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THE GERMAN EMPEROR'S WAR.

It is the German Emperor's war. It is born of his jealousy and fear of the power of the Czar of Russia. The war came a little ahead of time. The Czar is not quite ready. But he is spending \$300,000,000 a year getting ready. The Emperor decided to "call" the Czar now.

The assassination of the Austrian crownprince is the excuse. Russia affected to see Austrian seizure of all Serbia as the result of the Austrian-Serbian war and began preparations to check Austria. Germany demanded that Russia desert in this. Russia pretended to see joint German and Austrian enjoyment of an annexed Serbia and refused to desert. Germany declared war on Russia.

Austria would not have moved against Serbia if not told to "go ahead," by Germany. For Austria knew that Russia, "blood-kin nation" of Serbia, would spring upon Austria the moment Austria started into Serbia.

Serbia begged Austria not to make war on her. For, forsooth, Russia, her defender was not ready. But Austria made cruel demands which Serbia could not grant in their entirety. For, forsooth, Germany was ready. Even then Serbia groveled and begged so abjectly before Austria that it looked like Austria must hesitate. But Austria, bent on war at Germany's behest, declared war.

The German Emperor could have restrained Austria. Had he joined with the other powers to induce Austria to arbitrate, there would have been no war. It may be that he believed himself powerful enough to localize the war to Austria and Serbia, thus accomplishing the purpose (subjugation of Serbia) and that he made a mistake in this. But, as things stand, he is accused of being responsible for the conflict that is on.

Ferdinand may have been assassinated by an irresponsible individual. Others said not; that it was a political plot. Ferdinand was in high favor with Germany. With him dead, way is made for Charles Francis, favored by Russia. But even that is not the cause of the war. It is a clash for ascendancy between the Slavic and Teutonic powers of Europe.

Justify an Association.

France has an association which gives loans of the word of honor of the people. It is chiefly for men or women who are of humble position, and in most cases the money is returned promptly.

Literature.

Literature would pay better if there were not so many dead men in the business.—George Randolph Cheever.

Sport Before Schedules.

"What time will this train reach Perkins Junction?" asked a traveler on a short line railroad. "There ain't no telling," said the conductor affably. "Me and the engineer are givin' ter get off down the road a piece an' hunt rabbits for a spell."

Truth and Love.

Truth makes love doubly sweet or know.—Lelah Hunt.

Not a Chance.

We do not claim any extraordinary degree of intelligence, but one thing is sure, no girl can land us with a fish hook curl.—Miss Waukeo Journal.

Wonderful Alaskan Dogs.

The principal means of transportation in Alaska is dog sleds. A good dog is worth \$150 to \$200. He has wonderful endurance and can live on Alaskan atmosphere.

Character.

Character is made up of small duties faithfully performed, of self denials, of sacrifices, of kindly acts of love and duty.—Emerson.

Beneath Wisdom.

Revenge is always the weak pleasure of a little and narrow mind.—Juvenal.

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Ornaments of the Oyster.

A kindergarten teacher, after explaining to her much interested class that birds have feathers, bears have fur, sheep have wool, etc., asked the question: "Now, who can tell me what oysters have?" A bright little girl, very eager to recite, answered: "Crackers."—National Monthly.

Joy in Work Well Done.

We enjoy ourselves only in our work—in our doing; and our best doing is our best enjoyment.—Jacobi.

Motion Retarded.

Intoxicated Party—"O'fir, will you be kind nuff to blindfold me so I can't see those 'Stop, look and listen' signs on the telegraph poles? It's taken me half an hour to walk two blocks tryin' to co-operate in this safety business."—Buffalo Express.

Good Health Hint.

Don't forget that microbes are apt to lurk about the mouth of the milk bottle. It should be carefully wiped off before the milk is poured out.

Charley's Fishing.

"Does your husband go fishing?" "Yes," replied young Mrs. Tokina. "Haven't fish peculiar names? The last fishing trip Charley sat for three hours trying to catch a fish."—Washington Star.

Recipe for Happiness.

Happiness comes from striving, doing, loving, believing, conquering—always, something positive and forcible.—David Starr Jordan.

Man and Music.

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast"—so that explains why men are more susceptible to music than women. It is the truth that all men respond to some kind of music, from Russian to ragtime, according to their tastes. Music is certainly a close second to a man's stomach as a road to that destination—his heart.

Idiocy Properly Treated.

