

For the Children

Juliana, Holland Princess,
Who Wants a Playmate.



Princess Juliana, heiress apparent to the throne of the Netherlands (or kingdom of Holland), is getting to be a big girl now. She will be four years old next April. Lately she surprised her mother, Queen Wilhelmina, by asking for a baby brother to play with.

The little Princess Juliana is the pride of the Dutch people, for she is the only child of the queen and therefore is now the nearest heir to the throne of the Netherlands. She likes to play like other little girls, and to help her be happy her mother bought a pony for her. That may seem to be nothing especially strange, since there are plenty of other little girls who have ponies. But this is a special kind of pony. It is the smallest pony that was exhibited at a recent great horse show in England. It stands just thirty inches high, and it is brown and as woolly as a collie dog. A carriage has been made to fit the pony's size, and the little princess is now able to go driving in the park.

Disappearing Pile of Coins.

A number of coins are shown lying on a plate, piled up, taken in the left hand where they are seen, and the hand is closed over them. A handkerchief is thrown over the hand, and when removed the coins have disappeared.

Show a quantity of loose coins on a plate. Pile them up and while so doing palm a dummy "stack" in the left hand. Pretend to pass loose coins to the left hand, palming and dropping them in a box of bran, so that they will sink slowly and without noise. Borrow a handkerchief, show the dummy, grasp the handkerchief by the center of one side and then spread it out over the left hand and while so doing throw the dummy into the right, the handkerchief hiding its flight. Pick up the wand, in the act of which drop the dummy on the table, touch the handkerchief with it, place it under your arm and draw off the handkerchief and show it and the hands empty.

Life Lengths of Lowly Things.

It has just been computed that the day fly lives 24 hours, the May fly 6 weeks, the butterfly two months, the ant, the cricket and the bee a year each, the hare and sheep 6 to 10 years, the wolf 12 to 15 years, the canary bird 15 to 20 years and the nightingale 12 years.

The dog lives 15 to 25 years, cattle 25 years, the horse 25 to 30 years, the eagle 30 years, the stag 35 to 40 years, heron, lion and bear 50 years each, the raven 80 years, elephant, turtle, parrot, pike and carp 100 years each.

The ivy outlives 200 years, the elm 300 to 350 years, the linden 500 to 1,000 years, the locust tree and the oak 400 years and the fir 700 to 1,200 years.

Why We Can See Smoke.

Smoke is not composed of gases only, but of solid or perhaps partly liquid particles which are mixed with the gases and carried along by them. It is these particles of matter that are visible to the eye and not the gases themselves.—St. Nicholas.

Winter Quarters.

Where's the crawling caterpillar?
Sound asleep in his cocoon.
Where's the bee so bright and busy?
Dreaming in the hive of June.
Where's the snail, and where's the turtle?
Safely buried in the ground.
Where's the woodchuck? Where's the rabbit?
In their burrows they are found.
Where's the thrush, and where's the robin?
Singing 'neath the southern sky.
Where's the bear, and where's the squirrel?
In their hollow tree they lie.
Where's the ant, that careful worker?
In her underground abode.
Where's the eighty-eyed spinning spider?
In a crevice snugly stowed.
Where's the bat that rang at midnight?
He is in his winter's sleep—
In his cave he hangs head downward,
And he never takes a peep.
Those and many other creatures
Hide or show as the winter through,
But when spring has once awakened
They are up and stirring too.
—Farm Journal.

SELECT CULLINGS

Sandansky's Grim Humor.

Of course they are accusing Sandansky of blowing up 320 Turkish prisoners in Saloniki. Maybe he did it. Sandansky is the big, bold Bulgarian brigand who captured Miss Ellen Stone, the American missionary. Sandansky doesn't call himself a brigand, but a patriot. His specialty for years has been leading Bulgarian bands in Macedonia in guerrilla warfare against the Turks. He has killed many Turks, but as he had to be careful not to kill or injure Miss Stone and thus destroy her ransom value he was defenseless against her reproaches in his own tongue. After about two days he used to say: "Here, boys, guard the camp. I have some scouting to do." Thus he would dodge a scolding. Sandansky never could understand why Miss Stone cherished any resentment against him. To an English lady who knows him well he once said: "Why does she complain about our capturing her? Didn't she come over here to help us Christians? Well, she did help us. The \$67,000 we got for her bought us a lot of rifles and cartridges. What's she kicking about?"—New York World.

Spend All You Earn!

That idea about putting something away for a rainy day is all wrong. Professor Simon N. Patten of the University of Pennsylvania says so, and he ought to know. He said it right out loud recently and started no end of argument throughout the country. Not content with putting the rainy day theory out of business, he said the only way to live was to spend all you earn, borrow all you can and then spend that. Thousands of persons in this city who were following his advice before he gave it would be grateful if the professor would forward the names of a few persons who might stand for a touch.

"Forget about old age," is the substance of his doctrine. "When you get too old to work and too weak to borrow make the community take care of you." No getting away from the fact that the professor's platform sounds attractive. Go ahead and drag out the old stocking and take your money on a sightseeing trip. But before you do so it might be well to reserve a place in the broad line.—New York Herald.

A Very Cute Faker.

