband because of her sweet voice. Doubtless the husband is to be congratulated, because, as high authority has it, a voice gentle, soft and low is an excellent thing in woman, and is, it may be added, especially desirable in the case of the woman who presides over the domestic hearth. With this example before them, and others of the kind now and then reported, it might be thought that the young women at the telephone exchanges would engage in systematic cultivation of sweet and musical intonation. There is, however, a much better opportunity before them for winning popularity than is to be gained by mere vocal sweetness, and that is promptness of speech and action. What does it matter to the average telephone patron whether the voice of the operator at the switch-board is melodious or not if it is slow in coming over the wire, or if it is heard after long delay, only to draw "number?" and again "number?" after more delay, and then connects with a number quite different from the one the patron calls. What does it profit the telephone girl, matrimonially or otherwise, if she calmly, through in dulcet voice, declares to the anxious caller that the line is "busy now," and continues so to assert, while the impatient man at the other end of the wire with good reason to know it is not busy listens in a frenzied state of mind to her idle chat with her chums? Nevertheless, it is not sweetness for which the telephone subscriber yearns, but for a swift answer to his calls and prompt and accurate connection with the other telephone. The voice may be shrill and sharp, or hoarse and raucous, or it may be impeded by a wad of gum, but it will win favor if it only responds quickly. If the telephone girl cannot be both mellifluous and prompt, let her be prompt, and she will be more likely to get a husband than through sweetness alone. Also she will do much to lessen the present sum total of unseemly wrath and profanity in the community. She may, in fact, if she will, become a great moral agent.—Indianapolis Star.

Doing the Right Thing By "Bob."
Miss Jennie Jones and "Bob" Henry were married at the Jones mansion last night. The bride is the daughter of our Constable Jones, who made a good officer, and will undoubtedly be re-elected next spring. He offers a fine horse for sale in another column. The groom runs a grocery store on Main Street, and is a good patron of our advertising columns, and has a good line of bargains this week. All the summer he paid two cents more for butter than any other store in town. The happy couple left on the 10 o'clock train for Milwaukee to visit the bride's uncle, who is reported to have lots of money and bright disease. "Bob" certainly has an eye for business.—Coolidge Banner.

WOMEN WHO CHARM

HEALTH IS THE FIRST ESSENTIAL

It Helps Women to Win and Hold Men's Admiration, Respect and Love

Woman's greatest gift is the power to inspire admiration, respect, and love. There is a beauty in health which is more attractive to men than mere regularity of feature.



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Women who are troubled with painful or irregular periods, backache, bloating (or flatulence), displacement, inflammation or ulceration of the bladder, "bearing-down" feeling, dizziness, faintness, indigestion, or nervous prostration, may be restored to perfect health and strength by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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COMMERCIAL COLUMN.

Weekly Review of Trade and Latest Market Reports.

New York.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

"Retail trade expands with the advancing season and other departments are forwarding goods as rapidly as the shortage of cars and scarcity of labor will permit. Mercantile collections are not as prompt as they would be if more normal rates prevailed in the money market, but there is little embarrassment or complaint. Autumn conditions are most satisfactory and the outlook for winter is bright because of the large crops that are now almost completely assured.

"Manufacturing reports continue favorable and there was a conspicuous increase in orders for cotton goods that was due to exhausted stocks in the hands of converters and jobbers and the belief that the raw material would decline no further. Woolens are still the least active of the leading industries, and unless clothiers order liberally there will soon be much idle machinery. Traffic facilities are still inadequate, yet the railways report an increase of 10.6 per cent. in earnings thus far compiled for September, as compared with similar returns last year.

"Textile conditions show improvement, a notably better feeling existing in the primary markets for cotton goods despite the small decline in raw materials. Buyers are more willing to pay full quotations, and it is now rather a matter of delivery than price.

"Liabilities of commercial failures thus far reported for September amounted to \$4,042,507, of which \$1,889,707 was in manufacturing, \$1,968,206 in trading and \$184,594 in other commercial lines. Failures this week numbered 188 in the United States, against 240 last year."

Wholesale Markets.

Baltimore.—FLOUR—Quiet and steady and unchanged; receipts, 7,718 barrels; exports, 99 barrels.

