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To You My Kind Reader.

Have you planted a bounteous supply of fruit trees...

The Cedar Cove Nurseries has on the ground about

ONE MILLION

of beautiful fruit trees, vines and plants to select from...

WILL PLEASE YOU.

I have all sizes of trees desired from a 3 ft tree to 6 and 7 feet high and stocky.

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LOOK OUT!

Compare this with your purchases.



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Beware of Fraud, as my name and the price are stamped on the bottom of all my advertised shoes before leaving the factory...



W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE. FOR GENTLEMEN.

The only \$3 SEAMLESS shoe smooth inside. NO TACKS or WAX THREAD to hurt the feet.

W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

The New Waterbury Watch.

And I round in ceaseless motion. Never fast and never slow. Buy him is with true devotion.

ONE OF THE SENSATIONS OF THE DAY.

No longer can the shafts of ridicule be hurled at the Waterbury Watch Co. They have triumphed in solving the problem of a low cost, wrist-wind watch...

This new "Series J" is what you have been looking for, it is neat durable and the finest time-keeper made for the money (\$4).

W. H. REISNER, Leading Jeweler and Headquarters for Xmas and New Year Presents

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Giving.

There is no life, however low beyond human estimate.

The Youngest Cat.

A small bright face, two round green eyes, two ears prick up in swift surprise.

She has no reverence for the rest. Plays arrogantly with Samba's fall.

She is a mischief-maker with her paw. Disturbs the mouse, the black and white.

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UP ROARING FORK.

A Mountain Tale of Love and Adventure.

HE sun's rays filtered through the dense foliage of the trees on the banks of Roaring Fork.

A young girl, she was seated on the moss-covered, gnarled roots of a large tree.

Three beautiful speckled fish of good size, now and then making a slight undulation of the water at her feet.

The girl could not have been more than sixteen. She was plain, but with good features, and a pair of soulful dark eyes.

She was dressed in a faded gown of some coarse blue material, which had been made without regard to any particular style.

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Better Work than to Beg.

Let no poor boy, after reading the following interesting fact, ever despair of making a comfortable living.

A gentleman was once walking down the streets of P—, when a beggar fondly craved for a few coppers for a night's lodging.

"Why do you not work?" "You should be ashamed of begging."

"O, sir, I do not know where to get employment!" "Nonsense!" replied the gentleman.

"You can work if you will. Now listen to me: I was once a beggar like you. A gentleman gave me a half dollar, and said to me 'Work and don't beg; God helps those who help themselves.'"

"I immediately left P—, and got out of the way of my old companions. I remembered the advice given me by my mother before she died, and I began to pray to God to keep me from sin, and to give me his help day by day.

I went round to the houses in the country places, and with a part of my half dollar bought old rags. These I took to the papermills and sold them at a profit.

I was always willing to give a fair price for the things I bought, and did not try to get for them more than they were worth. I determined to be honest, and God prospered me. My purchases and profits became larger, and now I have got more than ten thousand dollars that I call my own.

One great thing that has contributed to my success is this, I have kept from drink and tobacco.

As the gentleman spoke, he took out his purse, and drew from it a fifty-cent-piece, and handing it to the astonished beggar, he said: "Now, you have the same chance of getting on in the world as I had. Go and work and never let me see you begging again. If I do, I will hand you over to the police."

Years passed away. The gentleman had forgotten the circumstance, until one day, when traveling through P—, he entered a respectable-looking bookseller's shop in order to purchase some books that he wanted.

He had not seen many minutes in conversation with the bookseller, before he eagerly looked into the face of his customer, and inquired: "Sir, are you not the gentleman who, a few years ago, gave me a half dollar to a poor beggar at the end of this street?"

"Yes, I remember it well." "Then, sir, this home, this well-stocked shop, is the fruit of that fifty-cent-piece."

Tears of gratitude trickled down the bookseller's cheeks as he introduced the gentleman to his happy wife and children. He was regarded as their benefactor. When gathered round the table to partake of tea, the bookseller recounted his history from the above-mentioned day. It was very similar to that of the welcome visitor.

By industry, honesty and dependence upon God's help, he had risen step by step, from buying rags to selling papers and tracts in the streets, then to keeping an old bookshop, and ultimately to be owner of one of the best circulating libraries in the place.

Before the happy party separated, the large family Bible was brought out, a psalm of thanksgiving was read, and then all bent round the family altar. Words could not express their feelings.

An Incident of 1876.

An unfamiliar story of the campaign of 1876 is told at the expense of Mr. Blaine and Gen. Harrison, who, being at Vincennes, desired to go to Seymour and New Albany in a very short space of time.

Both men noticed as they boarded their special train, that the engine was decorated with large portraits of Tilden and Hendricks and that it bristled all over with Democratic mottoes and quotations from Democratic speeches.

The conductor, a very polite fellow as well as a staunch Republican, readily agreed to have the obnoxious decorations removed, and with a hasty step went forward and gave the order to have them removed.

"Look here," replied the engineer, who was a brawny Irishman, "yez are running that train back there, and Oim running this engine. Oim a Dimocrat and the flags will not be removed. As for the picture of Tilden, there ain't min' enough on the train to take it down."

