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Good afternoon, Mayor GILROY!

To-morrow the Assembly sounds at Albany.

Mexico's border warfare has too many American fringes to it.

The weather evidently made a second resolve to do better.

At any rate the Umbria got into port the same year it started.

Trolley line excursions will soon be current events in Harlem.

If New York has its own way it will speedily get that Fifth avenue parkway.

It was 2,000 miles across, yesterday's storm. We had company in our drenching.

It's just as well that such a gloomy New Year's day as yesterday should appear on the business calendar as no day at all.

Discussion of the man who may be New York's next Senator will presently merge into dissection of the man who is.

The Broadway Surface Car Company cannot too soon substitute its new cable for the string upon which it is now keeping the public.

Paradoxical as it may seem New York State will not be "out of the woods" until the preservation of its Adirondack forests is assured.

STEVE ELKINS is now at the head of a company of Colorado prospectors. The Political Committee placer having given out STEVE is going after gold.

"Two killed and thirteen wounded in a battle over mining claims." Particulars in a despatch from the San Juan gold fields. Quite a premium they are paying on the precious metal in the new El Dorado.

The women of London, Canada West, have enlisted for a war against the saloons. They enjoy the privilege of the franchise and are voting to-day against license. The saloon-keepers admit that the petticoat brigade will win.

Mayor GLEASON inaugurated himself for another term in Long Island City yesterday. Mr. SANFORD, who disputes the big man's claim to the place, promised to inaugurate a contest later. The New Year opens with great eclat above Newtown Creek.

Senator QUAY found it convenient to be a sick man during the late campaign. But he has his own ideas about the possibilities of '96, and is reported already prepared to be the Republican "man on horseback" in that year. But the people won't forget so soon that Quayism is closely related to several elements which they fiercely rebuked in November.

THE NEW MAYOR.

THE EVENING WORLD offers the greeting of a Happy New Year to Mayor GILROY and the hearty wish of a successful administration. As a Commissioner of Public Works the new Mayor has done well and has given good satisfaction to the city. There is little fear that as the city's Chief Executive he will impair the record he has made as the head of one of its most responsible and most laborious departments.

Mayor GILROY will have to start his administration by making some important appointments which ex-Mayor GRANT courteously and properly left to his successor. As his selections will afford an indication of the policy he will pursue in filling the public offices in the future, they will be watched with much curiosity and interest. As the character of an administration is in a great measure determined by the fitness, integrity and fidelity of its official associates, it is to be hoped that these first appointments made by the new Executive will be such as the whole people will be able to heartily approve.

Mayor GILROY has already given proof of broad, liberal views in connection with the government of the city and of an entire familiarity with municipal affairs. If he recognizes the fact that New York is just now in a position when it needs a grand and brilliant policy of progress and improvement, when it must take great strides towards supremacy among the cities of the world and no longer move forward at a snail's pace, he may have the good fortune to make his administration famous as the starting point of the magnificent career marked out by destiny for Greater New York.

THE CITY BUDGET.

The city budget for 1893 amounts in gross to nearly thirty-seven million five hundred thousand dollars. It is true that this sum, large as it is, does not represent the full cost of the city government. Many millions expended on the docks, the street pavements, the charitable and benevolent institutions, the Excise Department and other objects, all of which ought to be included in the annual tax levy, are paid for out of the proceeds of bonds and improperly added to the city's debt. This is a trick of the politicians to conceal from the people the actual yearly expenditures and to fictitiously reduce the amount of the tax levy.

But large as our expenses are, they ought not to deter us from undertaking such great public improvements as are needed to make the city really great and prosperous. They pay for themselves, as the Central Park has paid for itself many times over.

We ought to have a municipal building worthy the metropolis, and large enough to accommodate every public department. It is disgraceful that some of our city offices are in garrets and some in basements, and that rents cost us more than enough to cover the interest on the cost of two or three such buildings.

Yet the alarmists are crying out against the proposed new municipal building because it is to be built by Tammany. "Look at the new Capitol at Albany" is their cry. But the new Capitol was a Republican job and all the big stealing that was done on it was under Republican management. The new criminal building has been constructed at a reasonable cost and without unnecessary delay, under Mayor GRANT. There is no reason to doubt that the new municipal building will be as honestly built under Mayor GILROY.

