

### FRIENDSHIP.

It's not in the new found friends you meet;  
It's all in the friends you hold;  
For an honest friend up to the end  
Is worth his weight in gold.  
Perhaps it's true that faces new  
Some passing joys impart,  
But the steadfast friends are the ones  
Who stay  
With a mortgage on your heart.  
A selfish world at the best it is;  
So whenever you strike a friend,  
Hook on and get a Nelson lock  
And hold him to the end;  
For you'll find it true in this world of ours  
Since ever old time began,  
That an honest friendship, tried and true  
Is God's best gift to man.  
—Harry S. Chester.

### THE DODGERS.

I wandered to the city, Tom,  
And watched the folks a while;  
And, say, the things I heard and saw  
Just made me want to smile.  
Why, everybody's dodging, Tom;  
It's dodge, dodge, everywhere.  
Oh, such a funny lot of folks—  
They beat me, I declare!  
Of course, they dodging taxes, Tom—  
The wealthy folks, I mean—  
The poor ones dodge the choo-choo cars  
That run by gasoline.  
And John D. and some others, Tom,  
Put in much time, they say,  
At dodging sermons from the courts  
Who hunt them day by day.  
A lot of politicians, Tom,  
Have busy times of late  
To dodge a public sentiment  
That cries, "Investigate!"  
And several men are dodging, Tom,  
The stern demand, "Resign!"  
It's dodge, dodge, dodger and dodger,  
Dodge, dodge—  
Dodge all along the line.  
—New York World.

### WILL CURE CONSUMPTION.

A. A. Herren, Finch, Ark., writes:  
"Foley's Honey and Tar is the best  
preparation for coughs, colds and lung  
trouble. I know that it has cured con-  
sumption in the first stages." You  
never heard of any one using Foley's  
Honey and Tar and not being satisfied.  
Sold by all druggists. 7-1

### On the War Path.

Cy. Summers, manufacturer of rattle-  
snake oil, has a remedy for rheu-  
matism and kindred ailments, the ter-  
rors of snakes, of the most ferocious  
temperaments, was in Oakland, last  
week, having come down from his hum-  
ble habitation on Snaggy Mountain, to  
see his brother who lives near Oak-  
land, for a few days' visit. Cy. called  
at the editorial sanctum and informed  
us that owing to unfavorable snake  
weather, which must be warm and  
sultry, his victories for this season have  
been few, although he has trailed sev-  
eral of them to their dens, but was un-  
able to get them out of the rocks. He  
reports a great demand for snake oil,  
and says the demand by no means can  
be met by the supply, and he is think-  
ing of migrating to another section.—  
Oakland Journal.

### A LESSON IN HEALTH.

Healthy kidneys filter the impurities  
from the blood, and unless they do this  
good health is impossible. Foley's  
Kidney Cure makes sound kidneys and  
will positively cure all forms of kidney  
and bladder disease. It strengthens  
the whole system. Sold by all druggists.  
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### Poison the English Sparrow.

"Poison all of the English sparrows  
you can" is the text of a bulletin just  
issued by the Department of Agricul-  
ture of the National Government to the  
farmer of the country. The special  
object in view is to check the ravages of  
the boll weevil. The English spar-  
row; it has been found, drives out the  
swallows, which are insectivorous, and  
feed upon the weevil which injures the  
cotton crop. Now that the Govern-  
ment has taken up the matter of Eng-  
lish Sparrow, it is hoped that it will  
be checked in its villainous career.

### Another Germ Discovered.

Medical science is making great progress  
these days. Dr. Langdon, of Cin-  
cinnati, comes along to explode the old  
theory that "wine, women and worry"  
were the cause of paresis. He says it  
is not due to dissipation, but to the  
existence of a bacillus. He calls the  
new found bug, "bacillus paralyticus." The  
Detroit Free Press proceeds to  
discuss it thus:

"It is no fool of a bug. It doesn't  
sound a warning upon arrival at its  
destination and urge its victim to re-  
form. Nor does it invite trouble from  
a man with health and strength to  
fight. It simply lies in the system and  
waits until riotous living has under-  
mined the constitution, and then gets  
busy. Paresis is the result."