WHEAT—Firm; spot, contract, 71 3/4 @ 71 3/4; spot, No. 2 red, Western, 76 3/4 @ 76 3/4; September, 71 3/4 @ 71 3/4; October, 72 1/4 @ 72 1/4; December, 75 3/4 @ 76; steamer No. 2 red, 66 3/4 @ 66 3/4; receipts, 12,756 bushels; exports, 24,000 bushels; Southern by sample, 58 @ 67; Southern on grade, 66 1/2 @ 72.

CORN—Firm; spot, 54 3/4 @ 54 3/4; September, 54 3/4 @ 54 3/4; October, 53 1/2 @ 53 1/2; year, 47 3/4 @ 47 3/4; January, 47 3/4 @ 47 3/4; steamer mixed, 53 1/4 @ 53 1/4; receipts, 9,375 bushels; Southern white corn, 55 1/2 @ 56 1/2; Southern yellow corn, 53 @ 55.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 37 1/2 @ 38; No. 3 white, 36 1/2 @ 37; No. 2 mixed, 36 @ 36 1/2; receipts, 18,441 bushels.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 Western export, 62 @ 63; No. 2 Western domestic, 66 @ 67; receipts, 7,269 bushels.

HAY—Firm; No. 1 timothy, 17.50 @ 18.00; No. 1 clover mixed, 15.50 @ 16.00.

BUTTER—Steady and unchanged; fancy imitation, 20 @ 21; fancy creamery, 25 @ 26; fancy ladle, 18 @ 20; store packed, 16 @ 17.

EGGS—Firm, 24.

New York.—WHEAT—Receipts, 105,900 bushels; sales 2,350,000 futures. Spot firm. No. 2 red, 78 3/4 elevator; No. 2 red, 80 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 85 3/4 f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 82 3/4 f. o. b. afloat.

CORN—Receipts, 59,125 bushels; sales, 50,000 futures. Spot firm. No. 2, 59 1/2 elevator and 58 1/2 f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 59; No. 2 white, 59 1/2.

OATS—Receipts, 96,600 bushels. Spot steady. Mixed, 26 to 32 pounds, 37 1/2; natural white, 30 to 33 pounds 39 @ 40 1/2; clipped white, 36 to 40 pounds, 40 @ 45.

CHEESE—Firm. Receipts, 3,233. State full cream, colored fancy, 12 3/4; do., white fancy, 12 3/4; do., large, colored fancy, 12 3/4; do., white fancy 12 3/4 @ 12 3/4.

EGGS—Firm. Receipts, 3,078. Mixed extras, 26 @ 27; Western firsts, 20 1/2 @ 22.

POULTRY—Alive quiet; spring chickens, 14; fowls, 14; turkeys, 14. Dressed quiet; Western spring chickens, 12 @ 16; spring turkeys, 16 @ 22; fowls, 10 @ 14.

LARD—Steady; Western prime, 9.00 @ 9.10; refined firm.

POTATOES—Irish, quiet and unchanged; sweets, easy; Jersey, per basket, 40 @ 90.

Live Stock.

New York.—BEEVES—Dressed beef slow at 6 1/2 to 9 1/2 cents per pound for native sides; Texas beef 6 to 7 cents.

CALVES—Veals about steady; almost no demand for brashers, quotations at 2.50 to 3.00 to butchers; veals, 4.50 to 5.75. Dressed calves quiet. City dressed veals, 9 to 13 1/2 cents per pound; country dressed, 6 to 12 cents.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep steady; lambs dull and unchanged. Sheep, 3.75 to 5.00; lambs, good to prime, 7.00 @ 7.50; one car, 7.75; culls, 4.50; Canada lambs, 7.50.

Chicago.—CATTLE—Market steady. Common to prime steers, 4.00 @ 6.95; cows, 2.70 @ 4.75; heifers, 2.60 @ 5.25; bulls, 2.40 @ 4.50; calves, 3.00 @ 8.00; stockers and feeders, 2.60 @ 4.45.

SHEEP—Best steady; others slow. Sheep, 4.50 @ 5.75; yearlings, 5.60 @ 6.25; lambs, 6.00 @ 7.75.

WORTH REMEMBERING

There are 14,600 actors who claim their homes are in New York City.

