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A Fable on the Low Gear

A VERY Rich Man had a Good Idea, and he desired to get somewhere with it, a Good Idea being like good butter in that it doesn't go well unless spread on something. Moreover, the Rich Man, being an Original sort of a fellow, decided to travel with his Good Idea in a Mixed Company.

So, the Rich Man rented a big boat and invited a Minister who had ideas of His Own, and a Publisher who had ideas of His Own, and a number of Women who had Ideas of Their Own, and oh! about a hundred miscellaneous others, each of whom had an Original Idea of His or Her Own. It was a Mixed Company for fair and the Rich Man filled his big boat with it and its Ideas and sailed away, with much joy, to put his Good Idea where it should be at.

But, when half-way to it, the big boat began to toss up and dive down, all the time, whereupon the Rich Man's pancreas and the Minister's gall-sac and the Publisher's liver went all wrong.

So that, by the fifth day, all those Original Ideas were scrambled up, and jumping on the Rich Man's Good Idea because each Idea was fierce for being the Only Idea. And, sick in heart, mind and other Insides, the Good Idea never did Get There.

Moral: Old Dog Tray, he was gentle and true; Old Dog Tray, he was kind. But he was not The Only Dog.

THE DISCOURAGING TIME TABLE

WE'RE glad we don't travel. If we made more than two short trips a year, we'd sure have six or eight scraps with the uncrowned despots that brood over railway ticket offices.

Whenever we ask a simple question of one of these autocrats of the time table, such as "When does the afternoon train leave for Chicago," he snaps at us: "Which afternoon train?"

Now, if we had known there were two afternoon trains for Chicago, we would have asked him: "When does the first afternoon train leave for Chicago?" But he apparently doesn't understand we want the first train in the afternoon.

"Which afternoon train?" How are we to know "which afternoon train" until we find out what time each afternoon train goes?

Like as not he'll point to a large pasteboard covered with figures and headlined, "Time Card of the Microbe Central" that hangs beside a looking glass next to the door into the smoking room. Like as not we'll go look at it.

Figures, figures, figures! And not even the autocrat of the time table knows what they mean.

"Read Up"—"Read Down"—"Trains marked C do not stop at Crawfish Jet."—"This train via Nobalk Division"—"Stops to let off passengers from stations on the P. Q. D. east of Nova Scotia."

How entrancingly simple! Nonchalantly we walk up to the corner drug store and wait for an interurban trolley car.

KING COUNTY contractor works 25 to 30 men over the eight-hour limit allowed by law on public work. He's arrested and convicted. And he's fined the grand sum of \$25. Jokers are more plentiful in the law than on the stage.

ANOTHER CHANCE!

WHAT have you learned in a year? Three hundred and sixty-five days have passed since you started out in 1915 resolving to make each one of them count!

HAVE YOU? Eight thousand seven hundred and sixty hours have passed since the whistles blew out their welcome to the new year, 1915.

HOW MANY HAVE YOU WASTED? Five hundred and twenty-five thousand and six hundred minutes have been ticked off since you pledged to yourself that you would hold each one precious.

DID YOU? You're sorry, you chide yourself, you swear you'll never be so faithless and careless again, but—

YOU KNOW YOU DIDN'T! Well, what about 1916? What are you going to do with ANOTHER CHANCE?

Misery and failure are more patient than time and progress. Misery and failure will wait. Time and progress WON'T.

Take an inventory of yourself for 1916. Let your gain be an awakening to your loss. Let your gain be the experience of having failed to do your best.

What are you going to do for the world, for your neighbor, for YOURSELF in 1916?

What a grand opportunity—the opportunity of ANOTHER CHANCE!

PROF. SAUNDERS of the U. of W. says the earthquake Saturday in Seattle probably was caused by a slip in the mountains. Anything is liable to slip with so much snow and ice on the ground—yes?

DO YOUR registering early.

SPEEDING WITH THE CARR'S



NO. 1—LURING THE OLD BOY INTO THE TRAP

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LAST COLUMN

EV TRUE'S SISTER SAYS:

"A man must get his clothes made to fit his shape, but a woman can get her shape to fit her clothes."