It is a cheering thought that this  
Cincinnati physician gives us, and a  
new one. If you live a decent and  
sober life, the paresis bug may dwell in  
your system forever. While carousals  
and protracted spree have nothing to  
do with the disease, they are good  
things to discontinue if you want to be  
certain you won't get it.—The  
See Hive.

### ALASKAN DOGS HALF WOLF.

Invaluable to the Inhabitants—Serve  
as Draught Animals.  
The native Alaska dog is known as  
the "huskie" or "malamoot" and is a  
mongrel—one-half timber wolf, says  
a writer in Leslie's Weekly. He has  
characteristics which especially at-  
tract him for his work—he is heavy set,  
with a thick coat of long hair, im-  
pervious to cold, and with just  
enough wolf in his nature to make  
him restless, eager to go, and with a  
sufficient mixture of dog to temper a  
fierceness and treachery which  
might, and sometimes does, become  
dangerous.

It is a rare occurrence for them  
to bite a human being, but they will  
fight among themselves on the slight-  
est provocation, and it is not an un-  
common sight for half a dozen  
"huskies" to hold a pitched battle.  
A bucket of cold water will generally  
put them to flight, but in the major-  
ity of cases the miners pay no atten-  
tion to the melee and allow the dogs  
to fight it out.

The wolf nature manifests itself  
in their thieving propensities, and all  
food must be "cached" out of their  
reach. A hungry "huskie" will open  
a box of canned beef with ease by  
biting through the tin. He will lie  
before the door of a tent or cabin,  
pretending to be asleep, when in  
reality he is waiting for a chance to  
ransack the kitchen.

One day I saw a miner's dinner  
wrecked by his own dog, a splendid  
big, wolfish fellow, who overturned  
a pot of beans, and in the most un-  
concerned manner walked off with  
the hot bacon in his mouth.

No matter what deprivations they  
may commit, severe punishment, so  
as to cripple or kill them, is out of  
the question on account of their  
great value in the transportation of  
supplies. It is an inferior dog that is  
not worth \$40, and many of them,  
say their masters, are not for sale.

Two good dogs can haul a man  
forty or fifty miles a day on a good  
trail or carry from 500 to 600 pounds  
of freight about 20 miles in 6 hours.

### Weather Forecasts No Joke.

A large majority of the residents of  
the inland cities look upon the  
forecasts of the United States  
Weather Bureau in a spirit of fore-  
bearance if not of levity. They ac-  
cept the jokes of the paragraphs  
about the unreliability of the predic-  
tions as practically true and if called  
upon to pass a serious opinion on  
the bureau would in most cases de-  
cide that it was primarily designed  
to furnish sinecure jobs to army  
officers for whom no better employ-  
ment could be found. At the ocean and  
lake ports, however, where millions  
of dollars are invested in shipping,  
a different view is held. Instances are  
too numerous in which the heeded  
warning of the weather observer has  
averted the loss or damage of ships  
and cargoes of exceedingly large val-  
ue. Here it is recognized that the  
forecasts are not invariably correct  
and the officials themselves make no  
pretense that they are, but in the  
main they strike so near the truth  
that the man who has life and  
wealth that is subject to menace by  
weather conditions cannot and does  
not take chances. No shipping in-  
surance is so cheap as the free ad-  
vice furnished by Uncle Sam. Rail-  
roads, too, appreciate the value of the  
weather service especially in the  
Northwest during the blizzard sea-  
son and in the Southwest during the  
Spring freshets. At these seasons  
transportation officials keep a close  
watch on the bulletins of the bureau  
and gauge the movements of their  
trains accordingly. The losses thus  
avoided frequently are sufficient to  
put the balance on the right side of  
the ledger.

