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"I have gone 16 days at a time without a movement of the bowels, not being able to move them except by using hot water injections. Chronic constipation for seven years placed me in this terrible condition during that time I did everything I heard of but never found any relief; such was my case until I began using CASCARETS. I now have from one to three passages a day, and if I was rich I would give \$100.00 for each movement. It is such a relief."

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OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

SOME P's AND Q's.

Tray, little lads and lassies gay,
One lesson 'till no lose:
As through the world you wend your way,
Oh, mind your P's and Q's!

For while P stands for pears and plums,
For pleasantness and plays,
For patience and for promptitude,
For peace, politeness, and prudence,
Yet, lackaday! it leads in pert,
In pinches, pests, and pain,
Perverse and petulant, and pry,
And also is profane!

Q stands for Quaker quietness,
For quinces, quality,
For quietness, and for queenliness,
For quaint, and for quaintness free.

But then, it heralds quake and quail,
And querulous—indeed,
All quibbles, quarrels, quibs, and quirts,
And quacks, it serves at need.

Then watch them, little maids and men;
For folks will soon exclaim:
Fall many a fault and fable, when
You mind your P's and Q's.

—Elizabeth Carpenter.

THE BOY AND HIS CAP.

"I can't find my cap anywhere," is a sentence more or less familiar in the household, that being what the boy says, looking for his cap, when he wants to go out to play. Early in the search he enlists his mother, and that may make a serious business of it. She has to drop her dusting or whatever household work she may be engaged in, and the search may take a long time.

"Where did you put it when you came in?" is a question sure to be asked, sooner or later, but all the boy can answer is:

"I don't know."

And then the search goes on. Everywhere, over and under, in all sorts of places, all at a great loss of time, if not of temper. It is found at last, as most things are, in time, and in some simple easy place, which makes the finding of it all the more exasperating.

The boy takes it and goes out to play and straightway forgets all about it; but it may take quite a little time to restore the normal calm in the house.

It is a mystery how the boy manages to lose his cap as often as he does, but it appears to be a boy's way and common to almost all.

FISHING FOR INSECTS.

Every little stream and pool abounds with insect life, at some season of the year.

Of this there may be no appearance on the surface, but a few sweeps with a muslin net will bring to light a variety of interesting creatures.

Provided with a careful water and a net, any enterprising boy or girl will hunt up a pond and there go fishing for insects will discover many interesting things.

Passing the net through some water weed it will not be long before some grayish green beetle leap vigorously into the net. There may be some water boatmen. The body of this insect is shaped just like a boat and the two long hind legs with which it propels itself are feathered like oars. This beetle swims on its back and spends much of its time resting on the surface of the water, diving now and then to catch some insect on which it feeds.

Among the contents of the net may be a sluggish, crawling grub, which buries itself in the mud.

This creature is well worth examination, for it is a dragon fly larva, provided with a remarkable lobster-like claw with which to seize its prey. As the grub lies concealed in the mud some insect may approach it, and as soon as its prey is within reach the claw, which has been folded up out of sight, darts out and secures the insect with unerring aim.

THE CARE OF ANIMALS.

The boy who is really fond of animals never ill-treats his pets, or abuses and makes a slave of his dog. On the contrary, his dog is his companion and playmate.

The boy knows that a dog's master is a god in the eyes of the poor brute, and is worshipped with canine devotion, which again and again has been proved faithful unto death. Such knowledge makes the boy just and kind. But a dog is only a domesticated wolf, and the wolf is not the only wild creature which can be domesticated; neither is the wolf only the animal which can appreciate kindness.

The same care which transforms a red-mouthed wolf into a faithful dog can transform other undomesticated beasts into useful creatures. As soon as an animal learns that you are contributing to its comfort in place of tormenting it, you may notice it will greet you with a milder expression. As soon as you can make the wildest and fiercest beast understand that the use of laws, claws, or sting are unnecessary, it will refrain from using them. It is not always possible to come to this understanding with the larger beasts, but the lad who loves his pets will bestow upon the little creatures that affection which shows itself in a sympathy which can understand their wants and necessities. Such a lad can perform wonders; birds will come at his call, the small beasts of the field will follow at his heels, and no child will fear him.

