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Weddings--Other Social Incidents.

DE CAMP—SPRAGUE.

The wedding of Miss Beatrice Sprague, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Charles E. Sprague, and Lyon De Camp was celebrated last Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, No. 116 West 79th-st. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. S. De Lancey Townsend, of All Angels' Church, with only the relatives and most intimate friends of the families present. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of heavy white brocade, trimmed with point lace. Her veil was of tulle fastened with a spray of orange blossoms, and she carried a shower bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley. On her corsage she wore the gift of the bridegroom, a large brooch of diamonds. Miss Sprague's only attendant was her cousin, Miss Bertha Sprague, who acted as maid of honor, and wore a dress of white lace over pink silk, a large white hat trimmed with pink roses and carried a bouquet of pink rosebuds. Horace De Camp, a brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

Over a thousand invitations were issued for the reception, which followed at the Waldorf-Astoria. The Astor Gallery, in which the reception was held, was decorated with Bride roses and lilies. Among those who attended the reception were Judge and Mrs. Joseph Deuel, Mr. and Mrs. John Woodfin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leake, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Story, Mrs. Gilbert Seaman, Mrs. E. E. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Halett, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Babbitt Searles, Dr. and Mrs. Savidge, Mrs. William Shaler, Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. William Rankin, Miss Grace Oakley, Dr. and Mrs. Von Vredenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wenig, A. J. Stone, Miss Atwater, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. William S. De Camp, Mrs. William Greeley, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Russell, the Misses Russell, J. Bartlett, Mrs. Herman Behr, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bentley, Miss Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. George Benedict, Mr. and Mrs. William Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Westinghouse, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Schramm, Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, Mr. and Mrs. William Gerry Slade, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Shayne, Mr. and Mrs. John Mygatt, Mr. and Mrs. John Mildeberger, Mrs. Hugh McCrossin, Mr. and Mrs. Kennan, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Knox, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lellard, Mrs. John Meston Duncan, Miss Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Judge, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lake, Mrs. B. F. Hooper, Mrs. Esther Hermann, Mr. and Mrs. Lauron Ingles, Miss Florence Guernsey, Mrs. Highley, Mr. and Mrs. James Hackett, Mrs. Frank Scott Gerrish, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald C. Gunter, Mrs. Edwin Garcia, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Caplin, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis E. Douglas, Horace De Camp, Dr. and Mrs. William E. Geyer, Alexander Aiken, General and Mrs. Stewart L. Woodford, Mr. and Mrs. Silas B. Dutcher, Samuel Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Laughlin, Chancellor and Mrs. MacCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Jones Hegeman, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Leaycraft, Judge and Mrs. Blanchard, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norton Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence S. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shipley Blood, Mrs. Daniel Butterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Coates, Mr. and Mrs. Olcott, Mr. and Mrs. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Munsell, Colonel Mann, Mr. and Mrs. C. Nestel Bovee, Mr. and Mrs. Julian H. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Bartow S. Weeks, Mr. and Mrs. J. Griswold Wentz, Colonel and Mrs. George Perkins Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cravath, Mr. and Mrs. John Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. William Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lauterbach, Mrs. Laflin, Mr. and Mrs. John De Witt Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Berry Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Wetherbee, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Connell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Conger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Carter. The bride received a great many handsome and valuable presents, among which was a check for $5,000, from her father and mother. Mr. and Mrs. De Camp will visit in California for a month.

BASHWITZ—FRIEDMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Benno Friedman, of No. 86 West 119th-st., have sent out cards for the wedding of their daughter Rosie to Julius Bashwitz. The marriage will take place at Sherry's, 5th-ave. and 44th-st., to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock.

MELICK—BREESE.

Mrs. Stephen Breese, of Morristown, has sent out cards for the marriage of her daughter Henrietta Connett to George Woodruff Melick, on Saturday, March 18, at the home of the bride-elect.

GODWIN—MAXMANN.

Mrs. Henry A. Maxmann has announced the marriage of her daughter Elsie Marie to George Gadney Godwin, on Thursday, at Kingsbridge, N. Y.

MYKRANTZ—HOLLANDER.

The marriage of Dr. Howard Basnet Mykrantz and Miss Serena Louise Bridges Hollander will take place at the home of the bride-elect, No. 37 Decatur-st., Brooklyn, on Tuesday, March 14. Dr. and Mrs. Mykrantz will be at home on Tuesdays after April 15 at No. 11 Macon-st., Brooklyn.

MERRILL—MARKOE.