### Utilizing Pine Stumps.

The denuding of the American  
forests is leading to many odd re-  
sources to supply the deficiency. The  
government recently announced that  
owing to the rapid manner in which  
forests are being mowed down to  
secure wood pulp for paper making  
a small army of experts were at  
work, hunting for some abundant  
material like swamp or prairie grass  
that would be suitable for paper  
making. Long ago the supply of wal-  
nut lumber for furniture was prac-  
tically exhausted and oak has large-  
ly taken its place. For some time the  
turpentine makers have been puzzled  
to find raw material to meet the  
growing demands of their trade  
which threatened to make serious  
inroads on the pine forests. The  
trees were being used much faster  
than they could be grown and this  
meant disaster. Then attention was  
turned to the refuse of the forests  
already used and experiments were  
made which demonstrated that the  
stumps of the pine trees, which had  
originally been passed over as not  
worth the trouble of digging out,  
were saturated with raw turpentine.  
These stumps immediately took on  
a commercial value which will fur-  
nish small fortunes to the men who  
own them. In some cases the inter-  
esting question has been raised as to  
whether the stumps were a part of  
the original timber right sold by the  
farmer to the turpentine maker or  
reverted to the owner of the land  
after the trees had been cut.

### Rapid Trestle Building.

The rapid reconstruction of a  
trestle was recently carried on at  
Galveston, Texas. Fire destroyed  
400 feet of the long railroad trestle  
which extends from the mainland to  
the city and stopped traffic. The  
construction forces and materials were  
immediately started to the work, and  
by midnight of the same day the  
trestle was sufficiently repaired to  
allow traffic to be resumed.

### NATURAL DETECTIVE FORCE.

Why Man Who Commits Crime in  
Alaska Cannot Escape.

"We have a better detective force  
in the cold country than there is in  
the States," says Gov. H. P. Hoggart  
of Alaska, in the Washington Post.

"That detective force is nature.  
When a man commits a crime in the  
States he has many places to hide,  
and he often manages to evade the  
authorities forever. If one of our  
people who does something wrong  
believes the climate of some other  
country will better suit his health,  
he makes for that country. He  
undertakes the impossible. All we  
have to do is to sit and wait. There  
is only one way out of Alaska, and  
that is by coming to the coast, and  
when the criminal comes to the coast  
he is sure to be caught.

"So well has the United States  
Signal Corps done its work in Alaska  
that we have a telegraph line to  
every mining camp of importance,  
and when a man takes leg bail out  
there is to do is to telegraph to the  
coast towns, and the authorities wait  
for the man. It would be impossible  
for the poor fellow to try to get away  
by any other route than the coast,  
because he would never live to re-  
late his experience.

"On the other side of the coast  
range of mountains are vast plains,  
stretching for many hundreds of  
miles, wholly uninhabited. On ac-  
count of the haste with which crim-  
inals generally leave there is no time  
in which to provide an adequate out-  
fit, if such a thing were possible.

"But it is seldom that it is neces-  
sary to make use of this natural de-  
tective force to track wrongdoers. I  
will venture to say that there is no  
country in the world where the peo-  
ple are as orderly as they are in  
Alaska. All the tales of lawlessness  
of the mining camps of the forty-  
niners are not repeated in Alaska.  
From the very first the people have  
been orderly, and they make it so  
uncomfortable for the criminal who  
comes among them that he is glad to  
leave.

### To Avoid Nearsightedness.

Theoretically, the guard for the  
eyes shown in the illustration pre-  
sents a very good idea. Whether its  
use is practical is an open question.  
It is well known that children as a  
rule are inclined, while reading, to  
hold the book too close to the eyes.  
This habit is still more marked in  
writing than reading, and, in time,  
undoubtedly is responsible for near-  
sightedness. Statisticians claim that



the poor eyesight prevalent among  
children of all countries can be at-  
tributed to this cause. A German has  
designed this guard especially to pre-  
vent holding the head too low while  
reading or writing. It is simply a  
wire framework which can be read-  
ily clamped to the book. The posi-  
tion of the upper bar does not ob-  
scure the view in the least, but a  
child would experience difficulty in  
inserting the head in the frame. The  
idea is at all events a commendable  
one, and, if not practical in this  
form, is certainly so in another.

