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There is perhaps nothing that has a greater tendency to decide favorably or unfavorably respecting a man's intellect than the question whether or not he is impressed with an early love of reading. \* \* \* Books gratify and excite our curiosity in innumerable ways. They force us to reflect. \* \* \* In a well-written book we are presented with the maturest reflections or the happiest flights of a mind of uncommon excellence. It is impossible that we can be much accustomed to such companions without attaining some resemblance to them.—William Godwin.

## TODAY'S BIT OF VERSE

"IF YOU HAVE A FRIEND."  
If you have a friend worth loving,  
Love him. Yes, and let him know  
That you love him, ere life's evening  
Tinge his brow with sunset glow.  
Why should good words never be said  
Of a friend—till he is dead?  
If you hear a song that thrills you,  
Sung by any child or song,  
Praise it. Do not let the singer  
Wait deserved praises long.  
Why should one who thrills your heart  
Lack the joy you may impart?  
If you hear a prayer that moves you  
By its humble, pleading tone,  
Join it. Do not let the seeker  
Bow before his God alone.  
Why should not your brother share  
The strength of "two or three" in prayer?  
If a silvery laugh goes rippling  
Through the sunshine on a face,  
Share it. 'Tis the wise man's saying—  
For both grief and joy a place.  
There's health and goodness in the mirth  
In which an honest laugh has birth.  
Scatter thus your seeds of kindness  
All enriching as you go.  
Leave them. Trust the harvest giver;  
He will make each seed to grow.  
So, until the happy end  
Your life shall never lack a friend.  
—Anonymous.

O, thou that pinest in the imprisonment of the eternal and criest bitterly to the gods for a kingdom wherein to rule and create, know this of truth: The king thou sekest is already with thee.—Carlyle.

## CLARA LOUISE KELLOGG.

Clara Louise Kellogg (Strakosch) is dead. She was American born, trained in this country and one of the first American singers to win recognition in foreign countries. She proved to the musical world that it was possible to produce a singer of high rank without European training, and to the music lovers of a generation ago her name was a household word. Much of the years of her active life she spent in this country and she exercised a marked influence on the development of opera in America. Her example proved a great incentive to young native music students and many of these she materially assisted, notably Emma Abbott. In the light of present day vocal exhibits, she was without a peer.

## NOT ANCESTORS, BUT POSTERITY.

According to the showing of Director Rogers of the census bureau, women in America live on an average more than three years longer than men. The average native-born white American man lives 50.3 years and the average native-born white woman 54.2 years.

Here's a howdy do. What is to be done about it? This country, one and inseparable, united we stand, divided we fall, is facing an age of old women and callow youths. The old men will, under the present rate of dropping off, disappear entirely in due course of time. But the women—old women—we will have with us. Coming from the census bureau, this conclusion is official, authentic and dependable.

Men, it is time for you to sit up and take notice! Have some consideration for the coming generation of women. For experienced women, aged women, as a rule, don't like senseless youths of anywhere between twenty and forty years old. And that's the condition that is rapidly approaching. According to the new "tables" of the census bureau, the women are living longer than the men—that is, they are not dying so quickly. There is nothing to show that they are living better; simply longer.

The first deduction from the figures given out by the director of the census bureau would be that man had better settle down to a simpler

form of existence. The deduction is entirely false. The statistics show that the women get the edge on life in the early days of earthly sojourn. And they retain the handicap, owing to the fact that four-fifths of the annual violent deaths are among males, and to the further fact that such deaths form about eight per cent. of the total deaths. In infancy, the census bureau figures show, the females have a lower death rate than the males for the first twelve months.

There are two things for mere man to do. One is to interest himself more thoroughly in the various movements for "saving the babies"; the other is to play "safety first" in after years. He must keep out of accidents. He must get more attention during the squalling period. These two remedies of a very dangerous situation will be all that will save him to posterity. And that is something that man should be grateful for.

## PRICES, WAGES; WAGES, PRICES.

According to the latest reports from the anthracite district of Pennsylvania, the ten-million-dollar wage increase and the eight-million-dollar additional cost in production caused in part by the workmen's compensation law, is likely to bring the price of coal in the domestic markets to the highest figures since the coal famine of fourteen years ago. The wage increase alone, the mine operators estimate, will increase the mining cost seventeen cents a ton. The consumer, without much searching of memory, can recall instances where the increased price at the mines grew at astonishing speed on the journey to his bins.