THE RAPID TRANSIT FAILURE.

The attempt to get somebody to undertake the construction of an underground rapid transit railroad under the plans and specifications of the Rapid Transit Commissioners has completely failed and must be abandoned. This result is to be regretted, but it was to be expected. Capitalists will not be found ready to invest from fifty to a hundred million dollars in building a railroad the profits of which are problematical, and in which failure would mean the total loss of every dollar invested.

The result has been the fault of the law. Such an enterprise ought to have been placed under the control of practical experts in railroading, who would have consulted with capitalists and have won their confidence. It was not probable that a plan concocted by a commission of inexperienced men, whose recommendation, according to their Chairman, is that they are "rich," would invite bids at an auction sale in the City Hall rotunda.

It is now proposed to seek rapid transit through granting additional privileges to the Elevated railroads. It has long been suspected that this was the end to which the "rich" Commission's real efforts have all along been directed.

The Elevated railroads have been of incalculable advantage to the city. Additional tracks for express trains, extensions uptown and to the various ferries, with "loops" to facilitate the rapid movement of trains, would doubtless be a public benefit. But the fact would remain that Elevated iron structures cannot supply real rapid transit sufficient for the wants of the city as its limits extend northward, and a railroad on a solid roadbed would still remain a public necessity.

BROOKLYN'S WATER SUPPLY.

The people of Brooklyn are beginning to be alarmed about their water supply, and not without reason. It is quite certain that the supply is not what it ought to be and since the accident to one of the engines three weeks ago the fact has been realized that the city is far too much at the mercy of such mishaps.

Last Saturday Mayor BOODY, acting under the power given him in case of an emergency, authorized the City Works Commissioner to expend $18,000 in the purchase of a new pumping engine with a capacity of 5,000,000 gallons daily. This is, of course, only a small item of relief, but it shows that the Mayor recognizes the need of doing something to avert the danger.

What Brooklyn requires now is bold and decisive action on the part of her authorities, however radical may be the policy they pursue and whatever may be the cost. Better to put the broadest construction on the law and to incur an outlay of millions than to leave the city an unnecessary day in danger of a failure of its water supply.

POST-OFFICE NEEDS.

A city newspaper which is preparing to move uptown wants the Post-Office to move uptown, too. Nonsense. The Post-Office will remain just where it is—the best location in the city and the most convenient for the whole business community.

More room is needed in the present building, it is true. It can be gained by adding one or two stories to the present structure. Besides, if necessary, the United States Court room, law library and other offices could go elsewhere, and the space they now occupy could be thrown into the Post-Office. With the building heightened, this would scarcely be required. At all events, the Post-Office will remain on its present site and not move uptown, where it would be out of the way of the business, financial and commercial houses of the city.

TURN ON THE LIGHT.

The Commissioners of Accounts submitted to Mayor GRANT last Saturday two reports, in which the management of the Department of Charities and Correction and of the Board of Education is unfavorably criticised. It is broadly insinuated that frauds are practised in the supply business; that more meat is delivered or claimed to be delivered than is called for by the dietary table of the insane asylum, and that there is a suspicious shrinkage in the weight of meats between the time they are weighed at the dock and the time they reach the Blackwell's Island storehouse.

The methods of the Board of Education are also hauled over the coals, and a "job" is hinted at in the purchase of school desks.

The charges against the Department of Charities and Correction are not new. Frauds were discovered of a precisely similar character years ago under different management. There is no hint or suspicion that the present Commissioners are in any manner involved in dishonest transactions, if any prevail. They are all known to be men of unquestioned reputation. If any blame attaches to them it is for carelessness and over-confidence in their employees. But the charges made by the Commissioners of Accounts are too distinct to be overlooked, and Mayor GILROY will probably order a further inquiry into the facts.

ROME'S GEESE; PORTCHESTER'S TURKEY.

Turkey had as much as the tin horn to do with ushering in that portion of the new year which came to the surface at Portchester. The blare of the horn made the atmosphere bulge, and there was song and the merry clinking of the glass as the old year gasped its last and its infant heir began to crow and show its curly head above the horizon of the calendar. But there was turkey, too, and turkey in its most insinuating form, raffled turkey.