The marriage of Miss Sarah C. Markoe, of No. 441 Park-ave., to Charles E. Merrill took place yesterday afternoon. The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. Thomas Markoe. Mr. Merrill is a member of the publishing firm of Maynard, Merrill & Co.

The wedding was a quiet home affair, as the family is in mourning. Mr. and Mrs. Merrill will sail for Europe on March 11, where they will stay for several months.

MIDGLEY—KIRBY.

The Church of the Ascension, 5th-ave. and 10th-st., was the scene of a wedding on Wednesday, when the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, the rector, united in marriage Edwin Craven Midgley, of London, England, and Miss Florence Sutton Kirby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Kirby. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a princess robe of heavy white silk, richly embroidered, with a long court train. Her wedding veil of tulle was fastened with orange blossoms.

Her bridesmaid and only attendant was her cousin, Miss Eleanor Isabelle Town, who wore a princess gown of pink crêpe de chine, trimmed with écru lace and chiffon. Miss Town wore a pink Directoire poke bonnet, and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Mr. Midgley's best man was Oliver Shiras, and his ushers were Henri G. Chatain, Clarence P. Wyckoff, L. Hollinsworth Wood and the bride's brother, Gustavus T. Kirby.

Following the church ceremony there was a reception at the house of the bride's father, No. 25 West 9th-st.

ITEMS OF SOCIAL INTEREST.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lovell, of No. 9 North Washington Square, left Cairo the other day for a visit to the Second Cataract of the Nile. They will later visit Rome, where they will remain for the season.

Mrs. H. Siddons Mowbray, of No. 66 West 11th-st., is at home on Fridays.

Miss Pond, of No. 258 West 85th-st., is at home on the first Wednesdays of the month.

Mrs. Monroe Smith, of No. 152 East 35th-st., is at home on Wednesdays.

The Misses Drier, of No. 6 Montague Terrace, Brooklyn Heights, will be at home on Tuesday evenings until April.

Miss Mabel Fitz Randolf, of No. 147 West 79th-st., gave an at home on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles E. Manierre, of No. 352 West End-ave., is at home on Mondays.

Miss Etter, of No. 860 East 135th-st., is at home on the first and third Tuesday in each month.

Mrs. Seabury Cone Mastick is at home on Fridays at No. 35 Mount Morris Park West.

Miss Helen Anne Legget and Miss Ada Wilhelmina Legget have sent out invitations for a dance on Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, at Oakledge, Bronxville, N. Y.

Mrs. Cornelius Poillon is at home on Thursdays at No. 125 East 70th-st.

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs, No. 257 West 103d-st., are spending several weeks at Atlantic City.

Mrs. James W. Tappin is at home at the Majestic, West 72d-st., on Tuesdays.

Mrs. Henry Paret, of No. 101 West 85th-st., is at home on Fridays, first and second.

Mrs. John Barker Brown is at home on Tuesdays at the Hotel Majestic, West 72d-st.

Mrs. S. C. T. Dodd, of No. 42 East 64th-st., held her last reception of the season on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Class, of Graham Court, and a party of friends left for Washington last week to attend the inauguration.

Ex-Governor Lounsbury, of No. 127 West End-ave., has gone for a tour in the South.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taylor Lynch, of No. 589 West End-ave., arrived in Washington yesterday for the inaugural festivities, en route for New-York after an extended tour of the Southern States.

Mrs. William De Haven and family have returned from their sojourn in Lakewood to their home, Red House, 85th-st., near Riverside Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank French have returned from their trip to the Far West and are staying at the Hotel Endicott.

Mrs. Jasper Cairns, of No. 264 West 57th-st., will be at home for the remaining Thursdays in March.

Mrs. George T. Long, of No. 400 Manhattan-ave., held her last at home for the season on Tuesday.

Miss Marguerite V. Wien, of the University Settlement, will give four lectures on French history this month at the house of Miss J. S. Davidge, No. 27 East 45th-st. Miss Wien gives to her course the title, "Four Famous Women of France." The subjects are as follows: March 4, Jeanne d'Arc; March 11, Catherine de Medici; March 18, Mme. de Sévigné; March 25, Marie Antoinette. The lectures are held at 11 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Finley, of No. 19 East 31st-st., have returned from their trip abroad.

Miss Mabel Gilson, of Grand View on the Hudson, has returned to her home from a visit to the Misses Fox, No. 249 West 99th-st.

The Flonzaley Quartet played at a concert in Æolian Hall, No. 362 5th-ave., on March 2, for the benefit of the Mary F. Walton kindergarten for colored children.

