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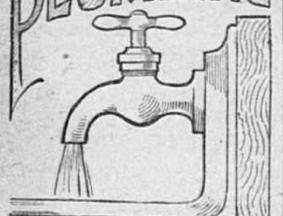
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His Little Postscript.

The absentminded correspondent of the Georgia citizen in Texas closed a recent communication as follows: "P. S.—I almost forgot to tell you that your horse was burned to the ground one day last week, your brother having let the insurance lapse two weeks before. So you won't get nothing out of it, I reckon."—Atlanta Constitution.

Unaccountable Surprise.

"Some men never learn by experience."
"That's true," answered young Mrs. Torkins. "Charley is just as much surprised every time he loses at the races as if it had never happened before."—Washington Star.

Ambiguous.

She—I am afraid we shall have trouble with servants after we are married. He—I won't mind that, dear, as long as I have you.—Town and Country.

Life without laughter is a machine without oil.—Schoolmaster.

Nearly Sad.

A newspaper in a small country town not far from New York employs a reporter whose knowledge of English idioms is somewhat uncertain. He was assigned recently to report the sudden death of an important local citizen, and after describing the circumstances leading up to it he referred to the sadness of the bereavement sustained by the family. "The widow," he concluded, "is almost grief stricken."—Harper's Weekly.

Out of Place.

Aunt Prisms—I am shocked at you, Maude. You permitted young Mr. Jones to kiss you. Maude—He only just touched me on the nose, auntie. Aunt Prisms—It was quite out of place, dear. Maude—He knew it was, auntie. But you came in so suddenly, you see.

Easier Than a Halo.

"Being continually held up as a horrible example is about as monotonous as the music of an automatic piano," says a cynic, "but it is much less strain on your nervous system than trying to balance a halo on the back of your head."—Kansas City Journal.

Too Wise For Her Years.

The Governess—Of course, you know, the story we have just read is merely a fairy tale and there are many such quite familiar to childhood. Can you tell us another, Elsie? Little Elsie—Oh, yes; you once told mamma that you had four proposals of marriage during your life!—Brooklyn Life.

Business and Pleasure.

"So you want to change the door so it will swing the other way, eh?" said the carpenter. "Don't it work all right?"
"Yes, it works all right," grinned the dentist, "but I want it changed so I can have the word 'Pull' lettered on it."—Indianapolis Sun.

Mean.

Mrs. Buxom—That hateful Mrs. Knox made a very mean comment upon my age today. Mr. Buxom—Did she say you were getting old? Mrs. Buxom—No, indeed. She said I "still looked quite young."

Peace at Last.

Mr. Hoon—Scrapplington and his wife have parted. Mrs. Hoon—Good gracious! What is the trouble? Mr. Hoon—There isn't any trouble now. They have parted.—Smart Set.

DECORATION DAY AT GRAFTON

Monday, May 30—Only 75 Cents Round Tria via Baltimore & Ohio R. R.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad will sell excursion tickets to Grafton and return on Monday, May 30, Decoration Day, for train No. 46, leaving Clarksburg at 10:22 a. m. Grand parade at 1:00 p. m. Hon. A. G. Dayton, orator of the day. For tickets and additional information call on ticket agents.

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If you are interested in this favorite branch of agriculture, and desire some interesting reading matter showing how fortunes are actually made along the line of the Illinois Central R. R. by northern farmers who are now located for FREE handsomely illustrated pamphlets and full particulars. E. A. RICHTER, T.P.A., Ill. Cent. R. R., 512 PARK BUILDING, PITTSBURG, PA. jan29w.1f.

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MRS. CORA PONTIFAX.
The Only Woman Horse Trainer and Jockey in the World.

Mrs. Cora Pontifax of Laporte, Ind., is the only woman horse trainer and jockey in the world. This daring woman has earned quite an enviable reputation among horse lovers and owners as an expert in breaking colts to the saddle and harness. Many of her horses, too, have won trotting races on the track, successfully competing against well known horses driven by men.

How Mrs. Pontifax came to take up such a strange occupation for a woman is an interesting story. Fourteen years ago she was a dressmaker. Sewing and making buttonholes, however, were not congenial to her. Her health



MRS. CORA PONTIFAX.

broke down, and she was in such a low state that she had to consult a physician. He advised a change of occupation as the only remedy.

At that time Mrs. Pontifax had neither health nor money. On her father's farm she had been fond of horses and skillful in managing them. Colt breaking had been her greatest delight, and she often rode horseback in Indian fashion, bareback and without saddle or bridle. And so, to regain her health, she began colt breaking as a business.

Mrs. Pontifax's health steadily improved, and after three years of breaking and gaiting saddle horses she bought a livery stable at Laporte. Four years later she moved to Chicago and remained there four years in business. It was in one of the large suburbs of the city at a horse racing matinee given by a swell driving club that Mrs. Pontifax came into notice prominently. She not only entered one of her horses for an important race, but decided to drive it, which she did, winning the race and a reputation as well.

