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... Life. ... com- ... the ... ace as the rose. In tr... it is ... h-nigh impossible even to imagine a time when there were no roses; for the real origin of the rose, like that of the wheat of lusty strength, lies beyond the mists which veil the dawn of the Aryan race. As the rose is a factor in human history, so has it been given speech significant in the recorded flower language. The musk-rose whispers, "Come to me at evening," and means "capricious love." The maiden's-blush rose, well hid in green, says, "If you love me, you will find it out." The mossrosebud murmurs, "I must confess." The long-thorned Carolinian blossom cries, "Dangerous is love." The clustered white bridal rose breathes, "Happy love." The eglantine, rose of sorrow, bending to the wind and dropping its leaves like tears, whispers, "I wound to heal," and the golden Persian rose of evil scent fitly calls, "Beware my jealousy."—The Circle.

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... y husband," she told him ... Jackson so... husband and his plea was haught... granted. They danced, and she danced divinely. The music and the motion made his blood surge. After a time he saw his hostess once more unclaimed. This time she did not send him to her husband. They were barely on the floor before her husband came to them. In curt Spanish the wife was ordered to her room and Jackson was left standing thunderstruck. A merry laugh, all the merrier for being discreetly subdued, brought him around upon Senorita Eloise Arden, one of the few girls to whom he had been introduced.

"Is that one of the customs of this lovely land of yours?" he demanded. "...ay not a man dance with another ... wife?"

"... unless the husband first grants ...ion," she murmured.

"But you see I know so little. ... to-day I met a procession in the ... All who met it bared their ... and crossed themselves, but I— ... now what it meant."

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... priest mounted his donkey ... strode at his side. Could ... a thing really be? Human bodies ... vn to the vultures. But they use ... and—"I am a Roman citi-...

"... ll climb up and look over ... " the father checked ... at pointing toward a ... Jackson went ... ound foot-hold and ...

"Have you hit upon a ... dy?" Mr. Blackwell ... usual businesslike ... his eyes peered curious-...

French Foe of Race Suicide.

In the French senate there is a man who has forced the general government to begin subsidizing large families. This is Senator Edme Piot. Son of a Burgundian family so poor that he was kept from school to work in the fields, he broke stone on the highways and worked over all France as a navvy; but as early as 1854 he was taking small contracts on his own account and he finally became the greatest of all French railway contractors. Becoming very rich, Senator Piot has made himself famous through all Burgundy by a special kind of liberality—the financial authority on depopulation; president of the senate committee relative to subsidies which the law already permits to be granted to communes for distribution to families of five or more, and author and untiring advocate of a bill for the subventioning of every mother at the time an addition is made to the population.

Ants Tenacious of Life.

Ants are really very long lived, considering their minuteness. A natural... had two queens under observation ... n years and one of Sir John ...ck's ant pets lived into her fif-...h year. Ants are very tenacious ... after severe injury. Following ... the entire abdomen they sometimes ... two weeks and in one case a headless ant, carefully decapitated by aseptic surgery, lived for 41 days. A carpenter ant after being submerged eight days in distilled water came to life upon being dried, so that they are practically proof against drowning. They can live long periods without food; in one case the fast lasted nearly nine months.

World's Coal Consumption.

The total consumption of coal in the world is considerably over 50,000 tons an hour. Of this great quantity about 12,500 tons is required to heat the boilers of stationary, marine and railroad engines. The production of pig iron consumes over 5,000 tons an hour. The average hourly consumption of coal in households is considered to be about 10,000 tons

Collieries Under the Sea.

At Cape Breton there are immense collieries being worked under the ocean. These submarine mines cover a thousand acres, and are being increased steadily. The mines are entered at the shore, and the operators follow the vein beneath the water for more than a mile. It might be expected that the weight of the water would force its way into the mine. The bed of the ocean is as tight as a cement cistern. A sort of fireclay lines the submarine roof of the mine, and the sediment above is held in place and packed down by the water pressure until there is not a crevice nor a drop of water from overhead.

LIFE INSURANCE A SACRED TRUST.

Responsibilities of Officers and Directors.

Evidently President Kingsley of the New York Life Insurance company has learned the great lesson of the times with respect to the responsibility and duty of directors of corporations. Speaking to the new board of trustees, on the occasion of his election to the presidency, he emphasized the fact that "life insurance is more than a private business, that life insurance trustees are public servants, charged at once with the obligations of public service and with the responsibilities that attach to a going business which at the same time must be administered as a trust."

