



THE OLD YEAR AND YOUNG YEAR.

BY ROSA PERCY. Said the year that was old, I am old, I am old, And my friends have all fled...

A COMPLETE LETTER WRITER.

BY JESSE C. JOY.

Mr. Rightlines was in love with Grace Edgar. There could be no doubt about it, for that gentleman had written her a letter...

read in the steady light of her gray eyes, the utter futility of his proffered orations. She was more charming than ever. Rightlines fell deeper into love...

After mailing this epistle, which he did not read until the next morning, he was so much pleased with the result...

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They call it "pin money" because a woman doesn't usually get more than a paper of pins would cost.

THEIR LANGUAGE IS A LEOGAY.

The Conquerors Have Gone, but Their Language Remains. There is an instance in Africa of a people who subjugated a large region...

Livingstone has described this fierce chief, Sebotoane, who conquered the tribes around him, and thus became master of the large empire of the Barotsse...

They both laughed heartily over this, although married, laugh over it still. And yet something glared suspiciously on the paper, for they remembered the seriousness of the compact...

GERMAN VILLAGES.

Far from the Eastland presented her with a purse of \$375, and a movement is now being made to obtain for her medals of honor from the humane societies of Great Britain and America.

PHOTOGRAPH OF MARS AND THE MOON.

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WHAT A GOOD LITTLE GIRL AM I!

Once upon a time there was a good little girl named Marjorie—positively she was not "Marjorie Daw." Only I will not tell you her last name...

Marjorie was a great traveler and had been in Europe, and had even seen something of society over there...

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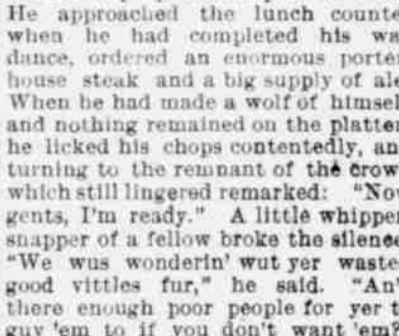
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NEWS IN BRIEF.

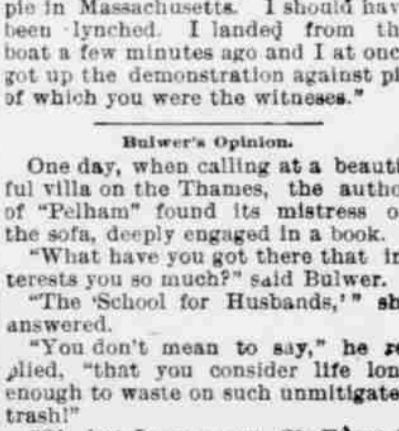
The heart writes its lines on the face. Modern society acknowledges no neighbor. Prudence, like experience, must be paid for. Just praise is only a debt, but flattery is a loan. A single grateful thought is the most complete prayer. There are nearly ten million varieties of insects in the world. The interest you in others take, that interest they will take in you. Variations in atmospheric pressure appear to have a powerful effect upon the mind. Business dispatched is business well done, but business hurried is business ill done. Platinum may have existed some time as a liquid before taking the crystalline form. Some of the railroads are now employing electric shovellers for excavating purposes. The object of punishment is prevention, not revenge. It never can be made impulsive to good. After the passage of the Cape Cinnamon, vanilla, clove, nutmeg and pepper came into use. The State of Washington is one of the heaviest consumers of condensed milk in the country. In the Eleventh Century both English and French dandies covered their arms with bracelets. The Sandwich Islanders become aliarious on the Juice of a vegetable resembling the beet root. Every where the flower of obedience is in vogue. Obey a man with cordial loyalty and you will understand him. The death rate of British soldiers in India is only fifteen per 1000 now, where in 1859 it was sixty-nine per 1000. The accuracy of surveying in ancient engineering is marvelous, considering the rudeness of the instruments. Feetwood, Penn., claims to have a mine which weighs twenty-eight ounces and measures sixteen inches in circumference. A shoemaker in Berlin, Germany, has invented an artificial sole of stone or glass in the foot. It is elastic and says in the feet, and is calculated to last for years. An instrument will be used at the new psychological laboratory at Yale College, capable of measuring time to 1/10 of a second. The light given by an ordinary coal gas flame is due to the presence of carbon particles in a highly heated and glowing condition. Experiments in towing barges on canals by means of electricity have been successful. It has a diameter of 100 feet and is estimated to be 500 degrees below zero. M. Turpin, the inventor of the explosive melinite, who is now undergoing five years' imprisonment in France, has just had a new method of solving the problem of aerial steering. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad has given an order to the Baldwin Locomotive Works for fifty engines, one-half of which will be compound engines. A new invention is a saw-horse with a toothed dog holding the piece of lumber in place, the device being pivoted at the cross legs and operating under the spring levers. A Berlin physician, Dr. Well, has effected a cure, remarkable and rapid, of lunatics by using a decoction of huckleberry leaves, obtainable in drug stores as pluke myrtle jasper. The only specimen of fossilized ostrich eggs man ever found in the United States was discovered in an exploring party at Craighead Cave, near Monroe, Tenn., in 1852. A very curious experiment has recently been made by Professor Spring which seems to indicate that metals expand at a gaseous state at temperatures below their melting points. There is a certain place on the earth, in northern latitude, where, though the days and nights are of about equal length, yet in that place it is midday or noon every quarter of an hour. Experiment has demonstrated that when the land in the Snake River Valley, Idaho, is irrigated, wheat yields forty bushels to the acre, and potatoes thirty-five bushels and potatoes 500 bushels to the acre. A full yield here crops in a season. A Brunswick [Me.] man recently had for a suit of clothes with 2000, which weighed two and one-half pounds. Mrs. William Wood, the wife of a prominent farmer, died at Marietta, Ind., recently. She was married when thirteen years old and though only thirty-five when she died, she had been a grandmother for two years. A Jimmy, such as burglars use, is simply a short crowbar. A sectional mine is one in sections, say on, on in length, which are screwed together to make it of the necessary length. One end of this Jimmy is turned up a little more than the ordinary crowbar. The Jimmy is an example of a simple lever. A German doctor of reputation, prescribes iunium as a cure for rheumatism. A finger ring made of this metal, joined with another, generates a gentle current of electricity, which is said to make a permanent cure. The moose in Penobscot County, Maine, are so accustomed to the train that they gaze calmly and critically at the locomotive, and are not frightened by whistles or hissing steam jets. People frequently shoot at them from the car windows. Heaven alone can help you do it.



Mrs. Edward White.



House in German Village.



The Pic Dancer.