The bird had a little celebration on its own hook. An ecstatic citizen, who had won it, went through Portchester's streets swinging the bird by the neck and smashing people who were warbling glees or blowing horns over the heads with it. It and its escort had a gallus time until two wayfarers, who didn't care for turkey without cranberry sauce and celery trimmings, objected to the festivities and started a fight.

The man with the turkey used this as a weapon and stood his ground nobly. His friends joined in the row, and friends of their friends came along and took a hand, until at daylight nearly all the able-bodied citizens of Portchester were mixed up in the melee. There are many sore heads in the town to-day and all on account of that turkey.

Cackling geese once saved Rome, so the story goes, but a raffled turkey came pretty near putting an end to Portchester, as the records show. That bird ought to be stuffed and served at a prize-fighter's banquet.

The sudden interference of the police in a Sunday cock fight near Norwich, Conn., yesterday, doubtless saved the lives of the chicken disputants, but caused the death of one sporting rooster who was present to witness the battle and the serious injury of another. The men jumped out of a window to avoid arrest.

Immigration, annexation, monetization and inauguration are among the "actions" immediately interesting Uncle Sam. As for New York and Brooklyn they have the matter of consolidation, which should soon come to a consummation.

It appears that typhus has been doubling on the health authorities. But the officials are on the trail again, and the disease is not likely to further conceal its operations. Its stamping out should now be a question of brief time.

That was a happy thought to put up a "Welcome" sign to greet the eyes of the first prisoners arraigned in Harlem's new police court. Doubtless, however, many of them would come again, even without such a word of assurance.

Hood's Cures

Miss Hunter.

The marvellous cure of Miss Lettie Hunter of Cortland, N. Y., has attracted widespread attention. She was nigh to death's door with hemorrhages caused by ulcers in the stomach. Could eat nothing. Wheat gruel was all there was to hope, her mother urged her to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. She reluctantly consented, and in a few days felt stronger, bloating subsided, appetite gradually returned, and in a month she could walk across the room. In six months she was as well as ever in her life, and has been in perfect health ever since. She says: "I know that

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

and that alone saved my life."

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Jaundice, Biliousness, Sick Headache and Constipation.

MISS MAY ROBSON RESIGNS.

Leaves the Lyceum Company for Charles Frohman's "Creations."

News and Notes About People of the Stage World.

A good many people who saw the small insignificant part assigned to Miss May Robson in "Americans Abroad" at the Lyceum Theatre, proposed that there would be more to say on that subject anon. The good many people were right. Miss Robson, according to one of her friends, was very much disgusted, but was inclined to look upon the matter philosophically, and to tell herself that, as a member of a stock company, a small part now occasionally be accepted. So Miss Robson continued to speak the few lines entrusted to the foolish character of the music teacher. To make her feel comfortable she was told, it is said, that she would have a good part in the next production, Sims and Raleigh's play, "The Charity man." The parts have been cast, but that upon which Miss Robson had counted was given to Bessie Tyrke. Miss Robson thereupon asked Manager Daniel Frohman to accept her resignation from the Lyceum Stock Company. Mr. Frohman released the actress, and it is said that the parting was as friendly as could be expected under the circumstances. Miss Robson was at once engaged by Manager Charles Frohman for "creations"—or original character parts. Miss Robson has played in Charles Frohman's company many times. She was in "Gloriana" and "The Family Circle."

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Heinrich Conried says that he is now engaged in "restoring" the operas presented at the Casino. His German company at the Amberg Theatre has shown during the past week what "The Tyrolean" really is, and next week it will do the same for Molloecker's "Child of Fortune."

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The chorus girls of "The Fencing Master" were badly "broken up" Saturday afternoon. A dog belonging to the wardrobe woman began to bark just as Jerome Sykes made his appearance on the stage. "Ah," said Mr. Sykes, *solto voce*, to the girls, "that is Michelena trying his voice."

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Here is a sententious bit of theatrical history in two Bijou Theatre cables on Saturday: "John Russell, Lowe's Exchange, London—Jonas, Chicago, offers four thousand weekly guarantee for comedians during Columbian celebration. Riddle." And the reply: "Albert Riddle, manager 'A Society Fad,' Bijou, New York—Nix. John." Mr. Russell, by the bye, is expected back from Europe this week.

