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"The next" and I sat down in red confusion.

"He too, was stopped with 'No!' but went right on, finished and as he sat down was rewarded with 'Very well.'"

"Why, whispered I, 'recited it just as he did, and you said 'No!'"

"Why didn't you say yes," and stick to it? It is not enough to know your lesson. You must know that you know it. You have learned nothing till you are sure. If all the world says 'No!' your business is to say 'Yes,' and prove it."—Southern Educational Journal.

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Standard Time.

"What time is it?" Few questions are more common than this, and yet each day the government goes to a great expense in giving it an official answer. To ascertain the instant when it is noon on the seventy-fifth meridian and to send that information all over the country is a great and costly task. The astronomical observatory in Washington computes the true time, which is thence transmitted by electricity to every important city or town.

About five minutes before the Washington city noon the telegraph companies cut all of their regular business except on lines where they have more than one wire. They then connect all important points, from which there may be numberless ramifications, with an electric wire going into the great clock in the observatory so that all over the country its tickings may be heard. For the ten seconds just before 12 o'clock there is silence, which is broken by the "noon beat." Regular business then may be resumed.

In some cities the wires connect with a time ball which drops with the noon beat. The time ball in Washington over the State, War and Navy Department building is three feet in diameter and can be seen from all parts of the city. Crowds frequently gather about to see it fall, a distance of 21 feet, high in the air. The man whom some of the spectators suppose to be dropping the ball is merely there to hoist it again to its place.

In the building beneath are 23 clocks which are each day automatically corrected by it. An electrical device "sets" them, placing hour, minute and second hands exactly vertical at the instant the ball drops. The hands that are too fast are pushed back, and those that are slow are thrust forward.

Although Washington is on the seventy-seventh meridian, the noon hour is for convenience computed for the seventy-fifth time standard for the eastern part of the United States. In the central belt, which is governed by the ninetieth meridian, the signal from Washington means 11 o'clock, in the Rocky Mountain belt it is 10 o'clock, and on the pacific coast line it is 9.—Youth's Companion.

The Democratic Policy on the Philippines Question.

The position of the Democratic party with regard to the Philippines, briefly stated, is this: That the Philippine archipelago, by the treaty of Paris, ratified by the Senate, is a part of the United States, and under the Constitution as we understand it the government cannot levy any taxes on them. Trade should be free between all parts of the United States. In consequence of this we are opposed to the tariff bill proposed by the republicans.

The Democrats also think that it would be detrimental to the people of the United States to hold these possessions as colonies. Their position in this regard is that the United States should relinquish sovereignty, and should assure the Filipinos that as soon as a stable government can be established the United States will get out of the islands and leave them to manage their own affairs, in their own way, we reserving coaling stations.

Further than this, nearly every Democrat believes that the present government in the islands is an unconstitutional one, that it is a cruel one, and that it is in direct contradiction to the American doctrine held in this country since before the foundation of the nation that government should be of the people, for the people, and with the people's consent.—Senator Fred T. Dubois, in Washington Times.

Conductor Shot by a Negro.

Asheville, N. C., Special.—At breakfast Wednesday morning in Glen Rock hotel, J. H. Salisbury, conductor of the Knoxville branch, of the Southern Railroad, was shot and mortally wounded by a negro waiter, who is now in jail. The waiter occupied seats around the stove in the office, contrary to the rules of the hotel. An old gentleman, a guest of the hotel, was standing by the stove. Conductor Salisbury came in and ordered one of the negroes to get up. The negro gave an insolent reply and the conductor struck him with his open hand, knocking the negro from the chair. The old gentleman then took the seat.

At the breakfast table Salisbury was waited on by the same negro. He ordered his breakfast but the negro went to the stove and sulked. Salisbury called the head waiter and said: "That nigger won't bring me my breakfast. I slapped him just now and I guess he is waiting for me to slap him again."

The negro rushed up and said, "Yes, you did strike me," and as Salisbury rose, fired four shots, one taking effect in the abdomen. The railroad men are furious.

A large crowd is gathered around the jail, and it is whispered that a good rope is on hand. The jail is a strong one and it is not believed that the crowd will be large enough to force an entrance.

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God's Workmen.

There is something grandly inspiring in the truth that each day and each hour has a work for us, and that a work not merely for our own temporal pleasure and profit, but for the building up of an eternal fabric of righteousness and peace. It is true that God works in us, and that we are molded by His will and wisdom. But it is also true, and the main truth for us because it demands action on our part, that every man has a responsibility to bear in the work of regeneration, and every moment's deeds have a share in the work. As we look backward, therefore, over the year which has gone, can we see anything which gives us a clearer knowledge of life? Can we see anything that we have done to bring humanity or the world or truth a little higher.—Anon.

FOUR CHILDREN CREMATED.

Cumberland, Md., Feb. 7.—early to-day the farm house of William F. Robertson, about twenty-nine miles east of here, on the Maryland side of the Potomac river was entirely destroyed by fire and four of Robertson's children, Pearl, Owen, Effie and Joseph, the oldest aged ten and the youngest aged four years, were cremated.