The New-England Glee Club gave a successful concert last Thursday evening in the Francis Walker studio, No. 27 West 67th-st., under the auspices of the National Society of New-England Women.

Miss Eleanor May Hanna, of St. James Court, No. 214 West 92d-st., gave a luncheon and euchre party on the afternoon of February 28. The tables were decorated with carnations and pink roses, and handsome euchre prizes were given. The guests were Miss Elizabeth Williams, Miss Mabel Bage, Miss Grace Lyon, Miss Felecie Parker, Mrs. Livingston, Miss Grace Oakley, Miss Jynta Humphreys, Miss Elizabeth Winkler, Miss Leslie E. Wallace and Miss Christine Hayward.

The New-York Diet Kitchen Association announces a benefit concert in the large ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. The artists will be Miss Edyth Walker, Fritz Kreisler, Jose Vianna da Motta and Ferdinand Jaeger. Tickets may be obtained at the Waldorf-Astoria or from Mrs. Henry Villard, the president, No. 145 West 58th-st.

Stony Wold Auxiliary No. 1 met Monday afternoon at the house of Mrs. William H. Brown, No. 134 West 86th-st. Miss Kelsey sang and Dr. S. A. Kroff made an address on the prevention and causes of tuberculosis. There was a large attendance and seven new members were admitted. The chairman, Mrs. Charles G. Kerley, announced a Lenten sewing meeting on March 14 at the house of Mrs. William H. Benedict, No. 154 West 87th-st., to prepare sheets and pillowcases for the sanatorium.

Mrs. James E. Newcomb made a plea for a Russian girl with tuberculosis, and the auxiliary voted to send her to Stony Wold. This auxiliary is now caring for three patients.

An International Point Euchre, under the management of Mrs. John Williams, chairman of the entertainment committee, will be held in the Waldorf-Astoria, on the evening of March 27, for the benefit of the William H. Davis Free Industrial School for Crippled Children, No. 471 West 57th-st. The game will be played in sections of forty, thus eliminating all the disagreeable features of a large euchre.

There are no tickets on public sale, all of them

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A HEADING FOR MARCH.
Drawn by Anna Mae Jefferies, age fifteen years, of 83d-st. and 2d-ave., Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, N. Y.

On a Lark to the Planets.

BY FRANCES TREGO MONTGOMERY.

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CHAPTER XII.

The Sun's Satellite Island was most glorious to behold, being bathed in dancing sunbeams, which twirled in and around everything and threw a veil of splendor over all. This was called the Isle of Gold, as it looked like one gigantic ball of that precious metal when seen from afar. Gold mines abounded, formed as it seemed of petrified sunbeams. The flowers and leaves of plants and trees opened and shut at the rising and setting of the Sun as do the lotus and marigold. The birds, too, sang at sunrise to herald the coming of the messenger of day. A great many large animals were seen here, such as the lion, wolf, bear, bull and ox. The people were broad minded, whole souled and cheerful, their one aim in life being to make others happy.

From the Sun Island they went to the Island under the Moon, an island locked in the grip of perpetual slumber. What a contrast they found! It was like going from life to death. It had been struck by a blighting blast, and everything had been turned to stone; even the trees, birds and beasts were petrified, although they had retained their natural colors. No one lived here, and the only persons seen were visitors from other islands, and these were generally of a melancholy, despondent turn of mind, and they moved about like ghosts, in shroudlike white robes.

After our travellers had visited all of the planets' Satellite Islands, Ione said:

"Why! I never thought of it before, but if all of the planets have satellite or tributary islands, the Earth must, also."

"You are right," said Mercury. "Earth has its Satellite Islands, but instead of one it has many, and they revolve around the Earth from east to west. Opposite each zone out in space revolves an island corresponding in temperature and in vegetation to the zone it represents, and all of these are connected with the Earth by rainbow bridges, which appear and disappear as there are souls that wish to pass over to any of them.

"The passport to these islands is a pure heart full of love and sympathy for everything that lives and breathes. None other can pass over the frail rainbow bridges to these islands, which are called the 'Isles of the Blest.' Many people have seen these rainbow bridges when they have been spanned for the passage of a soul to one of the islands, but they have not known that instead of the pot of gold, which children have been told was to be found at the other end, there was one of the most beautiful, peaceful, quiet islands that ever floated in space. On the one opposite the Temperate Zone spirits live that prefer that temperature, while those who prefer cold weather go to the island opposite the Frigid Zone, and so on, for there is a climate suited to every taste, and because of this every one is happy and contented, being in a congenial atmosphere which is conducive of joy and contentment.