"He was right. The quarrel between two was long and bitter, but the engineer was obstinate and at Mr. Blaine's request the conductor gave the signal to proceed. The victorious Celt opened the throttle and Blaine and Harrison were hurried into the waiting cars, a somewhat long skitish coat, and a hat with a bunch of some wild bird's feathers at the side. But the prettiest costume of all is that of the jager, or huntsman. The breeches come to the knee only, and the legs are encased in embroidered leather gaiters, leaving the knees bare; the coat is dark green, with collars and cuffs of a lighter shade; a hat of dark green, with an eagle's feather, and an embroidered shot-pouch slung over the shoulder."

At a recent ball in New York many guests had no appetite for the game because imitations of living beasts were also on the table. Underneath a big plate of salmon was miniature lake of real water, in which goldfish and tadpoles swam about and little frogs dived.

Costumes of the Tyrolese. The costume of the Tyrolese is a pretty one, consisting of a stuff dress, with a very full skirt, the bodice cut square in front and filled in with a silk handkerchief which matches in color; and a gray silk apron, which is of pink, blue or yellow, according to the taste of the wearer. The hats are not unbecomingly adorned with the tassels of gold bullion. The national costume of the men is even more picturesque, consisting of knitted dark blue or white stockings, knee breeches, waistcoat with two rows of silver buttons, a somewhat long skitish coat, and a hat with a bunch of some wild bird's feathers at the side. But the prettiest costume of all is that of the jager, or huntsman. The breeches come to the knee only, and the legs are encased in embroidered leather gaiters, leaving the knees bare; the coat is dark green, with collars and cuffs of a lighter shade; a hat of dark green, with an eagle's feather, and an embroidered shot-pouch slung over the shoulder.

Home Made Remedies. Try a sun bath for rheumatism. Try cranberry for a week stomach. Try clam broth for a week stomach. Try clam broth for a week stomach. Try swallowing saliva when troubled with sour stomach. Try eating fresh radishes and yellow turnips for gravel. Try eating onions and horseradish to relieve dropsical swellings.

The Sugar Trust.

Few people know what a stupendous swindle the New York sugar trust is, and that through the combined action of a few men the price of sugar in the entire Union is regulated, raised or lowered, just as those men desire, and not by the law of supply and demand.

An action has been brought in the Supreme Court of New York city by the attorney General against this trust and some very interesting facts are being brought to light. All the refineries in the United States, except four, have joined this trust, and on joining they surrendered all their stock and corporate rights into the hands of the board of trustees of this trust. The different refineries continue to refine sugar and put it upon the market, but all the business is under the control of this one board and whenever they want to advance the price of sugar, certain ones are ordered to shut down their works in order to reduce the supply, and no company belonging to the trust can sell at any figure except those given them by the board of trustees. By this means a few men, combined together as a board of trustees, have absolute control of the price of sugar and the amount that is to be dealt out to the American people. These men claim that they are making no money by this combination, but the trust has declared a dividend of two and a half per cent. for five months on the stock of the corporations that entered into the trust—stock that on coming into the trust was wanted to the extent of three shares for one, making the true dividend for one five months seven and a half per cent. or eighteen per cent. a year.

In this action it is claimed that the entering into this combination by the different companies is a violation of their charters and hence is a good ground for revoking their franchises. It remains for the courts to decide whether this claim is well founded and can be enforced by the courts.

The decision in this case will be awaited with great interest, for our entire people will be greatly benefitted by a decision against the trust, as it will have the effect of causing the price of sugar to be regulated by the law of supply and demand instead of by the arbitrary command of a board of trustees who control the sugar market of the country. Let us hope that the answer of the courts will be in favor of the people and the public welfare.—Durham Plant.

Does Excitement Shorten Life?

Whoever has studied man's earthly tenure the causes which tend to lengthen or curtail it, will have scarcely failed to notice how contradictory is the evidence of those we naturally look to to explain them, and that their evidence, even when they agree, does not always accord with what would seem to be the facts as they appear around us. One authority says general physical development is necessary to prolong life, while another insists this is not required if the day's employment does not call for physical exertion. Dr. D. B. Richardson, an eminent English authority, declares, among many obvious, though scarcely novel, propositions, that everything that quickens the action of the heart, any kind of excitement, taxes and reduces the storage of life. If this were said of those whose nature feebly or inherits disease, or even of those leading sedentary lives and living from day to day without the invigorating benefits of fresh air and exercise, it would seem reasonable, for one does not have to be a skillful physiologist to know that excitement affects the nerves as well as the heart. But is the statement strictly true when referring, as here, to the entire human family? Surely soldiers engaged in actual warfare, and sailors in peace, as well as war, live among excitement, besides being notoriously addicted to indulgence as to drinking and smoking, yet are they long-lived. Statistics show it and observation corroborate them. The pension list of the British army, giving the ages of the beneficiaries, men who have served in all climates for from twenty to forty years, and excluding those pensioned sooner because of "wounds received while in the performance of duty," shows that soldiers do not die as other men do; so it is with the naval pensioners of the Greenwich Hospital, now scattered over Great Britain because of its abolishment. In the merchant service to-day it is no uncommon thing to find a man seventy years old in charge of a vessel—a post requiring activity of body as well as of mind. From this it would appear that a sound human body can withstand hunger and exposure, and even frequent excitement if only there is plenty of fresh air and exercise of a vigorous kind thrown in.—Scientific American.

John W. Keely, of motor fame, who was sent to jail on Saturday last for contempt of court in refusing to give information regarding his mysterious motor, has been released on bail by the Supreme Court, to which tribunal his case has been carried. The case will remain quiet from now until Jan. 12, at which time the Supreme Court will hear it.