SALT AND SINCERITY.

Nothing succeeds like distress.

The bigger a little man is, the less he amounts to.

Birds of a feather occasionally prefer to flock apart.

The man who has a large heart cannot have a light one.

What is sauce for the gander may be saucy for the goose.

One who knows does not talk; one who talks does not know.

If you mind your own business you won't work more than eight hours a day.

"They belong to the landed aristocracy." "Indeed! when did they land?"

The average woman wishes to be idealized and strongly objects to being understood.

A disciple is a man who does not understand. He thinks that he is on, but he isn't.

A woman may be a mystery to a man and to herself, but never to another woman.

People who take pains never to do any more than they are paid for never get paid for any more than they do.

If you have a wife and love her, tell her so—tell her half a dozen times a day. This was said by a bachelor.

Some writers are famous for the books they have written; others for the books they ought to have written.

There is a subtle sympathy produced by marked passages. Put faint pencil marks, then lend the volume, and you will know your fate.

It may be that there is a bigger bit of political clap-trap than the statement that all men are born free and equal, but I cannot just recall it at the moment.

"My son," said the philosopher, on his death-bed, "My son, two things you should never do. First, do not endeavor to pry into the future, for if you will only wait you shall know all. And, second, do not chase after women, for if you do not they will chase after you. Farewell."

Relieved of the presence of that social pacemaker, the chaperon, the disciples of Plato are wont to take long walks, and further on, they spend whole days in the country.—The Critic.

NEW-FOUND PHILOSOPHY.

Some people cannot see a joke even after they cut their eyeteeth.

He is a wise man who takes some other's umbrella, though it be not raining.

He who would rid himself of relatives needs only to fall from prosperity to poverty.

A collar button is a small thing and yet there are those who charge it with being the root of all evil.

The man who holds his tongue gets credit for being brainy, while he may merely be deaf and dumb.

One can never tell how much brains a man has by the size of his hat; the man's head may be swollen.

If our ambitions panned out according to our hopes, there would be no small potatoes in this world.

A man who has little money is justified in saying that happiness does not consist in having wealth.

If you talk back to a woman she will tell you you are no gentleman; if you remain silent she will call you a coward.

Many a man who is a Chesterfield in the presence of another's wife, is a rude boor to his own wife behind his own doors.

PHILOSOPHIC MAUNDERINGS.

The best way to win on a horse race is to forget to take any money to the poolroom with you.

Work is a great thing to keep man's mind off his troubles, unless work happens to be his trouble.

The chimney sweep, anyway, is always ready to admit that he is just as black as he is sooted.

Atlas may have held the world on his shoulders, but Mr. Morgan wasn't standing on the world then.

No matter what else may clamor for recognition, it's always safe to bank on uncertainty as a sure thing.

The general who hesitates long at the possibility of losing a battle will not realize his one hope of winning.

It isn't really necessary or quite conventional for the ex-convict to engrave his number on his visiting cards.

A phrenologist would have a hard time to determine the character of the average prize fighter by the bumps on his head.

Not once in a lifetime does man get out of range of the possible calamity.—Baltimore News.

MISTAKES OF LIFE.

To take off heavy underclothing because you become overheated.

To sleep exposed to a direct draught at any season, says Woman's Life.

It is a mistake to work when you are not in a fit condition to do so.

To conclude that the smallest room in the house is large enough to sleep in.

To imagine that if a little work or exercise is good, violent or prolonged exercise is better.

To go to bed late at night and rise at daybreak, and imagine that every hour taken from sleep is an hour gained.

To give unnecessary time to a certain established routine of housekeeping when it could be more profitably spent in rest or recreation.

To eat as if you had only a minute in which to finish the meal and to eat without an appetite, or to continue after it has been satisfied to gratify the taste.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Vanity is the daughter of selfishness.

The mornings seem to be getting up earlier of late.

Unrequited love soon acquires a job lot of wrinkles.

Sweetening one's coffee is the first stirring event of the day.

A man may be every inch a gentlemen and not very tall at that.

The man who loves his wife's relations is as blessed as he is scarce.

