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FIFTY YEARS OF LOVE.

The letter was written by a woman whose silvery hair and faltering step belie the splendid youth that dwells within her heart and mind. Every reader of mature years will understand and value this letter. We trust that it will impress its truth upon the thoughts of many younger readers who may have confused ideas concerning the meaning of love that is real, of love that is eternal. Here is the letter:

"It is not a beautiful thing to look back on 50 years of love?"

"That which was in the dewy dawn; the song of bird; the bloom of violet; the day when we two kissed and Eden was created anew."

"That sweetened long years of toil; that made the faded cheek of 'mother' fairest still of all the world to the gray-haired husband-lover; through whose ministry hearts never grew cold, nor hands too hardened to be tender."

"That which is still with us at our eventide; in the shadows that lie in the valley; in the last bird call to its mate; that sits beside us at the hearthstone in the gloaming, when we talk of the children 'awa' and the 'land of the leal' such a little way beyond."

"Which will be still with us when the 'lights are out'; when the last good-night is spoken; when one of us must watch while the other 'sleeps'."

"Thank God for the love that was never ashamed; that was strong, and tender, and true; steadfast in sunshine and shadow; changeless and sure through all eternity."

Common Human Sense And Legal Legerdemain.

After standing in a crowded street car for half an hour, rebreathing the exhalations from his own lungs and those of nearly a hundred other human beings, a man takes in eagerly the refreshing air of the great American outdoors when he gets out of that crowded pen.

In these days of judge-made laws, government by courts and the stale precedents, traditions and superstitions that booky judges breathe, rebreath, breathe again, and then blow into the face of humanity from legal lungs, anything coming from a judge that snacks of common human sense is refreshing and exhilarating.

In overruling a motion to quash an indictment brought under the Valentine anti-trust law, Judge R. M. Wanamaker of Akron, Ohio, who appears to be a sane human being as well as a judge, got clear out into the fresh air.

A corporation was indicted for violation of the Valentine law, and the corporation's learned legal jugglers tried to get the indictment quashed on the ground that a corporation isn't a person, and that the law was unconstitutional if a corporation wasn't a person, because then it discriminated in favor of artificial persons against natural persons, because it did provide a punishment of fine and imprisonment for natural persons.

For the benefit of those who don't know, it may be said in passing that in plain English a natural person is a human being, and an artificial person is a corporation or other kind of person minus legs, lungs, liver and lights.

After kicking a few judicial holes in the technical claims of the learned corporation lawyers, Judge Wanamaker said:

"It is not the province of judges and courts to defeat the obvious intention of the law-making body under the guise of judicial interpretation or construction; IT IS THEIR BUSINESS RATHER TO GIVE FORCE AND EFFECT TO THE PLAIN INTENT AND PROVISIONS OF THE STATUTE."

"THERE IS TOO MUCH JUDGE-MADE LAW NOW. ADAYS."

"When judges rightly understand and faithfully observe the law as it is, giving rightful force and effect to the plain, clear and complete terms and provisions of the act in accordance, not merely with the letter but the spirit of the act, they will add much confidence in courts, the safety of society and the security of the state."

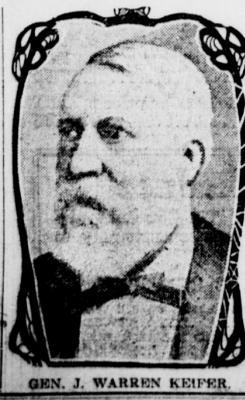
"LET THEM LEAVE LAW-MAKING, LAW-MODIFYING AND LAW-REPEALING TO THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES, WHO ARE SWORN TO SUPPORT THE SAME CONSTITUTION AND LAWS THAT THE JUDGES ARE SWORN TO SUPPORT."

"Laws are made to be observed, not violated. The PEOPLE generally do obey them, interpreting them according to their plain and clear intention and meaning. IF THIS INTERPRETATION IS GENERALLY ACCEPTED BY THE MANY WHO OBSERVE THE LAW, WHY SHOULD COURTS NOT APPLY THE SAME INTERPRETATION TO THE FEW WHO WOULD DEFEAT IT?"

