

The News of Carbondale.

RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

Delaware and Hudson Railroad.

Trains leave Carbondale at city station at following times: For Scranton and Wilkes-Barre—6:00, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 10:00, 11:31 a. m., 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 10:01, 11:00 p. m. Sunday trains leave at 8:50, 11:21 a. m.; 1:10, 2:40, 5:00, 8:30 p. m. For Albany, Saratoga, Montreal, Boston, New England points, etc., 7:00 a. m.; 4:31 p. m. (daily).

For Waymart and Honesdale, 7:22, 11:05 a. m.; 3:11, 6:22 p. m. Sunday trains leave Waymart and Honesdale at 9:30 a. m.; 4:45 p. m. Trains arrive at Carbondale from Wilkes-Barre and Scranton as follows: 6:30, 8:37, 9:50, 10:59 a. m.; 12:37, 2:06, 3:15, 4:25, 6:05, 7:01, 8:04, 9:51, 11:27 p. m.; 2:08 p. m. Sunday trains arrive at Carbondale from Waymart and Honesdale at 12:17 and 7:50 p. m.

New York, Ontario and Western.

September 17, 1901. Trains leave Carbondale for Scranton at 7:00 a. m.; 4:00 p. m. Sunday trains at 7:00 a. m.; 4:00 p. m. Trains leave Carbondale for points north at 11:10 a. m. On Sunday at 9:10 a. m. Trains leaving at 11:00 a. m. for Scranton and 9:10 a. m. for Scranton make connections for New York, Corning, etc. Sunday trains arrive from Scranton at 11:10 a. m.; 6:40 p. m.; from points north, 4:00 p. m. Sunday trains from Scranton at 9:10 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.; from Corning at 6:00 p. m.

Erle Railroad.

June 23, 1901. Trains leave city station, Carbondale, daily (except Sunday) at 9:15 a. m. and 4:32 p. m. for Bradford and Neshanic; at 9:25 a. m., daily (except Sunday), for Dinghishan; at 9:30 a. m., daily (except Sunday), for Dinghishan and Buffalo; and at 6:10 p. m. for Susquehanna, making connections for western points. Sunday trains at 9:15 a. m. for Susquehanna with western connections, and 6:37 p. m. with same connections. Trains arrive at 8:51 a. m. and 5:45 p. m. Sunday at 8:51 a. m.

FINE NEW CHURCH FOR METHODISTS

Working Drawings Completed by Architect Edward Langley, of Scranton—Some of the Features That Will Give Carbondale One of the Finest Methodist Churches in This Section of the State.

Architect Edward Langley, of Scranton, has completed full working drawings for the erection of the church that will take the place of the imposing and beautiful house of worship of the First Methodist congregation which was destroyed by fire in November last.

The new edifice will be wooden in every detail and will be of even greater credit to this heroic and enterprising congregation than was the beautiful home that brought so much sadness with its destruction.

The exterior of native stone will be most pleasing with its strong classic lines and graceful tower after an Italian campanile.

The auditorium with deep galleries is arranged in amphitheatrical style. The barrel-vaulted ceiling, penetrated by three gable windows and enriched with leaded glass, terminates with a classic console cornice. The gable and other windows are to be glazed with handsome monumental glass and the light is diffused through dome and side light, in rich mezzo tones it will blend harmoniously with the warm decorative scheme of green, brown and gold for the interior.

The altar, rostrum, choir platform and organ are to be placed above the other in the order given.

All the interior wood work will be a beautiful dark oak, including the pews, which will be cushioned with deep red plush.

The auditorium is separated from the sanctuary school by an immense door, divided horizontally, which, by an ingenious contrivance is made to noiselessly disappear, half going into the basement, and the other half upwards into a pocket. They will be so balanced as to move with little power.

The auditorium roof will be covered by monumental steel trusses, spanning the entire width of the auditorium.

The spacious Sunday school room will be very complete, having a large gallery on three sides, divided up into class rooms, arranged in steps of tier upon tier. The senior class room is lighted with a paneled skylight of leaded glass, as well as clear story windows.

The basement plan calls for a large dining room, ladies' parlor, choir room, lavatories, coat checking room, store rooms, etc.

