

The Scrap Book

The Absentminded Doctor. "Yes, dear, my husband is a doctor and just the nicest, dearest fellow in the world, but so absentminded," she explained to her schoolgirl chum.

BE STRONG. Be strong! We are not here to play, to dream, to drift. We have hard work to do and loads to lift.

Be strong! Say not the days are evil—who's to blame? And fold the hands and acquiesce—oh, shame!

Be strong! It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong. How hard the battle goes, the day how long.

The Dog Wasn't Touched. "Madam," said the conductor as he punched a ticket, "I am very sorry, but you can't have your dog in this car. It is against the rules."

"I shall hold him in my lap all the way," she replied, "and he will not disturb any one."

"That makes no difference," said the conductor. "Dogs must ride in the baggage car. I'll take and fasten him for you."

"Don't you touch my dog, sir!" exclaimed the young lady excitedly. "I will trust him to no one," and with indignant tread she marched to the baggage car, tied her dog and said: "Remember, please, I don't want a soul here to touch my dog or untie him. You understand?"

The baggage crew said they did. As the train approached her station the young lady, halting the conductor, asked, "Is my dog all right?"

"I don't know, miss," replied the conductor. "Don't know?" she replied. "Why don't you know? It's your business to know. You haven't touched him or untied him?"

A Prophecy Fulfilled. Rouelle, one of the early fathers of chemistry in France, drew crowds of enthusiastic students to his classroom. "Gentlemen," he said on one occasion, "you see the caldron on this brazier. If I were to cease stirring a single moment an explosion would ensue which would blow us all into the air."

An Ideal Sitter. A Washington artist, while sketching in North Carolina, was one day in search of a suitable background of dark pines for a picture he had planned. At last he found the precise situation he was seeking, and, best of all, there chanced to be a pretty detail in the figure of an old colored woman in the foreground.

The artist asked the old woman to remain seated until he had sketched her. She assented with the greatest good nature, but in a few minutes asked how long the artist would be. "Oh, only about a quarter of an hour," he answered.

Three minutes or so later the old lady again inquired—this time with manifest anxiety—how long the operation of sketching would take. "Not long," was the reassuring reply. "But why do you ask so anxiously?" "Oh, nuthin', sah," the old woman hastened to respond, "only I's sittin' on an ant hill, sah."

A Grand Ovation. "I finished my peroration," said the conceited orator, "and stood there with the thunders of applause ringing in my ears. It was a grand ovation. The people crowded up to shake me by the hand and to touch my garments, so impressed and enthusiastic were they over by effort. I was gracious and shook hands with all who made the proffer to me. Finally one man, weeping because I had played so feelingly on the harp of his emotions, leaned forward to kiss my shoe."

The Champion Ham Eater. Bandmaster Sousa says a southern negro is responsible for the following story: "Down on our farm we've got a man named Jim. Jim's de champion ham eater of all de country round. Unc' Henry hed ch'age o' de fahm, an' when Unc' Henry tol' any of us to do anything we jus' done it, 'cause we had confidence in him."

"Folks come f'om all de country round' jus' to see Jim eat ham, fo' de way he could tuck ham away was amazin'. Jim set by de fence one day a-eatin' one ham after another like ez ef dey was cakes or biscuits! 'Twas ez easy to him as pickin' teeth. He'd got down eight hams an' de ninth was a-follerin'."

Professional Pride. "Literary fame is not always highly regarded by the people," says William Dean Howells. "I remember when I was in San Remo some years ago seeing in a French newspaper this notice by a rat trap maker of Lyons: 'To whom it may concern: M. Pierre Loti of Lyons, inventor of the automatic rat trap, begs to state that he is not the same person and that he has nothing in common with one Pierre Loti, a writer.'"

Humor and Philosophy By DUNCAN M. SMITH DIMINISHING PLEASURE. Buying shoes for baby. Papa swells with pride When he brings the first pair home. Scarce two inches wide, Ties them on the tootsies With a purple string. Quite too cute the slippers Are for anything.

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Sure Sign. "I see John is in love with her."

"Where do you see it?" "He stands for the old man's cigars."

Question For Scientists. Do steam heated, asbestos bound love epistles really hypnotize ancient and tottering human bank accounts who apparently absorb them as a crack first baseman absorbs a wild throw?

Maybe so. Maybe not. Grandpa winks the other eye and chuckles himself under the chin while he keeps his hand on his pocketbook. Fair Maybell thinks she has him folded away in a neat package, ticketed and fled away in her cabinet of curios, but later disclosures during the alimony collecting period often show that she was but one of a dozen instead of the only owner one incidentally mentioned in the letters.

By the time a man has acquired the wisdom that eighty odd years impart he knows that a letter that is two-thirds composed of spontaneous combustion means that some one is going to ask him for money very shortly.

Deep Distress. "Going to buy that new suit this spring?" "No; I'm feeling too poor."

"Pshaw, you don't know what poverty is!" "Maybe you do."

"Maybe. When we were out west flour was so hard to get my wife couldn't afford to use it for face powder."

The Pest. The neighborly mosquito Has lately come to town, And with amazing greed, oh, He grips the clearest down.

The things that most annoy us Right to our door he brings, And meanwhile, blithe and joyous, Above our heads he sings.

It's him for juicy living. He gets it, you can bet. For each of us is giving To keep his whistle wet.

Far From the Source. "Hello, colonel! What is the latest?" "Don't know. I haven't seen my wife since morning."

PERT PARAGRAPHS. Doubting your ability to get it never brought you a rise in salary.

There are some virtues that, judged simply by their consequences, can't be distinguished from vices.

