

Traditions of Elders.

From the time when this little world of ours swung to the music of the rejoicing Morning Stars, we have been slaves to the traditions of the elders.

Naturally I expect our father Adam, among numerous disadvantages, commercial and domestic, such as lack of convenient markets and dearth of mothers-in-law, was never accused of inherited vices nor of stolidly pacing the worn paths of his forefathers.

What are traditions? Sayings handed down from father to son, or literally handed across the centuries. As it would be absurd to call them pure and unadulterated lies. For many of our traditions have an honest origin, and most of them had a grain of truth.

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Indeed, as a teacher of long and large experience, the writer of this can testify that many of her manifold boys and girls have learned the entire futility of this bygone superstition.

Another tradition is the utter infamy of mothers-in-law; a thief or even a murderer is white innocence in comparison. She is the ruthless destroyer of the happiness of families and peace of homes.

Another current belief is the scheming in a matrimonial direction of widows; when with a few exceptions, widows are the most severely chastised class.

The discovery which is said to have been made in Trenton, N. J., in regard to the leading use of dynamite, is a result advantageously to an industry which has already made marked progress in this country.

Electric lights have been introduced into a gunpowder manufactory in England. The buildings are scattered over three miles of territory, and the wires are carried above ground from a dynamo near the center of the inclosure.

THE FLOWER GARDEN.

Among the many charms which Switzerland offers to the tourist in summer, one of the greatest perhaps, is the variety of flowers to be found both in the valley and the high pastures.

On the well-trodden paths of the Bernese Oberland a great variety of flowers may be found, some specimens being entirely unknown in England.

In summer the mountain sides are quite carpeted with these beautiful rose-colored flowers, with their bright purple-green leaves and stems, among the loveliest adornments of the Alps.

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FARM NOTES.

UNLESS a horse has brains you can't teach him. See that tall bay there, a sleek looking animal, fifteen hands high.

Look at the brute's head, that rouding brood, full place before the eyes. You can't trust him. That's an awful good mare, as true as the sun.

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HOUSEHOLD.

STORE ROOM (Sawyer).—One of the great trifles which the fall brings with it is its evident will, for almost its power, to compensate us for the loss of summer's joys, is through the opportunity it gives us to add to our wardrobe.

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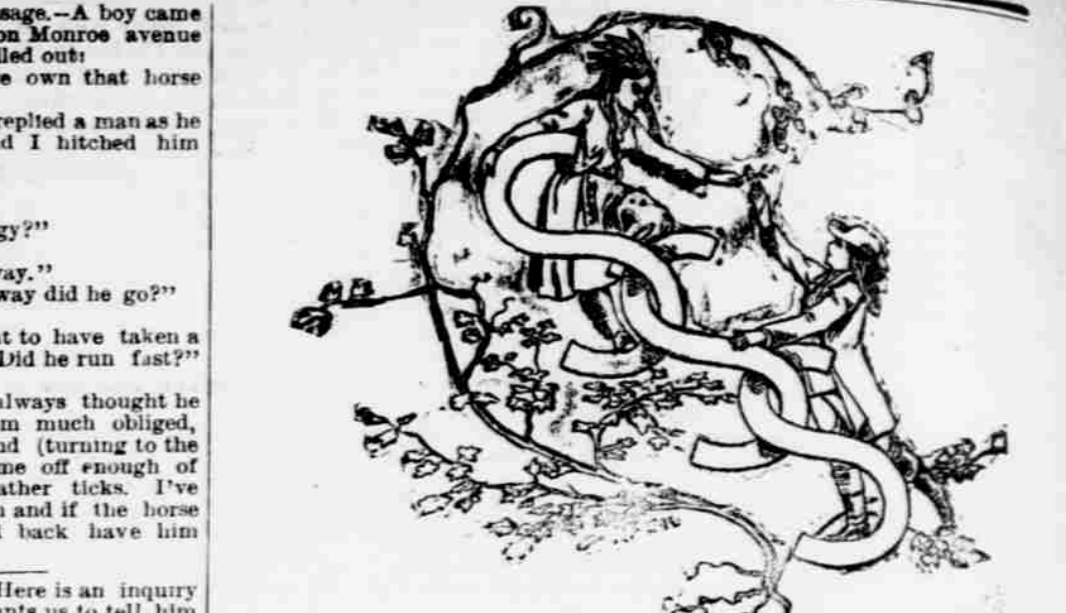
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A Thoughtful message.—A boy came running into a store on Monroe avenue the other day and called out: "Does anyone here own that horse around the corner?"

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