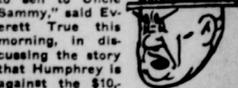
WHY WE TEACH 'EM RHETORIC AND SUCH

From the Morning Grouch we glean this:
"Isn't this a beautiful, downy mantle of white?" was the stock remark of many.
"I should say not," the pessimistic would reply: "the more the snow the worse the slush."

COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO!

Overheard on a Jackson st. car yesterday: "No, sir—de mos' useful animule alive is de chicken, Bert. You kin eat him befo' he's bawn an' yo' kin eat him aftah he's daid!"

"It must be that his friend, Frank Baker, has no more duck ponds to sell to Uncle Sammy," said Everett True this morning, in discussing the story that Humphrey is against the \$10,000,000 naval academy on the Pacific Coast.



HOT AND COLD

It appears that a lot of fellows get hot because it's cold in the street cars. And evidently Supt. Kemper wants to let 'em cool off before he'll give them any heat. By the time they cool off, it'll be plenty warm enough in the cars without any heat, and then it would make them hot to make it any warmer. And then Kemper, to please them, won't put in any heat. Which leaves the whole question of heating the street cars just where it started.

"THE SITUATION IS GRAVE," SAID THE PRESIDENT YESTERDAY.

HE NEVER WENT QUITE AS STRONG AS THAT BEFORE MARRIAGE.

America Can Learn Many Things From Peace System in Germany; Even More Efficient Than War System, Says Howe

BY MILTON BRONNER
NEW YORK, Jan. 4.— "We are going to hear a great deal in Washington this winter about preparedness for defense, preparedness for war, but I am far more interested in PEACE PREPAREDNESS, because Germany has demonstrated to all

quite preparedness for the world that only in adequate peace lies adequate preparedness for war!"
The speaker was Frederick C. Howe, commissioner of immigration in charge of Ellis Island. I asked him to point out what this country could do in the way of taking a leaf out of Germany's book.

Howe was educated in German universities, has lived in German cities, and is one of the American authorities on Germany's state socialism.
"I want to make clear at the start," said he, "that in what I am saying, I am not pro-German, not a defender of German methods of autocracy or paternalism. I am more interested in democracy, political, industrial and social.
Efficient at All Times
"Most persons think of Germany as merely a military country. They believe she is potent in arms because of military training. BUT GERMANY IS EFFICIENT IN WAR BECAUSE SHE IS EFFICIENT IN PEACE. She laid the foundations for her present war achievements 40 years ago. Germany is organized as a unit, as a great working machine to promote the Fatherland."
"In order to do this, the government has had the intelligence to see that it must promote the well-being of all the people. When a man is out of a job in Germany, he goes to the city labor bureau and work is found for him.
"In this country we arrest him as a vagrant. Germany saw it was wasting human material to throw a man into the street.
"Then Germany protected her people from monopoly and exploitation. This was done partly by the city slaughterhouses. When times are bad the cities buy meat, fish and vegetables at wholesale and sell at cost to the people.
City Runs Pawn Shops
"There are no loan sharks in Germany. The cities run the pawn shops and exact a very low rate of interest. If a workman wants to build a house he borrows from the city at a low rate of interest and the cities have much to lend because 92 per cent of all the savings in Germany are either in municipal savings banks or postal savings banks. The cities themselves borrow some of this money to build houses and to buy public utilities.
"Germany discovered, as we did, that railroads gave rebates, but instead of trying to regulate them, she determined under the leadership of Bismarck, to own them. The railroads of Germany are used to serve every one. Passenger rates are lower than in this country and more people travel than do here.
Railroads Pay for Seives
"The railroads have nearly paid for themselves out of the net earnings in the past 35 years. German states own iron and coal mines, potash fields, forests and great agricultural estates. It is the income from such holdings that enables Germany to bear war taxes easier than other countries.
"Everything is done to make competition easy. If you want to go into business in any one of 300 German cities, you can buy from



DR. L. R. CLARK

Be Good to Your Teeth

Treat them to a trip to the dentist once in a while.