Thereupon this judge held that the Valentine anti-trust law was free from doubt and ambiguity, and that for a court to make it mean anything else than what the clear and obvious terms of the statute meant to the average man, would be law-making and law-repealing under the guise of judicial interpretation; or, as the judge puts it, legal legerdemain.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE

To have been speaker of the house of representatives, and then to have returned to it as a private legislator after many years, is one of Gen. J. Warren Keffer's achievements. But it isn't his most notable. For all these years that he has been in the public eye he never has appeared in public without wearing a dress suit. He wears one all the time. Even at breakfast it's the dress suit for the general. He is fond of plug tobacco, and some foolish people argue with him about the big laundry bills incurred by adopting the open-front style of haberdashery. But he goes on serenely wearing his dress suit, and his expensive bosom fairly radiates gentility, even if it is starched and stiff. Gen. Keffer's civil war record is long and honorable. He is "on the job" for the seventh district of Ohio again at Washington this winter.



GEN. J. WARREN KEFFER.

Press Humor--Most Anything--Have a Smile

WILL THE INSURGENTS CHANGE THESE PICTURES



IF THE BEAN STOCKS GROW MAYBE THE LITTLE JACKS IN THE SENATE WILL GET HIM.



IF GULLIVER GOES TO SLEEP THE LILIPUTIANS IN THE HOUSE WILL TIE HIM UP.

The STORY TELLER



A tourist, so the story goes, went to Germany in his car to see the last army maneuvers. He was impressed with what he saw, and especially with the brigade of motor ambulances, motor baggage wagons and so forth. As the tourist watched the maneuvers from a seat under a tree the axle of a motor ambulance broke. Instantly the man leaped out, ran into the village, returned in a jiffy with a new axle, fixed it in place with wonderful mechanical skill, and teuf-teufed off again as good as new.

"There's efficiency," said the tourist. "There's German efficiency for you. No matter what breaks, there's a stock at hand to supply the needed part from."

"And praising the remarkable example of German efficiency he had just witnessed, the tourist returned to the village and ordered up his car, to find he couldn't use it, as an axle was missing. "Some men," said Andrew Carnegie, at a dinner in his New York house, "have a queer idea of honor."

"I was once riding from Pittsburg to Philadelphia in the smoking compartment of a Pullman. There were perhaps six of us in the compartment, smoking and reading. All of a sudden a door banged, and the conductor's voice cried: "All tickets, please!"

"Then one of the men in the compartment leaped to his feet, scanned the faces of the rest of us, and said, slowly and impressively: "Gentlemen, I trust to your honor."

"And he dived under the seat and remained there in a small sliver of space."

SEVEN-SENTENCE SERMONS

All men are commanded by the saint.—Anonymous. Yet this one thing I learn to know Each day more surely as I go That doors are opened, ways are made, Burdens are lifted or are laid, By some great law unseen and still, 'Not as I will.' —Helen Hunt Jackson. The spectacles of regret always magnify.—Henry Van Dyke. Our deeds shall travel with us from afar And what we have been makes us what we are. —George Elliot.

FROM LATEST ISSUE OF PUCK

LET'S PRETEND. Let's pretend that you and I Love each other—"true as true"— It's a joyous game to try— Let's pretend! I'll be lover-like, and you— You'll return me sigh for sigh, Kiss for kiss—as sweethearts do— Let's pretend! If we find, as time slips by, That our play's in earnest, too, All the better. Meanwhile, why Let's pretend! —BERTON BRALEY.