"The most desirable place of all is that island opposite and tributary to the Temperate Zone, for here everything is temperate like the climate, neither too hot nor yet too cold. The inhabitants are high spirited, joyous and happy, being employed from morning till night in making others happy.

"Deceit, lying, stealing and anger are all unknown here, so you see, it is very appropriately named The Isle of the Blessed," concluded Mercury.

By this time they had reached Do-as-you-Please Land.

"What queer looking people and houses they have here!" said Ione. "No two persons are dressed alike, nor are there two houses the same size or color. There is a queer looking house over there, and no two sides are painted the same color."

"Oh, goodness! look at that funny hat that woman is wearing. It is like a small parasol with the stick cut off, and when she enters a building she pulls a string and it shuts up," said the Princess.

"Yes," answered Ione, "but look at that woman with the laced-in waist, high heeled slippers and huge bustle and panniers. She is talking to that tall, slim woman with flat chest and clothes made almost skin tight. Why do the inhabitants of this land dress so differently?" asked Ione.

"Because this is the Land of Do-As-You-Please, and every one dresses according to his or her particular idea of comfort or beauty. Come and I will show you some of the queerest homes you ever looked at."

They were loath to leave the queer looking people, even to see their peculiar houses, but they finally started to walk down the principal residence street. They saw children dressed in the funniest clothes that mortal mind ever thought of or designed. Some had rubber suits, so that if it rained or they fell in the water they would not get wet. Others were dressed in silk, satin and laces or Little Lord Fauntleroy styles. Still others were barefooted, with only a calico slip for a dress. Some of the mothers had their hair done up high on the head or in a mass of curls and puffs; others wore it parted in the middle and brushed so smoothly that a fly alighting upon it would slip and break its neck. But the houses! How queer and quaint they were, built after original designs of the owners! One, for instance, a yellow frame with white trimmings, had one large, long room on the ground floor, with a high square tower on one corner, four stories high, with steps from the outside. This we called the Lighthouse.

"Well, of all homely houses this is the homeliest!" said Harold. "I wonder what they do in rainy weather with the steps on the outside!"

The man who lived next door evidently believed the only way to build a house was to have all the rooms on the ground floor so as to do away with climbing stairs.

The next man had few windows, and small ones at that, seeming to like a cool, dark house; while his next door neighbor delighted in light and windows, and had so many that his house was called the glass house; and so on, and so on. One liked one thing, another liked its opposite and each built as he pleased.

The grounds surrounding these houses were quite as characteristic of different tastes as the houses. Some yards were laid out in set flower beds, others with the flowers running wild and untrained, while still others had not a flower or shrub to break the even roll of the grass sown lawn.

Some of the people had their meals served three times a day, some four times and some only twice. Some went to bed with the chickens and got up with the sun, while others went to bed at sunrise, after a night of merrymaking or dancing. Some believed in study, others in passing the time as best one can, only looking out for the fun of the moment; while still others thought only of the future; and, as there are no Mrs. Grundys, each one did as he pleased, and no unpleasant or unkind remarks were made.

All the inhabitants attend strictly to their own business and let others do the same.

"After all, then, these queer people living in their quaint houses have one custom which it would be well for our Earth people to emulate," said the Prince, in which all the rest of the party laughingly acquiesced.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

PRIZE STORIES.

Following are the two stories that have won the prizes offered in the contest of February 19:

THE HISTORY OF A PUP.

He was born in a barrel in Perth Amboy and that was his home until one night a house near by caught fire and his mother and four brothers and sisters were smothered. A fireman heard him crying and saved him after his whiskers and eyebrows had been singed off. The fireman took him home and fed him on bread and milk. The next thing to do was to name him, and because he was saved from the fire they named him Lucky.

He is growing more cunning every day, and is so used to going to bed at 8 o'clock in the evening that when his bed time comes, if no one offers to put him to bed, he runs upstairs himself and jumps upon the bed and goes to sleep.

Everybody in the house has to be very careful to put away shoes or rubbers, for Lucky likes to grab them and run all around with them. He is a bull pup and like all that breed knows how to use his teeth. CORNELIA L'HOMEDIEU.

No. 272 Brighton-ave., Perth Amboy, N. J.

She will receive a badge.

A BIRTHDAY EVE.

Hilda was tired when nurse undressed her and put her to bed on the evening of March 6, and she wondered what birthday presents she would receive the next day.