Take pity on your poor old teeth and have the dentist give them the "once over" occasionally. Just sweep the little things could talk, just think of the name they would call you for neglecting them.

If you have good teeth, the only way to keep them so is by consulting the dentist as soon as they show sign of decay. Don't wait till your teeth are rotten to have them fixed. One rotten apple will spoil a barrel of good ones if left there long enough. And one decayed tooth will cause others to decay if you don't have it fixed promptly.

When you think of the dental office you naturally think of pain—awful, agonizing, nerve-racking, jaw-splitting pain. You can't get it. The painless dentists fill you full of hope when they fix your teeth. Keep away from them. And one to make our work painless. We have our painless system to make the pain devils vanishes. Our painless system is as harmless to men, women and children as milk is to a baby. It saves your nerves, your time and your patience. Why, then, should you go to a dentist who makes you pay for the torture he inflicts on you?

Our painless system makes all work on the teeth painless from start to finish. No matter how sensitive you are, we guarantee you freedom from pain and discomfort while we are fixing them. Give us one trial and make us prove it—that's all we ask.

No matter if you have only one tooth to repair, come to us and let us save you time and suffering. Painless dentistry means better dentistry.

Our practice includes every branch of dentistry. All work that leaves this office carries our unqualified guarantee of satisfaction. This guarantee is signed both by the operator who did the work and by L. R. Clark, D. D. S., owner and manager of this office, who is thoroughly responsible.

Call at once for free examination and get our prices for the dental work you require. Remember, we will not be underbid on price by any one. Only the best of materials are used here.

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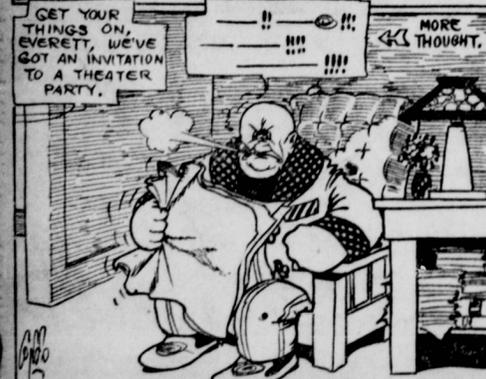
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CYNTHIA GREY'S ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Dear Miss Gray: I am a young man still in my 20s. My parents were strong Lutherans and brought me up as such. It was necessary for me to leave school and home to go to work before completing a high school course, and my work being continuous (seven days per week), kept me from attending church for a number of years, yet I did not forget the thoughts and ideas impressed upon my mind.
Since I went to work I have been thrown into personal contact with men and women of every class, race, creed and color. From the fanatically religious to the atheist, from the capitalist to the dollar-a-day miner, from the minister of the gospel to the denizens of the underworld. All these I have known personally; have learned their joys, their sorrows and the circumstances around them.
In short, I have presumably seen a little more of life than most men of my years, and now, Miss Gray, after having become acquainted with life and conditions as they are today, I find I am bumping into a solid stone wall.
Of late, I have had the opportunity to attend church and have taken advantage of the same; but somehow, for some reason or another, everything seems to have changed entirely since I was a child. From the simple view, or probably I did not interpret the Bible the same at that

time.
I see and hear things expounded by ministers of the gospel, and accepted by apparently intelligent and well-educated people that stand in bold contradiction to natural laws and scientific facts. They seem to be dealing in beliefs and superstitions that were exploded by cold, calculating science years ago. Students in schools and colleges are taught the natural laws that govern the universe and all life in it, which may be proved step by step as a simple problem in mathematics, yet even a prominent clergyman of this city stated that these facts must be ignored when they conflict with the Holy Bible.
I see conditions around us that make it physically impossible to obey the Ten Commandments and live, while the pulpit condemns men and women for being in certain conditions, over which they have absolutely no control.
Now, Miss Gray, there is something fascinating and inspiring about going to church, and singing those grand old hymns. There is something compelling about them that makes one almost tread the air; but must we abandon all scientific progress and education that stand in the way, or should one forget the ideas impregnated in the mind from childhood on, and regard the Bible merely as superstition?
I am personally acquainted with a number of clergymen in this city who have long talks with them, but they either cannot or will not give a satisfactory answer. I would appreciate an open discussion in your column on the subject, also your opinion. R. H. E. E.