HERO OF AN EARTHQUAKE.

It is a beautiful story told by Lafcadio Hearn of an old man whose great deed belongs to Japanese history. He was Hamaguchi, and his farmhouse stood on the verge of a small plateau overlooking the bay. The plateau, mostly devoted to rice culture, was hemmed in on three sides by thickly wooded summits; and from the outer verge the land sloped down to the sea. Below were ninety thatched dwellings and a temple; these composed the village.

One autumn evening, Hamaguchi Gohji was looking down from his balcony on the preparations for some merry-making in the hamlet below.

All the villagers were out, and he would have gone with them, had he not been feeling less strong than usual.

Suddenly there came an earthquake shock, not a very strong one; but Hamaguchi, who had felt many before this, thought there was something odd in its long, spongy motion. As the quaking ceased, he glanced to look toward the sea, and there he saw the strangest possible sight; it seemed to be running away from the land.

Apparently the whole village had noticed it, for the people stood still in wonderment; only Hamaguchi drew any conclusions from the phenomenon, and guessed what the sea would do next. He called his little grandson, a lad of ten, the only one of the family left with him.

"Tada! Quick! Light me a torch!" The child kindled a pine torch, and the old man hurried with it to the fields, where hundreds of rice stacks stood ready for transportation. One by one he lighted them in haste, and they caught like tinder, sending skyward masses of smoke that met and mingled in one cloudy whirl. Tada, astonished and terrified, ran after his grandfather, weeping and calling: "Why? why? why?"

Hamaguchi did not answer; he thought only of four hundred lives in peril. He watched for the people, and in a moment only, they came swarming up from the village like ants.

And still the sea was fleeing toward the horizon. The first party of sneer arrived, a score of agile young peasants, who wanted to attack the fire at once; but Hamaguchi, stretching out both his arms, stopped them.

"Let it burn, lads!" he commanded. "Let it be. I want the whole village here."

The whole village came, mothers and children last of all, drawn by concern and curiosity.

"Grandfather is mad. I am afraid of him," sobbed little Tada. "He set fire to the rice on purpose. I saw him do it."

"As for the rice," said Hamaguchi, "the child tells the truth. I set fire to it. Are all the people here?"

"All are here," was the answer; but "we cannot understand this thing."

"See!" cried the old man, at the top of his voice, pointing to the open sea.

"It was the retreating sea, towering like a cliff, and coursing swifter than the kite. There was a shock, heavier than thunder, as the colossal swell smote the shore, with a foam-burst like a blaze of sheet-lightning.

Then a white horror of sea raved over the village itself. It drew back, roaring and tearing out the land as it went. Twice, thrice, five times it struck and ebbed, each time with lesser surges, and then it returned, alights ancient bed, and stayed there, though still raging. Of all the homes about the bay, nothing remained but two straw roofs tossing dandy in the offing. All lips were dumb, until Hamaguchi observed gently:

"That was why I set fire to the rice."

He was now poor as the poorest in all the village; but he had saved four hundred lives.

A TEA ROLLING MACHINE.

Invention of a Japanese Genius That Will Do the Work of 100 Women.

The Japanese newspapers are rejoicing over the invention by a native genius of a machine for rolling tea. The great cost of the production of tea lies in the labor. Each individual leaf must be plucked from the plant and handled with the fingers several times before it can be sent to market. Therefore the industry of tea raising is unprofitable without cheap labor, and the deft fingers of women. At Summerville, S. C., a high quality of tea has been grown with great success, cultivated and harvested by colored girls at a small expense, judged from an American standard, but the women in China and Japan are paid from four to eight cents a day for twelve hours' labor and board themselves. If they should receive the wages of women factory hands in this country tea would cost four or five times as much as it does now.