Suddenly a beautiful doll dressed in pink entered Hilda's room. She did want a big doll dressed in pink for her birthday. The doll gracefully came up to Hilda and stepped on the coverlet of the bed. Then the fairy made the prettiest curtsey Hilda had ever seen, and said, "Miss Hilda, I am a messenger sent to you by your godmother, inviting you to accompany her round the world to-night. If you wish to go, make haste to prepare."

Hilda jumped out of bed and the fairy helped her put on her little red coat and hood trimmed with ermine. Then they got into a little carriage drawn by four beautiful ponies. As they hurried along, the fairy said, "We must haste to fairyland, to your godmother, then I must leave you and her."

The fairy godmother took little Hilda into the home of every child who, like herself, would be six years old on the following day.

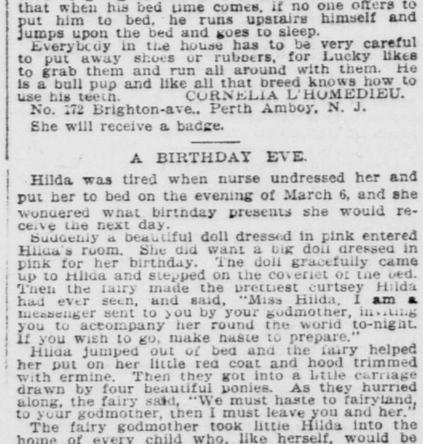
Hilda saw many queer things and some pretty ones, too, but when she got back to America she told her godmother that she thought American homes were the best of any.

Then Hilda found herself in the parlor of her own home, talking with the fairy. Hilda was sleepy, and the fairy took out of her pocket a little silver whistle and blew it, and in came the beautiful doll to take Hilda up to her bedroom. Then the doll asked Hilda if she wanted to ask any questions, and Hilda said, "Dear Fairy, I have had a very good time to-night, but I would like to know what I am going to have for my birthday. Can you tell me?"

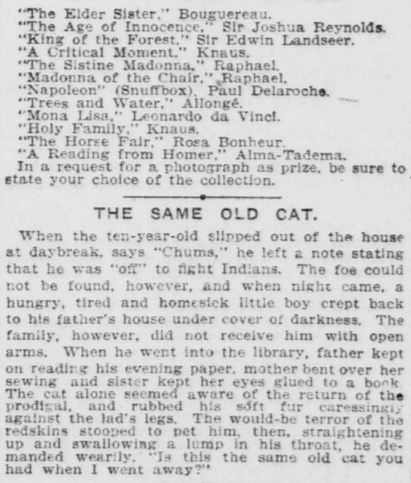
The fairy smiled, and was about to say something when Hilda's nurse came into the room and woke up the little girl from her beautiful dream. Hilda hurried downstairs to see her parents, and found the beautiful doll dressed in pink; the very doll that she had dreamed about!

Feb. 20, 1905. LAURA DISBROW.

A badge is requested.



FIRST PRIZE—FRIENDS.
Drawn by Sophie M. Joseph, age fourteen years, of No. 33 Summit-ave., Catskill, N. Y.



SECOND PRIZE—FRIENDS.
Sent by Helen Price, age twelve years, of Westmont, Johnstown, Cambria County, Penn.

HIDDEN NAME CONTEST.

Stoessel was the Russian general's name hidden in the puzzle published on February 19. The prize winners are Edwin S. Van Deusen, eleven years old, of Fort Plain, N. Y., who wishes a silver badge; William F. Hollister, thirteen and one-half years old, of No. 208 Grove-st., Bennington, Vt., who asks for a box of paints; Miss E. Bigelow Hall, twelve years old, of Oxford Academy, Floyd, Va., who prefers a box of paints, and Jean Maxwell, six years old, No. 83 Park-st., Montclair, N. J., who wishes a picture of "The Sistine Madonna."

LIST OF PRIZE PICTURES.

"The Elder Sister," Bouguereau.
"The Age of Innocence," Sir Joshua Reynolds.
"King of the Forest," Sir Edwin Landseer.
"A Critical Moment," Knaus.
"The Sistine Madonna," Raphael.
"Madonna of the Chair," Raphael.
"Napoleon" (Snuffbox), Paul Delaroche.
"Trees and Water," Allongé.
"Mona Lisa," Leonardo da Vinci.
"Holy Family," Knaus.
"The Horse Fair," Rosa Bonheur.
"A Reading from Homer," Alma-Tadema.

In a request for a photograph as prize, be sure to state your choice of the collection.

