

Gust Kirkelle is Dog Catcher.
Gust Kirkelle, who established quite a reputation in the city as drayman and carpenter, has been appointed official city dog catcher. Gust is an energetic fellow and will be on the alert at all times for stray dogs, many of which have wrought havoc in the gardens of Minot.

Conscious Virtue.
Conscious virtue is the only foundation of all happiness, for riches, power, rank or whatever, in the common acceptance of the world, is supposed to constitute happiness, will never quiet, much less cure, the inward pangs of guilt.—Lord Chesterfield.

Inspiration Miscellany

Perils of Middle Age

Middle age, whose date is suggested by Acts as being in and after the forties, is a neglected period from the sympathetic point of view. It is credited with full development of one's powers, with having won a place in the world, with mastery of some chosen calling. Its independence and strength are regarded as freeing it from need for and claim upon sympathy.

Yet middle age meets with temptations and perils peculiar to itself. Its round of routine and its settled state contain risks. It faces the danger which ruined Moab of old, that of settling down upon the lees. Israel kept alive because it was shaken to and fro and reacted vitally. But Moab stagnated and sank into the sleep that knew no waking.

Yet the central decades of life have compensations. There are gains for the losses. The fret and fever of youth have ceased, the follies and inexperience, the teasing limitations placed by capacity upon aspirations. The slowing down of physical vigor is balanced by composure and vigor of spirit. Foresight has come to do what youth's fierce energy could not achieve. The torrent of enthusiasm has been harnessed and the leaping current has become the leashed millrace which drives the wheels of productive power.

Middle life, when a man has lived as he should, brings the steady eye that sees the whole instead of the parts; some sense of the relative values of things; balance of judgment; sagaciousness in the conduct of life. It acquires reasonable optimism and steadfast courage. It has learned the man's limitations and powers, what he can do and what not. It not seldom finds new powers developing, of which youth had no promise and gave no hint.

The greatest danger of middle age, the most grievous evil which can befall it, is the closed mind or the petrified heart. Stereotyped standards of judgment and ruts of labor are fatal to the spiritual and intellectual growth of the middle aged. — Spokane Spokesman-Review.

The Joy of Living.

Dear life, sweet moment, gracious opportunity, brief journey so well worth the taking, gentle exile so well worth enduring, thy bitterest sorrows are but blessings in disguise, thy sharpest pains are brought upon us by ourselves and even then are turned to warnings for our guidance, while above us, through us and around us radiates the Supreme Love, unalterably tender —Marie Corelli.

STUFF OF A MAN.

Physical courage is universally admired. The hero who exhibits intrepid courage in rescuing another is certain of applause. To win such admiration many become foolhardy. The man of real courage will not do this. He finds no need of exhibitions of false courage. He knows that moral courage is of a higher and finer quality than physical courage. True, it is not so sure of recognition. Moral courage is often shown in lives so unostentatious that no one realizes their nobility. Many a man is a hero unknown to all, and no one can know all the moral force of a man who acts from conscience. The world's martyrs have been moved by moral courage, but many a man has put forth equal courage of whom the world has never known.

One must have something of moral courage to recognize it in another. Children usually learn easily to see and admire physical courage. They have to be taught the value of moral courage. This quality learned in youth develops men of the highest character, the men most useful to neighborhood and state, men fit to be leaders of public affairs.

It happens sometimes that a man's convictions are not founded on sound reason. Better so than that he should lack moral sense. In cultivating courage we should not neglect to cultivate a reasonable conscience which distinguishes between right and wrong. —Milwaukee Journal.

Our Better Nature.

The better nature in us exults over hardship and privation as a seal of its divinity. Men spring with a deeper joy to man a lifeboat in a raging sea than they feel at the thought of a pleasure voyage. —Henry Wilder Foote.

HAVE FAITH IN THE BOY

You've got to have faith in that boy
And to show him the faith that
you feel;
That you know beneath all his alloy
Is the metal that's honest and real.
You've got to let him trust in you
As you trust in him day by day.
You've got to have faith in that boy
If you want him to go the right
way.
You can't trust a boy to do right
If you don't let him see that you
trust.
You can't be to him like a light
If you hide all your faith in the
dark.
He needs such a faith as will shine,
As will glow and make plain o'er
his path
That he'll win, that he's starting
out fine.
That he'll triumph o'er evil and
wrath.
—Baltimore Sun.



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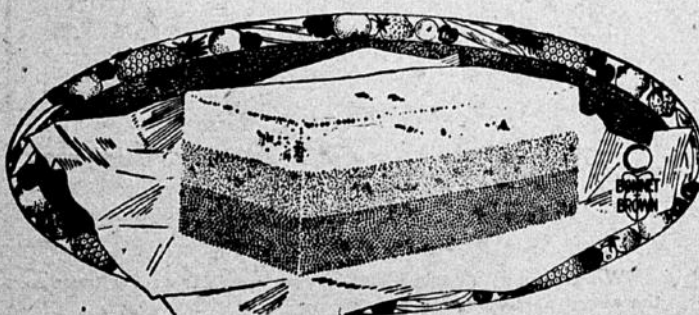
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If Not Kept Clean It Is a Menace to the Health of the Family.

One of the most important articles of household equipment is the unassuming and, it is to be feared, often neglected icebox.

There is no greater menace to the health of the family than a refrigerator which does not refrigerate or one which it is impossible to keep in a perfect sanitary condition.

The least important thing about a refrigerator is its outside appearance.

While the expensive porcelain and enamel ones are pleasant to own, a less expensive hardwood one with a smooth, plain surface is just as satisfactory and easy to clean.

Coolness, cleanliness and convenience are the three "c's" that are absolutely essential to the construction of a refrigerator.

Always wash the ice before putting it into its compartment, otherwise the straws and dust may clog up the drain pipe.

The floors and shelves of the refrigerator should be washed every day with a solution of soda, and at least once a week the refrigerator should be thoroughly cleaned.

Use a solution of soda and water to clean out the drain pipe and pan. Then scald them out thoroughly with boiling water.—New York Telegram.

STRENGTH OF WOOD.

The Pressure It Took to Break a Beam of Douglas Fir.

A piece of Douglas fir, 16 feet long and 16 by 8 inches in cross section, stood a pressure of 88,400 pounds before breaking at the test conducted in the engineering laboratory of the University of Washington by C. W. Zimmermann of the United States forest service.

The experiment was a demonstration of the standard used by the forest service in testing bridge spans. The beam was held by a fifteen foot support, and the load was concentrated at two points five feet from each end of the beam. As pressure was applied the beam continued to bend until the point of maximum deflection was reached. Measurements were then taken, and it was found that the beam had bent 2.85 inches under the pressure of 60,000 pounds. This occurred two minutes after the test started.

Eight minutes later, after 88,400 pounds of additional weight had been added, the beam broke. During this time there was no further deflection of the piece. Mr. Zimmermann explained that the small fibers of the wood were continually giving way under the pressure, and at the end of eight minutes the beam, sufficiently weakened, snapped suddenly.

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