

That Little Stenographer

By M. QUAD

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The firm of Thomas & Co. was composed of Joseph and James, brothers. They were old fashioned men and old fashioned in their methods of doing business.

It was one morning when both brothers were busy at their desks writing out letters in the way their fathers had done before them that the place was invaded.

She would come for \$8 a week to begin on, and soon she would want more. Not a word from the partners.

The day was Friday. On the next day she would send her typewriter and on Monday show up herself.

"Well?" queried James after a long minute. "Well?" queried Joseph in reply.

"We'll have to take her." "We will."

"I have felt for years that it must come." "So have I."

"Not a word did the partners say to each other until they were at the lunch table. They had lunched at the same table for ten years.

"She's coming." "Certainly," was the reply.

"We can't stop her." "Impossible."

"And you are a bachelor." "And so are you."

The conversation ended there. Next day the typewriter and its stand came and were placed in the little room.

Monday morning Miss Lacey, as she had incidentally called herself, floated in. Then she dusted her machine and came out with pencil in hand to say:

"Well, I am ready for dictation." James looked at Joseph, and Joseph looked at James. Then, bracing himself as a man does to meet the grim monster, James proceeded to dictate his first letter, and Joseph went out into the warehouse so as not to add to his perturbation.

The dictation was a success because Miss Lacey made it so. She made it so by saying:

"Oh, that's a wrong word. We must use another. That's bad grammar, and we must change it. You don't mean to say so and so, but so and so."

She constructed the letter to suit herself and brought it back for signature. She did this with three letters and then let up. She saw that James was sinking under it.

Next day Joseph dictated, and it was the same. When they went out to lunch together and after they had had their soup James queried:

"Brother Joseph, do you think we can stand it?" "I don't know," was the dispirited reply.

As they did have to. Miss Lacey took charge of the office from the first day. In two weeks she said she was worth \$10 a week, and James nodded to Joseph, and Joseph nodded to the man in the glass cage.

In four weeks Miss Lacey got another raise. She raised herself to \$12 per week. She had got so that she read the business letters herself and answered them without dictation.

Just a suggestion or two and the thing was done. James had thoughts, and Joseph had thoughts, but Miss Lacey had been with them for six weeks before they had anything like a confidential conversation.

Then after the soup James observed: "She'll raise herself to fifteen next."

"And then to twenty," replied Joseph. "Joseph, you are a bachelor."

"So are you, James." "You could marry her and thus solve the problem."

"So could you." "Joseph, we must speak to the bookkeeper. It is his duty to die for us if necessary."

When Miss Lacey had given herself another raise of salary the bookkeeper was spoken to.

"I'd get into a breach of promise suit with 'other one,'" was his solemn reply, and the subject was closed.

One morning when Miss Lacey had held her place for two months and another raise was expected she failed to show up. James and Joseph figured in their chitra. The bookkeeper looked like a man expecting trouble.

As time sped on James looked hopeful. As more time sped on Joseph returned the look. Just before noon a note was handed in. It read:

"Married this morning. Resignation respectfully submitted."

"Joseph?" "James?"

And they rose up and hugged each other and went walking around the room, and the smile of the bookkeeper was angelic to behold.

TO CHECK A GENERAL DECLINE IN HEALTH

Is Often Difficult When There Is No Apparent Cause.

In a Majority of Cases the Trouble Is in the Blood and When It Is Built up a Cure Follows.

A condition of ill health in which there is no specific disorder but in which the patient continues to waste away for no apparent reason, is a baffling one for the physician to treat.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which cured the following case, are a blood-builder and also a nerve tonic, making them a remedy especially adapted for such debilitated and anemic conditions as existed in the case of Mr. John Keller, of 708 East Division street, Syracuse, N. Y.

"I gradually became run down in health, and general debility resulted. I lost in weight and strength, all ambition seemed to leave me and the slightest exertion wearied and tired me out. I suffered from severe headaches, my kidneys were affected, and I had hard pains across my back."

"My son brought home a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and before they were entirely used I knew they were helping me. I kept on with the treatment for a time longer and was cured. I have had no recurrence of the trouble and have enjoyed good health ever since."