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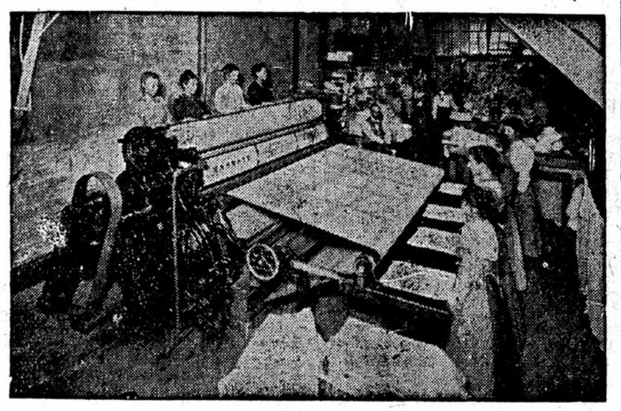

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A lot of time is wasted by clocks that run too fast and by fast young men.

Woman's idea of worldly wisdom is to know the failings of her neighbors.

There is nothing original about Wall street, which is noted for its quotations.

The absent may be at fault, but those present are always supplied with excuses.

If silence is golden the woman who is deaf and dumb must be twenty-four carets fine.

Some men seem to think that the milk of human kindness flows only from bottles.

The man who makes the best of everything should have no trouble in disposing of his wares.

When a man orders spring lamb in a cheap restaurant he begins to realize how tough it is to die young.

The patience of the average man doesn't get a chance to rest until after he has acquired a monument.

It sometimes happens that a domestic explosion is the result of a lot of theories getting into a man's head.

Before being taught how to shoot it might be well for the young idea to learn how to know when it is loaded.

A woman wants to see everything that goes on. That is probably the reason why she stands in front of a mirror while dressing.—Chicago Daily News.

SCRAPS.

On March 23, 1,545 cases of smallpox were under treatment in London.

In Russia factories are usually near forests, wood being still the chief fuel.

Ping-pong punch is the very newest thing in soda water fountain concoctions.

Tierra del Fuego is full of minerals, among which is no small proportion of gold.

There is one dentist to a few more than 4,000 people in the thickly settled states.

The gimlet screw, the idea of a little girl, brought many millions of dollars to its inventor.

London bridge, when widened, will be lighted from the center and not from the sides.

"I noticed you hoeing your garden yesterday. What are you raising?" "Blisters, mostly."

Germay has imported as much as $10,000,000 worth of apples in one year and $2,500,000 worth of pears.

Although ordinary wood alcohol is a poison, Ohio is the only state which prohibits its sale on that account.

William Boucher of Baltimore, who is still living, made the first screw-head banjo in 1847. It is now in the National Museum.

BITS OF LEARNING.

In some districts of China pigs are harnessed to small wagons and made to draw them.

Meteors almost invariably contain a large quantity of iron and a smaller amount of nickel.

Most of the hotels in Egypt and Algiers are in the hands of Germans, and most of the servants are Germans, too.

The ancient historians say that over one thousand miles of the lower Nile were protected by artificial embankments and other works of engineering skill.

The living species of animals now tabulated number 366,000 distinct species, but hundreds of fresh species—especially of insects—are being added yearly to this list.

The biggest pump in the world is used in an American zinc mine at Fieldensville. It pumps 20,000 gallons a minute, or 30,000,000 a day, and uses over a ton of coal an hour.

A fancy dress ball was recently given in Munich, in which all the guests came dressed as notorious criminals, while the walls were hung with pictures illustrating the most famous crimes.

THOUGHTS OF GREAT MEN.

"Tyrants never sleep."—Voltaire.

"Architecture is petrified music."—Goethe.

"In peace prepare for war."—Washington.

"Don't give up the ship!"—Captain James Lawrence.

"Blood is thicker than water."—Commodore Tatnall.

"Nothing is certain but death and taxes."—Franklin.

"If this be treason, make the most of it."—Patrick Henry.

"Above all things—liberty."—John Selden, English lawyer and statesman.

"I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."—Nathan Hale.

"Liberty and union, one and inseparable, now and forever!"—Daniel Webster.

"God reigns, and the government at Washington still lives."—James A. Garfield, in a brief speech in New York the day of President Lincoln's death.

"Silent in seven languages."—Said by Schleiermacher of the eminent philologist, Emmanuel Bekher, a scholar whose modesty equaled his learning.

Highly Moral Country.

Simple honesty is one of the striking characteristics of the people of Newfoundland—that piety and honesty which accompany an austere religion. Doors are not locked; property lies exposed everywhere, no watch is kept on the fish when they lie drying on the flakes. No man takes advantage of his neighbor, no man quarrels with his brother, no man appeals to the law, nobody is arrested. "If you leave these lying here," said the writer to a man of Birchy Bay, pointing to a magnificent set of caribou antlers, "you'll lose them. These can be sold, you know." "An' who'd take them, sure?" said Jonathan. "Well, I might." "But that would be stealing," he exclaimed. "But you would never know that I was the thief." "Suppose," said he cunningly, "that I went round asking people if they took 'un. Suppose I comes t' you an' says, 'Did you take un?' What could you do? I'd have you then, sure?" "Oh, that's simple. I'd say no." "Oh," he cried in horror, "but that would be a lie!"—Ainslee's Magazine.