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Ben Stern says that whenever ladies appear with their children at the matinee performances of "The Crust of Society" at the Union Square Theatre, he tells them to leave the children at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, and come back alone to see "The Crust." The highly moral Mr. Stern considers "The New Superba" much better for juvenile morals than Dumas's play.

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The chorus people of the now defunct Bijou Bell comic opera company arrived in this city Saturday. According to report the people were rescued from their trying condition by Prof. Herrmann, who, it is said, paid their fare from Chicago to this city and gave them money. If this be true—and there are sceptics—the necromancer has covered himself with glory.

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It was fainting night at the Casino Saturday. Three ladies swooned, and the ushers were rushing around for hartshorn and smelling salts and all the rest of it. Manager Rudolph Aronson looked sympathetic, and even Popper Aronson had an expression of compassion upon his face. The swoons were probably due to the heat. Many complaints are at present being uttered against the excessive heating of the theatres. The atmosphere is frequently that of a Turkish bath. There seems to be no medium between sickening heat and injurious draughts.

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Manager Hammerstein, at his Manhattan Opera-house, is trying hard to compel smokers to use the handsome lobby upstairs. The task is not an easy one. Theatre-goers will not be forced in any direction, and men congregate in the lobby on the ground floor, much to Mr. Hammerstein's disgust. In fact, he destroyed the symmetry of his handsome entrance by pasting up a cheap sign to the effect that smokers must go upstairs. Of course, smoking is a nuisance; but it seems to be one of the necessary nuisances of the times.

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Marius made his first appearance at the Casino Saturday afternoon. He was so dreadfully nervous that he positively shook and the perspiration rolled down his face. He was decidedly hoarse, but, in spite of these drawbacks, did well. The part has been written up for him, and it is much better than it was.

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It is said that the stage of the Fifth Avenue Theatre is to be enlarged. The house adjoining it is being torn down for that purpose. A promise of a very big stage was made to Messrs. Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau if they would present "The Prodigal Daughter" at this house.

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Mrs. Bernard-Beere still hankers for a tour through this country. She is very ambitious, and does not want to return to England without having seen more of the United States than New York and Brooklyn. She is seen occasionally at the theatres, and appears to be enjoying herself.

TPIPLE CELEBRATION.

Three Anniversaries Observed at the Brick Church.

The New Year services at the Brick Presbyterian Church, Thirty-seventh street and Fifth avenue, were a triple celebration, commemorative not only of the birth of 1893, but of the tenth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Dr. Van Dyke and then one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the Brick Church.

The Brick Church was opened Jan. 1, 1768, on the triangle in Printing House Square, bounded by Beekman and Nassau streets and Park Row. It got its name from the material used in constructing the edifice, and red brick was used again when, in 1858-'58, the present structure was erected.

It was dedicated Oct. 31, 1858, according to the historical sermon preached yesterday by Dr. Van Dyke.

Walking Sticks.

START FROM HOME TEN MINUTES EARLIER THAN USUAL, call at our shop on your way down town, and see the stylish canes we are showing at

All handsomely Sterling-Silver Trimmed $3.75

MEN'S FURNISHERS WOULDN'T HESITATE to ask you Ten Dollars for their equal

Richards

70 West 23d St.

SPORTING NEWS AND NOTES.

Columbia Looks Strong for the Chess Challenge Cup.

Reports of Crookedness Spring Out of the McAuliffe-Burge Fiasco.

To-day sees the wind-up of the intercollegiate chess tournament at the Berkeley School in West Forty-fourth street, and unless Columbia's representatives, Hymes and Hindre, have the worst of luck and lose both their games the magnificent challenge cup will go to "Old Kings" halls all through great at least. Columbia leads with a score of 7 games won, 0 lost. Her closest competitor is Harvard with 5½ victories to her credit. Hymes, of Columbia, is the "top-row" individual in the tournament, with five straight victories marked up for him, and it is largely through his excellent work that the blue and white banner flutters so proudly over the other pennants. Princeton is the "dark dog in the pit," as to speak, her team having scored only 2½ victories. To-day Hymes (Col.) will face Ewing, of Princeton, while Dickey, of Princeton, who hasn't won a game, meets Hindre. Thus it can be seen that Columbia has what your racetrack habitue would call an "airtight clinch" for the handsome trophy.