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Magazine Review

Ray Stannard Baker Says the Insurgents Are Bound to Win.

Ray Stannard Baker, writing under the head, "On the Political Firing Line," in the November American Magazine, says:

"Now, the insurgents are as certainly going to win in their fight for a more democratic government as the sun is sure to set to-night. The spread of the direct primary system, of direct legislation, of the commission form of government in cities, of the short ballot and so on, gives assurance of that fact. The people are really going to rule this country; and they are going to do it very soon. And the present group of progressives or some of them, are going to be the leaders of the nation."

"The fight so far has been bitter enough, but compared with the fight which is to come it is a mere skirmish. Having that control of the party, or of a party, which they are now seeking and will get, what will the progressives do? The great questions—the economic questions—have hardly been met. There has been as yet little real grappling with the power of combined money and of private monopoly. Little tentative proposals have been administered, but the real work of America today are not the political questions, but the economic ones which control the daily life of the masses and the means of transportation and communication of the nation."

"Previous to the Civil war the first problem which arose was political—the reorganization of parties, the control of the government, the problem of the right of a state to secede; the real, underlying, economic problem of slavery was not fully met with until two years after the war began, when Lincoln freed the slaves. And when we have got our political problems settled at the present time, we have only just begun the real conflict—upon the economic problems involved."

MUSIC POINTS A MORAL

Pastor Tells of Girl Who Sings Ragtime and Plays Tyann.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 29.—"Last week I saw a young woman who could sing 'Love of My Soul,'" said the Rev. Dr. W. W. Weeks in the pulpit of the First Highland Baptist church.

"But this accomplishment isn't a circumstance in comparison with the ability of some well-known citizens to make long prayers on Sunday and play the role of commercial crooks six other days in the week," he continued.

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PINCHOT ON THE WARP

Plans Aggressive Campaign for Conservation

ASSISTANCE OF OTHERS

Seek Action at Short Session of Congress—First Attack Will Be Made on the Smoot Measure.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Gifford Pinchot, president of the National Conservation association, is preparing for an aggressive campaign at the next session of Congress on behalf of a cause for which he has been working ever since he saw his first tree.

The other officials of the association, including the militant secretary, Thomas R. Shipp, and the equally militant attorney, Philip Wells, are preparing to accompany former forester Pinchot in the attack. It is to be a short session, and it is known that the present majority in Congress is in no wise enamored of conservation legislation in the form its friends want it to find place on the statute books.

Last winter Congress, apparently against its will, yielded to the force of argument and events and did some good things with as good grace as was possible under the circumstances. The spirit of Pinchot seems to dominate every act and every word of the National Conservation association. Pinchot is the unflinching insurgent. Some of his friends deplore it, and say that he should be more diplomatic, and occasionally should give way for the sake of political expediency, but the ex-forester refuses to do this and believes that in the long run he will win the whole fight. It remains to be seen what captures he will make during the coming winter.

INSURGENTS MAY JOIN COALITION

Judge Norris Thinks the Progressive Forces of Both Parties May Be Merged.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Representative George W. Norris of Nebraska, one of the foremost of the House insurgents, is out in an interview in which he declares there will be no abandonment of principle by the insurgent element of the Republican party in Congress. If there is an effort at harmony, the attitude of the insurgents toward it will depend on the terms of peace proposed. Nothing in the nature of a surrender will be countenanced by the insurgents.

Judge Norris thinks it likely the progressive men of both parties will find a good deal in common to justify a union of their legislative activities. He does not think Speaker Cannon will be the nominee of the Republican caucus for speaker of the next Congress, in other words, minority leader.

"If the opportunity comes to enact good legislation the progressive Republicans will do all they can to further it. They will favor the enlargement of the tariff commission's powers, and if the body is ready to report findings on any particular schedule they will be glad to work for changes in that particular schedule. No general revision is wanted, however, partly because there is not enough time and partly for the reason that general revisions are not a success."

As to general reform of the rules, Judge Norris is emphatically for it. If it comes to a test, he declares the progressives of both parties will be found working together.

