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## MAKE THE MOST OF LIFE.

There is a Chance For All If They Will See It and Take it at the Right Time.

It is said that ambition has ruined many souls, but it is only the most indolent beings who can sit down and be content, when they have every opportunity of improving their condition.

There is a chance for all if only they will see it and take it at the right time. All have heard of the crippled newsboy, who, from his misfortune had every right to expect to be supported, and who, instead, supported his mother, gave his brothers the best education obtainable, fitting them for responsible positions in life, and besides all this befriended and helped other newsboys, transforming them from worthless ragamuffins into useful and self-respecting creatures.

No one can be truly happy without some occupation, and since the days of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, work has been the best panacea for all ills. The mind stagnates under a continual round of idleness, and it is a very weak mind even if the one possesses great wealth, that would be willing to spend the days in idleness.

Work has proved the salvation of many a sorrow-burdened soul. When we meet with the great sorrows of life our first impulse is to give up and brood, and then the weak mind goes under while the stronger one seeks strength and help in occupation.

The true road to happiness in any walk of life lies in keeping the mind busy and in getting completely away from self.

At first it seems almost unbearable after spending years of study at any branch to be forced from any cause to give this up, and begin over again at something else when the first shock is over the strong mind will never think of giving up, but patiently begin again at something else, determined to make the most of life in spite of the crippled condition.

Only those who have suffered a similar misfortune know how hard it is, after devoting years to the study of music to have all sounds deadened, or even the partial loss of hearing; how hard it is to have the sounds we love locked away from us, and hardest of all the human voice; still the great mind does not give up as dark as it seems, but seeks some way out into the light and sunshine.

No matter how well one may play his part in the world he never gets over the loss of a sense, even in dreams, and only faith in the heavenly Father and the knowledge that He knows will help one to bear such a misfortune.

To make the most of life one must learn not to fret or worry; here is a rare bit of prose that has helped when restless and impatient to know the end of things:

"You can make the clock strike by putting your own hands upon it, but it will strike wrong; you can tear the rose bud open before its time but you mar the beauty of the rose. So we may spoil many a gift or blessing which God is preparing for us by our own eager haste. He is weaving our lives into patterns of beauty and strength. He has a perfect plan for each. Don't pull at the threads of life; God's love is the motive of all delay, to give us unexpected and surprising blessings."

## WHEN WE WERE BOYS.

I love to ponder o'er the days, when we were little boys,  
When life upon the dear old farm, was filled with childish joys,  
When heaven was at its bluest, our hearts were then the truest,  
When you and I, were little boys.

Those blessed days are gone now—the school we loved so dear  
Has crumbled into nothingness—our schoolmates everywhere,  
His old log ribs they kept us warm, they made fight against many a storm,  
When our lives were full of cheer.

The lost world that our restless hearts crave,  
Is buried here and yonder, in many a forgotten grave.  
With tender thoughts, daily yearning, our reveries are always turning,  
To the spot where you, and I first gazed.

Those rugged hills we played upon, their bosoms hugged in glee,  
We walked there every foot of earth, and sung their melody.  
We rested at the spring nearby, the thought of home means a tear-wet eye  
This dream of youth, you share with me.

A voyage is before us, the past is left behind.  
The vision of a brighter day, brings pleasure to the mind,  
But the joy in our hearts we cannot smother, those dear old days we  
romped with mother,  
When she in her loveliness, was—our valentine.

## THE LITTLE GREEN TRAIL.

Oh, the little green trail through the valley,  
Is calling me on and away,  
Away from the hot, tired city,  
At the close of a hard, weary day;  
On and away toward the mountain,  
Over the hills to a dale,  
Where the water from nature's own fountain  
Cools the moss on the little green trail.

Oh, the little green trail through the valley,  
Where the fairies and goblins dwell,  
And the dreamers worship in silence,  
To the sound of an Angelus bell,  
At twilight to list to the singing,  
Of a soft-throated thrush in the vale,  
While calm, gentle zephyrs are bringing  
Sweet peace to the little green trail.

Oh, the little green trail through the valley,  
That leads to the land of Forget,  
Where day-dreams come true to a dreamer,  
And there's no such thing as regret;  
To live and to find life worth living,  
Yea, succeed and never to fail,  
For love is the prize they are giving  
At the end of the little green trail.

## Sayings of Mrs. Solomon

Being the Confessions of the Seven Hundredth Wife and Translated by Helen Roland for the Washington Herald.

Verily, verily, my daughter, one lover exceedeth a college education, and many flirtations are better than a course in a university! Yea, she that spendeth her time in a class room shall acquire knowledge, but she that spendeth it upon a moon-lit piazza shall acquire wisdom.

For behold, how willingly a youth giveth a damsel lessons in those things which he would not have her know.

Mark with what patience he teacheth her to flirt and affordeth her instruction in the language of the up-thou delighteth me, but when thou looketh down, thou ravishest me!

Lo, he leadeth her into cozy corners and guideth her beside the still waters of near-love making. He teacheth her to "hold hands" and to say the sweet things which meaneth nothing.

He urgeth her to kiss him and showeth her the proper method. He adviseth her not to tell her mother and instructeth her in the white lie.

He catcheth her to smoke a cigarette and explaineth unto her why the cork tip is not to be lighted. He showeth her how to make "rings" and feedeth her upon the cherry from the gentle cocktail. He giveth her lessons in palimetry and calleth her many quaint "pet-names." And all this he doeth free of charge!

Yet, when she hath become exceeding wise and ceaseth to look shocked, he leaveth her to think it over. Behold, he wandereth in search of another maiden, saying, "Lo, I will marry one unto whom I can teach something; for that girl knoweth too much!"

Verily, verily, the school of love is a hard one, and few shall matriculate therein; but the graduate knoweth enough to pretend that she knoweth nothing.