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The musty odor of fraud, collusion and conspiracy is now arising from the broken McAuliffe-Burge match, and the Englishman is charged with having advanced propositions to throw the fight, quit at a stipulated time and win out a pile of money by so doing. As Mac would have been an odds on favorite the eagerness with which those who were "in" on the "laydown" deal would have plunged their cash would not have failed to send the odds up to a suspicious degree and thereby give the snap away. It is further hinted that Burge in reality meant to "round" on his own proposition, and go in to win if he could, thus upsetting the combination, and bag a big load of greenbacks in case he got the decision. But the larouping which McAuliffe gave Ben Benton, Burge's representative, started the first lead in the yarn and Judge Newton ripped the scheme wide open when he hauled down the $45,000 purse. Such exposures are helpful in a way to ring sports and they assist materially in purifying the pugilistic atmosphere.

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Burge again declares he will meet only McAuliffe, and will return to England if a match isn't made. Plenty of steamers are to be had, and the British will find them a heap more numerous than big purses now that the carefully prepared coup has been coppered. Jem Carney, who lost the English championship to Burge by fouling him in the eleventh round, is on his way to this country, and he has his eye on Burge. He may tantalize the latter into a scrimmage again.

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Ground was broken Saturday at the rear of the new club-house of the Brooklyn Athletic Club, 473 Bedford avenue, Williamsburg, for the erection of a hand-ball court and a gymnasium. The former is to be 25x65 feet, and the latter 25x60 feet. President Daniel McGonigle, of the Brooklyn Athletic Club, said last night: "I believe the members of the Club will be greatly benefited physically by the use of the hand-ball court, and I expect that hereafter all athletic clubs will realize the necessity of a hand-ball court in addition to a gymnasium."

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What promises to be an exceptional entertainment is programmed for Wednesday night next when the Orchard Athletic Club, of Greenpoint, gives one of its characteristic shows in Turn Hall. Five special bouts of six rounds each, three exhibitions and one wrestling bout, should prove of sufficient magnetism to attract a big gathering of the sport-loving public who delight in such affairs. The referee will be Aug. Peverelly, Arcadia Athletic Association, and master of ceremonies, John P. Dunn.

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This cartel was received by the sporting editor to-day:

I, Frank Patterson, hereby challenge Eddie Sweeney, Mike Mulroy, Jerry Barnett, Barney Mullins or any other 118-pound man in America to fight in any club offering the largest purse, in addition to a side bet.
(Signed) FRANK PATTERSON, Brooklyn.

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Private W. H. Clark, of I Company, Seventh Regiment, broke the armory rifle range record Saturday at 200 and 500 yards by scoring 49 out of a possible 50.

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Semi-occasionally a baseball rumor waits itself into newspaper offices, and the latest is that John Ward is not likely to manage the Brooklyns next season.

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Frank Conley and Walter Halligan will meet at a "turkey shoot," Jan. 6. It will be a skin glove finish for a stake.

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Tom Johnson, of Brooklyn, was put out by Larry Wilson in eight rounds yesterday morning in the usual Long Island barn in a skin glove fight for $200.

ECONOMITES WORTH $20,000,000

Inventory of the Society's Possessions Being Taken by Experts.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

BEAVER FALLS, Pa., Jan. 2.—Several weeks prior to the death of Father Henrici, and when it became known that the career of the remarkable old man was certainly closing, the trustees of the Economite Society sent an expert accountant to this city to make a thorough investigation of its assets.

It is stated on the authority of a member of the Society, whose position enables him to know how the showing progresses, that when the work of the expert accountants is finished the aggregate assets will foot up not less than $20,000,000 and perhaps more.

Loved ones say it.

"Restless, irritable, excitable, and exacting" is the charge against you by those nearest and dearest to you.

They don't know the horror that oppresses you.

Every hour pains run rampant through your body. You suffer secretly as long as you can, then go all to pieces and "don't care" what happens.

The iron grip of female disease is upon you.