There are no paupers in the Gold Coast Colony, and there is neither lunatic asylum, reformatory nor poorhouse.

Many of the Boers who migrated to Argentina have returned to South Africa. Most of those still at Argentina are saving up their money for the purchase of homeward tickets.

"A Small Thing."

Do you believe in progress? Do you believe that all the wonderful achievements of the nineteenth century—the railroad, the telegraph, the telephone, electric light, kerosene, sewing machine, agricultural machinery, steamships, trolley cars, etc.—have made life easier and better worth living? I do. I believe that a man who lives forty years under modern conditions has experienced more life and better life than Methusalem, though he had lived twenty centuries of his time.

The triumphs of the nineteenth century were triumphs of human service—the placing of knowledge and the fruits of knowledge within the reach of the common man. Every man's life is better, happier, more secure because of them. We live more comfortable, more sociable lives in better and more comfortable houses because of them. Even the hopeless dweller in the worst city slums is more comfortable in his physical conditions than the middle-class citizen of the days of George Washington.

In little things as in great, comfort and convenience have been the legacy of the "Century of Improvement." Paint, in a certain sense, is a minor matter, yet it gives beauty, healthfulness and durability to our dwellings. Fifty years ago painting was a serious proposition, a luxury for the owners of stately mansions who could afford the expense of frequent renewals. To-day ready mixed paint is so cheap, so good and so universal that no house owner has an excuse for not keeping his property well painted.

A small thing, indeed, yet several hundred large factories employing thousands of chemists and skilled workmen, are running every day in the year to keep our houses fresh, clean and wholesome.

A small thing, yet a can of good ready mixed paint, such as one may buy from any reputable dealer, embodies the study of generations of skilled chemists, the toil of a thousand workmen in mill, laboratory and factory, and the product of a long series of special machinery invented and designed just to make that can of paint and to furnish us an infinite variety of tints, colors and shades.

It was a wonderful century, that nineteenth of our era, and not the least of its wonderful gifts was that same commonplace can of paint.

L. P.

Plea For Women At The Polls.
Miss Agnes Slack of Derbyshire, England, secretary of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union, will be the guest this afternoon of the New Century Club, where she will give a talk on "Womanhood in Various Countries." Miss Slack is particularly well suited to discuss this subject, as she has made a lifelong study of woman—her work and her sphere—and has traveled almost all over the world, having only just returned from an extended tour in South Africa, where she delivered a series of lectures on temperance.

In speaking of the work which the women suffrage organizations were doing in America and in England, she said:

"The women's organizations at home are politically far stronger than they are in America. They have grown to great power, and now have a very important bearing on every election. A woman is not permitted to cast a vote—this will not always be so—but she can and does influence the policy of the voters.

"There is every reason why an equal franchise should be extended to women. They are tax-payers. There is in England no provision of a woman's life that is not touched by the public policy of the country, and on many questions of public import woman is far more capable to pass judgment than man."—Philadelphia Press.

Philosophic Father.
Jamie, dear child and wee glutton, liked sugar on bread; Kind, indulgent old aunt gave him sugar of lead, Jamie's death vexed his dad, but he said, "It's an ill Wind," and so forth: "'twill save me on the grocery bill." —Cleveland Press.

LOOSE TEETH
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Proper food nourishes every part of the body, because Nature selects the different materials from the food we eat, to build bone, nerve, brain, muscle, teeth, etc.

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If some one would ask you, "Is Grape-Nuts good for loose teeth?" you'd probably say, "No, I don't see how it could be." But a woman in Ont. writes:

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WHAT JOY THEY BRING TO EVERY HOME

as with joyous hearts and smiling faces they romp and play—when in health—and how conducive to health the games in which they indulge, the outdoor life they enjoy, the cleanly, regular habits they should be taught to form and the wholesome diet of which they should partake. How tenderly their health should be preserved, not by constant medication, but by careful avoidance of every medicine of an injurious or objectionable nature, and if at any time a remedial agent is required, to assist nature, only those of known excellence should be used; remedies which are pure and wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, like the pleasant laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. Syrup of Figs has come into general favor in many millions of well informed families, whose estimate of its quality and excellence is based upon personal knowledge and use.

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