

LOTS OF TROUBLE RAISING CHICKENS

In continuation of April 30th: "Well, now, see here," continued the wife, "we have spent our money and here are our thirty-five chickens and there is nothing left to cover them, but a little kindling wood. I don't think that you ever studied the personal characteristics of a poultryman. Don't you remember when we were living on the farm, how you kicked the poor hens around and smeared the walls with the eggs when they would not sit?" "Oh yes, dear, but you see these chickens are getting cold; sit down and cover them with your apron. It always makes a man tired to hear women talk on the poultry question. They want to raise poultry and they want to vote and the poor man he gets the blame for it all." "Yes, but see here, do you want me to sit here and keep these chickens warm all day?" "Well, wife, we don't want to lose the chickens and you are the only brooder that I have just now. What are we going to do? We have spent all of our money." "Well, see here, you go into the kitchen and take down my new wrapper and put on that apron that I wear on Sunday afternoons. Come right up here, sit down on these chickens, and keep them warm until I get a new brooder," and away she went. "Gee wiz, I have heard about a hen gathering her chickens under her wing, but the brooder factories never tell what you would have to do in case your brooder broke down. Theory is all right, but you must have practice before you undertake to go in the poultry business. I have read journal after journal but they never gave any experience compared to this. Oh, dear, its commencing to rain and I am getting hungry. But the calling down that my wife gave me on how I acted on the farm this time I will have to prove myself to be a dutiful husband if I have to sit here all night.

Oh, here she comes now. "I thought you were going to bring a brooder for these chicks. I have been sitting here all day. "Yes, dear I have a brooder coming from the White Mills Incubator and Brooder factory made to order. It is storm proof, rain proof, and rat proof. All right Mr. Factoryman just leave that brooder right here and we will report to you the result in a few days. "You see Mister I was more wide awake than my husband. I took it on thirty days trial. I will take care of the brooder myself this time. Men are foolish anyway; they always smash everything to pieces if things don't go to suit them. Now you can talk about saving heat and fuel all you want to, but I am just going to put this lamp in the brooder with the little chicks and then they will be able to see each other and if they get hungry during the night they will be able to eat and drink." "Well, wife, I think you have struck a great idea and before long we will be classed with the Vanderbilts and Rockafellows." "Yes.—I can see it coming but now we are getting tired and I think that we ought to go and take a little refreshment and retire for the night." "Well, wife, I don't think that I will need any rocking to put me to sleep to-night." "No, I don't think that I will either if some of those people that cannot sleep nights would start in the chicken business they would not have to take so many sleeping powders." "Hark wife, what is all that noise I hear, why surely that sounds like the fire department coming. Oh, dear, dear, there goes my new invented brooder all in a blaze. Save the young chickens! If you can, help me to put on my clothes. Get my stockings. Where did I put my shoes last night? Dear, dear, I shall never be able to get dressed." Fireman: "Mister, get out here, your brooder and chickens are all gone up in smoke. Why don't you hatch your chickens under hens. The blamed brooders are given us more trouble than all the ordinary fires put together." Looking out the window, she said: "Well, here we are just where we started, without a chick or a child. Hurry up, do down and tell Ham & Hittinger about the big fire and say thirty-five lives perished in the ruins." Wife, "say Joe, don't go hatching any lies to-night at the White Mills Poultry club." "Oh, no, dear, they are already out of the shell." The prepared sizes of eggs, is to be six dollars and ten cents a ton for May. Why don't they quote the wholesale price per dozen and let a poor man have a chance? The ordinary housewife becomes alarmed when she finds blood spots within the egg. Sometimes it is found on the yolk and then again in the white and the blame usually goes to the man that sold the eggs. They are often times taken for stale, or eggs that have started to incubate. If the blood spot is on the yolk, then it would be an hemorrhage in the ovary, and if in the white then the hemorrhage would have taken place as the egg was passing through the oviduct, unless in very bad cases. The spot can be removed and the egg is fit for use. I have known the ordinary house wife to break five or six eggs in a bowl and throw them all away on account of one little blood spot. This is all unnecessary. The next time that you have an egg of this kind, study it, don't throw it away as though it was a rattlesnake.

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THE HIGHER LIFE

Selected Gems of Thought from Pious and Pulpit of All Ages.

To be a true Christian.
One who would be a Christian must not simply believe in God much less any truth or dogma about him; he must love him, and, if he would attain a high degree of Christian perfection, he must have the same passion which characterized Mary in this act of anointing.—Rev. M. Edwards, Baptist.

Love as a Weapon.
"Perfect love casteth out fear, because fear hath torment" It worries us, causing fretting and anxiety, because it keeps our thoughts circling around self and self-interest. There is no fear in love, because it takes us out of ourselves and makes us spend ourselves in the service of others.—Rev. M. Edwards, Baptist.