Doctor Grouch was going leisurely down street the other evening when a cutup stopped him and asked him to guess a silly riddle. Grouch halted off and eeked the cutup in the jaw so hard that he bumped a hole in the sidewalk with his head. There were no arrests.—Kansas City Star.

More Important.

He—"Darling, refuse me, and I shall never love another girl!" She (briskly)—"What I want is a man who will promise me that if I accept him."—Judge.

No One is Perfect.

Each one has his own burden, his own fault; no one can do without the aid of others, therefore we must assist each other by consolation, advice and mutual warnings.—Leo Tolstol.

When It Will Come.

Not until every woman will be able to get a hat satisfactory to herself as a price satisfactory to her husband will the millennium be at hand.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Mr. Knocker, Take the Stand."

The man who tells the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth is called a knocker.

Jumping the Traces.

It seems to be normal in people to crave abnormal experiences. The trouble with taking a fling, as one sometimes terms a light indiscretion, is that it concerns the timber and fiber of personality. Growth is the only thing worth while in experience, and folly is never a direct road to any goal.—Los Angeles Times.

Garlic for Wasp Stings.

The inhabitants of French-Switzerland and Savoy rub a crushed clove of garlic upon a spot that has been stung by a wasp or a bee. According to Professor Marmod of Lausanne, this makes the swelling go down and takes away the pain.

Peculiar Classification.

In the consular office at Washington acts against the law are recorded under a few main heads, such as murder, burglary, etc. A lady who was working there recently ran across the crime, "Running a blind tiger." After a puzzled moment she placed it under the list, "Cruelty to Animals."

Lots Like That.

A certain famous skyscraper builder said in his New York office the other day, apropos of coats and valises: "Coats and valises get confused because there are so many men who, if sunshine had to be paid for, would swear that gold gave a much more brilliant light."—New York Times.

Where the Leak Is.

"If I had a wife who would do some sewing for me I wouldn't lose so much money out of the holes in my pockets," growled Mr. Gabb. "The only hole in a man's pocket that he loses money out of is the hole at the top," replied Mrs. Gabb.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Much Work on Small Box.

The construction of a cigar box may seem to be a very simple matter to the novice, but the box passes through nineteen processes before it is ready to receive the cigars.

The Soft Answer.

It is hard telling just what attitude to take with regard to the allegations and alleged misstatements and unkind remarks of other people. It does not pay to be too skinned. Besides, the other fellow may have been misquoted; and even if he said it, this saying sometimes does not make it so glaring a thing of that sort brings it to the quickest death in the world and turns bad feeling into good. There is a book that says: "A soft answer turneth away wrath."—Los Angeles Times.

Profit of Books.

The profit of books is according to the sensibility of the reader. The profoundest thought or passion sleeps in a mine, unless an equal mind and heart finds and publishes it.—Emerson.

Explanation Enough.

Passenger—"That last station was my destination, sah. Why, sah, didn't you stop there?" Conductor—"We don't stop there any more. The engineer is mad at the station agent."—Sacred Heart Review.

The Microbe Age.

The old-fashioned boy who used to eat red ants spread on his bread and butter now has a son who won't touch a table knife until he knows that it has been properly sterilized.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Chance for Grannie.

A little English boy wrote to his grandmother from his boarding school, in time for her birthday. The letter ran thus: "Dear Grannie: I want to send you a birthday present, but I haven't any money. So if you will send me the money you always give me for Christmas now, I'll buy you something nice with it. I'm thinking of a pair of ptois a boy here will sell cheap or a gramophone that another boy has. I could use them until I come home."

His Complaint.

"What's the matter?" asked the sympathetic motorist, as he halted before a pedestrian had broken down. "Tire trouble," replied the tramp, who was, indeed, our old friend, Weary Willie.

To Stop a Hole.

If using plaster of paris to fill a wall crack instead of vinegar instead of water, which will make it more like putty. Work it in the gap and smooth with an old knife. It will not then harden before you have time to apply it as when water is used.

Unlucky Coins.

A peculiar superstition relating to coins is said to be current in Burma. The inhabitants prefer those bearing female heads, believing that coins with masculine effigies will not bring so much luck.

Great Poet's Splendid Eye.

According to Trelaway no man had brighter eyes than Byron; they were gray, and fringed with long black lashes. Lady Blessington, writing of him a few months before his departure to Greece, adds that one eye was visibly larger than the other.