### A Fruitarian Diet.

A fruitarian diet consists of the  
fruits of trees (like apples, oranges,  
bananas and olives), the fruits of  
plants (like strawberries and melons,  
peas and beans and cucumbers),  
the fruits of grasses (like wheat and  
barley and maize and oats), the  
fruits of nut trees (from filbert to  
cocoanut), together with some earth  
fruits (like potatoes), and a mod-  
icum of vegetables and salads. To  
these may be added butter, milk,  
honey and cheese, although their  
production is not so free from risk  
of contamination and animal infec-  
tion as is the case with the products  
of the vegetable kingdom and the  
world of fruits. Grown under healthy  
conditions, with diseased specimens  
easy to detect and remove, it is far  
more possible to live healthily and  
well upon a fruitarian dietary than  
upon the products of the slaughter  
house.—Westminster Review.

### Average Speed of Clouds.

A member of the staff of the Blue  
Hill Observatory, near Boston, has  
reported that observations made  
there show that the average speed  
with which clouds, between 8,000  
and 9,000 feet high, move is sixty  
miles an hour in midsummer and  
one hundred and ten miles an hour  
in midwinter. The swiftest flight of  
a cloud yet measured was 230 miles  
an hour.

### China's Mania for Railroads.

Hardly a province of China has es-  
caped the recent mania for railroads,  
and if all the lines projected are  
carried out some of the remotest  
parts of the Empire will be rendered  
easy of access by the iron road.

## OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

### Cricket's Sunbeam

Cricket's mamma was ill. At this  
thought the child often grew grave  
in the midst of her play and asked  
when mamma would be better.

Before Mrs. Flitner was well  
enough to go about freely again  
there came a week of sharp east  
winds and rain. She felt that every  
day indoors was a loss to her, and it  
was at least a loss of cheerfulness.  
She complained, perhaps too bitter-  
ly, of not having been able to drive  
out for so long a time, never guess-  
ing how her little child suffered in  
sympathy.

"If it rains to-morrow," she cried,  
at last, to a friend, "I certainly shall  
divide myself and go to Buffalo."  
She was lying upon the lounge at  
twilight when she said this, while  
Cricket sat on a footstool, nestling  
at her side with hand in hers.

How could the little five year old  
know that this was only a quotation  
from Shakespeare? She heard the  
impatient tones, but she could not  
understand that the words meant  
something bad for her sick mamma.

At bedtime the nurse found her  
leaning out of an open window,  
with the rain beating against her  
little face. When spoken to she held  
up her head as a signal for silence,  
and then after a moment allowed the  
window to be closed. But the nurse  
could not learn why she was so quiet.

The next morning she burst into  
Mrs. Flitner's room.

"Mamma, mamma! you needn't  
go to Buffalo; you can go to ride.  
See what a nice day I've brought  
you."

"I need not go where, Cricket,  
And you have brought me a nice  
day? Is it you, my little one?"

"Yes, mamma; it is me. Because  
last night I asked God to send me a  
sunbeam to-day; and the wind took  
my voice 'way up. And there's sun-  
beams all over the sky; but that's  
for me and you, mamma," and she  
pointed to a flood of light pouring in  
between the window hangings.

Dear little Cricket, your love and  
faith sent the sunbeams to your  
mother's heart, if not to her eyes.  
And it is true that God at some time  
sends sunbeams to us all. If we  
were only childlike enough to know  
they were meant for us.

### Paul and Thomas.

Harry's aunt, who lived in the  
same house with Harry, had a big  
gray parrot who made himself very  
much at home, and considered him-  
self one of the family. His name was  
Paul.

