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THE AFTER-GLOW.

The weary day has reached its end at last. Rich sunset tints to darkness slowly turn;

There comes the after-glow.

Love's weary day is done, and fades in pain; No love had fled, 'tis better to forget;

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

Time, like money, is wasted in bits. Look after the moments, and days and weeks will show up all right in the record.

The conqueror is regarded with awe; but it is only the benevolent man that wins our affections.

The world is beginning to learn that it takes less courage to abuse existing evils than to seek reform.

Not a few people long for a salvation that depends upon no effort of their own.

Filthy speech contaminates. The filth which is enmeshed in the thin coating of a jest is more to be dreaded than obscenity or profanity.

There is much writing and speaking about the degeneracy of the times. A great deal of this is pure as supposition, and has its origin in the moribundness of a man who smokes the whole world through his own smoky lens.

If you would find God, he dwelleth on every hilltop and in every valley; God is everywhere in creation; but if you want a special display of him, if you would know what is the secret place of the Most High, the inner chamber of divinity, you must go where you and the church of true believers, for it is here he makes his continual residence.

There being no political advantage in trying to fool the people further, even the dolorous organs of protection are laid to admit that business is improving.

It is fortunate for the Japanese politicians and soldiers that Cokerill, of New York, is in their country. When the time comes for arranging pensions for the veterans of the war he can put them on to some pension schemes that will knock the government silly and melt that Chinese indemnity fund as a handful of snuff in a fiery furnace.

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TRAPS AND SNARES.

CONTRIVANCES THAT SHOW WHAT A GENIUS THE YANKEE IS.

You Would Call Most of the Inventions Absurdities, and Yet They Are Useful—Devices For Poisoning Yests—Rat-traps of Many Kinds.

American invention has given birth to no end of devices which have been established at the patent office in order that they may not perish.

What, for example, could be fannier than the notion of using imitation flowers with poisoned honey to attract noxious insects? The artificial blossoms, containing a small quantity of sugar, are fastened to twigs. Months of destructive species sip the deadly nectar and die.

Another elaborate device of a similar description is intended for the extermination of the pestiferous locust. It consists of a tin can covered as to its upper half with luminous paint.

On the outside of the lower half apple blossoms are represented with the same sort of paint. Inside of the receptacle is a small quantity of oil. The can is to be hung on a branch of an apple tree at night. Insects, attracted by the pictured flowers, light upon the can.

The smell of the oil induces them to enter through holes provided for that purpose. They are then drawn into the oil and are drowned.

Yet it is not always easy to distinguish between a crank idea and a useful discovery. The poisoned counterpoise of the apple tree is a case in point. It worked very well. Many years ago a man got a patent for a method of killing bugs on trees by inclosing the whole tree in a sort of balloon of canvas, into which a small quantity of gas was blown.

The result is a very brilliant object in the water, calculated to attract any predatory creature with fine. Another interesting contrivance is a machine for killing moths and caterpillars. The machine is a cylinder of iron filled with fuel, is drawn along the furrow and destroys the insects as they migrate to other grounds.

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Shortness of Breath, Swelling of Legs and Feet.

"For about four years I was troubled with palpitation of the heart, shortness of breath and swelling of the legs and feet. At times I would faint. I was treated by the best physicians in Savannah, Ga., with no relief. I then tried various Springs, without benefit. Finally I tried

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure also his Nerve and Liver Pills. After beginning to take them I felt better! I continued taking them, and I am now in better health than for many years. Since my recovery I have gained fifty pounds in weight. I hope this statement may be of value to some poor sufferer."

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Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters 25c. at all druggists. Also all Druggists. See 15th D&W for our name and address.

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Early Spring Novelties arriving every day. We have selected some of the most desirable articles and materials in the various departments and will offer them this week at the following extraordinarily low prices.

We are the Acknowledged Leaders. Come and See. Specials for this Week.

COTTON FABRICS. Satin and China Calicoes at 7c yd. Windsor Blk Satin, figured 12c yd. Matsui Batiste Plisse 20c yd. Ravelle, 7c yd. Flourelles, 7c yd. Drap de Vienne, 15c yd.

Stirred effects in all colors, 10c, 15c, 25c. Fresh arrivals 36-inch Percales 12c. New line Prints in light colors 5c yd. Irish Dimities, 12c yd. Beautiful line French Organdies 35c. Plain and Fancy Dimities. Galetta in variety of colors, 12c yd.

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Black Dress Goods. 85c all wool Henriettes, 65c yd. 80c all wool Henriettes, 37c yd. 80c all wool Serge, 60c yd. 80c all wool Serge, 40c yd. 75c all wool French Serge, 50c yd. 75c all wool French Serge, 50c yd. 85c all wool Royalene, 1.25 yd. 85c all wool Granites, 65c yd.

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DEAD ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

Dead on the field of battle. Still we have gone. Remembrance here when we have gone. Oh, may our latest deed ourselves weep and And breathe about the world our woe!

Dead on the field of battle. Heaven send If truth was given us we keep that trust. If brave, we may be brave and true. So value shall be kindled from our dust.

On some stillborn, at calling of the roll. When storm and stress for me we will go by. Amid the silence may some comrade soul "Dead on the field of battle" then reply. —Edith M. Thomas in Youth's Companion.

WILD COSSACK RIDERS. Two Americans Saw Them Break a Winter Camp in Turkestan.

Messa, Allen and Sachleben, who went around the world on bicycles, give the following account of some of their experiences in Turkestan:

One of the chief incidents of our pleasant sojourn was that of Governor Ivanoff. We were invited to head the procession of the Cossack of their annual departure for their summer encampment in the mountains. After the usual religious ceremony they filed out from the city parade ground. Being unavoidably detained for a few moments, we did not see them until some time after the column had started. As we dashed by to the front with the American and Russian flags fluttering side by side from the handle bars, cheer after cheer arose from the ranks, and even the governor and his party doffed their caps in acknowledgment.

At the camp we were favored with a special exhibition of horsemanship. By a single twist of the reins the steeds would fall to the ground, and their riders crouch down behind them as a bulwark in battle. Then, dashing forward at full speed, they would spring to the ground and leap back again into the saddle, or hanging by their legs would reach over and pick up a handkerchief, cap or a soldier supposed to be wounded. All these movements we photographed with our camera.

Of the endurance of these Cossacks and their Kingbirds horses we had a practical test. Overtaking a Cossack courier in the early part of a day's journey, he became so interested in the velocipede, as the Russians call the bicycle, that he attempted to get on it. It is possible. He stood with us the whole day, over a distance of 55 miles. His chief compensation was in witnessing the surprise of the natives, to whom he would shout across the fields to come and see the tomahawk, adding in Russian that we were the American gentlemen who had ridden all the way from America. Our speed was not slow, and frequently the poor fellow would have to resort to the whip or shout "Gloria to the Kingbird!" and "Gloria to the town is not far away. It is not necessary to hurry so."

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