Universal Love of Novel.

Novels are sweet. All people with healthy literary appetites love them—almost all women, a vast number of clear, hard-headed men, judges, bishops, chancellors, mathematicians, are notorious novel readers, as well as young boys and sweet girls, and their kind, tender mothers.—William Makepeace Thackeray.

Appearance is Not All.

A gentle spirit may express itself in rude words of illiteracy; it is not therefore rude. Rudianism may speak the language of learning or religion; it is ruffianism still. Strength may wear the garb of weakness, and still be strong; and a weakling may carry the weapons of strength, but fight with a faint heart.—Harold Bell Wright.

Mentally Cramped.

People who have their attention eternally fixed on one object can't help being a little narrow in their notions.—Poole.

Wisdom of Mohammed.

A man's true wealth is the good he does in this world. When he dies mortals will ask: What property has he left behind? But angels will inquire: What good deeds hast thou sent before thee?—Mohammed.

Quite Mechanical.

"Yes," said Mrs. Trickenbury, "my daughter has published several poems, but all of them autonomously."—Christian Register.

Really a Good Idea.

"Is your wife going to wear her diamonds to the grand opera?" "Of course," answered Mr. Cumrox. "We can't all appreciate music, and we ought to try to make grand opera interesting even for those who go merely to look on."

Not Enough.

Hustle Nit—"This book says that that bloomin' Frenchman Marat was stabbed while taking a bath." Park-bench Daily—"Is dat all he got fur it?"

Old Master's Work.

Mrs. Parvenue—"That picture in the corner is by an old master." Mrs. Swartleigh—"Indeed! I would never have guessed it." Mrs. Parvenue—"Yes, the man I bought it from gave me a written guaranty that the painter was past seventy-five before he did a stroke of it."

Real Test.

A well-behaved man never knows whether his wife loves him or not. But let him commit a crime, and she will not only proclaim her affection, but she will stand by him in a manner to attract the attention and admiration of the civilized world.—Tospeka Capital.

How Adage Would Work With Him.

The Clubman—"Circumstances alter cases, you know." The Lawyer—"Yes, and a few good cases would materially alter my circumstances."—Boston Transcript.

Worth It.

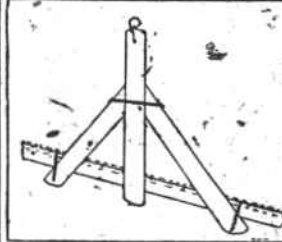
Bald-Headed Gentleman (in barber's shop)—"You ought to cut my hair cheaper; there is nothing much to cut." Hairdresser—"Oh, no; in your case we don't charge for cutting the hair, we charge for having to search for it."



OPERATION OF ROAD GRADER

Narrow and Packer Can Be Used to Advantage at Finish to Properly Compact the Soil.

When the time comes to grade the road, put a plow team at work the day before, and go down as deep as you can, turning over the breaking of the previous year. Some folks think that the grader was made to plow with, but I never could figure it that way, writes S. R. Crawley in Farm Stock and Farm. Then start moving the earth over the center of the grade. Set the grader blade at a reasonable sharp slant, and beat on the inside of the plowing. Carry your first load well up the center of the new grade from either side before you bite into



Good Road Presser.

any more. Then take another load and move it in after the same fashion, and so on until you have come to the outside of the new ditch. In the meantime have one man along with a crowbar to dig stone and a plow team to turn loads on the ditches as soon as the first plowing has been carried out. In other words, don't try to plow with the grader. Not until you have raised the grade to what you want it, and are clearing out the ditches. Then scrape them down to a smooth surface, and carry the scrapings in. Meanwhile a harrow and a packer can be used to good advantage on the grade compacting the soil.

And after the whole job is completed, and you have a well-rounded roadway built, drive back and forth with a wagon until you have made a path that others will follow.

TREES ALONG COUNTRY ROADS

Not Only Useful as Shade to Stock in Fields, but Add Greatly to Beauty of Thoroughfares.

At a recent farmers' institute meeting the planting of trees along the country roads was advocated. It is a plan worthy of consideration everywhere. Trees beside country highways are not of less value and importance than along the streets of a city. They are not only useful as shade to the stock in the fields and to those who travel along the roads, but they add greatly to the beauty of the thoroughfares and are a distinct asset to the farmers by increasing the attractiveness of their land, says an Illinois writer in Farmer's Review.