ATTACK LONG AND SHORT HAUL RULE

Counsel for Railroads Assail Commerce Board's Jurisdiction in Some Matters.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The whole question as to the extent of the application of the long and short haul clause of the amended interstate commerce law, particularly in connection with export and import, trans-shipment, portional, excursion and commutation rates, was discussed at a conference before the interstate commerce commission yesterday.

The questions arise under the fourth section of the bill passed just before the adjournment of the last session of Congress and counsel for many railroads, under a general notice recently issued by the commission were present yesterday to explain their views to the commission.

The conference did not bear upon the merits or any particular applications or class of applications for relief under the fourth section, but had to do with the meaning and application of the section on certain points.

George Stewart Patterson, counsel for New England railroads, was one of the first attorneys heard.

Counsel contended that section 4 had no application to the import and export traffic that the international and part of the import and export traffic was a proportional rate and with the local and domestic rates, and that the through charge for such traffic was not a matter over which the commission had entire jurisdiction. They contended that the rate from a foreign port to an intermediate port might be less than from a seacoast point in the United States to an intermediate.

UNTIMELY END OF "BIG BILL"

Too Much Attention Causes Death of Pauline's Young Son

Washington, Nov. 29.—Sorrow reigns at the White House over the untimely demise of "Big Bill," the administration bull calf, whose arrival on election day was the subject of much comment, and much felicitation.

Big Bill died Sunday of blind stag-

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BESSIE ABBOTT.

American Singer Who Appears in Opera "Ysobel."



ILLINOIS GAINS 16.9 PER CENT.

Population of the State Is 5,638,591, An Increase of 817,041.

Washington, Nov. 29.—The population of the state of Illinois is 5,638,591 according to the statistics of the thirteenth census made public yesterday. This is an increase of 817,041 or 16.9 per cent. over 4,821,550 in 1900. The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 955,199, or 26 per cent.

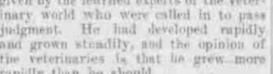
AMERICA'S CAT A BAROMETER

Always Foretold Bad Weather to Wellman and Spectator.

There were many spectacular incidents in the recent attempt of Walter Wellman and his crew to reach Europe in the dirigible airship America, but in popular opinion the little kitten whose rescue was announced to the world by the captain of the Trent holds first place.

The feline barometer, Wellman termed her, for she accurately forecast weather conditions as the crew learned after solving the kitten's code. She always howled when bad times were ahead and slept quietly through the good sailing weather.

As far as is known, the kitten was born in Atlantic City. She was picked



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Take One Pain Pill then—Take it Easy

To get the best of Backache Get a Box of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills

Otherwise Backache May get the best of you

Nothing disturbs the human system more than pain whether it be in the form of headache, backache, neuralgia, stomacheache or the pains peculiar to women. Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills are a standard remedy for pain, and are praised by a great army of men and women who have used them for years.

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VATICAN SUP-PORTS KAISER

Konigsberg Speech Given High Praise

And Constitutionally Correct—Throne and Altar Indivisible, It Is Said.

Rome, Nov. 29.—The Osservatore Romano publishes comments evidently inspired by the Vatican, on the discussion in the German Reichstag of the speech made by Emperor William at Konigsberg on Aug. 26, pointing out that the debate furnished proof of the irrefutable truth contained in the emperor's speeches both at Konigsberg and Marenburg that the throne and altar cannot be divided in Germany, religion being necessary in the struggle against error in modern times.

In addressing the abbot and a number of Roman Catholic dignitaries in the Benedictine monastery at Beuron, the emperor said: "The governments of Christian princes can only be carried on according to the will of the Lord. The altar and throne are closely united and must not be separated."

The Vatican official organ, in the course of its comment, says: "The finest speeches of the German monarch were noble, just and constitutionally correct. While irreligion and demagoguery imperil the principles of authority and order, it is a relief to hear certain truths nobly vindicated by the authoritative and august lips of a powerful sovereign."

DECLINES TO ACT AS ARBITER. King Alfonso Has Renounced His Position, It Is Said.