Protection Against Fire. An important feature of the arrangement of the new edifice is the location of the heating plant. It will be recalled that it was the furnace, located under the auditorium, that caused the fire that bereft the congregation of its home. This danger will be far removed in the new church. The heating plant will be arranged outside of the main building in vaulted chambers below the rear sidewalk. The wisdom and the safety of this arrangement will be fully appreciated.

The electrical lighting scheme when installed, will be something decidedly unique, and less trying to the eyes than the old idea of placing lights in large clusters. There will be a wiser distribution of them, an arrangement that will readily commend itself.

This sketch gives a comprehensive idea of the splendid home in which the Methodists will worship. As suggested before, it will be one of the handsomest Methodist churches in this part of Pennsylvania and will be creditable not alone to the endeavors of the self-sacrificing congregation, but to the city of Carbondale.

The unusual burden that is being assumed in determining to build such a worthy house of worship is appreciated by the congregation with greater force than any on the outside; but this church has shown itself to be possessed of the right material and to have a spirit that falters before no undertaking. It was a sore trial when the

home was destroyed that had just been paid for, but this crisis was heroically met and passed, and the courage and determination and zeal of the congregation are strikingly manifested in the decision to rear another house of worship of even greater beauty. In disposing of this burden, the congregation however, can feel that it will meet with the heartiest co-operation on the part of other denominations. Such Christian qualities as this congregation has shown are sure to win appreciation in sympathy and support.

ALMOST SNOW BOUND.

The Town Hidden Under a Mantle of White—Nine Inches of a Snow Fall—More Floods Feared.

The trite saying "from the frying pan into the fire," seems to fit well in describing the conditions, atmospheric, climatic, meteorological, likewise and otherwise, of the city of Carbondale. There was considerable rejoicing over the passing of the flood of a few days ago, but this jubilation was short-lived for yesterday morning a snow fall began hereabouts that continued with a business air until people were ready to eat their suppers last night. By this time nine inches of snow, it was estimated, had fallen. The measurement was made where it was level and where there was little if any drifting. Nine inches was not the depth of the snow in every place. In some places it was two and three feet, drifted by the wind that whirled around roofs and chimneys and whirled this way and that making whirlwinds of snow that fairly blinded pedestrians and made them tremble like weather vanes as if he were the guilty man. Like after the preceding quasi-blizzards of the year the town was mantled in white last night; sidewalks were choked with snow and roadways were blocked. The snow drifts on Main street that remained after the other snows of last week looked like the snow forts that the school boys can make when the spirit of industry, mixed with mischief, possesses him. The railroads, however, suffered little, if at all, from the storm. All the Delaware and Hudson trains were moved without delay and the Ontario and Western experienced no trouble.

The great fall of snow made the sufferers of last week fearful of flood untold, for they became apprehensive of a return performance of the angry elements of nature. The weather man as if he would lead one to expect almost any kind of storm, and if there should be a climax to this snow fall like the one of last week, there will be a sad repetition of history. The extensive water shed on the West Side was only half-relieved of snow when yesterday's storm set in. Now there is almost a great quantity of snow as before the rain of last week which would once more convert the sluggish Brooklyn creek into a formidable stream.

IT WAS EVER THUS.

Colonel McComb Talks of the Man Who Is Never Satisfied.

The man or woman who is never satisfied, particularly about the weather, is properly sized-up by Colonel John McComb in the following verses:

IT WAS EVER THUS. BY JOHN McCOMB. Last summer when you felt the sweet breeze through each tender pore, And you were prostrate with the heat—and many a time you said, "I wish it were winter now," You said, "I wish my skin was chafed; and you were heard to blow That you would gladly change this place for one where folks had snow.

But since that Nature brought to pass what then was your desire, You find now shivers tickling, and prefer a hotting, And you are saying, "I wish it were summer now," You say, "I wish my skin was chafed; and you were heard to blow That you would gladly change this place for one where folks had snow.

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OBITUARY.

MRS. JENNIE COLLINS, wife of John Collins, passed away about 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning at her home, 23 Vine street. Her death was immediately due to hemorrhages.

She was deceased before her marriage to John Collins. She was born in a native of this city, having been born here thirty-four years ago. Her untimely end is deeply lamented by her many friends.

Deceased is survived by her husband, two sons, John and William; two daughters, Mary and Gretchen; parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald; and three sisters, Mrs. Nicholas Woody, Mrs. Ellen Kelly, and Mrs. Michael Greene.