The theory of the speaker was that the trees should be planted inside of the road boundaries and not on the farm land, and that the planting should be done as a part of the road improvement at public expense or by local organizations out of a common fund. The work would have to be done with system, of course, and provision made for the care of the trees once they were planted, but this system could easily be worked out. Objection might be raised in some quarters that shaded roads would not dry out easily after rains and would, therefore, be muddy at inconvenient times, but the proper training and trimming of the trees would remedy this difficulty.

Every one, even the farmer without a shade tree on his premises, admits the attraction of a shaded road on a hot summer day. Every traveler on such a day greets a bit of woods or an overhanging orchard as an oasis in a desert land and wishes that it stretched on for miles. The occasional land owner who has lined his side of the road with shade trees—or even with fruit trees—is regarded by the traveler as a good Samaritan and blessings go out to him. The time will come, perhaps, when trees along the country roads are desirable and essential and their absence will show lack of proper enterprise in the community.

Old-Fashioned Ideas.

Of course, there were, and still are in isolated localities, persons who cling to the bad roads of their grandfathers, and resist any attempt to make improvements. These are those who also regret the passing of the spinning wheel, and the domestic weaving loom, with which the women used to make the cloth for clothing the family.

It is a wifely waste of money to spend it upon roads that are not given proper drainage.

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COFFEE IN DEMAND

Porto Rican Crop Wanted Abroad But Not in United States.

Grapefruit and Coconuts Offer Big Opportunities for Investment, Although Sugar and Tobacco Still Lead as Exports.

Washington, D. C.—The coffee raised in our island possession, Porto Rico, is in great demand abroad and the foreign market for it is at the top of the price list of coffee from all over the world, according to exports at the United States department of agriculture's Porto Rican experiment station. However, the people of the United States have developed a taste for a different kind of coffee, and the preference of a great many people will have to be changed in order to obtain a larger market for Porto Rican coffee in this country. The cost of changing the acquired taste of the American seems too great to justify the attempt so long as such excellent prices are obtained elsewhere for the product.

During the past year, says the department's annual report of the department's station in Porto Rico, the value of the exports of coffee amounted to a great deal more than they ever have since the American occupation. Better cultivation and higher prices have enabled the coffee industry to show great progress, and planters are now following better practices in the selection of their seed for planting. The department's station is introducing the so-called "Java" and other coffees which are yielding better than native coffees and giving a higher percentage of large and uniform grains. The coffee is grown for distribution to planters on the island and has been resulting in greater yields as well as in better prices for the planters.

Of the coffee exported during the past year, \$4,782,243 worth went to foreign countries, while only \$12,970 worth went to the United States. Although today there exists a benefit of tariff, the coffee is still following the old lines of trade established by tariff laws during the Spanish regime. It is a marked indication of the truth that trade established upon preference of taste for a certain product is a most difficult one to change. However, associations and individuals are still striving to extend the market and to gain even a higher reputation for the coffee of Porto Rico.

The grapefruit industry which started from nothing ten years ago is now thriving in Porto Rico and promises good returns to the man with perseverance, industry, and personal supervision. Porto Rico is safe from frosts that threaten the industry on the mainland and as the open door of the best market in the world—New York and the eastern seaboard. The grapefruit industry represents the highest type of intensive farming, and is sure to increase to a much greater extent in Porto Rico as the trees which are already planted come into bearing.

The value of the exports of grapefruit last year (\$726,687) was exceeded by the exports of two other fresh-fruit industries which have been established for a much greater period in the island. Oranges were exported to the value of \$740,010, and pineapples to the value of \$1,142,007; \$151,981 worth of canned pineapples was also exported.

There is considerable planting of coconuts in Porto Rico and there are extensive areas yet where these trees may be profitably set out. A coconut grove, properly cared for, yields a sure and steady income. Better cultivation, the growing of vegetables among the trees, the utilization of seaweed and other manures, yield excellent returns over cost.

The value of exports of coconuts for the past year amounted to \$352,290. Besides being interested in coconuts, the department's agricultural station has a number of other nut-bearing trees on trial, both edible and oil-bearing, and it is hoped that some will prove profitable for cultivation there.

Although the other agricultural products show great promise, sugar and tobacco still continue to lead all others by a big margin. The exports of sugar during the last year had a total value of \$7,312,905, while the value of the tobacco exports was, manufactured, \$5,274,830; unmanufactured, \$1,188,227.