The pity for suffering humanity that some people entertain is too apt to be of too limited application and too local in character.

When you run against a blockhead the resulting contusion is apt to be upon your own cranium.

Don't cry over spilt milk; it probably was sour anyway.

There are people whom we know who may be wise, but if so they have a skillful manner of concealing the fact.

When a man gets a swelled head the chances are that he will have to take some medicine for it.

It is hard to down the man who is dead certain that he can't lose.

Some people who are so sure that they could make the world over and make it right would have the walking delegate calling a strike on the job before they had run the machine an hour.

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CIRCUS DAY AT FORT BENTON, FRIDAY, JULY 10th. PERFORMANCES AT 2 AND 8 P. M.

100 CHAMPIONS CIRCUS CELEBRITIES AND 100 CELEBRITIES. 22 FAMOUS EQUESTRIANS, 18 DARING AERIALISTS, 23 MERRY CLOWNS. Le Fleur Troupe. 10 Lovely Ladies of Faultless Form in Classic Poses on a Great Revolving Pedestal. 11 Arabian Tumblers. Celebrated Stirk (10) Family. America's Greatest Cyclists and Roller Skaters. 10 Rockless Rough Riders. 100 SHETLAND PONY BALLET. Marvelous Picards. Aerialists Supreme. 7 Russian Cossacks. SUPERB GARLAND ENTREE. Thundering Roman Chariot Races. Educated SEALS & SEA LIONS. A COMPLETE JAPANESE CIRCUS. 9 SENSATIONAL EQUILIBRISTS. Only Lady Japanese Artists in America. 20 Astonishing Acrobats. HIGHEST JUMPING HORSES. HERDS PERFORMING ELEPHANTS. CAMELS, LLAMAS AND BOS INDIGUS. CAKE WALKING HORSES. TRAINED IMPORTED ARABIAN STALLIONS. Grand STREET PARADE 10:30 DAILY.

Notice of Contest. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 4, 1908. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by JOSEPH A. BAKER, contestant, against allotment application No. 150, made November 29, 1904, for lot 1, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, NE 1/4, section 2, township 29 north, range 7 east, SD 1, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, section 2, township 29 north, range 7 east, said application being amended to embrace the NE 1/4, SE 1/4, section 11, NE 1/4, SE 1/4, section 2, township 29 north, range 7 east, by Emma Tyler, contestee, in which it is alleged that the Indian claimant never resided upon or improved in any manner the land allotted to her, and that she died in the state of Missouri about the year 1905; and a hearing notice has been ordered by the Hon. Commissioner of the General Land Office by letter "G" of April 14, 1908, the said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on July 18, 1908, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Montana, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on July 25, 1908, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Great Falls, Montana.

Desert Land--Final Proof. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 16, 1908. Notice is hereby given that ALMON F. MATTHEWS, of Everson, Fergus county, Montana, who, on August 1, 1904, made desert land entry No. 2643, for supposed SW 1/4, section 3, NW 1/4, section 10, township 29 north, range 14 east, Montana principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at Fort Benton, Montana, on the 1st day of August, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Jürgen Engelman, George N. Knapp, Charles B. Akerley and Winfield S. Guthridge, all of Everson, Mont. C. E. MCKOIN, Register.

Desert Land--Final Proof. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 27, 1908. Notice is hereby given that NANCY C. RUSSELL, assignee of William Huley, of Great Falls, Montana, who, on August 16, 1904, made desert land entry No. 1965, for the NW 1/4, NE 1/4, E 1/4, section 27, township 37 north, range 1 east, Montana principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before John McDowell, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Gold Butte, Montana, on the 1st day of August, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Cornelius E. Price, Thomas O. Laughlin, Isaac Evans and Albert Males, all of West Butte, Mont. J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Notice for Publication. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 13, 1908. Notice is hereby given that the NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, whose postoffice address is St. Paul, Minnesota, has this 10th day of June, 1908, filed in this office an application to select under the provisions of the act of congress approved July 1, 1906, (34 Stat., 697, 698) the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 20, in township 21 north, range 8 east of Montana principal meridian, containing 40 acres.

Desert Land--Final Proof. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 11, 1908. Notice is hereby given that MARGARET R. KINGSBURY, of Great Falls, Montana, who, on May 17, 1905, made desert land entry No. 1575, for the NE 1/4, SW 1/4, section 29, E 1/4, NE 1/4, section 32, township 21 north, range 8 east, Montana principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Jere Sullivan, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Montana, on the 25th day of July, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Lewis Willard, Gerald Byrne and Fritz Howard, of Great Falls, Montana; Adkin W. Kingsbury, of Great Falls, Montana. J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

Desert Land--Final Proof. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 11, 1908. Notice is hereby given that HAYLOCK DIMOCK, of Fort Benton, Montana, who, on September 8, 1906, made desert land entry No. 2628, for lots 2 and 3, section 27, lot 1, NE 1/4, NE 1/4, section 34, township 27 north, range 8 east, Montana principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Montana, on the 25th day of July, 1908. Claimant names as witnesses: Alfred LaBarre, William O. Brach, Thomas Stewart and John Munsey, all of Fort Benton, Mont. J. M. BURLINGAME, Register.

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Notice of Contest. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., June 25, 1908. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by DONALD SILLERS BANNATYNE, contestant, against homestead entry No. 470, made January 29, 1908, for the SW 1/4, NE 1/4, NW 1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, section 34, township 34 north, range 4 east, by Hansine Wangen, contestee, in which it is alleged that Hansine Wangen abandoned the above described land; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making the said entry, and last past; that said tract is not cultivated and settled upon by said party as required by law, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on August 10, 1908, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Great Falls, Mont.

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