The funeral will be held on Friday morning, the procession leaving the house at 9:15 o'clock. Burial will be in St. Rose cemetery.

Word has been received here of the death at her home in Binghamton, N. Y., of Mrs. Rachel J. Pugh, a former resident of this city. She is survived by her husband, Mr. J. Pugh, and two sisters living in Baltimore, Md. The funeral service was held at the residence last Friday afternoon.

The Mitchell Hose company met Tuesday night and elected the following officers, to serve for the ensuing term:

President, Thomas E. Campbell; vice-president, Melvin H. Tappan; secretary, J. Barry Rowson; treasurer, Carl Roessiger; foreman, Thomas Herbert; assistant foreman, P. A. Rivenburg; driver, John Swackhammer; trustee, the Messrs. McDonald; Melvin H. Tappan was elected delegate to the state convention, which will meet in Bradford some time during October. William Dougherty was elected alternate. Thomas E. Campbell, A. H. Myers and William Meyers were elected members of the Firemen's Relief association.

It has been decided to abandon the idea of holding a banquet to celebrate the company's tenth anniversary. The committee was instructed to arrange a smoker for the members.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Lenten services Thursday evening at 7:30. Sermon on Hebrews 3:26-29. "Who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant that remaineth unto him a mere sacrifice for sin. But a certain fearful looking for of judgment"



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CRESENTS TO ORGANIZE.

Members Will Meet Thursday Night to Arrange for Next Season. Baseball is now the topic and tonight the members of the old Crescent base ball club which made such a great record last year will get together and map out their plans for the coming season. P. E. Foxe who managed the team last season will probably be again elected this year as his management of the team last season was all that could be asked for. There is already considerable enthusiasm over the prospects for a winning team. Duffy's field will be placed in an excellent condition for the sport and bleachers will be erected from home base to first and from third to home.

Not only the Crescents but several other teams will be in the field when the season is opened. Robert Walker of Simpson is making arrangements for the placing of a strong team in the field which he says will be strong enough to combat with the central city's best aggregation.

Suffered Heavy Loss.

Timothy Holland, of the Harrison house, came home from New York city yesterday, where he was called by the news that his wife and daughter were in the Park avenue hotel disaster. Mr. Holland found his wife suffering severely from the shock of the night. She has always been a robust woman, but the excitement of the dash from the hotel where so many persons were destroyed has completely unseated her and it may be necessary for her to change her surroundings to restore her.

Mr. Holland sustained a heavy loss as well. The extensive wardrobe of his wife and his daughter, valued at several thousands of dollars, was wholly destroyed. The family jewels are also, having been stolen during the confusion of the night. Mr. Holland's wardrobe happened to be preserved from the flames.

O. & W. Still Has Trouble.

The Ontario and Western has not succeeded in repairing the damage caused here and Scranton by the floods of Friday and Saturday. The most trouble is between Olyphant and Piceburg. Sections of track have been washed away in two or three places, for a distance of about 100 feet in each instance. The tracks have dropped into the creek for fully a hundred feet. Tuesday while some cars were standing on the tracks the rails gave way, plunging three cars into the creek, rendering two of them almost valueless. The Ontario and Western uses the Delaware and Hudson tracks between these two points. This causes quite a delay each day. Between Jersey and Archbald the tracks are also unsettled.

Going to Honesdale.

The degree team of Lucretia lodge, Daughters of Hebekeah, will go to Honesdale tonight to show the Maple City folks how extra a team may become in participating in degree exercises.

With the team will go a number of Odd Fellows from this city. The delegation will leave here on the 6:22 Delaware and Hudson. The delegation on the basis across the mountain will make the best showing of their hospitality. Among the good things of the evening will be a banquet by the Honesdale lodge.

Dangerously Ill of Pneumonia.

Word has been received in this city that Thomas Burke, of Onondaga, N. Y., is in a critical condition from pneumonia. Mr. Burke is a brother of E. P. Burke, of this city, and he is well known in Carbondale. The news of his dangerous condition will depress his friends.

To Be Ordained to Priesthood.

Invitations have been received in Carbondale to attend the ordination to the priesthood of Rev. William Krampf, of Allegheny, N. Y., which will take

place in St. Joseph's cathedral, Buffalo, on Sunday morning, March 15. Rt. Rev. Bishop Quigley officiating. The young priest will celebrate his first mass in St. Bonaventure's church at Allegheny on Sunday, March 16, at 10:30 a. m.