In Japan wages are rapidly advancing with the development of civilization. In China and Ceylon they remain about the same, but the women of those countries will certainly follow the example of their sisters in Japan as their intelligence is cultivated. Therefore the invention of a tea machine is as important to the great industry of those countries as the invention of the cotton gin was to the south. Inventive genius has been engaged upon the problem for many years without being able to contrive any substitute for human fingers, but now it is claimed that the new machine is a success, and can manufacture nearly a ton of tea in twenty-four hours, with the labor of one man and a boy or a girl. This is equivalent to the work of a hundred women.

Small Enemies.

Henry M. Stanley, in describing his journey through the forests of Africa, says that the most formidable foes he encountered, those that caused the greatest loss of life to his caravan and came nearest to defeating his expedition, were the Wambutti dwarfs.

These diminutive men had only little bows and arrows for weapons, so small that they looked like children's playthings; but upon the tip of each tiny arrow was a drop of poison that would kill an elephant or a man as surely and quickly as a rifle. Their defense was by means of poison and traps.

They would steal through the dense forest, and waiting in ambush, let fly their arrows before they could be discovered. They dug ditches and carefully covered them over with sticks and leaves. They fixed spikes in the ground and tipped them with poison. Into these ditches and on these spikes man and beast would fall or step to their death. One of the strangest things about it was that their poison was mixed with honey.

The account of these small people and their successful warfare influences one to remember the small enemies we are apt to encounter in habits, seemingly harmless, but dangerous to welfare and happiness.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

CAUGHT.

He wooed her in the moonlight,
He wooed her in the dark,
He wooed her on the avenue,
He wooed her in the park,
But she never deigned to smile on him;
He thought he'd drawn a blank,
Till he met and wooed her one day
As he cashed a check at bank.

HIS NARROW ESCAPES.

"There's a man who has had many a narrow escape from being shot,"
"Indeed! Was he one of the Rough Riders who rushed up that hill at Caney?"
"No; he was an Adirondack guide for nearly three weeks."

THE ACTIVE ONE.

Miss Strongminded—"Mamma, how did papa act when he proposed to you?"
Mrs. Strongminded—"He didn't act at all. He just stood in the corner and said yes."

STRATEGY.

Photographer (showing proofs)—
The expression, as you see, is all that could be desired.
Customer—Yes. I was smiling because you had forgotten to tell me to look pleasant.

CHILDLIKE LOGIC.

"Mamma," said Dot, "do all the rivers empty into the sea?"
"Most of them, my dear."
"Then why doesn't the sea run over; is it because there are lots of sponges in it?"

PREPARING THE CASE.

First Lawyer.—Each witness gives a different account of the accident.
Second Lawyer.—Yes; if we put them all on the stand, the jury may think our client met with three or four accidents.

A PERTINENT QUERY.

"To me," said Willie Washington, fevershily, "you represent all that is most sublime. I believe that destiny intended us for each other."
"Are you alluding," inquired Miss Cayenne, icily, "to the affinity popularly supposed to exist between the sublime and the ridiculous?"

SHE SAW TOO MUCH.

She (after marriage)—"You told me that I was your first love. But I have found a whole trunk-full of letters from all sorts of girls, just bursting with tenderness."
He—"I—I said you were the first I ever loved. I didn't say you were the only one who ever loved me. See?"

CONFUSING.

"Marie, I don't want you to tie any more strings on my finger."
"Why, John?"
"I wasted two whole hours this morning wondering what it was you wanted me to remember."

A FAVORED CLASS.

Irate Passenger (who has managed to board a trolley car that didn't stop)—
"Suppose I had slipped and lost a leg—what then?"
Conductor—"You wouldn't have to go any more running then. We'll stop for a man with a crutch."

A COMMON COMPLAINT.

He—Yes, she is living under an assumed name.
She—Horrible! What is it?
He—The one she assumed immediately after her husband married her.

THE REASON.