THE SAME OLD CAT.

When the ten-year-old slipped out of the house at daybreak, says "Chums," he left a note stating that he was "off" to fight Indians. The foe could not be found, however, and when night came, a hungry, tired and homesick little boy crept back to his father's house under cover of darkness. The family, however, did not receive him with open arms. When he went into the library, father kept on reading his evening paper, mother bent over her sewing and sister kept her eyes glued to a book. The cat alone seemed aware of the return of the prodigal, and rubbed his soft fur caressingly against the lad's legs. The would-be terror of the redskins stooped to pet him, then, straightening up and swallowing a lump in his throat, he demanded wearily, "Is this the same old cat you had when I went away?"

JAPANESE WAYS OF ADVERTISING.

Many Japanese advertisements have a certain whimsicality about them that is quite lacking in the posters of America. According to "The Youth's Companion" one Oriental "hustler" announces: "Our silks and satins are as soft as the cheeks of a pretty woman, as beautiful as a rainbow."

A merchant in Tokio, after praising to the full his goods and the appointments of his store, boasted, "Our parcels are packed with as much care as a young married woman takes of her husband." The following day a rival shopkeeper advertised thus: "Our wrapping paper is as strong as the hide of an elephant. Goods forwarded with the speed of a cannonball."

AN INQUISITIVE SERVANT.

A gentleman had an inquisitive servant, relates "Chums," whom he once saw open a private letter of his. The next day he sent another letter by the servant, containing a postscript: "You may send a verbal answer by bearer; he has taken the precaution to read this before delivery."

HIDDEN OBJECT PUZZLE.

Willie has started out hunting. Of course, like all small boys, he is looking for bears. However, he returned with much smaller game than bears. There are seven objects hidden in different parts of the picture. Write out the names of these objects, and when they are arranged in the right order the first letter of each word taken together will spell the name of the game that Willie got. For the neatest and best four solutions of this puzzle the choice of any one of our mounted photographs, a box of water color paints, a silver badge, a book, or a baseball is offered. Send your answers before Wednesday, March 15, to Little Men and Little Women, New-York Tribune.

How to Win a Prize.

CONTEST NO. 1.—The choice of any one of our collection of mounted photographs, a box of water color paints, or a sterling silver badge, for the best two original stories about robins.

CONTEST NO. 2.—The choice of a fine book, or a silver badge, for the best original four-line stanza on Spring.

CONTEST NO. 3.—The choice of any one of our mounted photographs, a silver badge, or a book, for the most interesting two original drawings on any subject.

CONTEST NO. 4.—The choice of any one of our mounted photographs, a box of water color paints, a silver badge, a book, or a baseball for the neatest and best four solutions of the hidden object puzzle on this page.

Be sure to make your drawings in black ink on white paper.
Be sure to state your age.
Be sure to state your choice of prizes.
Be sure to have your work reach us by Wednesday, March 15.

Things to Think About.

Mildred Armstrong, twelve years old, of Fair Haven, Conn., has won the prize offered last week for the neatest and best solution of the "Things to Think About." A book worth reading will go to the successful contestant in to-day's puzzle contest. Be sure to have your answers in by Thursday, March 9. Address Little Men and Little Women, New-York Tribune.

HIDDEN PROVERB.

This proverb contains fifteen letters divided into three words of equal length. The proverb may be solved by guessing the words of which the definitions are given and by putting the letters of these words in places for which they are numbered.

The proverb:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15.
4 2 6 9—not wild.
11 7 3 1—to clean with water.
13 5 15 8—to search for.
10 12 14—past tense of the verb sit.

DIAMONDS.

First—A third of cod; a fashion popular for a short time; a city in Egypt; to weep; a third of cod.

Second—A fourth of head; bustle; salty water; woollen cloth; a city in Scotland; want of rain; a small fruit with many seeds; time past; a fourth of head.

A FLIGHT OF STAIRS.

The last three letters of each word are the same as the first three letters of the following word.

To court; made of wood; pertaining to the teeth; the work which embodies the civil and canonical laws of the Jews; a bird inhabiting streams and marshes; a fowl.

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RIDDLE.

Winter.

A FLIGHT OF STEPS.

COW
COWARD
ARDENT
ENTIRE
IREFUL
FULMEN
MENACE
ACE

DIAMONDS.

1—
B
E R E
D R A M
C U R A B L E
B R E A F I N S T
M E A R K E
F L A S K
A T

2—
H
V I M
B A C O N
H I C O V R Y
G R K E
O Y E

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