Rev. Krampf has many well-wishing friends in Carbondale. The worshippers at St. Rose church will recall him as the young man whose powerful voice delighted them in the rendition of a solo at the offertory of the late mass on a Sunday several weeks ago.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Carbondale postoffice, March 5, 1902 for persons unknown: John Decker (2), Richard L. Dow, Matthew Clark, Michael Curtis, Martin Fallon, M. M. Gardner, Levi Gleason, William Spillane, William Highland, Charles A. Lee, George Marsh, Samuel Pearce, William Roberts (2), G. Rawley, Mr. Samuels, David Seabert, Richard Simpson, Joe Styges, George Tracy, Mrs. Hattie Briggs, Mrs. Alex. Flowers, Mrs. Susan Lowrie, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Charles Mayo, Miss Irene Doolittle, Miss P. Hunter, Miss Mamie Neelan, Miss Elizabeth Young, Foreman—William C. Doeck. J. H. Thomas, Postmaster.

Advertising Sign Man Here.

Richard J. Barrett, of Archbald, who is interesting local dealers in the scheme of outdoor advertising signs which has come very much in vogue recently, is at the Harrison house.

Mr. Barrett, who is an adept hand of the brush and quill artistic, has just terminated a contract with the Bill Posting Sign company of Philadelphia, having engaged in raising the "Cubana" signs all over the country.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting Tonight.

The meeting to decide on the project of a Y. M. C. A. for Carbondale will be held this evening in the First Presbyterian church beginning at 8:45. It is earnestly desired that the young men be out in force to greet State Secretary E. R. Buckalew, who will deliver the address and will give desired information.

Meetings of Tonight.

George E. Randolph camp, Sons of Veterans, Division No. 5, A. O. H., United Mine Workers, No. 87, Branch 77, L. C. B. A., Ladies' Auxiliary Railroad Trainmen, (afternoon), Retail Clerks' Association, Carbondale council, Royal Arcanum.

The Saratoga Behind Time.

Train No. 4 on the Delaware and Hudson, the "Saratoga" express, due in this city at 9:58, was nearly two hours late last night. The delay was because of the wait for the connecting train at Ninevah. There was no delay to speak of on the Ninevah branch by reason of the snow.

Opened Branch Office.

Funeral Director H. A. Purple, of this city, has opened a branch office in Carbondale, which is in charge of Edward Morgau, who has had considerable experience in looking after the details of undertaking and funerals.

THE PASSING THROU.

F. W. Guard, of Scranton, was in the city yesterday. T. A. McCabe, of Binghamton, N. Y., is in the city. Charles McKenna, of Honesdale, at the Harrison house yesterday. William Kelly, Jr., of New York city, is spending a few days in Carbondale. J. R. Brown, of Dunmore, was among those from down the valley at the American house yesterday. Miss Nellie Gallagher has returned from a week's visit in New York city. F. V. Snyder and James MacMartin, of Albany, were at the American house yesterday.

JERMYN AND MAYFIELD.

The Young Ladies' Cooking club was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. A. Battenberg, on South Main street. The Mayfield borough council reorganized on Monday night, as follows: Chairman, Alexander Shlanto; secre-

tary, Francis McCarty; treasurer, Thomas Wignell; supervisor, Hugh Brady; borough solicitor, John R. Edwards.

A child of Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts, of Second street, is quite ill. Miss Edith Winter, who has been visiting at the of her uncle, C. D. Winter, has returned to her home at Blackslee, Monroe county.

The employees of the Delaware and Hudson colliery will receive their pay tomorrow afternoon. A 4-year-old child of Sephrano Penushock, of Mayfield, died last evening of membranous croup.

Mrs. John Gibbs is visiting her father at Middletown, N. Y. Norman Battenberg, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents here. Hazel, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tennis, of Main street, is ill. Pierson Gibbs, of Moosic, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson, of West Mayfield.

The sad accident which occurred to the little Lee boy yesterday is detailed in full on another page.

