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Don't wait for the wagon while the walking is good.

Don't grieve over spilt milk while there's one cow left in the pasture.

Don't tell the world your troubles. You can't borrow ten dollars on them.

Don't let the grass grow under your feet. The cows can't get at it there.

Don't say the world is growing worse while you are doing nothing to make it better.

Begin the new year by buying a new umbrella and a diary; then just make a note of the one you keep the longest.

What has become of the fellow who used to say, "We don't have any more old-fashioned winters because the gulf stream is shifting?"

Happy New Year! What a blessed phrase! Speak it from the heart, and then strive to make every one's New Year a happy year and yours will be happy, indeed.

In theory, the exchange of New Year calls and Christmas gifts is a beautiful custom. The holidays are a time when kindly feelings and universal good-will prompt a general manifestation of regard in the exchange of calls and presents. It is the friendship expressed in the fact that is valued. The cause and not the effect occasions the pleasure. All look forward to the happy holiday times when each is gladdened, and, in turn, makes others glad by tokens of honest regard and friendly feeling. The world fairly beams with good cheer.

New Year's is a grand, an inspiring occasion, for it is always saturated with hope. We are wont to scoff at and deride it as a day when men make good resolutions only to break them; when they turn over new leaves, as it is called, more to turn them back again. They want, they hope to be better, and but few of them are so. They determine to advance, and if they do advance they slip back. Their failures are many, are continuous, and often excite laughter. But it is worthier to determine and decline, to hope and be disappointed, than not to determine or hope at all. Determination and hope add to our content, or at least diminish our discontent, and they are born of New Year's. The great need of human life is content, never attained, never attainable. And through New Year's we are deluded into belief of its possibility. Therefore welcome be New Year's, not for what it gives, but for what it promises to give.

DEATHED REMARRIAGE.

Little Children Stand by in Wonder as Parents Are Reunited.
Anderson, Ind., Dec. 30.—On what she believes to be her deathbed, Mrs. Jennie May Murdock was remarried to her former husband, John W. Murdock, by Justice of the Peace Kimberlin.
Mrs. Murdock, who is twenty-nine years old, secured a divorce about six weeks ago and almost immediately was taken ill. At the request of her husband Mrs. Murdock consented to be reunited to him. "I do this only on account of our children. I do not want them to grow up to be told that their father and mother were divorced only a short time before the mother's death," she said.
Two small children, a boy of four years and a little girl two years old, stood wonderingly by the bedside as the official pronounced the words again making their parents husband and wife.

Swear off, though your companions rail;
You may succeed; but if you fail,
'Tis better to resolve and fail
Than never to resolve at all.

A THANKFUL SONG.

I'm thankful for the summer with its blossoms an' its bees,
I'm thankful for the winter with its bluster and its freeze,
I'm such a thankful feller that I couldn't, if I'd try,
Say whether I'm more thankful for December or July,
Of course there's disappointments, an' there's trouble, more or less,
But I'm so brimmin' over with the sweets o' happiness
I don't have time to worry o'er the bitter things, you see,
For the Lord Jes' keeps me busy bein' thankful's I can be.
—Roy Farrell Greene, in Leslie's Weekly.

Ring out wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor;
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace,

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the TRUTH that is to be.
—ALFRED TENNYSON.

ZELAYA HAS MUCH GOLD.

He Carries Three Valises Full of Cash to City of Mexico.
City of Mexico, Dec. 30.—On his arrival in this city Jose Santos Zelaya, self styled "titular president" of Nicaragua, found no Mexican officials to receive him. He was, however, greeted by 200 Central Americans and Mexicans, who welcomed the deposed executive with cries of "Long live Zelaya!" "Long live Mexico!" and "Down with the Yankees!"
Zelaya's baggage included two valises filled to their capacity with American gold and a third grip fairly bursting with paper currency.
Mexican officials state that Zelaya will remain here only a few days and will soon go to Belgium to live. He is said to have accumulated \$6,000,000 in cash.

Brigadier General Edgerly Retired.
Washington, Dec. 30.—Brigadier General Winfield S. Edgerly, U. S. A., was placed on the retired list today for physical disability incident to the military service.

Salmon's Rapid Growth.
It is said that a twenty pound salmon which was caught in Scotland long ago had attached to one of its fins a small silver plate marked, "355B." Upon inquiry it was found that this label had been put on the fish by the Loch Lomond Angling Improvement Association in December 1907, in a river feeding the lake.
The records show that it then weighed ten pounds, and thus in the space of eighteen months it had doubled its weight.—Forest and Stream.

The Revolver Habit.
Will the time ever come when the revolver will have had its day in America and be relegated with the sword, the dagger and the bludgeon? The revolver argument settles nothing but the contestants. It is a perpetual non sequitur, as childish as it is frightful, and as frightful as it is childish.—Minneapolis Journal.

BEWARE OF OINTMENTS FOR CATARRH THAT CONTAIN MERCURY.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

INTERVIEW WITH J. ANDREW WILT AT TOWANDA, PA.