London, Nov. 29.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says that King Alfonso renounced his position as arbitrator in the frontier dispute between Peru and Ecuador, on learning that Ecuador did not desire to arbitrate. The Diario Universal of Madrid on Oct. 31, announced that King Alfonso would decline to assume plenary powers in the settlement of the dispute, considering that a binding decision would be likely to precipitate a collision between Ecuador and Peru and that he would propose that the parties concerned invest him with the faculties only of a friendly arbitrator.

GRAPELESS COLD CREAM

"Grapeless cold cream" has become a fad and, while the pomade, is undoubtedly good under certain conditions, those who wish to use it must know of certain times at which it is useless. When the tissues require nourishing it is almost valueless; not quite so, because it contains just enough grease to prevent it from being dry. For cleansing and keeping the skin supple, "grapeless cold cream" is excellent, and for those whose skin is naturally oily it may be better than pastes composed of spermaceti and almond oil, the ingredients which are the basis of almost all creams; but in illness, or when the tissues are otherwise impoverished, and the skin is obviously lacking in elasticity and freshness, "grapeless" cream is to be regarded as useless. Grease, pure and simple, the more the pores can be made to take up, the better, is the prescription.

It may astonish some women who most loudly advocate the use of the grapeless variety, to know that there is no such thing as a cream or pomade without some grease or oil in it, otherwise the pores and tissues would not be in the least affected. But in those containing so little as commercially to be said to have none at all, gelatine is the basis, this being a substitute for spermaceti, white wax and sweet almond oil.

Diluted or modified gelatine becomes capable of being massaged into the skin, and contains some slight elements of nourishment or tonic properties. The best Russian variety is that which enters into the composition of all toilet articles, and it is to be had at first class druggists. Glycerine is the dilutant, or modifier, and the other ingredients can be altered by each woman to suit her own case. Rose or orange flower water is necessarily a component part, for glycerine alone will not be enough to reduce the gelatine unless very large quantities of the former are used. As rosewater is astringent as well as stimulating, there can be no objection to it. A little tincture of benzoin adds to its astringent properties, and the scent may be one of the essential oils, rose or violet.

A china cup is the best utensil for mixing the cream. The gelatine is put into this, and at the same time pour in the rose water. The cup is then set into boiling water, where it remains until the gelatine is softened. It will not dissolve at this time. A word of caution here is that the rose water is not to be permitted to become more than warm. Should it be really hot the gelatine will deteriorate. When the two materials are blended the cup is taken from the bath and the glycerine poured in, stirring at the same time. The mixture shows a disposition to harden at the time, it should be returned for an instant to the bath. The tincture of benzoin and perfumed oil are not added until just before the cream hardens.

A good proportion for the cream is one-half ounce of gelatine, one ounce of rose water, one-half ounce of glycerine, one and ten drops of perfumed oil. Should the paste be harder than desired when cold, it can be heated in the bath and a little more glycerine added.—Exchange.

Dorothy Dexter.

THIS WILL STOP YOUR COUGH IN A HURRY

Save \$2 by Making This Cough Syrup at Home.

This recipe makes a pint of better cough syrup than you could buy ready-made for \$2.50. A few doses usually conquer the most obstinate cough—stops even whooping cough quickly. Simple as it is, no better remedy can be had at any price.

Mix one pint of granulated sugar with 1/2 pint of warm water, and stir for 2 minutes. Put 2 1/2 ounces of Pinex (fifty cents' worth) in a pint bottle; then add the sugar syrup. It has a pleasant taste and lasts a family a long time. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

You can feel this take hold of a cough in a way that means business. Has a good tonic effect, braces up the appetite and is slightly laxative, too, which is helpful. A handy remedy for hoarseness, bronchitis, asthma and all throat and lung troubles.

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A guarantee of absolute satisfaction, or money promptly refunded, goes with this recipe. Your druggist has Pinex or will get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

FIRST IN AMERICA.

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To a company in California must go the credit of having installed the first trackless trolley in America, one now being successfully operated in Laurel canyon, near Los Angeles, and running between Hollywood and Bungalow Land, a distance of a mile and a half up the side of a mountain. While there are no tracks for the cars, the overhead wires and their supports look much like those on the inter-

urban lines but for the fact that two trolley wires are required instead of one.