Dear Sister, Lydia E. Pinkham's "*Vegetable Compound*" has cured thousands like you.

It kills the pain, and invigorates the system.

No more backache, no more "bearing down," no more restless days and sleepless nights, hope will take the place of despair, your daily duties will be a delight, and life a joy.

All druggists sell it, or sent by mail, in form of Pills or Lozenges, on receipt of $1. Correspondence freely answered. Address in confidence, LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICAL CO., LYNN, MASS. Lover Pills, 25c.

HOUSE AND HOME

For Safety Pins.

The unique pincholder is to hang in the nursery. It will delight the children and

may be easily made. Buy a small china or bisque doll. Take two strips of white flannel about 2 inches wide, hem the sides and fasten to the waist of the doll. The strips should be long enough to hold a dozen safety pins each. Over the flannel strips and fitted to the doll's neck by a hole cut in the middle of the strip and by tiny shoulder seams is placed wide, delicately tinted ribbon, long enough to cover the flannel back and front. This is confined at the waist by a narrow sash to match.

Do You Know?

Do you know how to make court plaster stick? Of course patches are not the fashion just now. Still, one wants to put on a tiny square of black plaster sometimes, because of a little transient mark on the face, and if one has once put it on it is embarrassing to have it come off. Even if there is nothing to hide under it, its coming off will leave a little oasis of red skin, so it is as well to know how to keep it on. Cut the square as usual, but snip the edges a little. They won't show a bit, and it gives the plaster room to shrink and yet not get tight around the edges and so come off. Most things are so simple if you only know about them.

Potpie Dumplings.

Mix and sift together one pint pastry flour, one heaping teaspoonful first-class baking powder and one-half teaspoonful salt. Beat one egg until thick and light, add one-half cup cold water; stir this into the dry mixture and enough more water to make a dough stiff enough to hold its shape when dropped from the spoon.

Drop the dumplings on a plate a little distance apart and cook in a closely covered steamer for fifteen minutes, or drop them on top of the boiling stew and cook for the same length of time.

The secret of having them light and tender lies in their not being disturbed while cooking and in not having much liquid around them if cooked on top of the stew.

When the Bed Faces the Window.

Where a bed is obliged to face a window, as is sometimes necessary, a decoration and a relief in one is secured by a valance above, instead of below the footboard. Two small brass uprights are fastened in it, with a rod joining them, on which is hung a curtain some light silk or stuff in harmony with the general tone of the room.

Definitions of Happiness.

Wanting nothing and knowing it.

The mental sunshine of content.

A "will-o'-the-wisp" which eludes us even when we grasp it.

Excelsior! The ever-retreating summit on the hill of our ambition.

The prize at the top of a greasy pole, which is continually slipping from one's grasp.

The only thing a man continues to search for after he has found it.

The bull's-eye on the target at which all the human race are shooting.

The goal erected for the human race, which few reach, being too heavily handicapped.

A wayside flower growing only by the path of duty.

A bright and beautiful butterfly, which many chase but few capture.

The interest we receive from capital invested in good works.

The birthright of contentment.

A treasure which we search for far and wide, though oftimes it is lying at our feet.

The Summer weather of the mind.

The dancing of the heart to its own music.

Do You Know?

Do you know why the woman who you know is not near-sighted a bit wears glasses? It is because they are so becoming to the eyes. They are if they are gotten with that idea in view. The glasses should be the least bit smoked. This gives color and softness to the eyes. The rims of the glasses should be narrow and dark, not gold. With such rims to your glasses you can "make up" the eyes a good deal, and brilliancy and size will be obtained, and the means not noticed. So, you see, if the glasses are an affectation she is not a goose, as you have thought.

Breaking in New Shoes.

There is no reason why any man should torture himself "breaking in" a new pair of shoes, which "draw" his feet almost as severely as would a plaster made of the strongest mustard. The trouble arises from the natural heat of the leather, which in these days of rapid tanning is much greater than when the process was one running over several months or a year. All the pain and trouble can be prevented by pouring a little water into the shoes and allowing this to draw out the heat. This is practically what the perspiration of the feet does, but it prevents the pain which is felt while the work is being done in the ordinary way. Professional walkers pour whiskey in their shoes, but for ordinary purposes water suffices, and if allowed to evaporate and dry it does not have the same distressing effect on the stockings.

