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AT HOME AND ABROAD

A small opening often leads to large opportunities.

A truthful man sometimes has to tell a lie to attract attention.

A woman with electricity in her hair should turn the switch.

Cannibals must have easily-satisfied palates.

You cannot reform a bad egg by putting it in cold storage.

This country is too large to feel crowded even when it gets two ex-presidents at once.

Mr. Morgan cares not who makes the money provided he can handle it.

An optimist is a man who believes two can live as cheaply as one.

If you want to flatter a person and make it stick, just tell him that he is not easily flattered.

The person who scatters sunshine along his or her way need have little fear of the judgment.

An ideal hubby is one who never breaks any of the promises made before marriage.

About the only difference between a job and a position is in the amount of work.

All men are equal at the altar—that is, none of them count for anything.

The man who never brags about his pugilistic abilities wins the majority of fights.

Sudden popularity runs full of many men as sudden prosperity.

A man who lays forty eggs a day. It might be well to let a few run with the hen.

If the good were to teach higher morals this old world would be in a bad way.

It is getting so there are nearly as many people mortgaging their homes to buy automobiles as there are to buy eggs.

A man who is married may not be able to do anything he wishes, but neither does he do anything just as his wife wishes.

More men fall from being light headed than because they can't balance what they have in their upper stories.

The democratic victory doesn't seem to have impoverished one of the candidate's supply of language.

We have never yet seen a man so loyal to party that he would refuse votes from the other side.

"Language was made to conceal thought." Some people are keeping a lot of things to themselves.

Every man gets to the front sooner or later. If in no other way, he always heads his own funeral procession.

We feel like offering a prize to the aviator who will soar above the high cost of living and drop a bomb on it.

A Burmese official has been arrested for stealing 250 elephants. This is the largest theft on record.

The jar a man receives when he slips on a banana peel usually breaks one of the commandments.

Burbank has grown a seedless prune, and now it is up to him to produce a pruneless boarding house.

The souvenir business is the modern way of disposing of stuff that no one has any earthly use for.

For an animal with so many corsets stays concealed about its person, the whale has a very poor form.

There is no reasoning with a girl who has made up her mind to get married. She has done passed that stage.

Some men are so light in their upper story that they have to part their hair in the middle to preserve their mental equilibrium.

One of the complaints...

When a man gets so he doesn't enjoy picnic an inspection will show that his head carries gray hairs.

When attending a theater, a big hat in front is not nearly as offensive as a whiskey perturbed breath behind.

Flour and lard are getting so high that bakers have found it necessary to reduce the size of the hole in the doughnut.

While President Wilson is laying down the law in Washington Prof. Taft will be busily engaged in explaining it at Yale.

What is this talk about the Premier Borden of Canada? We thought the first Borden was the man that invented milk.

It is true that coffee is going to take a big drop, maybe more of us will be able to take a drop or two.

"We try to, sir," said Mr. Morgan when asked if his firm did a general banking business. There is nothing like trying.

If any cute little panic needs coddling it need not apply to Mr. Wilson. It will get a kick right on the shinbone.

One thing is sure. Whatever does or does not happen, Col. W. J. Bryan will be a very busy man.

The Oregon Agricultural College will teach poultrying with moving pictures. A picture of the hen getting a move on would be something like it.

Senator Dixon's statements issued just before the votes were cast should entitle him to an exalted position in the council of the Ananias Club.

Two Irishmen recently died, aged 119 and 120. The former smoked, the latter did not. See what an end smoking may bring to you.

When Uncle Joe sang his swan song solo, a whole lot of other expiring statesmen moistened their lips preparatory to joining in the chorus.

While the peace delegates are sitting in St. James Palace, London, Greece and Turkey are kicking each other under the table.

The New York Evening Sun speaks of the dangers of large cities without remarking that the danger of New York is its wild Westernism.

Alas for the good old days when papa was satisfied with a pair of carpet slippers and all the other members of the family a nice little trinket.

Gov. Wilson was not back from Berlin long before he discovered that the date of the inauguration is the least of his troubles.

When a man in the White House regards answering 1000 letters as merely a vacation incident, an active administration may be expected.

It must be admitted that J. Bryan has shown great composure in the midst of much agitation concerning his cabinet prospects.

A Presidential inauguration does not consider the health of those connected with it so extent customary in great outdoor sports.

London doubtless wishes... (text partially obscured)

Mr. Bryan, it is rumored, has not gone so far away that he could not be reached by a writ of mandamus compelling his presence in the cabinet.

When meeting a woman these days with "Mrs." affixed to her name, it is the part of wisdom to learn if it is present or past tense before inquiring to much about her hubby.

Why is it that the boy who requires corporal persuasion to get him to do chores at home will spend his playtime working for a neighbor and think it lots of fun.

Taft has decided to leave all the old tariff rubbish behind him in the cellar for the new Democratic housekeeper to have cleaned out. That's the worst about these movings.

The egg sales that enthusiastic high cost of living smashers are holding all over the country doubtless enable the cold storage people to dispose of a lot of shop worn stock.

Oscar Hammerstein is finding considerable opposition to his efforts to re-establish himself as a producer of grand opera in New York. Even art develops the freeze out as one of its incidents.

Yale is lucky in securing an able addition to its law faculty, Mr. Taft fortunate in finding a congenial position where his legal talents will have a field for their exercise. His acceptance of the Kent professorship of law disposes very happily of the problem of what we shall do with one ex-president.

Pencils are being made from potatoes and men's collars from milk. If some friend from humanity would only discover a method whereby the squall of the croaker could be transformed into an article of diet and the wasted energy of the knocker harnessed and used for motive power, we would feel that the millenium was close at hand.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 1.—It was announced today that President Taft has leased the Parmelee mansion here for a term of two years with the privilege of purchasing. The President is expected to take up his residence here soon after leaving the White House.

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