What Christ Asks.
A surrendered heart makes music in heaven. For God's gift to us he asks the gift of ourself to Him. Nothing less will satisfy Him. By His mercies He is moving us to Him. His every gift is a repetition of His invitation. "My child, give Me thy heart."

Just to be glad is praise.—Rev. J. B. Clark, Methodist.

Duty of Self-Concentration.
A life often fails to make a lasting impression because of its diffusion. What we call genius is frequently only the child of application. To attempt everything and to accomplish nothing is a fatal folly. While we are striving to know something about everything we must zealously try to know everything about something.—Rev. Edw. Clark, Baptist.

Our Vain Seeking.
How unlike God we are. We have not time to enjoy to-day, because we are forever seeking to live to-morrow in to-day. When our to-morrow comes, we shall then fix our attention on the succeeding day or days. We try to express its joys, its sorrows, and again and again we find in this anticipated attitude the cause of the wrinkled brow, the apprehensive eye and the hesitating tone.—Rev. R. Boyd, Unitarian.

What Christ Suffered.
We know that Christ's was a sensitive nature, but this is not saying that He was not brave. And there is no reason to believe that He, in anticipation of His death, would yield to the thought any more than an ordinary man. So, therefore, because He suffered "even unto death," as He did, in the Garden of Gethsemane, is, in itself, an argument that He was hearing more than the anticipation.—Rev. D. Anderson, Baptist.

Equality for All.
Oh, it does not matter much at what degrees between the Equator and the Pole of earthly experiences we have to pass our lives; when the account comes to be made up at last we shall be all pretty much on an equality. All earthly conditions have nearly the same quantity of the raw material of pain and pleasure, and the amount of either actually experienced by us depends not on where we are, but on what we are.—Christian Herald.

Mystifying the Public.
Messianist, astrologer, sorcerer, mind-reader, medium—whatever the title of the panacea or the platitude, there is always a considerable percentage of the community that loves to be mystified or fuddled with long words, and there are always quacks ready to gyp a shilling by stroking the large bump of gullibility creeping into houses to lead captive silly women (as Paul says)—and, we may add, sillier men.—Rev. D. Anderson, Baptist.

The Ritualistic Tendency.
The Puritan simplicity in public worship, a simplicity so rigid and severe as to be a trial to sinners and an act of penance on the part of saints, was but a recoil from Romanist mummeries, and like all recoils went to the other extreme. For some years the pendulum has been swinging in the contrary direction, until ritualistic tendencies are appearing in churches whose denominational lineage would seem to point them otherwise.—Rev. H. P. Dewey, Presbyterian.

How we Should Love.
"Fatherly love carries with it the brotherly love. John affirms that love is not love when it is set only upon God the Father and restrained from our brothers. 'He that loveth not his brother knoweth not God,' when our love to God and to our brother has grown into full strength it proves a splendid power in our lives, elevating us to meet all occasions, freeing us from all fear, giving us grand inspirations and even making us bold to meet the test of judgment day.—James Block, Congregationalist.

Trusting Ourselves.
To trust to one's self alone, however resolute, is to lean on a broken reed. The faith which, above all, insures the victory is faith in God. Do not leave him out of the reckoning. To have such a patron is to make sure of success, for he has infinite resources. To have such a "backing" is to laugh at difficulty, for Omnipotence is behind us. If God be for us, who can be against us? "By my God have I leaped over a wall!" said David, reviewing his part in the siege of Jerusalem, when he climbed the ramparts with a prayer on his lips.—Rev. F. Willis, Reformed.

STEEL MILLS POINT TO PROSPERITY

Great Activity Shown in Factories at Pittsburgh, May 9.—Greater industrial prosperity than at any time since the depression of 1907 is forecast by the increased activity in the Western Pennsylvania steel mills. Especially is this true of the plants of the United States Steel Corporation. The Homestead plant of the Carnegie Steel Company is working 75 per cent. of its full capacity, double turn, only three out of thirty-three mills being idle and about 400 men being given regular employment. To supply this plant with metal, the Edgar Thompson furnaces, at Braddock, are each employing 105 men on double turn. Eight of the eleven furnaces are in blast.

Great activity also is being displayed at the works of the National Tube Company, in McKeesport; the W. Dewees Wood Department of the American Sheet Steel Company, of the same place; the Duquesne Works of the Steel Corporation; the Port Vue plant, of the McKeesport Tin Plant Company, the Glassport plant of the Pittsburgh Steel Foundry Company and many other firms.

According to well-informed sources the Jones & Laughlin Steel company will again invade the field of the United States Steel Corporation by erecting a large tin plate mill at Aliquippa.

When the big independent concern recently issued \$15,000,000 worth of bonds and announced that all the proceeds would not be used in the iron furnaces at Aliquippa, it caused speculation. When Bert Ross, superintendent of the corporation's Green Tin Mill, at New Castle, resigned to take a position with Jones & Laughlin, it became almost a certainty that the new tin mill will be started soon.