Mrs. Pontifax then returned to Laporte, where she owns and runs a training stable. She was born and raised on a farm in that town. Her husband was a professional horse trainer.

At Laporte Mrs. Pontifax has established a private livery, boarding and call stable and is busy from morning till night attending to the wants of her horses. Her stables are always full, and farmers and ranchers for miles round are always calling upon her either to purchase a new horse or to request her services in breaking their colts to harness.

Indeed, this courageous woman has now an enviable reputation for colt breaking and gaiting saddle horses, often having as many as ten and twelve colts in her stable at one time. She never fails to thoroughly subdue the most vicious horse brought under her supervision. The more spirited the horse the better she likes it, preferring to handle the creature entirely by herself.

An Axiom.

An axiom which I am sure has been in active use ever since gloves and boots were invented and which has been indelibly impressed upon the mind of every growing girl is that a lady is known by these adjuncts to her toilet. If they reach the standard of what they should be, a gown of last year's cut and a jacket whose sleeves are models of a vanished style may acceptably pass muster.

To the well fitting, spotless boots and gloves woman, with her desire to improve on and supplement old tradition, has added the hat—a fresh and becoming hat—as the supreme requisite of an admirable appearance. And what a prominent part the hat plays in the drama of a woman's beauty, which is in many respects the drama of a woman's life! It really holds the center of the stage to a remarkable degree.

Women think so unceasingly about clothes and discuss the subject so intently that it is one of the eternal puzzles why the majority of them are so destitute of artistic sense in the selection of a wardrobe. Considering the hours that she spends before a mirror, the entire failure of the average woman to apprehend the relation of clothes to that dominating, subtle something which we call individuality is very curious.—Twentieth Century Home.

Historic Old Statues.

The famous great gallery at the base of the towers of Notre Dame cathedral is decorated with curious grotesque figures which have been made familiar by thousands of reproductions and copies for centuries. The statues were carved and put in place during the twelfth century, yet they still stand exactly as they were placed in position. The inroads of time and weather have not served to destroy their original lines. As with the statuary of the cathedrals of the middle ages, these statues differ slightly in form, even though they are supposed to be symmetrical.

The "Salted" Mine

[Original.]

"What are you doing, John?"
The question was asked in a mining camp in the far west. A man had dumped several bags of ore on the kitchen floor and was mixing them in one heap.

"Hist, Molly. Don't be asking too many questions."
"But I want to know."
"Well, then, I'm preparing to make Molly Drake a rich woman. There's a fellow come out from New York hunting for property with which to organize a big mining company. He's been looking at our ten acres on Cobble hill. I've told him I've struck the rich vein of the Sally Ann mine in the middle of our property."
"Well?"
"I'm preparing to make sure he's not disappointed."
"John Drake, do you mean to tell me you're going to 'salt' the property?"
"Salt it? Don't you know that this is a world in which the shrewd ones live on the fools? What does he want the property for? To make a balloon of it. To do this he must have something to show. If I don't give him rich ore he'll go to the next man, who will; and I'll be left in the lurch. He don't want to know too much. It would spoil his plans. There he comes now."

Leaving the kitchen he shut the door. The stranger came on. As he did so Molly Drake fixed her eyes upon him in wonder. The color left her cheek, and she bit her lip to restore her equanimity. As the man approached he, too, started, but the woman cast a meaning glance toward her husband and put her finger to her lips. When the newcomer and the woman met they were introduced by the husband as strangers.

"Molly, this is Mr. Sydney, a gentleman from New York looking for mining property."
Mr. Sydney and Mrs. Drake nodded to each other, and Drake, evidently fearing that the purchaser might get a look into the kitchen, soon took him away, but not before Sydney and Mrs. Drake had managed to make an appointment to meet that evening in the wood back of the cabin.

As soon as dark came John Drake harnessed a horse to a cart and, taking the salted ore, drove away. He had scarcely gone when his wife went back into the wood. Sydney was waiting.

"Molly!"
"George!"
It was the old story of a lovers' misunderstanding. George Sydney had gone off thinking that Molly Parker had dismissed him, Molly thinking that he would come back. After a time John Drake, who had the name of being a money maker and had accumulated some means, won and married her. Hearing of a gold strike on Wolf creek in the far west, he had taken his money and gone there to be on hand for a good investment.

Sydney began to speak of the cause of their estrangement.
"That's all past, George," interrupted the woman. "What are you doing here?"
"My father and certain friends of his have great confidence in the gold producing qualities of this place and have sent me to buy any property that looks well. When I fell in with John Drake I—"

"Yes, yes. What are you going to do with this property if you buy it?"
"Work it."
"Organize a company to boom the stock and sell out?"
"Molly!"
"Or get what there is in it for the purchasers?"
"If I buy a mine, I am to stay here and manage it."
She stood a moment thinking, then said, "Come with me."
"Taking him to her cabin, she opened the kitchen door and with a candle held low showed him the dust left from the mixed ores.