This prospect of a rise in the price of coal has been commented upon with some alarm throughout the country, and there is the old, sneering reference to "laying the burden on the consumer." But where else can the burden be laid? As a matter of plain arithmetic and plain business, can the consumer expect the producer and the dealer to strip their normal profits every time wages or the cost of material go up? Of course the burden will be on the consumer. And if railroad operating goes up, there, too, the consumer will pay. Every dollar in wage increase must find its way to the consumer's bill, indirectly if not directly. In the last ten years of price increases it is strange indeed that the consumer has not come to understand that.

But wages must go up; it is part of the process—the process of increasing capital and increasing production and elevating the standards of living. The consumer must understand that, too. Higher wages, higher prices; higher prices, higher wages. The process has been in operation for some hundreds of years. The great problem is to get wages up to the level of costs and remove the wage earner's cause of complaint. This has seldom been accomplished. It is not being accomplished in the mining regions today.

## OPPORTUNITIES SLIGHTED.

A search for young men qualified to hold positions in banks and willing to go to any part of the world has recently been made throughout the United States, it is reported, by one of the largest New York national banks for the purpose of manning branches to be opened. Disappointment was the principal result. There were many applicants, but most of those willing to leave the United States for a definite term of years, and otherwise qualified, were deficient in foreign languages. But the search made it evident that there are many attractive opportunities for young men, because for every "chance" that receives newspaper notice there are thousands that do not. Probably there never were so many opportunities for advancement, or opportunities of such importance, as exist today. But the average American young man is unwilling to use his spare time in mastering a foreign language, so that when a door opens to a higher plane where such knowledge is a requisite, there are few quite ready to pass through.

According to one eminent physician, a man who "feels like bounding out of bed in the morning and singing a song" may be assured that his health is excellent. But the man who bounds out of bed and begins to sing early in the morning is largely responsible for the disturbed temper and consequent ill health of the man in the next room, so we may conclude that the average of health is just as high if men refrain from bounding out of bed and singing.

The recall is to be put in operation in San Francisco to bring about the retirement of James Rolph, Jr., who has been mayor for four months. The citizens of that city probably would consider conditions ideal if they could have a new mayor every fifteen minutes.

Operators in the anthracite district express the opinion that, because of the advance in wages they have granted, and on other considerations, the annual cost of coal to consumers will be increased between ten and fifteen million dollars. Honest, is that all?

## ECZEMA ON FACE FOR FIVE YEARS

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## IOWA PRESS COMMENT.

Marshalltown Times-Republican: That national guard of ours numbers almost 130,000 men and seems like it would do for an emergency like that in Mexico. Of course the boys couldn't fight Great Britain or Germany or Japan without help but they ought to be able to take care of the American border in fine shape.

Cedar Rapids Gazette: If the candidates for governor insist among themselves that all are dangerous, the Gazette would suggest that the office be granted leave of absence for two years and that affairs be conducted by E. R. Moore, lieutenant governor.

Iowa City Republican: If any candidate had ever gone before an old fashioned republican state convention asking the nomination for governor, when his immediate supporters were declaring they would not support the ticket if somebody else got the nomination, he would have been refused even a respectful hearing.

Burlington Hawk-Eye: It is not to be wondered that Mr. Bryan seeks an extension of suffrage. In his case it has never been extended quite enough to satisfy his ambition.

Sioux City Journal: The man who is for woman suffrage and does not take the trouble to see that he is properly registered will not be able to give much aid or comfort to the suffragists.

Sioux City Tribune: Mr. Bryan says if we are to go to war with Germany let us not do it now because we would be involved in all the issues, alliances and settlements of the European debacle. He advises waiting until after the European war is settled and Germany has nothing else to do except fight us. In other words, if we are to have war with Germany, Mr. Bryan wants us licked in a hurry and so to end the agony. He is a real shirt sleeve diplomat.

## Birds and Men.

Hartford Courant: None of the wild birds in New England is as nearly domestic as the robin and no other bird fits into the scenery better or is more welcome in spring. It is a bird of unquiverable courage or it would not arrive here before the snow leaves, and it develops a fine sense of ownership. No millionaire surveying his private park can look the part of the proprietor better than the robin when it revisits a lawn with which it was familiar the summer before. It expects to find a worm exactly where it found one last year, and as a rule, it is not disappointed. It looks at the human who may own the lawn and, possibly, remarks: "There's the man who was here last year." Just as the man who tries to think that the robin is the one he saw in 1915.

After all, the bird and the man are much alike: the bird has a brief period of love making and nest building, and then it works from sunrise till sunset to care for the family. So does the man, if he is the right sort. Fate comes and the bird faces the possibilities of starvation or of sudden death from some of its enemies, and the man faces the increasing possibilities of pneumonia or apoplexy.