COMING SKAT CONGRESS IN MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Five Thousand Players to Participate—\$10,000 in Cash Prizes to be Distributed.

Since the last annual tourney of the North America Skat League, the Honesdale Skat Club, as one of the subordinate branches of the organization, have had their constitution by-laws, and the rules governing contests neatly printed in pamphlet form, and the members are keeping up their regular practice, with a view, doubtless, to making a good showing at the next national congress to be held in Milwaukee, Wis., from June 19th to the 21st. In recent tournaments our players have made very creditable records, and they have the best wishes of The Citizen for their success in carrying off the main prize in the coming contest.

Ten years ago skat was practically unknown except among the Germans and those of German parentage. Today skat is one of the most popular card games played in this country and counts among its devotees those who have been more or less prominent in whist during the past decade.

The North American Skat League was organized about twelve years ago, but it was not until 1905 when a national tournament in Milwaukee brought out about 2,000 players, that the real boom in skat began. Since then the national congresses have attracted large crowds, and it is confidently expected that over 5,000 will attend the congress to be held this year in Milwaukee.

To show the interest taken in this game the first prize at the coming tournament will be \$1,000 in cash, and it is expected that 154 prizes, aggregating nearly \$10,000 in cash, will be awarded. In addition to this several thousand dollars will be expended in the entertainment of guests, which will embrace receptions, card parties, theater parties, a visit to one of the breweries and a visit to Whitefish Bay, where music, feasting and dancing will be on the programme.

Persons who desire to participate in the coming congress do not necessarily have to belong to any skat club or organization, but are entitled to play on payment of an entrance fee of \$5. A round trip fare of one and one-half has been granted by the Eastern and Western passenger associations, tickets to be good for ten days.

HE WAS A HERO.

After Saving Two Boys from Death Young Man Loses His Life.
Memphis, Tenn., May 10.—After saving two boys from death by drowning Augustus C. Anderson, aged twenty-two, a theological student at the Millsaps college at Jackson, Miss., sank in a heroic but futile effort to rescue a third who went down with the young man. Mr. Anderson had taken a party of fourteen boys from the Methodist orphanage on a picnic to the country club lake and a boat containing eight of the lads in which they were rowing capsized. With the help of those on shore five saved themselves, while Anderson went to the rescue of the three remaining. He got two to the bank and went after Willie Boyd, the third, but was so wearied by his exertions that he could not shake off the boy's frantic grasp. They were found clinging to each other, and Anderson's shirt badly torn by the struggle.

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All who can write, and have ideas, are urged to take up these studies regardless of the degree of their education, as the papers are not valued from an educational or literary standpoint, but from the point of view of the cogency of their reasoned ideas.

May 15, 1909.

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Paul's First Missionary Journey.—Iconium and Lystra. Acts xiv:1-28.
Golden Text—All the gods of the nations are idols; but the Lord made the heavens. Psalm 96:5.
Verses 1-2—Point out on the map in your Bible where Iconium is situated.

Can two missionaries working together do more good than they could working separately?
Has the story of Jesus lost or gained, in its charm upon the multitude, since that day?
Was the unbelief of these Jews a matter of the intellect, through lack of evidence, or was it a matter of the heart; that is, a result of their rebellion against God?
Verses 3-7—How do you account for the fact, that the same evidence, and spiritual demonstration, which made one part of the multitude turn to God with gladness of heart, made the other part angry in heart, and murderous in their actions? (This question is to be answered in writing by members of the club.)
Would you judge from this story, that all the good people were on the side of the apostles, and all the bad and dishonest people on the other side?
Will a wise and brave man sometimes run away from such danger as threatened the apostles, or will he always stay and face it?
The apostles fled to Lystra and Derby; where are these places situated?
Verse 8—Is there ever any blame to be attached to those who are born with either physical or moral defects? Are parents ever to be blamed for either physical or moral defects in their children?
Are prenatal influences as powerful in shaping a child's destiny as post-natal?
In our present national condition, should the state provide for and maintain all those who are born in an impotent condition?
Verses 9-10—Is faith, like this man had, possible for all, or is it a gift of God, the same as the resultant grace and healing?
Was this a miracle, and whether or not, does God intend to run this world by law or by miracle?
Verses 11-13—What was the idea that these people had of the Deity?
How would it be likely that Barnabas resembled Jupiter, and Paul Mercury to these people?
Is it a trait in human nature to believe in some popular superstition, rather than in the plain truth of God?
Verses 14-15—If a man of God is regarded in some superstitious way, is it his duty to administer a rebuke?
Have the best of men got the same natural passions as the worst of men?
What comfort is there to us in the fact, that God made "the heavens and the earth?"
Verses 16-18—Does God pay the same attention to the crops of the sinner, as he does to the crops of a saint?
Verses 19-20—Was it the same people that stoned Paul, who before this wanted to do sacrifice to him?
Can there be any reliance placed upon the applause of the multitude?
Verses 21-28—What kind of a man is he who, laid out for dead through stoning, starts on his way the next day preaching his story of mercy and love?
Lesson for Sunday, May 23rd, 1909.—The Council at Jerusalem. Acts xv:1-35.