Outbursts of Everett True



While your technical education has been neglected, you have learned many valuable lessons in the school of Life—the only school that really counts. That is the explanation of your change of views. Certainly you can obtain no satisfaction from a minister of the gospel. He is bound by a creed, and all creeds are narrow. Every Christian church has a creed, such a little different, yet all of them claim to be right.
Like you, I arrived at the parting of the ways. My conscience whispered to me that the church, as it is conducted nowadays, is more social than spiritual; that it is based upon mammon, dependent upon money and that true religion must have no fetters. So I decided that I would take what good I found in all creeds and beliefs, as in the other things of Life. I can take nothing for granted, can accept nothing that cannot be proved; therefore, the calculations and self-evident truths of cold, computing science have a peculiar fascination for me.

Q.—Will you please give me, thru your columns, some suggestions for a diet, but inexpensive midnight lunch to be served on New Year's eve? It is only a neighbors' gathering, but I am at a loss as to what to serve and how to serve it.

INEXPERIENCED.

A.—If there are very many guests, serve the punch buffet style instead of seating them at a table. Welsh rarebit, potato salad and coffee, or two kinds of sandwiches, fruit salad and coffee, make a nice lunch. Instead of serving salad, you may serve sandwiches, cake and coffee, if you wish.

IN FIVE MINUTES NO SICK STOMACH, INDIGESTION, GAS

"Pape's Diapepsin" Is the Quickest and Surest Stomach Relief.

If what you just ate is souring on your stomach or lies like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, bad taste in mouth and stomach headache, you can surely get relief in five minutes.

Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula, plainly printed on these fifty-cent cases of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will understand why dyspeptic troubles of all kinds must go, and why it relieves sour, out-of-order stomachs or indigestion in five minutes. "Pape's Diapepsin" is harmless; tastes like candy, though each dose will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you eat; besides, it makes you go to the table with a healthy appetite; but what will please you most, is that you will feel that your stomach and intestines are clean and fresh, and you will not need to resort to laxatives or liver pills for biliousness or constipation.

This city will have many "Pape's Diapepsin" cranks, as some people will call them, but you will be enthusiastic about this splendid stomach preparation, too. If you ever take it for indigestion, gases, heartburn, sourness, dyspepsia or any stomach misery.

Get some now, this minute, and rid yourself of stomach misery and indigestion in five minutes.

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THE ORIGINAL
MALTED MILK
Cheap substitutes cost YOU same price.

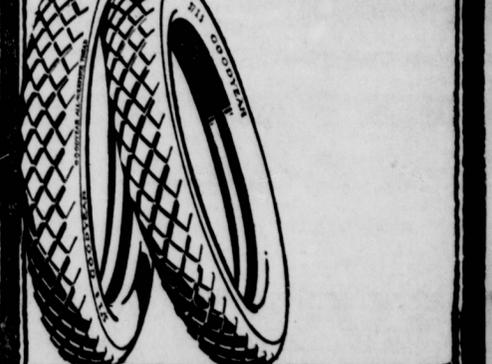
IF conflicting claims confuse you when you come to choose a tire—hold fast to this thought:

The joint judgment of a majority of consumers and motor car manufacturers is that Goodyear Tires give better, longer service.

Goodyear sales to both of these two great markets are much larger than those of any other tire.



NOTICE
European war demands have caused a shortage in the world's supply of materials used in the manufacture of White Tread Tires.
The color of Goodyear Tires may ultimately be changed from White to Black.
Our supply of the required materials assures the greater portion of our 1916 season's output of tires being furnished with White Treads.



GUS GETS HIS QUICK

PORTLAND, Jan. 5.—Gus Anderson is serving a three months' sentence in the county jail, the first victim of Oregon's new prohibition law.
Arrested in a raid at 11 o'clock Monday night, he was indicted at noon Tuesday.