Biting the Lips.

"If girls only knew," remarked a physician, "how they disfigure themselves by continually biting their lips, I think that they would make the effort to break themselves of the habit.

"In infancy the red line of the lower edge of the lip is very clearly defined. Constant irritation with the upper teeth sometimes extends the red color for half or three-quarters of an inch below the original line and destroys the symmetry of the mouth. The lip becomes thickened and sometimes inflamed, frequently there are deep creases or cracks and the wind and sun burn and discolor it until it is almost a positive deformity.

"An ugly mouth is often the result of a habit which has its rise in the possession of a dimple. Who has not seen girls and even middle-aged women in street-cars making themselves absolutely ridiculous in their efforts to create a dimple by tiring their lips? Every sensible person in the car who took the trouble to observe them at all was, doubtless, laughing at them for their folly, but, all unconscious, they kept on with this silly practise. Absolute repose of the features should be taught every child as a part of its earliest lessons."

Do You Know?

Do you know that a growing plant in the room where the piano stands is said to preserve its tone, presumably because of its accumulation of moisture? Some of the time a plant absorbs moisture, and at other times gives, tending to preserve an equilibrium in the atmosphere.

Darning as a Fine Art.

Do you know that darning really is a fine art? It is not as it is usually conducted, but as it may be it is. A three-cornered tear, that worst of all breaks to repair, may be so finished that it will need the closest inspection to show where it is. All woollens are woven after a regular fashion. Find what it is by looking carefully at the cloth. Take ravellings of the goods, a fine needle and darn just as the weave of the goods runs. Cut the thread each time the needle has come to the other side. Trim smoothly and press. You will be surprised at your fine work.

New Shadow Pictures.

AN INDIAN.

A COW.

SAMBO.

A WILD DUCK.

A SWAN.

Now that the long Winter evenings are here the amusement of the children is a serious consideration. Here are some new shadow pictures that it might be well to try, and which, if well presented, are calculated to amuse grown people as well as the little ones. Any one can make them. They do not require abnormally developed hands and arms. Try them.

How to Restore Frozen Potatoes.

Frozen potatoes can be restored to palatableness by peeling them and letting them lie in a cool place with plenty of cold water poured over them. In twenty-four hours all the sugar which has been formed during the freezing process will have been removed, and the potatoes can now be boiled in fresh water and will be found to be perfectly palatable.

Bartering Bêtes Noirs.

Some enterprising Western women of the best social circles have originated an excellent scheme for disposing of undesirable articles of apparel or furniture. Nearly every woman has some special bete noir in her wardrobe—a purchase which constantly reminds her of a freak of extravagance or lack of discretion—and which she would be glad to dispose of for a consideration, but considers too good to give away. These Western women fix upon a day for meeting at the house of one of their number and disposing of these various misfits or mis-selections by public auction. Each woman has a chance to dispose of her own property, not for a monetary consideration, but for some other article which her neighbor considers a fair exchange, and thus the despised possession of one may become the treasure of another, and many go home happy.

Do You Know?

Do you know that you should always thread your needle by putting through its eye first the end which came off the spool first? You will wonder then why your thread does not knot.

Work for Women.

The Women's New Century Guild, of Philadelphia, keeps employed two universal women tinkers, who will re-make and lay a carpet, re-cover a chair or sofa, drape your doors or windows, make a cap, trim a hat, turn an old dress into a new one, &c., and these things not only with hand-skill, but with artistic taste.

To this luxury they add women who will take charge of a luncheon, breakfast or dinner, not bringing all in as a caterer, but using the resources of the house so far as they will go, and acting in regard to menus, marketing, table service and arrangements, &c., either under the direction of or entirely to relieve the hostess, as may be preferred. They will sometimes if disengaged stay a few days in case of extra guests or other emergency.

Yorkshire Pudding.

To one cupful of flour add two cupsful of milk and a very small teaspoonful of baking-powder. Beat two eggs until very light and add to the flour. When the meat is browning pour the batter into the pan and let cook about twenty minutes. If the kitchen boasts a patent meat pan the piece of meat can be fitted upon a dabber and left to drip upon the pudding.