"If you buy my property, that's the sample you will buy it on."
He looked at her in wonder. "Do you mean?" he began.
"That John has gone to salt the hole where he claims he has struck the Sally Ann vein."
For a few moments Sydney continued to look at her as if some great mistake was being made. Then he exclaimed bitterly:
"Oh, Molly, why did you send me away?"
"Go. I have nothing more to tell you; no further warning."
"Go? And leave you here with a man you can't respect. Go? I will only go if you go with me."
"Neither the law of the land nor of God permits that, George. Go."
When John Drake drove the team up to his cabin at midnight and put it away he went into the house and found his wife awaiting him.

"John," she said, "you'll find the house in order and provisions for the rest of the week. I'm going back to my father."
The man started as if he had been struck.

"For heaven's sake, Molly, what do you mean?"
"I mean that I will not live with a dishonest man."
Something in the resolute tone of her voice told him that she was not to be dissuaded. He saw her pass away in the darkness and, going into the house, fell on his face. He had considered "salting" ore not as a criminal offense, but a shrewd operation.

Sydney made every effort to induce Mrs. Drake to take some action with a view to their possible union, but she steadily refused. Ten years later her husband died, and she married the man she should have married in the first place.

CHARLOTTE ATWOOD.

Force of Habit.

Friend (calling on dentist)—My head aches terribly. Dentist (absentmindedly)—Why don't you have it out?

A man that is young in years may be old in hours if he has lost no time.—Bacon.

WANT DEPARTMENT

Want, Found, For Rent, Lost Notices, etc., etc., will be published in this column at the rate of two cents per line per insertion, INVARIABLY CASH IN ADVANCE. Count six words to the line. Nothing accepted for less than 25 cents.

Wanted—Men and women in Clarksburg and surrounding towns; pleasant and profitable employment; salary or commission. Address post office box 300, Clarksburg, W. Va. m13-10f.

For Rent—Three rooms for light house keeping. Call at 656 Mulberry street. may13-1f

For Rent—Large room, \$6.50 a month; small room, \$4.50. Apply at 645 West Main street. mar21-1f.

For Rent—Up to date apartments in Jones' flat. Apply to Philip Willet, attorney, rooms 9 and 10, Leggett building. mar10-1f.

For Rent—Good store room and basement for store purposes, on West Pike street, formerly the West End Meat Market. Inquire of Attorney F. G. Vignar. jan29-1f.

For Rent—A good office room, centrally located on Main street. Inquire 325 Main street. 27feb04

For Rent—Three-room cottage in Glen Elk; \$10.00 per month. Suitable for railroad men. Lynn J. Carskadon. feb3,04d.

For Rent—Two apartments in Cunningham flats. Call 118 Third street. mar30-1f.

Wanted—A second hand pool cabinet. Inquire at this office. a16-1f.

Wanted—Girl for general housework, no washing or ironing, small family, good wages. Inquire 522 W. Main street. april16-1f.

For Rent—Furnished room with bath at 639 West Pike street. Inquire at premises or this office. a28-1f.

For Rent—A good six room house with modern conveniences on Chapel street. Inquire of Dr. E. N. Flowers. may3-1f.

For Sale—New seven room brick house, gas, electric wiring, laundry, oiler and all modern conveniences. Lot 10x82. Three minutes walk from court house. Two blocks from car line. Inquire at the Telegram office. 6may-1f.

For Rent—Seven room house with bath and all modern improvements; on Monticello avenue. Inquire of Jasper S. Kyle, room 61 Jacobs building. m9-1f

For Sale—Four cottages and two corner lots in Glen Elk addition to Clarksburg. Price, \$3,000 for all, or will sell separately. Must be sold in 60 days easy payments. See Lynn J. Carskadon or C. A. Hornor. may9-2m

Wanted—An experienced double-entry bookkeeper and night clerk. Apply to W. F. Rau, Metropolitan hotel. m9-1f

For Rent—Furnished room with use of bath, plenty of air and good light. 313 E. Clark street, Glen Elk. m10-1m

For Sale—One new Murray trotting sulky at a bargain. T. B. Seely, Traders hotel. m10-6f.

Wanted—A girl to do house work. Apply at 160 Mechanic street. m10-1f.

For Rent—Modern seven room house. Apply to Dr. J. B. Payne, Irwin building. m10-1f.

For Rent—One cheap house on Hickman street. Apply to J. M. Wine. 101f

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For Rent—Furnished front room with bath. Call at 125 Sixth street. m21-6f

For Sale—Cigar show case. Inquire at Nusbaum's book store. m24-5f

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