"The simple test which candidates for enumerators' places will undergo February 5th does not take away the supervisors' right under the census law to designate suitable persons for such positions," said Supervisor of Census, J. Andrew Wilt, at his office today.

"It is designed to aid the supervisors in the exercise of that discretion and to enable the Census Director intelligently to use the power of approval of the supervisors' designations conferred upon him by law."
"It is very well understood that President Taft, Secretary Nagel, and Census Director Durand all hold the supervisors responsible for the enumeration. There is no doubt, therefore, that our first and most important duty is the selection of honest, capable and active persons to make the count.

"The Census will be taken, not by the Census Bureau officers or the supervisors, but by the enumerators. They are the ones who come in contact with the people and get the facts. Unless every single enumerator does his whole and proper duty there can not be a correct census. There can not be anything of greater scientific value to this country than accurate statistics as the basis of a study of the existing conditions regarding our population, agriculture, manufactures, and mines and quarries."
"All persons, unless specifically disqualified, are entitled to apply to take the test. Only those under 18 years of age and over 70, and those who have not become citizens of the United States, are barred. Otherwise, all persons, regardless of sex and political affiliations, are eligible. It is left to my judgment whether it is wise to appoint women in my district. They can do the work, I have no doubt, especially in certain parts of the district. There were a good many employed all over the country in the Twelfth Census."
"The time for closing the consideration of applications is January 25. Those received after that date will have to be ignored. Applications should be addressed in writing to me at this office and not to the Census Director. I will send inquirers the necessary form and instructions concerning it. Afterward I will send those on the list, prior to the test, a set of directions for filling out the test papers. This will enable everyone to come well prepared. Nothing could be fairer or better calculated to insure a satisfactory applicant passing the test."
"The test itself need not deter anyone. Any person with common sense and a common school education can pass it. All it consists of is giving the candidates sample population and agricultural schedules, upon which are to be written in the proper columns the required details, which are found in printed descriptions, in narrative form, of typical families and farms supposed to be in a district. There will be some instances requiring the exercise of judgment to decide whether a given entry should be made under one column heading or another. You can see how simple and elementary it is."

"The test will be held all over the country and in every supervisor's district February 5. There will be several places in each district for taking it. One place would be insufficient. It would not hold all the candidates. As supervisor, I shall have the direction of all, and the test examination at each, no matter under what official agency it is held, will be that sole and simple one prescribed by the Census Bureau."
"I am given until February 22 to rate the papers in a very simple way, and to gain an idea of the qualifications of those rated as having passed. Next I will forward the papers of the successful candidates, with my recommendations or designations, to the Census Director. He will, if satisfied that suitable persons have been selected, give his consent to their appointment, and they will be commissioned. The middle or latter part of March should see everything settled, and the selected and commissioned enumerators will be sent more circulars and books of instructions relative to the interpretation or meaning of the questions on the two schedules."
"April 15th the Census Army will move forward in the enumeration."
"Certainly the Federal Census-taking is as necessary and as honorable as jury duty, and, as all good and useful citizens do not hesitate to respond to the call for such duty, I therefore ask the same high-grade citizenship to come forward and help me have the census taken accurately and expeditiously."

"As President Taft has said, the pay is not large but the work is worth doing well, and some day we shall all feel proud in the consciousness that we had a part, however humble, in taking this Census."
—Capt. Wilt's Address in Towanda, Pa.

Champagne.
It is said that when Sir Andrew Clark, Mr. Gladstone's physician, recommended a patient to drink wine, the latter expressed some surprise, saying he thought Sir Andrew was a temperance doctor, to which Sir Andrew replied: "Oh, wine does some times help you to get through work; for instance, I have often twenty letters to answer after dinner, and a pint of champagne is a great help." "Indeed," said the patient, "does a pint of champagne really help you to answer the twenty letters?" "No! no!" said Sir Andrew, "but when I've had a pint of champagne, I don't care a ray whether I answer them or not!"
—Westminster Gazette.

THE NEW DIAMOND FIELDS.

Stones Small But Plentiful in German South Africa.

From the methods used to locate the stones the new diamond fields in German South Africa might very well be called a Tom Tiddler's Ground, says the Wide World Magazine. The diamonds are very small, but are so speedily plentiful.

They are found in the open desert, where nothing but sand, unrelieved by the slightest sign of brush or scrub, is to be seen for vast distances. The men who search for the stones—hoodlums to say, they are all natives—have ten miles to go every morning from camp.

The searchers work on their hands and knees, apparently regardless of the blinding sunshine, sifting the surface sand through their fingers. Most of them are old Kimberley boys and they are very keen on discovering stones. The district is hardly a paradise for the white man, being notorious for its frequent dust storms and terrific heat.

A Disappointed Bird-Lover.
It is never hard to identify the bride and groom, and it is correspondingly difficult to refrain from a good-natured smile at their expense. A writer in the London Chronicle illustrates these truths thus:

"We tried to keep the railway carriage to ourselves," said the girl who appreciated a joke against herself, even when on her honeymoon. "At Birmingham the guard opened the door, and, in spite of Walter's scowls, I had a small girl into our compartment, making rather embarrassing apologies."