Harry would sometimes lift the  
parrot high in the air upon one  
finger. Then Paul would cock his  
head upon one side and talk way down  
in his throat.

Harry was playing thus with Paul  
one day when some one called him.  
He set Paul upon the floor and ran  
out of the room to see what was  
wanted.

In a few minutes in walked  
Thomas, the big black house cat.  
Thomas had had his eye on Paul  
for a long time, and when he came  
upon him thus, walking about alone  
upon the floor, he said to himself  
that here was his chance.

He slunk around behind a chair  
and began to creep slowly toward  
the parrot. Paul was preening his  
red tail and seemed to be paying no  
attention.

Thomas suddenly gathered him-  
self and then sprang for the bird  
with claws spread out.

Paul had really been watching  
Thomas' game all the time, and just  
as the cat made his spring Paul flew  
up into the air. The result was that  
when he came down he landed right  
upon Thomas' black head.

He gripped his long, curving tal-  
ons into the cat's fur, and then he set  
to work with his strong, hooked  
beak. He pulled out whole bunches  
of fur and scattered them in to the  
air.

Thomas squalled and mewed till  
he wrenched himself free, when he  
fairly tore out of the room.

"Squawk!" said Paul, and that  
was a sign that he had been having a  
good time.

### Harry's Chickens.

Sammy Brent lived "way down  
South," and was just as full of mis-  
chief as a boy of thirteen could be.  
One evening he came home after a  
ramble through the woods and by  
the river and said to his brother,  
Harry, who was eight years younger  
than himself:

"Harry, you take these three  
eggs and put them in a box of  
sand and set it in the sun, and after  
a while you'll have three of the  
funniest chickens you ever saw."

Harry followed his brother's di-  
rections, and morning, noon and night  
he might be seen watching for his  
brood to poke their bills out of the  
sand.

At last, one hot day just before  
noon, the sand began to move and  
the queerest kind of a chicken came  
out. It had a long horny bill, a long  
flat body without feathers or wings,  
four feet and a tall nearly as long as  
its body. As soon as Harry's excited  
eyes could see clearly he exclaimed:  
"Oh! Oh! It's an alligator! It's an all-  
igator come out of an egg!"

That was the way Harry learned  
that the alligators bury their eggs  
in the sand and wait for the sun to  
hatch them, and as soon as the young  
alligators appear the mother con-  
ducts them to the water.

### Good Reason.



"Why did you crawl under the ma-  
chine back there? Everything seem-  
ed to be running smoothly."  
"That was my fellow who passed in  
that morning."

### Would She Be Nice?



Pa—If ever anything happens to  
me Gladwyn, promise me that you  
will never think of me as being on  
the stage.—Judy.

No Use for One.  
"You'll take a couple of tickets, of  
course. We're not having a call,"  
said a poor cripple in our neighborhood.

"None for me, please, I would-  
n't know what to do with a poor  
cripple if I won him."—Tit Bits.

### Reason for Sale.



Johnny—Why are so many kids  
buying that almanac from the ped-  
dler?  
Tommy—Sh! It has more school  
holidays in it than any other al-  
manac.

### Preoccupied.



"Great Pip!" moaned the profes-  
sor. "I gave that young man two  
courses on the cultivation of the  
memory, and he's gone away and  
forgot to pay me, and I can't for the  
life of me remember the fellow's name."

### Not Ready to Go.



Mother (at end of story)—And an  
angel came and fetched him away,  
dear.  
Dear (who is going to a party that  
evening)—Well, if an angel should  
happen to call for me this afternoon,  
please tell him I'm out.—The Tatler.

# PAIN

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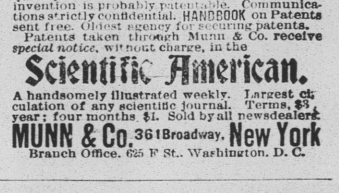
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