Planters are now introducing improved varieties of cane, while the cultivation and fertilization of the crop has been vastly improved. On the other hand, lands not well suited to the crop have been planted and others have been continuously planted to cane, so that yields have been reduced to a minimum. Many of these lands will now go out of cultivation. Porto Rican tobacco, as well as sugar, is being improved in quality. This improvement is resulting in its finding a larger market and increasing prices. There is a large population skilled in certain lines of tobacco manufacturing such as cigar-making.

Four Sets of Twins Born. New York.—Four sets of twins were born within 16 hours in the Jewish Maternity hospital. Mothers and babes were doing well.

Youth Weighs 409 Pounds. Sergeant, Ky.—James Sturgill, aged sixteen, five feet and eleven inches tall, weighs 409 pounds and is still growing.

NOTICE.

I have this day sold to J. W. Oden my undertaking business and good will of same. W. T. Farrow will pay all debts contracted prior to July 14th, and all debts due the concern will be collected by W. T. Farrow. Mr. J. W. Oden will continue the business at the present location. This July 14th, 1914. W. T. FARROW.

SHE MIGHT HAVE BEEN QUEEN

Queen Victoria's Claim Descended From the Stuart Kings of England.

Denver, Col.—But for the defeat of James II of England at the battle of Boyne, Mrs. Mary II of Scotland, as she is, instead of Victoria, daughter of the duke of Kent, might have reigned as queen of England, says a Denver News Sterling correspondent. She declares she is a direct descendant of the Stuart kings through the line of Charles I, through his son, James II, through the pretender, son of James II, and finally through the young pretender, son of the old pretender.

The young pretender, Charles, did not succeed in maintaining his claim to the British throne, but had the fortunes of war gone in his favor, and the Stuart family instead of the house of Hanover prevailed in the struggle for the crown, Mrs. How came she had as valid a claim to the throne as had Victoria.

Mrs. Her is seventy-eight years old. She was born in Canada two years before Victoria came to the throne. She was for many years a teacher and writer for the press, and is engaged in lecturing in the cause of temperance. She is a woman of brilliant attainments and pleasing personality. She is connected with some of the most notable families of the United States, being a descendant of Gen. Thomas Gage, commander of the British forces at Boston during the Revolutionary war. She is a cousin of Lyman G. Gage, secretary of the treasury under President McKinley, and is closely related to Oscar Underwood of the house of representatives, and to former Governor Carpenter of the Philippines.

TUMULTY IS AVERSE TO CATS

Secretary to President Refuses to Sign Lease for Cottage Until Felines Are Barred.

Washington.—Secretary to the President Joseph P. Tumulty refused to sign a lease for his summer cottage at Avon-by-the-Sea until a cistnae slat.



Joseph P. Tumulty.

ing that the vicinity was free from cats was inserted. Mr. Tumulty was greatly annoyed by nocturnal gatherings of cats last year.

CHICKENS CAUSE OF TROUBLE

Woman Says Hubby and Girl Spent Night Hours Feeding Them.

Brooklyn.—Mrs. Alice Carlson of Brooklyn explained to Advisory Master Roe in Jersey City in the trial of her divorce suit against her husband, Adolphus M. Carlson, why she left her husband.

Carlson had a peculiar notion that the chickens on his farm at Dundee needed feeding at ten o'clock at night. When he required the assistance of Miss Bertha Stavangaugh, a visitor, and it took both of them an hour to give the chickens their late-suppers, Mrs. Carlson balked.

Edward Carlson, the twelve-year-old son of the pair, testified that he spent most of his time with Miss Stavangaugh because he did not like his mother. When his mother wanted to kiss him he slapped her face. The boy was withdrawn from the stand by the master, who said that he believed the boy's mind had been poisoned.

JAIL MEN FAVOR PROHIBITION

Fifteen Hundred Inmates of Pennsylvania Penitentiary Seek Prevention of Liqueur Sale.

Philadelphia.—A petition drafted by prisoners in the eastern penitentiary declaring that fully 70 per cent of the crimes within this state is directly attributable to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors and asking for the enactment of prohibition legislation is being circulated among the convicts confined in that institution. It is reported that 1,500 signatures of inmates of the prison will be attached to the petition which is to be presented to the legislature. The editor of a paper published in the penitentiary by the prisoners initiated the movement.

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