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## Ought to Be Satisfied.

Aunt Beulah's besetting sin was housecleaning. She cleaned in season and out of season, causing the family much worry when sweeping brought on an attack of lumbago or carrying out ashes gave her the grip. One day her patient sister protested. "Why don't you let the maid do those things?" she asked.

"She's so careless," groaned Aunt Beulah. "I'd rather have the pain than the dust. I'd rather have the pain."

Then the Smart Little Boy jumped into the conversation. "Well, you've got the pain," he remarked, "what are you kicking about?"

## Evidence Put In Too Late.

A prisoner was being tried in an English court for murder; evidence against him purely circumstantial; part of it a hat found near the scene of the crime—an ordinary, round, black hat, but sworn to as the prisoner's. Counsel for the defense, of course, made much of the commonness of the hat. "You, gentlemen, no doubt each of you possess such a hat, of the most ordinary make and shape. Beware how you condemn a fellow-creature to a shameful death on such a piece of evidence," and so on. So the man was acquitted. Just as he was leaving the dock, with the most touching humility and simplicity, he said: "If you please, my lord, may I 'ave my hat?"

## THE OLD PLEA

He "Didn't Know It Was Loaded."

The coffee drinker seldom realizes that coffee contains the drug, caffeine, a severe poison to the heart and nerves, causing many forms of disease, noticeably dyspepsia.

"I was a lover of coffee and used it for many years, and did not realize the bad effects I was suffering from its use. (Tea is just as injurious as coffee because it, too, contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.)

"At first I was troubled with indigestion. I did not attribute the trouble to the use of coffee, but thought it arose from other causes. With these attacks I had sick headache, nausea and vomiting. Finally my stomach was in such a condition I could scarcely retain any food.

"I consulted a physician; was told all my troubles came from indigestion, but was not informed what caused the indigestion. I kept on with the coffee, and kept on with the troubles, too, and my case continued to grow worse from year to year until it developed into chronic diarrhea, nausea and severe attacks of vomiting. I could keep nothing on my stomach and became a mere shadow, reduced from 150 to 128 pounds.

"A specialist informed me I had a very severe case of catarrh of the stomach, which had got so bad he could do nothing for me, and I became convinced my days were numbered.

"Then I chanced to see an article setting forth the good qualities of Postum and explaining how coffee injured people so I concluded to give Postum a trial. I soon saw the good effects—my headaches were less frequent, nausea and vomiting only came on at long intervals and I was soon a changed man, feeling much better.

"Then I thought I could stand coffee again, but as soon as I tried it my old troubles returned and I again turned to Postum. Would you believe it, I did this three times before I had sense enough to quit coffee for good and keep on with the Postum. I am now a well man with no more headaches, sick stomach or vomiting, and have already gained back to 147 pounds." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Battle Creek, Mich.

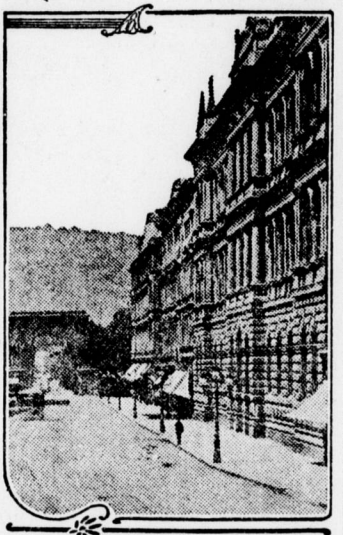
Look in pkgs. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

## BIG COAL DEPOSITS

Russian Scientific Explorer Tells of Sakhalin.

Declares Its Agricultural Possibilities Are Small, but Says There Is Good Pasture for Cattle—Deep Borings Made for Naphtha.