"She was a little girl of about seven, and she sat on the edge of the seat and stared at her."
"What is the matter?" said Walter.
"I don't see the birds," said the small girl, plaintively.
"Birds—what birds?" asked Walter.
"When I came from the other train your guard said to my guard, 'Oh, where has along with the love-birds.'"

Krakatoe's New Dress.

A unique opportunity to study nature's processes in restoring the vegetation of a land swept clean by a great disaster was afforded after the tremendous eruption of the volcano on the little island of Krakatoe in 1883. All living organisms were destroyed. In 1896 a number of plants had already established themselves on the devastated island, those in the interior being remarkably different from those on the coast, forms especially preponderating. In 1897 further progress had been made, and in 1898 the forest trees had advanced so far as to make it evident that within short time the island will again be densely forested. It is believed that the first plants to establish themselves on the blasted soil—such as ferns, algae, mosses, composite and grasses—were borne thither by winds, and that some of these were probably the agents concerned in the importation of seeds and fruits.—Youth's Companion.

An Elusive Moss.

The opossum is good to eat, but not being dealt in by any organized provision company, is sometimes hard to get. A tourist in Georgia, says a writer in the Washington Times, stayed overnight at the Palace Hotel, in a little village, and expressed a desire to taste Georgia opossum. The whole opossum, cooked in genuine Georgia style, with potatoes on the side, was placed before him.

"Two dollars extra for the possum," said the landlord, when the guest came to settle.
"It's an outrage!" said the guest.
"It's according to the way you look at it, stranger," said the landlord; "but it took me six nights' swamp-wading to catch that possum, an' when I caught him I caught the rheumatism with him."

Fort Ancient.

One of the most interesting and disputed questions in American archeology is that of the origin and age of Fort Ancient, in Warren County, Ohio. The State of Ohio has recently purchased this site, which is to be turned into a public park. Mr. Warren K. Moorehead believes that Fort Ancient is 800 or 900 years old. He regards the more modern articles found in a grave in its vicinity as later intrusions. He does not, however, regard the question of the age of this most interesting structure as yet settled, and says that many years of study and exploration will be required to clear up the mystery.

Electric Surgery.

The electric surgical knife now being tested by Prof. Bier of Berlin, has for a handle a glass rod six inches long inclosing a conducting wire, and the blade is probe-shaped and without spark appears at the end of the probe when a high-frequency current is passing. This spark cuts soft tissues much as a hot knife sinks through butter, operating more quickly than the ordinary scalpel, while it is claimed that healing must follow more rapidly than usual. More profuse bleeding than in ordinary operations is a disadvantage.

Game Sport.

"Now that I have my monoplane running smoothly," remarked the aerial crank, "I'd like to build a factory and turn out individual wings by the hundred. Then I'd present these to every one free of charge."
"You are getting generous these days," continued his friend.
"Oh, no. I am pining for so many so far whirling around in the air at a mile a minute when there is one to run down."
—Chicago News.

WHAT IS A LEG WORTH?

The cold-bloodedness, the heart-hardening, marbleizing influence of our modern, strenuous, selfish civilization which worships the dollar is even influencing our courts of justice. Recently a verdict against the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey, awarding a poor girl \$8,500 for the loss of a leg in a railroad accident, was set aside by a Supreme Court justice on the ground that the verdict failed to give due weight to the skill with which mechanical surgery now adapts artificial limbs.

This justice thinks that juries in rendering their verdict for damages in cases of mutilation, due to the criminal negligence of public service or other corporations, should take into consideration the great convenience and comfort of cork legs! In this instance, he took the money away from this poor mutilated girl and returned it to the corporation.

I wonder what this honorable gentleman would be willing to take for one of his legs, in case it was cut off in a railroad accident? If he got a verdict for \$8,500 and a Supreme judge set it aside because the amount was too much, what would he think about it?

Now, as everyone knows, it is much worse for a girl to lose a leg than for a man, for a mutilated man is much better able to earn a livelihood than a mutilated woman, and stands a much better chance in life in every way.

Is \$8,500 too much to compensate a girl for going through life thus mutilated? Is this compensation too high for a girl who is obliged to hobble around on one leg all her life?

We are certainly in need of lessons in kindness when a Supreme Court justice dares to give expression to such sentiments.

First Aid.

"If you were called upon to deal with a hysterical person," asked the examiner at the emergency class, "what would you do?"
"I'd amputate his funny-bone," said the student, with a turn for surgery and humor.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Honesdale Consolidated Light, Heat and Power Co. of Honesdale, Pa., for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may properly come before a stockholders' meeting will be held at the office of said company, Honesdale, Pa., on Monday, January 17, 1910, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock p. m.
M. B. ALLEN, Secretary.

APPRAISEMENTS.—Notice is given that appraisement of \$300 to the widows of the following named decedents have been filed in the Orphans' Court of Wayne county, and will be presented for approval on Monday, January 17, 1909—viz:

- Matthew McKenna, Buckingham, Personal.
- A. W. Brown, Starrucca, Personal.
- Fred Kennedy, Mt. Pleasant, Personal.
- Henry D. Cole, Clinton, Personal.

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