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PARAGRAPHS ABOUT PEOPLE.

One of the most decorated men in Europe is Count von Eulenberg, master of the German emperor's household. He is a great favorite with his sovereign, who has conferred on him no fewer than sixty-three decorations.

The youngest peeress at the coronation will be Baroness Clifton of Leighton Bromswold, who is two and a half years old. Her diminutive robes, which will be exact representations of those prescribed for peeresses attending the coronation, have already been ordered.

It is not generally known that Lord Kitchener once seriously contemplated going on the stage. It was while he was a lieutenant in the royal engineers. Not taking very quickly to the army, he consulted the late George Honey, the actor. That gentleman dropped him a note of kindly advice, in which he said: "Stick to the army, Mr. Kitchener; it is a far better shop than the boards. You will be sure to make your mark."

The khedivah had never seen snow in her life and remained this winter in Constantinople to see it. The winter has been mild, and she was growing disappointed, when one day a heavy fall came. She at once ordered out her carriage and drive through her park to have a good look. When she got home she sent out for large trays of snow, with which she and her ladies made snow balls and pelted the little black slaves.

Florizel von Reuter, a lad of nine, has been for the past two years a striking figure in Geneva, for his wonderful talents have attracted the attention of all Switzerland. He is called "the little Mozart" and the "second Paganini." The Conservatoire of Geneva, where for some time he was a pupil, granted him a diploma as virtuoso last June. At the age of three a baby violin was put into his hands, and at four he began the serious study of the violin.

PASSING FANCIES.

It takes the editor to make a long story short.

The pickpocket keeps in close touch with the public.

The man who is long on wheat may be short on dough.

The need of an excuse is the stepmother of invention.

Charity sometimes begins at home, but frequently nowhere.

When one borrows trouble the interest is usually pretty heavy.

Few persons are as easily fooled by others as they are by themselves.

The man who goes all the gaits will become unhinged after a while.

The man who is ashamed of his religion hasn't much to be ashamed of.

Artists and poets frequently get their high ideals by living up close to the roof.

The man who is in the middle of a bad fix is said to be on the ragged edge.

It is easy to see through the man who is fond of making a spectacle of himself.

While the under dog usually has the sympathy of the crowd, the one on top gets the gate receipts.

People like jollity, but not being jollied.—New York Sun.

POOR RICHARD'S ALMANAC.

Dr. Franklin himself in one of the last numbers of his almanac gathered together all the best sayings of Poor Richard, which for twenty-five years had amused and edified the country. These sayings are in constant use at this day. For example:

"Early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise."

"Drive thy business; let it not drive thee."

"Help hands, for I have no lands."

"No gains without pains."

"Constant dropping wears away stones."

Three removes are as bad as a fire."

"He that by the plow would thrive must either hold or drive."

"A fat kitchen makes a lean will."

"Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other."

It was such homely maxims as these, inserted in all the little gaps of the almanac, that made it so popular. Franklin said he sometimes sold 10,000 copies in a year, a wonderful sale for that day. The first number of Poor Richard's Almanac appeared in 1732.

CURRENT WISDOM.

One touch of humor makes the whole world grin.

An inch of performance is worth a yard of promise.

When a lazy man stops to think he is seldom able to start again.

If a man is a wit he says things; if he is a humorist he writes them.

When a woman argues the very best she can do is convince herself.

The trouble with a great many actors is that they are only imitation actors.

Some individuals are so persistent in trying to do their best that they even do their best friends.

THOUGHTS FOR EVERY DAY.

Home keeping hearts are happiest.—Longfellow.

The woman with tact is the salvation of problematic situations. You'll be glad if you cultivate her acquaintance.

Let him scatter his flowers as he goes along, since he will never go over the same road again.—Orison Swett Marden.

BUBBLES.

A train hand—the dressmaker.

Running in debt—the instalment watch.

An idle jest—the one the humorist can't sell.

In the waltz some people are sure to get all turned around.

A child who is "a bad egg" cannot easily be whipped into shape.

Even people who are wrapped up in themselves may get "undone."

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