The Butterfly's Eye Spots.
What do the eye spots on butterflies' wings mean? The naturalist, says Mr. Percy Collins, must answer frankly, "I do not know." It is thought that they have some utilitarian application, and they form one of the most intricate of all natural designs. The fact that butterflies have been captured with their eye spots pierced, as if from attack of birds, has been used as an argument in favor of the view that they may be "protective markings," imitating eyes, because birds strike at the eyes of their victims. But this suggestion is hardly regarded as satisfactory. Among butterflies the most striking examples of eye spots are found on the under-surface of the wings.—Youth's Companion.

Buttermilk for Babies.
A child, to be healthy through life should not receive a drop of medicine during the first year it spends on this earth. Medicine, home-made or otherwise, should be kept away from baby like so much poison.

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If a bottle child suffers acutely from stomach trouble, give it buttermilk. In Holland they make a condensed buttermilk that does excellent service in saving babies from the consequences of intestinal catarrh.

FRANCE TO MAKE FIGHT ON UNIONS

Clemenceau is Spurred to Act by King Edward's Criticism.
Paris, May 11.—Premier Clemenceau has apparently taken the bit in his teeth and has decided to test the power of the government to put down the present "syndicalist" movement, so far as it affects state employees, even if this involves the precipitation of the threatened general strike. Dangerous signs are manifest throughout the country and foreign as well as French observers are of the opinion that the belated determination of the government to vindicate its authority comes none too soon.

The recent gigantic strides of "syndicalism" and its arrogant attitude, under the leadership of the General Federation of Labor, with which the various classes of state employees now insist upon affiliating, menacing a general strike "for the emancipation of the proletariat," has created something approaching a public panic. Judging by the tone of the press and resolutions recently voted by provincial councils, the property interests of the country will unitedly support any measures the government may take, no matter how rigorous, which would end the intolerable agitation.

Since the visit of King Edward, who, it is understood, let the Premier see the anxiety existing abroad that France was drifting into a condition approaching anarchy, M. Clemenceau resolved to act. He has proclaimed the government's intention not to tolerate the right of the servants to strike and has begun preparations to meet a general strike. Regiments of trained men are distributed at all the danger points.

As an answer to the premier 70,000 employees have adopted resolutions threatening a strike. The postal employees this evening decided to go out if a strike was called.

CITIZEN'S 5 MILE RACE.

In hopes that every athlete will read the following suggestions, they are herein printed for their guidance.

First, before competing, or even entering upon the course of training necessary to compete in this event safely, each athlete is advised to have his heart examined.

Second, not only should the athlete have his arms and body covered in his practice, but he should likewise wear a loose fitting pair of long woolen trousers, and he should have his feet well protected, by strong soles, from the pebbles and hard road, and thus avoid bruises.

While the man running feels warm, his arms and shoulders being exposed to the cold air it is very easy for him to contract rheumatism and colds, which will result later in life in much pain and discomfort.

The training should be started with long walks at a rapid gait with frequent jogs, and the distance of the jog should be gradually increased until by the 15 of May every contestant can safely jog at about two-thirds his best speed the full course of five miles without great inconvenience. He should be especially sure to cover up warmly after his work, and after his heart and lungs have resumed their normal rhythm, and his temperature has become normal, to be rubbed down in a warm room, free from draughts, after which he should rest in bed warmly covered up for at least an hour.

Since the race is to be in the afternoon, the best time to train for this race is at that hour.

Tobacco and liquor should be avoided, as no man can get in his best condition and partake of these things; especially is this true of the young athlete who has not formed the habit of depending upon these stimulants.

A LUNCHEON REVOLUTION.

Russell Sage should have a monument erected to himself by his widow. The old miser educated all New York, south of Fulton street, how to be abstemious. His midday luncheon (when he had to pay for it) was a section of apple pie and a glass of milk. On this repast he thrived, retained his health and waxed rich. No corned beef and cabbage in "his." No wines, no beer, no fat pastries, nothing of the fleshpots. A million young men are now imitating the old man who spent \$8 a year for clothes and left \$70,000,000 for his wife to squander on people who used to damn him as skinflint. Mrs. Sage is taxed higher than any other woman in New York, and she is working overtime to reduce her fortune.

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JOSEPH W. FARLEY, Adm.
Equinunk, Pa., April, 1909.

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