OLYPHANT

The Eureka commandery, No. 24, Knights of Malta, gave a banquet in honor of their fifth anniversary in the Blakely Baptist social room last evening, and notwithstanding the stormy weather there was a big attendance. About 250 members and guests were present. The tables were prettily arranged, with snowy white linen, silverware and flowers. A delicious menu was served from 6 to 8 o'clock by the Ladies' Initial society, of the church. At 8 o'clock, the large gathering repaired to the auditorium of the church and listened with great delight to a concert given by John T. Watkins, assisted by the Schubert quartette and some of the best known vocalists of Scranton.

The Lady Ellen Penman lodge of Rebekah are making preparations to celebrate their first anniversary on March 20. Mrs. Jennie Kohl, of Carbondale, is visiting relatives in town. The regular monthly meeting of the school board will be held on Monday evening.

Richard Daw, of Lackawanna street, is confined to his home with the grip.

PECKVILLE.

The entertainment that was to be given by the Olyphant club at their rooms last Friday evening and was postponed on account of the storm will be given Friday evening, March 7. A large quantity of snow fell yesterday. The wind, which blew with great velocity, piled the snow in huge drifts, which greatly impeded travel. At a late hour last evening the snow was still falling.

E. J. Cummings, the East Side grocer, lost over \$300 worth of goods by water, which completely filled the store cellar. Mrs. Willie Brong is quite ill at her home on Hickory street. There will be a meeting of the Odd Fellows' Hall association this evening. All members are requested to attend, as business of great importance is to come before the association. The meeting will be held at Odd Fellows' hall at 7:30 o'clock.

Don't fail to come and hear the eminent evangelists at the Peckville Baptist church. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson possess rare gifts, and the large attendance at the meetings testify to the power to get hold of the hearts of the people. Services begin each evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Cold Damp Feet Won't Give You a Cold

If you will take in time Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets, E. W. Grove's signature on box.

MOOSIC.

There will be a candy social held at the Methodist parsonage on Friday evening, March 7. James Miller, of Carbondale, spent Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. James Levan.

Rev. S. W. Young has returned from Newcastie. Mrs. Fannie Mucklow and children leave Saturday for Diego, W. Va. The Women's Home and Foreign

Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Alfred Smith on Friday afternoon at 2:30. It is important that all members be present. There will be the annual election of officers and the payment of all dues, including the barrel money, the honorary members' fee, and all "earned dollars." It is desired that all money be in the hands of the treasurer and proper disposition made of it before the middle of March. Every member is urged to make a special effort to attend this meeting. Mrs. S. W. Young, President.

TAYLOR.

The date for the performance of Judas Maccabeus to be given under the auspices of the Taylor Grotorio society will be Monday, April 28. The soloists engaged for the event are as follows: Soprano, Miss Alberta O'Neill, Wilkes-Barre; contralto, Mrs. Lenore Thompson, Scranton; tenor, Mr. David Davis, Wilkes-Barre; and bass, Mr. John T. Watkins, Scranton. The choir numbering 75 voices, and Bauer's full orchestra will support these excellent artists and the performance will surely be the greatest musical event ever held in Taylor. D. E. Jones, the well known musical instructor, is in charge of the work.

Pride of Lackawanna lodge, No. 13, American Protestant Ladies' association, nominated the following officers at their meeting in Reese's hall on Tuesday evening: Worthy mistress, Mrs. Eliza Jones; deputy worthy mistress, Mrs. Mary J. Evans; recording secretary, Mrs. Margaret M. Davis; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Ruth Stone; financial secretary, Mrs. Lydia Winterburn; treasurer, Mrs. Sallie Williams; chaplain, Mrs. Sophia Thomas; conductress, Mrs. Eliza Davis; assistant conductress, Mrs. J. C. Richards; inside studies, Mrs. E. R. Davis; outside studies, Mrs. Immanuel Owens; trustee, Mrs. Mary A. Evans. The above officers will be elected at the next regular meeting.

The funeral of the late Gabriel Bonanza, an old and respected resident of Rendham, took place yesterday morning. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at the St. Lawrence church of which the deceased was an active member. Rev. J. F. Jordan, rector, delivered an eloquent sermon on the qualities of the deceased. Interment was made in the Minooka Catholic cemetery.

John Davis, of North Taylor, while performing his work as a miner in Taylor mine on Tuesday, was painfully injured by being shot by a premature blast. Mr. Davis was conveyed to his home in the company ambulance. A drawing for the benefit of Roger Howells, of Old Forge, will be held at Heber's hall on April 1. Tickets 25 cents.