PENCIL POINTS

Lent is coming. That will help along the meat strike. Just because Uncle Joe is mad is no reason why he should smash the crockery. That new comet Spokane looks at every evening must have a tail eleven minutes long to beat Halley's heavenly wanderer. Now would be the chance for some enterprising person to concoct a book entitled, "One Thousand and One Ways to Serve Prunes." Never threaten to kiss a girl unless you make good; most girls hate a bluffer. A Chicago woman stole \$30,000 in order to secure a husband. Why did she not contribute to the "Love and Matrimony" column in The Press, and she might possibly have got a good one for nothing? Be sure you are right; then prove it. People are waiting impatiently for a glimpse of the high steel frame of the new Old National building. They're going to be mighty proud of Spokane's newest sky-scraper.

EVEN AT THAT LOOK WHAT PINCHOT DID WITH RAW MATERIAL AND POOR BAIT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Speaking of the former forester, a man who sides against him on the question and is a "letter of the law" interpretation, said that the most remarkable thing about Pinchot was his success in building up, from absolutely raw material, with poor salaries as a bait, the most highly organized and certainly the most enthusiastic bureau in the government. The esprit de corps of the forest service today, with all the jolts that have been given it, is probably not equaled by any coordinate branch of the government. In the short space of 12 years, Pinchot organized and established a service of 2700 men, instilled into men of the free outdoor type—many heretofore none too fond of law and order—a respect and desire for the observance of the regulations of the service, and has even given them a fair knowledge of the technical side of forestry.

HAD NO PROFESSIONAL FORESTERS.

A decade ago there were not a dozen professional foresters in the United States. There were no forest schools, as the idea of forestry as a business had not developed at that time. Now there are a score or more universities offering courses. And to Pinchot himself is due most of the credit for the inclusion by these institutions with in their curricula of forestry courses. The father of the forester endowed the first chair of forestry in America—the Yale forest school. Incidentally, it is from the head of this college that the new chief forester, Henry S. Graves, comes. Pinchot went out into the dollar-loving country and said: "The professional forester cannot hope for big fees; he must content himself with roughing it; but he will have the joy of the discoverer and the chance of sharing in a national work of prime importance to the American people."

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HOW THEY FIND JOBS FOR CRIPPLES IN NEW YORK

Hundreds of Disabled Men and Women Helped Within Year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Loss of an arm or a leg, blindness, and all the handicaps that grow out of the risks of living and working, are no longer absolute bars to the usefulness of unfortunate men and women. A bureau which has been established in one of the rooms of the Charity Organization society has undertaken to care for the literal wrecks of humanity who formerly were railroaded to poor houses or sent to the street to beg their bread.

A FORLORN COLLECTION.

From 10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., as dingy and forlorn a collection of human beings as can be imagined, gather there. Here sits a man with his arm in a sling; beside him is a brother in adversity with one leg gone. Opposite is a blind woman—and so on down the line. There is not a whole man or woman in the room. They have stumped or tottered or groped their way in, and there they sit, patiently waiting their turn to enter the inner office, where they know they will receive some word of cheer and, what is more substantial, an honest living.

HOW HELP IS GIVEN.

Next, a Russian Jew, with a wife and six children. He had his arm hurt by falling glass while driving a truck. He can do no more heavy work, so a place is found for him as night watchman in an apartment building. Then came an American, who lost his leg while doing rail-

road construction work. He received sedentary employment at \$8 a week. A young woman, with one hand, was given a position as a telephone operator in a private exchange.

SCIENCE FOR THE MULTITUDE

It seems that the fourth dimension is a figure with 103 sides to it. Those who understand this paradox need no further enlightenment, and to those who do not we can offer no explanation because we haven't any.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Some of those astronomers would like nothing better than to turn in a third alarm on Halley's comet.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Scientists are now proclaiming that this globe is only 60,000,000 years of age. The giddy young thing!—Philadelphia Public Ledger

Just the same, if Halley's comet is going to strike the Pacific coast, there are many of us who will part our scientific enthusiasm and remain away from that portion of our beloved country during the merry May time.—Milwaukee News.

If the Martians have 600 canals to contend with, it is no wonder the astronomers report trouble in the diggings.—Atlanta Constitution.

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