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**Do not Lend or Borrow.**

If you have a good friend and desire to make an enemy of him there is no way in which you can succeed so expeditiously as to lend him money. He desires to borrow money because he is short, he will not be likely to pay at the time due, for the reason that he continues to be short. This will cause you to nourish hard feelings and will cause him to cross to the other side of the street where he is likely to meet you, and your interviews thereafter will not be on a cordial footing. On the other hand if you have an acquaintance who bores you with his company, calling frequently and staying a long time talking about uninteresting matters, you can usually dispose of him also by lending him money.

Should you ever be tempted to borrow money or run in debt sit down quietly and ask yourself what you want this money for. If you desire the money for the purchase of some article of luxury or other indulgence quietly dismiss the matter from your mind concluding that you cannot afford to purchase that which you have not the money to pay for. If you want the money to help pay for a farm or a house and lot for your own use, it may be now and then a wise act to borrow providing you are reasonably sure that you pay the debt when called upon. The secret of making money is in learning not to want what you cannot afford. It is a poor plan to have accounts running with the butcher, the blacksmith, the wagon maker or the doctor, and all persons who have such accounts are borrowers. Pay day will come speedily, and by buying on credit one is often induced to buy that which he would not buy if called upon to pay cash.

What greater nuisance is there than a neighbor who drops in to borrow a tea cupful of sugar, or tea or coffee a quart of vinegar, or oil, or medicine, or farm tools. It is impossible for neighbors to long remain friends who borrow in this manner. Sooner or later they will forget to return some of the items but the lender never forgets what been lent. Here trouble begins. One who is a perpetual borrower cannot be independent nor can he be so much of a man as he who depends upon his own resources.—Opelousas Courier.

**A Tramp Hero.**

Two old tramps ragged and foot-sore walked slowly down the Fort Wayne railroad track yesterday afternoon. Children who saw them coming climbed quickly over the fence and watched them pass with half frightened eyes. Careful housewives noted their presence, with frowning eyes and a close lookout to see that they carried nothing away with them that they did not bring. Even the little dogs eyed them askance as they growled viciously or saucily snarled and showed their teeth.

Down by Jack's Run there was a little white haired baby running along the track. He was too young to fear anyone even a tramp, and toy happy picking up little pebbles and laying them on the rail to heed any danger. And right there, but a few rods away, was coming a train. The tramps saw it rods away. One of them also saw the babe.

Dropping his dirty bundle, he sprang forward. It was a race for life. The tramp reached the child not a minute

ahead of the engine. Catching the little one he pitched it off the track, when it rolled down the bank, frightened and dusty, but unburnt.

The tramp was dead. Hardly a bone in his body was left unbroken. His body mangled and torn, was brought back to Allegheny and taken to Spencer & Willson's undertaking rooms. The other tramp came back too. This is the story he told:

The dead man, whose name was August Gotlieb, and himself, were Philadelphia dyers. Both men had recently lost their wives and were entirely alone. They started with thirty cents, walking the entire way to Pittsburg, completing the journey in twenty-five days. When they arrived here they had five cents. After walking around town a few hours they started for Cincinnati over the Fort Wayne track, and their journey ended as described.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Independent Democrats who are discussing candidates in a doubtful mood might as well be reminded that the next House will assist in counting in the next President. This makes it something of an object to make it fairly Democratic. Don't you think so.—N. O. Chronicle.

Every fashionably divorced woman has her day.

A calf was killed in Zionville, Pa., one morning, the skin was at the tannery by noon was tanned and turned over to a shoemaker that evening and by the next morning was made into a pair of boots which were worn by the man who owned the calf that had worn the skin the day before.

Maxwell the condemned murderer who is awaiting execution in St. Louis, is said to have become completely unnerved and to show in every movement his distress. He rolls and tosses all night talks and starts in his sleep and is said to be haunted by a vision of the murdered Preller.

The most lonesome man in America will be that solitary Republican in the Georgia State Senate when it convenes.

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