The borough auditors will meet this evening in the council rooms at 8 o'clock. Joseph Merritt, of Jersey, moved his family to this borough yesterday. Mrs. Tallie W. Jones and Messrs. Thomas and Gomer Jones and Mrs. James Nash will attend a funeral of a relative in Edwinstown today.

DALTON.

Mrs. Theodore Miller is confined to her home with illness. Mr. Gardner, who is employed by Mr. Mahy, has moved his family from Scranton to this place. Mrs. Frank Colvin entertained this week her aunt, Mrs. M. L. Street, of Scranton. Mrs. Bridget McNulty, an old resident of this place, is critically ill at her home. Miss Anna Hawkins has procured a position with the Scranton Correspondence Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Finn, of Clifford, visited their daughter, Miss Gertrude Finn, here on Sunday. Charles Von Storch has accepted a position as collector for Griffin, the Scranton photographer. At a meeting of the borough council on Monday evening W. S. Huselander was elected president and S. G. Shoemaker was chosen secretary.

On Tuesday evening of next week the school board will meet and the decision will then be made for school director in the tie between Edward Sherwood and Fred Francis which occurred at the recent election. From present outlook there will be

considerable of moving in this place about April 1.

The heavy snow fall of yesterday leads many to anticipate another flood. Miss Sarah Price, who is to recite at the entertainment in the Baptist church on Friday evening is spoken of as a very excellent elocutionist. The admission will be ten cents.

THE RAZOR AND THE NOVEL.

Has the Former Had an Appreciable Effect on Literature? From the Boston Journal (Rep.). We believe it was Frank Norris who better novels than those who replied that the best novels still come from the "razor-using contingent."

We don't know how Mr. Norris looks after his face—whether he lathers and scrapes it every morning or allows it to run wild like an abandoned garden. Presumably he is one of the "razor-using contingent." It occurs to us that several of the present heroes of literature are of the scissors-using contingent. Certainly, judging by their portraits, they make no ordinary use of the razor; and the ranks of these bearded ones has lately come Mr. Storer, whose carefully trimmed Vandyske betokens none of the indifference to personal appearance commonly attributed to the favorite sons of the Muses. Moreover, the term "razor-using" will not do as a fence separating the men from the women.

In short, Mr. Norris can not drag the razor into literature. It is true, we understand, that Ibsen is accustomed to think out the day's work while plying the razor; and it is surprising, by the way, that no connection has ever been established between that act and the Norseman's views of life. To the average man, however, shaving is a vexatious and hazardous custom, encouraged by flunkey wives and by the proprietors of barber shops. If Marion Crawford, who keeps one publisher busy, were to be asked what he thought of the razor he would probably answer: "It costs me fifteen minutes a day. In fifteen minutes I can write 300 words. In a week that amounts to nearly 2,000 words, and in a year to enough words to make a fair-sized novel, good for 10,000 copies. Therefore, I lose \$20,000 a year on account of that razor."

But, anyhow, the question whether women write better novels than men is not to be disposed of by asserting that the best novels still come from the "razor-using contingent." It is only for that, like razors, some of the so-called best novels get dull very quickly.

EXERCISE YOUR MEMORY.

It Never Fails but Simply Becomes Languid from Non-Use. From Eclogues. Memory does not "fail" (except in loss of all the faculties); it simply gets weak and languid for want of use—just as the physical organs do. People often say "My memory is failing," when it is really as good as ever; if they would give it a chance. A word, a date, a name, an incident, comes up or rather falls to come up when you want it. There seems to be no possible way of remembering it. You make two or three efforts, give up, and say "There's no use; it's gone from me!" "Nonsense!" hasn't it? It is there just as much as it ever was; only there are a lot of things over it. Keep at work, bring your will to bear on it; try and try and try, and after a while you can get it.

And better, you will find that the exercise required in remembering it will help you next time, and that a little toil and determination put together will accomplish wonders in the whole range of the faculties. Look over your memory, see where you are most deficient, and exercise it in that respect. You can do it at any odd time—while you are walking, riding, resting after a day's work, or listening perforce to a dull speaker. Don't let a few failures discourage you; the long corridors of recollection, lined upon both sides with valuable material, will be opened for you because of your impatience, if you use it.

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