Enormous business has been done at a French fair by a man selling a rat powder, sure death to rodents, but harmless to human beings. In order to convince the skeptical, the man first of all powdered a slice of bread with the stuff and ate a piece. The remainder he put under a glass case, in which a rat was kept in captivity. The rat went to eat the bread and instantly fell dead. At 10 cents a box the powder sold at a furious rate, and the man was in a fair way to make his fortune when the police pounced on him. The powder was found to be ordinary sugar, and they also discovered that the case was connected with a powerful electric battery and that the moment the rat touched the bread the current was turned on, and it was thus his death was brought about. The ingenious faker was given a month in jail, and the business came to a stop.

She Wasn't Pretty Enough.

The crown princess of Germany takes the greatest interest in women and their work, apropos of which there is a story that she once applied in person on behalf of a protegee of hers to a leading firm of dressmakers for the post of a model.

"I came," she said, "because I saw your advertisement, and I thought"—

The manager laid his hand on her shoulder. "My dear girl," he said, "I am sorry, but it is no use. You are not quite good looking enough. Still, you have a pleasant face, and I'll tell you what I'll do. Come again in a month's time and then I will see if I can fix you up as a junior saleswoman."

His consternation was only equaled by the fact of the crown princess in making him forget his discomfiture when he discovered her identity.—Berlin Cor. New York Sun.

Photography as a Sculptor.

A scientist of Florence has invented a process for producing bas-reliefs by photography. The basis of the invention is the property possessed by a film of chromium gelatin of swelling in proportion to the intensity of the light falling upon it. The swelling is greater with low than with high intensity, so that the light passing through a photographic negative produces upon a chromium gelatin plate a positive in distinct relief. The transparency of an ordinary negative, however, is not truly proportional to the relief of the original model, but by an ingenious automatic device involving a double exposure this difficulty is avoided, and a negative is obtained having its lights and shades correctly graded to produce the effect of relief.—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Largest Dome.

St. Sophia, at Constantinople, which time and earthquakes are threatening with ruin, has a dome of wonderful and striking effect. Yet it is not so large as appears, and in London we can beat it. Its diametrical measurement is 107 feet, and that is about the same as the dome of St. Paul's. The dome of the British museum, however, is 140 feet in diameter, being only two feet short of the biggest dome in the world, the Roman pantheon.—London Chronicle.

IN FASHIONDOM.

The Negligee Has Long Sleeves This Winter.



OF PINK FLANNELETTE.

The trim lines of this pink flannelette room gown and the long coat sleeves give it a smart up to date appearance. Pink asteen binds the edges, and a pink cord finishes a practical and pretty negligee.

CAMERA APRON.

It is Most Convenient For Carrying Paraphernalia.

The camera apron was devised for the convenient carrying of camera paraphernalia on out of door trips. A yard and a quarter of gray denim were used. The body of the apron was a straight piece twenty-six inches long, with a strip eleven inches deep across the bottom for pockets. The remaining eight inch strip of denim was cut into three pockets, two of which were placed above and one as a patch pocket over the middle of the lower row.

Tape was used for finishing the raw edges of the three pockets and served also for dividing the eleven inch strip into three more pockets. All raw edges were finished with wide white tape stitched twice. A facing of thinner cloth was sewed on top, and drawstrings were run through.

The pockets held plate holders, focus cloth, chamois skin, record book, etc. One upper pocket was lined with chamois skin for the shutter, with bulb and tubing which needed special protection. All pockets closed with a snap at the top, and the whole was folded completely when not in use. For a man this might be made without drawstrings at the top, and it could be folded and carried by shawl straps.

What Man Understands Woman?
The query, "What woman understands man?" is not proving half so popular as Hughes le Roux's query, "Qui est l'homme qui comprend les femmes?" ("Who is the man who understands women?"), the answers to which are filling the columns of *Le Matin* of Paris.

Says one wise woman, "A man may understand any woman except the one whom he loves at the age of eighteen." Mme. Saint-Malo says, "The man who understands us is the man who can admire everything in a woman, even her defects."

Another well known authoress asserts, "The man who can understand us is the man who can be our confessor."

One who signs herself Emilie, says: "The man who understands us is the simpleton. He is the man who will recite poetry in our salons and not know how ridiculous he makes himself."

New Peacock Tail Embroidery.

Peacock embroidery has come much to the fore of late, and with some designers it is almost a fetish to introduce the "eye" of a peacock's tail feather into every scheme. There are attractive cushion covers in coarse holland crash, the peacock's tail design being worked in green, blue and gold, which is most effective, while oblongs and squares of this embroidery make charming trays, the bottom being covered with glass. Instead of investing a special tray for this purpose, in itself a usually expensive item, an excellent plan is that of fitting the embroidery like a photograph into an ordinary plain, molded picture frame and fixing two handles on either side, while the back is finished with Japanese silk.

Cooking Hints.

Orange peel dried and grated makes a very fine yellow powder that is delicious favoring for cakes and puddings. Heat a lemon thoroughly before squeezing it and you will obtain nearly double the quantity of juice that would be obtained if it were not heated.

Rice boiled in milk instead of water has a much richer taste. It must be watched closely while cooking, as it burns quicker when cooked in the milk.

If you rinse a plate with cold water before breaking the eggs on it, add to them a pinch of salt and then stand the eggs where there is a strong current of air you will have no difficulty in beating them to a froth.

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