For the title of "Mrs." affordeth a woman more honor than a Ph. D., and it requireth more skill to get a husband than to get through Wellesley.

Yet, many a fool succeedeth where a clever damsel faileth. Yea, in the love game, ignorance is bliss, and it is folly to appear "wise!" Selah!

### ONE DAY.

It is beautiful to give one day to the ideal—to have one day apart.

One day for generous deeds, good will, gladness.

One day to forget the shadows, the rain, the storms of life; to remember the sunshine, the happiness of youth and health.

One day to forget the briars and thorns on the winding path, to remember the fruits and flowers.

One day in which to forget yourself and think lovingly of others.

One day for the family, the fire-side, for the wife and children, for the love and laughter, the joy and rapture of home.

One day in which books and stocks and deeds and interest and mortgages, and all kinds of business and trade are forgotten, and all stores and shops and factories, and offices and banks, and ledgers and accounts, and lawsuits are cast aside, put away and locked up, and the weary heart and brain are given a voyage to fairy-land.

### THE ART IN SELLING HATS.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

The less said about the age of women and canned goods the better.

A woman's heartbreaks are almost as bad as a man's indigestion.

## AFTER DEATH.

Large Parts of the Body Retain Life for a Time.

To the unscientific citizen it is something of a surprise to learn that large parts of the body are alive and useful after the phenomenon popularly known as death has taken place. Few of us suspect, for example, that our kidneys and hearts after we have died ourselves can in most cases be resuscitated and that if by some surgical miracle they could be transplanted into another body they would quickly resume their functions. This, however, is a well demonstrated medical fact. The human heart has been removed from the body more than thirty hours after death and made to beat again. Dr. Carrel himself has taken the heart from one dog and inserted it in the neck of another, connecting the aorta with the carotid artery of the new heart and the vena cava with its jugular vein. In a few moments the live dog had two hearts rhythmically beating, one recording a pulse of eighty-eight and the other a hundred.

Science has yet framed no precise definition of death. The human body tremors and quivers with life, only a small part of which becomes a part of individual consciousness. The healthy man hardly realizes the numerous and complex activities of his internal organs. The alimentary canal is the abiding place of millions of micro organisms, the activities of which only occasionally influence our daily life. Bodily tissue everywhere is constantly breaking down and constantly building up, and yet it is only in the last few years that even science has begun to understand the beautiful chemical reactions involved in the process. McClure's Magazine.

## ANCIENT HISTORY.

The women went into an F street book store in Washington, and one of them said to the clerk, "I want Cardinal Gibbons' book on Rome."

"Beg pardon," the clerk replied, "it wasn't Cardinal Gibbons who wrote the great book on Rome, but Edward Gibbon."

"I knew it," sniffed the other woman: "It isn't that prosy old thing we want at all. It is Speaker Cannon's book on early Christianity."

"Speaker Cannon's?" "Yes; have you got it?"

The clerk went to the rear of the store and held his head for a few minutes. Then he returned and said: "Possibly it is Canon Farrar's 'Early Days of Christianity' that you are looking for."

"That's it!" Exclaimed the fair inquirer, "I knew it had something about cannons in it."—Saturday Evening Post.

## DANGEROUS GIFT.

Beauty is a dangerous gift. It is even so. Like wealth, it has ruined its thousands. Thousands of the most beautiful women are destitute of common sense and common humanity. No gift from heaven is so general as the gift of beauty. In about nine cases in ten it makes her silly, senseless, thoughtless, giddy, vain, proud, frivolous, selfish, low and mean. We think we have seen more girls spoiled by beauty than by any other one thing. "She is beautiful and she knows it," is as much as to say she is spoiled. A beautiful girl is very likely to believe she was made to be looked at, and so she sets herself up for a show at every window, in every door, on every corner of the street, in every company at which opportunity offers for an exhibition of herself. And believing and acting thus, she soon becomes good for nothing else, and when she comes to be a middle aged woman she is that weakest, most sickening of all human things—a faded beauty.

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## WHY THE RACE FOR RICHES?

Love of Display Causes The Decrease of Marriage in America.

The divorce rate in the United States at present is something like six hundred and twelve out of every ten thousand marriages. Germany lags pitifully behind us with a bare one hundred and sixty-five and even France can show only eighty-six. The fact is, the domestic life of this country is in an appalling condition, says the Rev. Madison C. Peters, D. D., in the April New Idea Women's Magazine. Excessive fashion is one great foe of home-making.

Why the race for riches? For vulgar display, great houses—so many houses as to have no home—sumptuous furnishings, costly equipages—these are the things that seem to constitute for many Americans a perfect paradise—in prospect only; for when the Eden is gained the hot breath of a si-moon has withered the verdure and the flowers, dried up the fountain, and slain the singing birds, and there is little or no domestic happiness or life.

Many a woman would be willing to sacrifice for the sake of becoming a man's wife, but most men who do not marry on the pretext of economy are persons who could marry if they were willing to sacrifice some of their luxurious habits and private vices and were content to begin life with simple, honest, wholesome comfort, to be increased as life went on.

But, no; they must start where their parents left off; they must cut a dash; they love their pleasure too much to sacrifice any portion of it for domestic bliss. The sentiment has become prevalent that a man must make his fortune before he marries; that his wife must have no sympathy or share with him in the pursuit of it, in which most of the pleasure truly consists.

This unfortunate attitude fills our country with bachelors who are waiting to make their fortunes, endangering virtue and promoting vice; it destroys the true economy and design of the marriage institution, encourages inefficiency among women, who are expected to be taken up by fortune and passively sustained without any concern on their part.

Love without esteem is almost as capricious as esteem without love.

Women usually like to look on the bright side of things—especially mirrors.

He who reforms, God assists.

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