## Safe Home Remedy for Skin-Troubles

Eczema, ringworm, and other itching, burning skin eruptions are so easily made worse by improper treatment that one has to be very careful. There is one method, however, that you need never hesitate to use, even on a baby's tender skin—that is the resinol treatment. Resinol is the prescription of a Baltimore doctor, put up in the form of resinol ointment and resinol soap. This proved so remarkably successful, that thousands of other physicians have prescribed it constantly for over twenty years.

Generally, resinol stops itching at once, and heals the eruption quickly and at little cost. Resinol ointment and resinol soap can be bought at any druggist's.

Resinol Soap is not only unusually cleansing and softening, but its regular use gives to the skin and hair that natural beauty of perfect health which cosmetics can only imitate.

Next spring comes and finds another robin and another man, the only thing remaining unchanged being the land. Both the robin and the man dream that they possess it, and yet, after all, it acquires them.

Stocks and the Public.  
Cedar Rapids Gazette: Just at this time there is a large and particularly attractive line of stocks that should be left severely alone—the war bonds. In some cases—as in that of the DuPonts—the unheard of dividends are being paid in Anglo-French securities not in real American dollars. In other cases the dividends are paid in honest-to-goodness money. In all such cases the dividends are based on unprecedented and irrational conditions and do not form a basis for rational investments. Such prices are being paid for munitions that certain enormous orders are producing one hundred per cent. net profit, or even a higher rate of gain. One combination of factories has orders for two billion dollars' worth of goods, the profit on which will be more than one billion dollars. For those already in the deal that is well enough. For those who go in now or at a later date stocks of these concerns do not offer a safe investment. The man who is content with from four to six per cent proves his possession of a sane mind.

Mere dabblers should not think themselves able to cope with professional stock jobbers whose only rule of morality is found in the criminal codes of the various states. Legitimate financial interests should be able to organize for the promotion of the line by such plans as would make their business as reputable as banking. Banking itself was at one time a wildcat business. Honorable bankers changed all that. The slightest juggling of bank stocks would create a scandal and the guilty would suffer punishment at the hands of the nation or state. Bankers have imposed these restrictions on themselves because they all need them, not because they are needed by five bankers in a hundred, but because a few do need them and because a very few could bring the entire business into disrepute.

A bank failure, even an honest failure, anywhere in the United States, affects the banking business throughout the nation, spreading like a ripple on the surface of a lake, diminishing in power and becoming imperceptible, but continuing to the shore. Such reckless management as characterizes the stock market would wreck the entire banking business of the nation within a month, depositors would withdraw their accounts, large sums of money would be available for the purposes only in the city centers and there would be no quotable rates on loans or discounts. When stock companies recognize a moral obligation toward investors they will be gradually regarded with favor. Just now the people of Cedar Rapids and Iowa prefer to place their surplus cash in banks which they know to be safe and where it is available for the promotion of local enterprises.

## An Incident.

Greater Iowa: Character is shown in the little things of life, the natural, unstudied impulses that spring from the heart on the spur of the moment. It is easy to do brave deeds when the band is filling the air with inspiring melody and the rainbow tints of the spotlight glorify the actor; but quite another matter to strive when there is none to applaud or appreciate. Ye editor witnessed an incident recently that went far to strengthen his faith in human nature, a faith sometimes sadly disturbed, but clung to nevertheless.

It was during the noon hour upon one of the busiest streets of Des Moines. Everybody was in a hurry. Street cars were clanging and grinding. Traffic of all kinds, autos, trucks, moving vans and vehicles of every description incident to pleasure and business, crowded the thoroughfare from curb to curb.

It was an endless procession. A big, six-passenger auto rolled swiftly up a cross street. A slender, sunny-faced woman scarcely out of her teens sat at the steering wheel and chatted over her shoulder with two companions in a rear seat. A blind man hesitated at the curb, tapping the pavement with his cane while listening to the roar of passing traffic. A coarse, half-filled sack over one shoulder indicated his occupation, that of rag picker. His clothes were shabby and soiled. He was old and shut out forever from the beauties of the earth and faces of friends. The woman at the wheel saw him and stopped the machine. Hopping nimbly to the pavement, she ran swiftly across the street, dodging the cars and vehicles like a free-striding boy. A question or two, an assuring word of explanation and she led the old man to the big machine and stowed him comfortably in the seat at her side.

It was a little thing, over in a minute, and the machine whirling swiftly away in the direction the rag picker had been plodding. It was so beautiful, so spontaneous and, we regret to say, so unusual! It told the few who noted it all they needed to know of the sunny-faced woman. A big, bluff individual who had been an interested observer of the scene blew his nose with unnecessary vigor, swore and remarked, while his eyes were suspiciously moist: "Thank God for a girl like that. She's got a heart in 'er big as a church." That picture, the beautifully dressed woman and the soiled rag picker, will linger long in the memory of the few who saw it. Let us hold fast to faith in human nature and "Thank God for girls like that."