Woman's Way of Carving.

It is pleasant to see a woman carve, if she does it deftly. There seems to be something appropriate and almost scriptural in a woman's dispensing food to her household. English women nearly always carve, but in this country the work is almost invariably relegated to the men. To save strength, time and patience in carving it is absolutely necessary to have a sharp knife. As a general rule cut across the grain.

A turkey should be placed with the head toward the right hand of the carver. The breast is generally cut in slices parallel with the breast-bone, but if the turkey is large, first cut the wings off close to the body and then cut across. A good way to keep a knife perfectly sharp and make your husband think you give him the tenderest of joints is to use a "rifle," such as the farmers sharpen their scythes upon. A few turns on this will give an edge that will cut through anything.

Do You Know?

Do you know that in packing gowns they will be found to crease very little if paper is placed between the folds?

Lime as a Rust Preventive.

A lump of freshly burnt lime, placed in a drawer or case where bright steel articles are kept, perfectly preserves them from rust. If the things are to be moved—as a gun in its case, for instance—the lime should be put in a muslin bag. This is especially valuable for specimens of iron when fractured, for in a moderately dry place the lime will not require renewing for many years, as it is capable of absorbing a large amount of moisture. Articles in use should be placed in a box nearly filled with slaked lime. Before using them rub well with a woollen cloth.

Saving Coal.

There are half a dozen simple ways of saving coal, not one of which is known, much less practised, in this country. The use of fireballs saves one-third coal, and is common enough in England, from the laborer's cottage to the lodgings of thrifty gentlewomen in Bath and Cheltenham—but who ever has seen them here? Made of one-third coal dust, two-thirds sand and beaten clay, moulded with water into balls the size of a goose egg, and dried, they are a permanent fuel. When the coal fire is hot and red a dozen of these balls put into the furnace will become red hot, and stay so, like red hot brick, keeping up the heat far longer than coal without them. There is nothing like them for keeping the house warm at night; and half a dozen put red hot into a brazier or portable furnace would take the chill off bedrooms very comfortably.

Do You Know?

Do you know that one must now commence one's letter on the fourth page if one would be fashionable?

Clear Vegetable Soup.

Two quarts of stock, one quart of boiling water, one small carrot, one turnip, one sweet potato, one white potato, one ear of corn, one cupful of peas, one cupful of beans, one tomato, one tablespoonful of rice or barley. Put the water into a soup kettle, cut the vegetables into pieces of uniform size, otherwise the smaller ones will dissolve and impair the transparency of the soup. (There are various small tin cutters that can be purchased for this purpose.) Put the carrot and turnip on to boil; after they have boiled for an hour add all the other vegetables and rice and boil until tender. Now add the stock and salt and pepper to taste. Let it boil up once and serve.

Congeniality and Economy.

The experiment of clubbing together and taking apartments by parties of young ladies studying the arts and sciences has been tried both here and in Philadelphia for some time and, we believe, with success. The advantage lies in the direction of congeniality and freedom rather than economy, although the expense may be regulated as in all other households.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall Caine.

Hall Caine, the novelist, who writes so graphically of many peasants, lives almost as simple a life as that of the characters he portrays. At his picturesque home in the mountains, Mrs. Caine does her own milking, churning and cheese-making, and attends to other duties of a country homestead, while the novelist himself affects the peasant's dress.

Shoe and Slipper Bag.

A perfectly practical article is here shown, made of white linen. Upon an oblong section of the linen are disposed two narrow sections, which are divided into four pockets. Each pocket is arranged in a box-plait at the bottom, and bound at its upper edge with

blue silk ribbon. All the edges of the bag are bound with ribbon, which also conceals the several dividing lines. Ribbon starts from the upper corners of each pocket, and is arranged in a bow at the centre. Four rings are sewed along the top of the bag and three at the bottom for securing the bag at the desired place.

Servants' Days Out.

The number of "days out" for servants is largely a matter of agreement between mistress and maid, and the concessions are usually on the side of the employer. If the desire for a few extra hours per week is the only fault of an otherwise perfect servant we should advise meeting her wishes as far as possible without disarranging your household affairs. Better do this than to lose her.