Amateur Scientist—"Can you explain to me the reason why so many people become insane?"
Guy—"The answer ought to suggest itself. They have no reason."

PUNISHMENT.

"The idea of sending children to bed early to punish 'em!" exclaimed Mrs. Cortmossel, who was discussing her city relatives. "That ain't any way to 'treat 'em."
"Of course it ain't," answered her husband. "If you want to convince 'em that you mean business, make 'em get up an hour or so earlier in the morning."

INTERESTING SUBJECTS.

"Those two fellows over in the corner seem to have a very interesting subject. They've been talking at each other as hard as possible for an hour and a half."
"Yes; one of them has a little boy who has just learned to walk, and the other's baby out its first tooth day before yesterday."

A SAFE SPECULATION.

Hicks—"You know Stakem, the cashier of the Fleet Bank? Well, he made \$100,000 in a corn-broom deal in less than six weeks. That's what a man gets by having courage."
Wicks—"It's all very well, seeing that he was successful; but suppose there had been a sudden drop in the market and wiped out Stakem's margins?"
Hicks—"He wouldn't have lost anything. He used the bank's money in his speculations."

AN ACHIEVEMENT.

"Did you try that composition of mine?" asked the young man who composes alleged classical music.
"Yes," replied the young woman.
"Did you like it?"
"Ever so much. It's the first time I could get father to take any interest in our music."
"What did he say?"
"He said he guessed we girls were right after all in saying that old piano of ours had outlived its usefulness and that we might get a new one next week."

MISTAKES.

"Don't you think?" said the pen-sive girl, "that people make mistakes by acting on generous impulses?"
"Yes," answered the smooth shaven man. "I acted on generous impulses for nearly two months, (nee. Now, if I don't get paid on salary day I don't act."

Porto Rico is undoubtedly a fine country. But after experience with the Klondike people will invariably be somewhat deliberate in forming impressions of what can be achieved there with small capital.

In view of the new interest in the chestnut as an article of food, and, therefore, of industrial importance, scientific agriculturists are making a careful study of the tree and its fruit. The great enemy of the nut is the unpleasantly familiar worm known as the chestnut weevil. It, too, is under scientific investigation, and the best method of destroying it is being made a subject of special study. A blight that is destroying the chestnut leaves is also attracting the attention of scientific agriculturists. In the course of these investigations American men of science have been in correspondence with botanists not only in England, Spain and Italy, but even in Japan.

The ducks you kill, but can't find, don't count.

Railroad Trains to Run Slower.

Railroad officials claim that it is very expensive to run their lightning express trains, and are taking steps to reduce the speed. It is likewise expensive to the health to rush and struggle at a complete business affairs as men do now. The brain, the nerves, the muscles, the whole system gives out. For restoring strength after business worries, Host's is the best. It is the proper remedy. It is an ideal tonic for the tired, the run-down and the weak.

The name is too often but a shadow larger than the man behind it.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be happy, healthy, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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It is the little that a man wants here below that is always the hardest to get.

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Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic, clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets, Candy Cathartic. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The lazier a man is the more he is going to accomplish tomorrow.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. \$2.00 bottle and treatise free. Dr. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 461 Arch St., Philadelphia.

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Riches may fly away, but a man's bald head always sees him through.

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Some women are jealous of an echo because it always gets the last word.

You can make \$9 per mo. collecting names for us. Should opportunity. Send for blank book and instructions. Manufacturers Union, New Orleans, La.

Either a girl is in love or else a man looks funny when he proposes.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays the pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

It is a funny thing that a woman can never cry standing up.

Probably John's wife never thought she could play whist!

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 50c.

Love never begins to come home to a man till he begins to come home to love.

When it comes to rheumatism and neuralgia a man has no choice.

Did you ever see a snow storm in summer?

We never did; but we have seen the clothing at this time of the year so covered with dandruff that it looked as if it had been out in a regular snow-storm.

No need of this snow-storm.

As the summer sun would melt the falling snow so will

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my wife has suffered from

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