The fire which is thought to have started from sparks from an open hearth spread so rapidly that Mr. and Mrs. Robertson found all means of escape gone for the children, who were asleep in another room, and were compelled to jump from a second-story window dressed only in their night clothes in order to save their own lives. The parents made several attempts to reach the children, but were driven back by the flames, and after the fire had subsided somewhat they were almost frozen before aid came from neighbors.

Build Pastures.

Now is the time to build good pastures for stock during the spring and summer. This is a matter which has never been looked after as it should by farmers generally. Many a time have I seen a few acres of meadow land unused which would have produced more grass than all the woods stock could walk over. The farmer must raise stock and do this to best advantage he needs suitable pasture. In winter when the weather is cold and bad and there is no grass it is a good plan to keep stock in the lot or stable but in spring and summer they should run in pasture at least part of the time.

In building the pasture remember it is important to arrange for an abundant supply of pure water. If possible this should be done even though the work cost a little more. Almost every farm has some meadow or bottom land on it. In most cases this land is not cleared. By cutting off the pine and gum trees and other growth it can be put in condition for pasture. If very wet it has to be ditched but grass will grow with less drainage than almost anything else. Many who think they have no pasture land could easily prepare for stock by a little work.

Temporary fences around wheat and oat fields should be made now. You would probably not have time to do this next summer when the crop is on hand. Many of the best farmers pasture on the wheat and oat fields for two or three weeks after the grain is cut before sowing pens.

Building pastures is important everywhere but much more so where the stock law prevails. Those who favored the stock law argued that under it they would have "more stock and better stock" but unless they give special attention to pastures they will not be able to prove this theory true.—Smithfield Herald.

WINTER EXCURSION RATES.

Effective October 15, 1901, excursion rates are placed on sale by the Southern Railway to all principal winter resorts of the South and Southwest. Ask any agent Southern Railway for full information.

How to Grow Old Gracefully.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton has been writing on the subject of how to grow old easily, happily and gracefully. She is now in her eighty-fifth year and she says that life to her is as sweet as ever. She has no pains or aches, no regrets or forebodings for herself; all her sorrows are for the troubles of others.

"I attribute my vigorous old age in part to advantageous circumstances," she says, "in part to a happy, hopeful temperament, a keen sense of humor, sympathies for all my fellow beings and a deep interest in all the vital questions of the hour."

"One must have an earnest purpose in life beyond personal ambition and family aggrandizement.

"Self-centered characters do not possess the necessary elements of a high development. If one would have a happy old age; if the first condition is a sound body; to that end exercise, diet, dress, sanitary conditions are all important.

"Nature does her best at all periods of woman's life to make each change one of added health and happiness. Those obedient to her laws rejoice in every step from youth to age.

"Fifty is the heyday of intellectual life. Then the vital forces used in reproduction are garnered in the brain, giving new ideas and adding force, clearness and beauty to thought.

"There comes to a woman eloquence of expression and she finds a wider field for her sympathies. She has new interests in the great world which is the future home of her children, in which she is now to labor to make it fit for them to live in.

"My philosophy is to live in the present. Regrets for the past are vain; the page is turned; there is no remedy for what is done. As to the future, anxieties are equally vain; we do not know what one day will bring forth; what we hope or fear may never occur; the present is all that is ours."—New York Sun.

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Sampson to be Retired.

Washington, Special.—February 8 was the last day of active service of Rear Admiral William T. Sampson and Bartlett Cromwell and tomorrow the names of both will be placed on the retired list on account of their having reached the age of 62 years.

Rear Admiral Sampson is lying ill at his home in this city.

Rear Admiral Cromwell is in command of the European station and his flagship, the Chicago, is now in the Mediterranean.

Captain Joseph E. Craig, commanding the Albany, the senior officer on the station, will assume temporary command of the station upon Admiral Cromwell's retirement and will hold this command until the arrival on the scene early in April of Rear Admiral Crowninshield and his staff.

Rear Admiral Taylor, who is to succeed Rear Admiral Crowninshield as chief of the bureau of navigation, has yet to be nominated to the senate and confirmed before he can take charge of the office.

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The above is the title of an attractive booklet just issued by the Passenger Department of the Southern Railway. It is beautifully illustrated and fully describes the winter resorts of the South. A copy may be secured by sending a two-cent stamp to S. H. Hardwick, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.

Foolish Spite Work.

An ancient proverb warns every man of the folly of "cutting off his nose to spite his face," and some of the old books have pictures illustrating the adage. But the best illustration to be found anywhere is that given by the Monroe Journal in the paragraph quoted herewith. Of all that engage in spite work, surely the man it describes is the most foolish. We must confess, however, that his tribe is rather large, and this pen picture is worth preserving:

"I'll not send my children, that's all." Thus, some times, right here in Union county, does an angry parent finish a controversy over local school matters. He has not been able to have his way, or thinks that he has been treated unjustly. Maybe he has been, maybe not. Whether he has or not, he is going to have revenge. Upon whom? the teacher? the committee? his neighbor? No; bless your soul, none of these. But upon his own children, innocent and helpless. He will, to gratify his own feelings, deprive his children of their birthright, rob them in their innocence and helplessness. He keeps them at home. The neighbors' children go and get benefit of the school, which goes on just the same as if this man were not pouting. He has cheated his confiding children who are dependent upon him. Ever think of that?"—Progressive Farmer.

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