St. Petersburg.—Sakhalin, the forlorn easternmost island of the Russian empire—once the grimiest of convict settlements, and now, since the Portsmouth treaty, Japanese territory in its southern part—is attracting considerable scrutiny as to its natural resources. Russia is doing much to open up her Amur territory, and the process would be helped if Sakhalin, "the cork of the Amur bottle," were to prove an economic asset. A Russian scientific explorer, M. Polovoy, has just given the St. Petersburg Geographical society an estimate of its resources.



Facade of Government Buildings.

Its agricultural possibilities he rates as low, but there is good pasture for cattle. The meat trade, however, is not organized at all. Vladivostok, close by, gets its supplies in cold storage from Australia.

Coal is probably the best of its ascertained properties. He believes that there are at least ten million pounds of it in the island. It would find a good market in the western states of America, besides in Japan. Deep borings are now in progress for naphtha, which is in as good position as the Baku wells and should be able to compete with American petroleum in east Asia. Gold prospecting has not had success. There is a great supply of timber, of which no use was made until in 1906 a firm began to export railway sleepers.

The population, which a dozen years ago consisted of 20,000 Russian deported convicts, and about half as many free persons, sank to about 6,000 after the Japanese war. The convicts had got their liberty on condition they volunteer for the war. Russians sold their houses for next to nothing. A whole village was left to caretakers for 50 rubles. Last year the ex-convicts who had served in the war and returned were declared free peasants and settled near Alexandrovsk, the seat of government.

Sakhalin's weak side, as M. Polovoy found it, is in its cut off condition, not so much geographically as through want of steam navigation. Moreover, the coasting trade is closed against foreign shipping. There are very few roads into the interior, even the roads prospected by the Russian prison department have fallen back into waste. Harbors are scarcely to be found at all. Labor is unskilled and there is no ascertainable general rate of wages. Evidently the plantlessness that has hitherto marked the administration of the important "cork of the Amur" will need to be changed if its great coal and lumber resources are to get a chance.

WON'T SELL JEFFERSON HOME

Congressman Levy, Owner for 35 Years, Announces He Will Not Dispose of Monticello.

New York.—Congressman Jefferson M. Levy has no intention of selling Monticello, once the home of Thomas Jefferson, to the government or any one else. The idea of the purchase of Monticello by the government, recently proposed by patriotic societies in Washington, is distasteful to him; he declares, in a statement given out here.

Mr. Levy has been the owner of Monticello thirty-five years and during that time the property has been scrupulously maintained. Visitors have been admitted to the estate freely. Mr. Levy explains, and the condition of the property is better than it would be if owned by the government.

Will Aid United States.

Washington.—Dr. Huebner, professor of insurance at the University of Pennsylvania, was selected by the house merchant marine committee to assist in preparing the investigation of the "shipping trust."

Paderewski Is Peeved.

Cape Town.—Ignace Paderewski, the pianist, had some unpleasant things to say about South Africa before his departure. Paderewski's tour was not a financial success.

## FATHER COURTS FOR HIS SON

Odd Way of Mating Couple in Serbia—Bridegroom Sees Wife on Wedding Day.

Bosnia, Servia.—A humorous plaint often goes up on behalf of the bridegroom, whose presence at a modern wedding seems merely to be tolerated. But the bridegroom's case is sometimes even worse, for in certain parts of the globe he may not be present even at his own betrothal. The following passage is from Chedo Mijatovich's interesting account of the customs of his countrymen, in "Servia of the Servians."

It is the duty and privilege of every Servian to choose a wife for his son. As soon as the boy has reached his eighteenth year, the Servian peasant asks his friends, confidentially, to help him find a proper wife. He himself visits assiduously all the fairs in his own and neighboring districts—dressing better than usual—and watches the girls dancing. He makes careful inquiries about the families that have marriageable daughters.

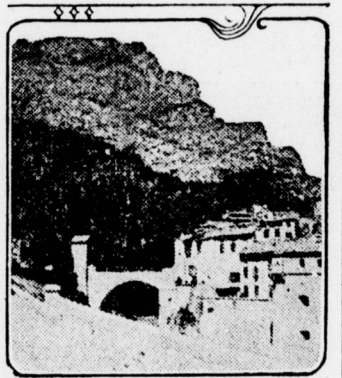
In some parts of Servia the young unmarried women carry a special mark in their headgear—generally a red feather—to indicate that they are open to proposals.