Whiskey Supplants Beer.  
Cedar Rapids Gazette: Regardless of the fact that seven states have joined the prohibition column since June 1, 1915, the production of whiskey in the United States has increased 7,500,000 gallons the year, while the production of beer has fallen off 45,000,000 gallons.

It would appear that the amount of alcohol being consumed is as large or larger than formerly. To the whiskey production should be added the home-made alcoholic beverages, much affected in the south, on which no revenue is paid and of which the government takes no account.

Of the seven states in the above

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list, Iowa is one. More than ninety per cent of Iowa territory was already "dry." However, all the Iowa breweries were closed and whiskey appears to have taken the place of the lighter beverage.

## A Newspaper Crisis.

Iowa City Citizen: Publishers of daily newspapers are finding the question on the price of paper growing no better, with the latest prophecies for a still further advance. The heavy demand for all kinds of material that enter into paper making, caused by the European war, already has brought an advance of about \$600 per carload in the kind of paper used in printing the Citizen, with the possibility that the advance movement may continue long enough to make an additional cost of \$1,000 a carload. The head of the paper company with which The Citizen had its last contract recently visited the mills to study the situation, and reports that the manufacturers will not guarantee the delivery of print paper at any price and are talking of a five cent price before any relief comes, which would be slightly more than \$1,000 per car. The Citizen has been using between four and five carloads per year of print, and it is easy to figure the possible loss in the future and the certain loss now. The publisher of The Press, of this city tells us that he lost \$80 last week by waiting four days after receiving a quotation on a car lot before sending in the order, which gives an indication of the rapidity of the advance.

It is evident the dailies in the small cities are confronted with a crisis in the news print situation. Their advertising rates are too low to afford such a margin between the cost of setting and handling advertisements and the price they charge for the space, to absorb any such increase in the cost of material. If they are to continue in business and serve their communities as in the past they must increase their advertising rates, the principal source of revenue, sufficiently to take up at least part of the advance.

## Conscience Should Rule.

Christian Science Monitor: People in responsible public office are often, and justly, criticized when they fail to enforce the law as they find it; and now and then when they take the right course and enforce the law regardless of all deterrent influences, whatever they may be, the criticism directed against them is even sharper than it is when they neglect or shirk

their plain duty. But the responsible public official, like the rest of us, need not be troubled when he is right with his conscience.

## Chaste Literature.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: An Illinois country editor has been arrested for the third time within the year on the charge of sending objectionable matter through the mails.

If the meaning of the term were broad enough to include objectionable matter from the standpoint of taste as well as decency, good morals and public policy, we shudder to think of the rural journalists who would pine in distance vile. Here is an instance, the first editorial paragraph our eyes lights on from one out of a pile of bucolic contemporaries:

"Have a heart weather man. Our underwear and we have come to a parting of the way."

And this chaste item, selected at random:

"A small child of John Light drank a big dose of coal oil Monday, and came near to putting out the little fellow's light."

And how is this for elegance? "If wife runs away with a junk peddler, our dog gets poisoned for killing sheep, the cows find scorn calves and give bloody milk—then we intend to join the democratic party and have a lot more fun."

For prudential reasons we shall not pursue further a theme that involves the possibility of our own incarceration. Suffice it to say that there is a brilliant opportunity for uplift work in many rural, and some metropolitan sanctuaries.

## Putting the "Win" in Window.

A show window in itself is one arm of business getting. Newspaper advertising is the strong, powerful body.

When the two are linked together they make a business team with a punch. Merchants frequently effect this combination by linking their windows with the manufacturer's newspaper advertising.

They put the goods in the window at the time the manufacturer's newspaper advertising is running and thus bring business to their stores.

This is literally putting the "win" in window.

## Among Those Opposed.

Burlington Hawk-Eye: The chair warmer at the corner grocery, who is generally too busy saving the country to take time to vote, is "agin" woman suffrage.



## A New Kind of Pastry

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1 1/2 cups flour  
1/2 cup Crisco  
1 teaspoonful salt  
cold water  
(Use hot water for flaky pie.)

Sift flour and salt and cut Crisco into flour with knife until finely divided. Finger tips may be used to finish blending materials. Add gradually sufficient water to make stiff paste. Water should be added sparingly and mixed with knife through dry ingredients. Form lightly and quickly with hand into dough; roll out on slightly floured board, about one-quarter inch thick. Use light motion in handling rolling-pin, and roll from center outward. Sufficient for one small pie.