He also realizes that similar responsibilities rest upon the officers of the company. "I understand," he says, "your anxiety in selecting the men who are day by day to carry this burden for you, who are to discharge this trust in your behalf, who are to administer for the benefit of the people involved the multitudinous and exacting details to which it is impossible for you to give personal attention. My long connection with the New York Life—covering nearly twenty years—my service in about every branch of the company's working organization, gives me, as I believe, a profound appreciation, not merely of the heavy burden you have placed on my shoulders, but of the standards of efficiency, the standards of faith, the standards of integrity, which must be maintained at all times by the man who serves you and the policyholders in this high office."

Best of all, perhaps, he feels that words are cheap, and that the public will be satisfied with nothing short of performance. "My thanks, therefore," he continues, "for an honor which outranks any distinction within the reach of my ambition, cannot be expressed in words; they must be read out of the record I make day by day."

One Point of View.

It was the desire of a teacher in a negro school to impress upon the minds of the youths the benefits derived at Tuskegee and other seats of learning for the ambitious negro. One day, in closing a brilliant discourse on this subject, in which Booker T. Washington was set forth as a criterion, she said to one little boy who had evidently heard not a word of her talk:

"Now Rastus, give the name of the greatest negro?"

The answer was surprisingly forthcoming—"Joe Gans!"

The Psychological Moment.

The fact that Priam was closeted with the adjuster did not prevent Cassandra from dropping in to say that she had told him just how it would be.

"She was all I saved," murmured the burnt-out monarch, jerking his thumb at the retiring prophetess.

"Say no more," rejoined the other. "We'll call the loss total, and if I could make it any more than that, old man, I'd do it, under the circumstances."

This incident shows the value of a word spoken at the right time.—Puck.

Were He a Bird.

With an ugly sneer he tossed aside the bread which she had made with her own hands.

"If I were only an ostrich—" he began.

But the young woman cut him short.

"Yes, if you only were," she snapped, "then I might get at least a few decent feathers for that old hat I've worn since my wedding day."

COULDN'T KEEP IT.

Kept It Hid from the Children.

"We cannot keep Grape-Nuts food in the house. It goes so fast I have to hide it, because the children love it so. It is just the food I have been looking for ever so long; something that I do not have to stop to prepare and still is nourishing."

Grape-Nuts is the most scientifically made food on the market. It is perfectly and completely cooked at the factory and can be served at an instant's notice, either with rich cold cream, or with hot milk if a hot dish is desired. When milk or water is used, a little sugar should be added, but when cold cream is used alone the natural grape-sugar, which can be seen glistening on the granules, is sufficiently sweet to satisfy the palate. This grape-sugar is not poured over the granules, as some people think, but exudes from the granules in the process of manufacture, when the starch of the grains is changed from starch to grape-sugar by the process of manufacture. This, in effect, is the first act of digestion; therefore, Grape-Nuts food is pre-digested and is most perfectly assimilated by the very weakest stomach. "There's a Reason."

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IRISH CHURCH BELLS

THE EARLIEST ONES WEIGHED ONLY A FEW OUNCES.

First Adopted About the Time of St. Patrick in the Fifth Century —Were Made of Hammered Iron.

It was about the time of St. Patrick, in the fifth century, that bells began to be adopted in the Christian church, though their use in other directions was long anterior to Christianity, as Mr. Layard records having found some in the palace of Nimrod. The first Christian bells, like St. Patrick's, weighed only a few ounces, and from that they gradually increased till the greatest weight was reached at Moscow with 198 tons of beautifully enriched work, a strange contrast to humble "Clog-an-eadhachta Petraic," or "bell of Patrick's will," sometimes referred to as the bell of Armagh, with its diminutive dimensions of six inches deep, made of thin sheets of hammered iron, bent into a four-sided form, fastened with rivets and brazed or bronzed. This bell is at once the most authentic and the oldest Irish relic of Christian metal work that has descended to us, and is mentioned in the "Annals" under the date of 552.

Such as this were the bells of the early apostles of Ireland, but the age was a progressive one, and advancing art soon claimed the bells to work on, and the hammered iron gave way to bronze castings, more skillful workmanship and to more perfect resonance. We are fortunate enough to have on loan the finest example in the Bangor bell of what the craft of bell making had advanced to by the time the tenth century had dawned. For 500 years the iron bell of Patrick had done its duty, and now it had to be laid by.