When the father has chosen a promising girl, he ascertains, through a friend, whether the parents would consent to give her to his son. If he receives an encouraging answer, he invites relatives or friends to go with him on the "requesting errand." They start out, dressed as well as can be. The father carries a flat wheat cake and a bunch of flowers. One of the company must carry a pistol, for it is customary in Servia to announce every joyous event by firing rifles or pistols. They arrive at the girl's house before supper.

After eating and drinking—in which the men alone of the two houses participate—and some preliminary conversation, the father of the prospective bridegroom draws from his bag the wheat cake, puts the flowers upon it, and places the whole upon the table. He then takes from his money-bag some gold or silver coins and places those, too, upon the cake. "Brother, let us not precipitate the matter," the girl's father will then say. "Let me first find out what my daughter says."

He then goes out to consult his wife. This is only for appearance, as the matter was practically settled when the father was encouraged to come to "beg" the girl.

After more or less suspense, the door opens and a male relative brings



On Road Near Belgrade.

the girl in. He leads her to the father of her prospective husband, before whom she bends deeply and kisses his right hand.

The ring is finally brought to the engaged girl on the appointed day by a company of the bridegroom's male friends and female relatives. It is chiefly a pretext for the bridegroom's relatives to make the girl's acquaintance. The bridegroom is not present even on that occasion.—Youth's Companion.

## VALUE LOVE MORE THAN GOLD

Spanish Men Often Have Fifty Seniors a Year—Spain Leads World in Marriages.

Madrid, Spain.—Writes one who has traveled much in Spain: "As the majority of Andalusian girls are engaged by the age of seventeen the señoritas do not go to many dances, for a Spaniard would as soon allow his fiancée to dance with another man as he would let her wear a harem skirt or ride a bicycle. At their parties Spanish girls get unbounded admiration, and a senior who has reached the age of nineteen and talked to a girl without trying to make love to her would be considered gauche in the extreme. The guests are given nothing to eat on these festive occasions, glasses of cold water being simply handed around when they are leaving.

"Love is an all absorbing topic in this amorous land of orange flowers and revolutions. In Spain we do not talk of money; we talk of love, a Spaniard once said to me. He was right, for love is the beginning and end of every Spaniard's thoughts. On the feast days the young men play no games, preferring to stand about and see the girls pass, and in every daily newspaper you will read of duels fought for some fair señorita's favor.

"The typical senior falls in love fifty times a year with a newness and a passion that has in it something of molten lava, and is about as durable. A pair of laughing eyes once seen at a window, a glimpse of a pretty face in the street, and he counts his world well lost. Spain is the most marrying country in Europe."

## TOO BAD FOR HIM.



She (romantically—Ah, what's in a name?) He (absently)—Everything is in my wife's name.

## BABY'S TERRIBLE CONDITION

"When my baby boy was six months old, his body was completely covered with large sores that seemed to itch and burn, and cause terrible suffering. The eruption began in pimples which would open and run, making large sores. His hair came out and finger nails fell off, and the sores were over the entire body, causing little or no sleep for baby or myself. Great scabs would come off when I removed his shirt.

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## Caution.

A commercial traveler at a railway restaurant in one of our southern towns included in his order for breakfast two boiled eggs. The old darkey who served him brought three.

"Uncle," said the traveling man, "why in the world did you bring me three boiled eggs when I only ordered two?"

"Yes, sir," said the old darkey, bowing and smiling, "I know you did order two, sir, but I brought three because I jus' naturally felt dat one of dem might fall you, sir."—Harper's Weekly.

## A Card of Thanks.

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## Cause of the Row.

"Mrs. Brown had a dreadful quarrel with her husband last night."

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