"The cars are each equipped with two electric motors of fifteen horsepower and make the trip in about eight minutes. They accommodate sixteen passengers each without crowding and operate on a fifteen minute schedule.

The Curse of Genius.

The somber, long haired, seedy looking man was speaking in a voice of rolling thunder.

"A million times a million fateful curses sit balefully athwart his hateful hand of fate! Through the gloomy eons may his black soul flit homeless forever!"

"Off his balance, I suppose" observed the stranger.

"Oh, no," said Smith; "that's Rimer, the well known poet, swearing at the editor who rejected his verses."—Pack.

In the Morning.

"I have a letter from Teddy Roosevelt for you," said the boy.

"You take it back to the office," said Judge Baldwin. "I will tend to Teddy in the morning."—News Item.

I haven't tried to raise a row, I haven't said a lot; But while the cyclone whizzed around I didn't miss a jot And I feel that I'm about to prove a Johnnie-on-the-spot

When I rise to tend to Teddy in the morning.

I have heard his praise of Teddy while he slandered honest men. Heard him promise to grab capital and scare it to its den; But I watched him try it once before and know what happened then And I'll surely tend to Teddy in the morning.

I am tired of "me" and "frazzle," tired of all his Joseph's coat. Tired of all the trash he uttered, all the rubbish that he wrote; But, if waking, call me early, for I'm not too tired to vote, And I'm due to tend to Teddy in the morning.

I have seen the rampart goding who would bring the world to book. Who would gratify ambition though a mighty nation shook. Sear the emine of our judges with his "jackass," "fossil," "crook"; But I'm off to tend to Teddy in the morning.

I've heard the constitution jeered, I've seen the law ignored. I've watched one damn old tradition all go crashing by the board; But I think I know "the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored," And I'll quickly tend to Teddy in the morning.

In Woman's Realm.

Newspapers may be used to pad the fronting board just as well as an old blanket.

In sewing very sheer lawns or lightweight silks, if they gather under the machine foot, slip a piece of newspaper under the goods and sew through it and the gathering will cease. The paper is easily removed and leaves no trace.

Take beets from the hot water and drop them into cold water and the skins can be easily removed with the hands. Always have a brush for cleaning vegetables. It will cost only five cents and save the hands much disagreeable work.

Friends Depend Upon Sincerity. What is the secret of making friends? Sincerity. That, and that alone.

Of course acquaintances may be made in other ways. Friends of prosperous days that won't stick by you in time of trouble may be bought and bribed by automobile rides, by luncheons and dinners and expensive entertaining, but real friends demand sincerity, says the New Haven Journal-Courier.

If you don't want to be sincere, if you haven't the time or patience to be or you haven't the quality in you, then you had better not attempt to make friends at all. You will only make future enemies instead of shallow acquaintances who will give you more heartache than pleasure.

It's an odd thing about sincerity. It's the only thing in life that every one wants. It's never out of style, never out of vogue. You can stand oceans of it. The most frivolous woman alive, the most unstable, dreams of a sincere friend and hurls until she finds one.

Some women will give almost everything for it, and you who aspire to be a friend need not feel poor in your gifts if you have that to offer, even though you live in a hall bedroom and all the treating must be done on the other side.

Here is a good rule for New England clam chowder: Slice six cones of fat salt pork and try out all the grease. Add to the fat fat eight medium sized onions chopped fine and let them cook soft but not brown. Peel and slice enough potatoes to make about two quarts and put with the onions in the kettle you are to make the chowder in. Add water to cover well and cook about ten minutes. Now take a quart of hard clams measured after being opened, reserving the liquor if the clams are just taken from the shell, but throwing it away if not perfectly fresh. Wash the clams and chop fine. Add them to the boiling potatoes and onions, stirring well together. Add a quart more water, a teaspoonful of salt, a pinch of cayenne and push the kettle back where it will cook slowly for half an hour. Add two or three broken ship crackers and a tablespoonful of butter and serve in a hot tureen.

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