The same story applies to many other famous bells of Ireland and their shrines, but the church loved these ancient bells, and their associations rendered them most precious relics. They must be preserved, and the far famous gold workers of Ireland came to the rescue and brought the national art, then in the zenith of its perfection, to bear on the "cases" to hold them called "shrines" and by far the most beautiful of all was that for the bell of the great patron saint of Ireland.

The early church builders and artificers of Ireland were skillful and bold and fearless in their creations; with an independence of thought, they struck out original lines to work on. We see it in the stone-roofed churches, the stately round towers, the great crosses—a model of one, the finest cross on earth, stands near the case containing the bells—and by the preservation of the bells themselves we see in the reliquaries or shrines another master thought, repeated nowhere else, and these remain a purely Irish characteristic. A few found a resting place in Scotland, but a great authority says "they are attributed to Irish saints, and we naturally turn to Ireland in search of the parent group."

The "shrine" was made to inclose the rude iron bell. This fine example of the goldsmith's work must have been executed between the years 1091 and 1105, when Donell McAuley whose name is given in the inscription, filled the see of Armagh. The shrine is made of brass, on which the ornamented parts are fastened down with rivets. The front is adorned with silver gilt plated, and knot work in golden filigree. The silver work is partly covered with scrolls, some in alto-relievo and some in bas-relief. It is also decorated with gems and crystals, and on the sides are animal forms, elongated and twisted into interlaced scrolls. Since the original shrine was made, in 1091, it has never been lost sight of, but has been handed down from custodian to custodian generally of the same family.

A PHILADELPHIA IDEA.

How an Ingenious Student Avoided a Tardy Mark.

A certain student at the Central high school hit upon a brilliant idea to escape punishment for lateness. It is an established rule at the institution to detain all pupils one hour after regular dismissal for each case of lateness, and if the same student is late three times in one month he is liable to suspension for one day, unless he is able to furnish a reasonable excuse. A suspension carries with it a forfeiture of exemptions in four and sometimes five studies. The student in question, through some unavoidable delay, was late twice in one month. While going to school one morning, the car in which he rode was held up for about 15 minutes at Washington avenue by the freight trains. Fearing suspension through his chronic lateness the student tore a leaf from his notebook and asked his fellow passengers to affix their signatures to a note which declared that he was detained by the railroad cars. He arrived at school several minutes late, but on presentation of his note, signed with 20 names, he was excused by the professors.—Philadelphia Record.

Plenty to Say.

Hilton—My wife is a matter-of-fact woman. She only speaks her mind.

Chilton—So does mine, but she changes her mind so often that it keeps her talking all the time.

WHERE DOCTORS FAILED.

An Interesting Case from Salem, the Capital of Oregon.

F. A. Sutton, R. F. D. No. 4, Salem, Oregon, says: "Acute attacks of kidney disease and rheumatism laid me up off and on for ten years. Awful pains started from the kidneys and coursed down through my limbs. I sought the best medical treatment but in vain, and when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I was walking with two canes and suffering continual pains, headaches and sleepless nights. I improved quickly and after taking three boxes felt better than I had for 15 years. The effects have been lasting."

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WHY SHE WAS THANKFUL.

Little One Had Reason to Approve Father's Choice.

Of the sisters of a well-known New York family one is married. She has one little girl greatly petted by all the aunts and subject to much advice from all of them. Of this last the little lady sometimes wearies, which weariness on a certain occasion made itself shown in the following reply from her small ladyship:

Said one aunt: "If you were my child I should have you do thus and thus." Said another aunt: "Were you my child I would do so and so." The remaining aunt made a similar remark.

The little lady thought it high time to express her own feelings. "But I have," she said, "always been so thankful that papa married the sister he did!"

ALMOST A SOLID SORE.

Skin Disease from Birth—Fortune Spent on Her Without Benefit—Cured Her with Cuticura.

"I have a cousin in Rockingham Co. who once had a skin disease from her birth until she was six years of age. Her father had spent a fortune on her to get her cured and none of the treatments did her any good. Old Dr. —— suggested that he try the Cuticura Remedies which he did. When he commenced to use it the child was almost a solid scab. He had used it about two months and the child was well. I could hardly believe she was the same child. Her skin was as soft as a baby's without a scar on it. I have not seen her in seventeen years, but I have heard from her and the last time I heard she was well. Mrs. W. P. Ingle, Burlington, N. C., June 16, 1905."

Proving the Point.

She—A woman ought to get credit for being just as logical and ready to give a reason as a man.

He—Why?

She—Oh, because!

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