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PHRASEOLOGY.

Trouble Post Office Officials Had With Phrase for Postal Cards.

It's odd, isn't it? Many post office officials, "how numerous are the ways in which some thought may be expressed by different people?"

"Some years ago the post office department people at Washington found themselves put to a deal of trouble to prescribe the proper sentence to be used on the face of a postal card to the end that the user thereof might be admonished that he should place nothing but the address on that side. Seven attempts were made before the present phrase was adopted.

"One of the earliest cards was made to bear the legend, 'Nothing but the address can be written on this side,' which was, of course, untrue, as many persons could write more if they so desired, despite the regulation. Shortly afterward this was changed to say, 'Nothing but the address is to be placed on this side,' a sensible enough expression, but clumsy, and in a way amusing. So it was soon discarded.

"The next issue of the cards was inscribed, 'The address only to be written on this side,' which it was speedily observed might be construed to bar the use of the typewriter. The same objection was raised to 'Write only the address on this side.'

"Finally the post office people became almost hysterical about the matter. The next issue of the cards informed the user that he could 'Write only the address on this side, the message on the other,' which was not only clumsy, but ambiguous and conveying a wrong meaning, for, as a matter of fact, the post office officials really had no objection to a person writing the address on both sides.

"Later the word 'only' was dropped, but without much improvement. Finally it was decided that there was no use trying to be original, so the officials fashioned the phrase that is now in use on the one used upon the postal cards issued by the British. Our English cousins say: 'The space below is for the address only, and Uncle Sam has 'This side for the address only.'"

THE CURFEW BELL HAD RUNG

That Explained Why the Small Boy Wanted an Escort.

A resident of this city had a surprising experience a few nights ago while passing along one of the principal streets of Newport News, Va. He was on his way to the shipyards, and the figure of a boy suddenly appeared before him.

"Say, mister," said the almost breathless boy, "do you care if I walk down the street with you?"

"Certainly not," was the man's response, "I always like to have company."

"I only want to go a short distance with you," the boy said. "You know," he added, "the first bell has already rung."

"The first bell?" inquired the man from Washington. "What bell are you talking about?"

"The curfew bell," he answered. "Don't you know what that is?"

It was admitted by the Washingtonian that he had heard of it, but never before had he been in a city where such a law was in force. When the boy had made the explanation the man was more than willing to accompany him. The pair walked along until they reached the entrance to the ship yard.

"Never mind about going all the way home with me," said the little fellow, "I can run the rest of the way and get there before the second bell rings, and if I can't I can keep in the shadows and watch for the police."

Wouldn't Accept Tips.

The honesty of John Chinaman is attested by a remarkable occurrence of recent date, the scene of which was one of the best Chinese restaurants of this city, says the Washington Star. The observer of this example of honesty had refreshed himself by sipping some of the finest brand of tea the house afforded, and had tasted, with feelings of uncertainty, some of the delicacies of Chinese concoction. He finally asked the amount of his bill and paid it. He was curious to see just how a Chinaman would accept a tip, and wanted to make sure just what he would do with such a perquisite. For that reason he waited until the man carried the money to the cashier's desk, and then, waiting his opportunity, beckoned the celestial to his side and placed a dime in his hand. The celestial countenance was illumined by a broad smile, and the man, expressing his thanks turned on his heel and made straightway for the till, where he deposited the tip along with the money that belonged to the house.

Since that time the erstwhile patron of celestial food has had a high regard for Chinese honesty, but he has not yet fully recovered his astonishment over the characteristics of the bland and patient waiter who was the subject of his experiment.

Lovers of Outdoor Life.

C. C. Arosemena, first secretary of the Panama legation, formerly a Cornell football player, rides and plays golf, and Sr. Felipe Pardo, the Peruvian minister, is one of the most enthusiastic horsemen of the city. He has a wide reputation as a hunter of big game. He made a trip to the wilds of Canada last summer. Sr. Sylvino do Amaral, first secretary of the Brazilian legation, is another hunter of big game of note. He has trophies of the chase from the forests of the Amazon, and has hunted a great deal in Argentina.

Rural Telephone Connection.

The Sparta, Ga., Ishmaelite publishes the following:

"One of the most earnest, enthusiastic and business-like mass meetings witnessed in a long time was held by citizens of the town and county in the court house last Friday night.

"Since the Ishmaelite's editorials began to direct attention to the situation and tendencies in the county with reference to rural free deliveries and rural telephone, and to point out some of the beneficent possibilities that would result from organized systematic direction of these powerful agencies, many of our citizens, both in town and country, have begun to think and plan. As a result it was suggested by a few progressive men that a mass meeting be held to discuss and consider these matters of public concern. The announcement was made that a meeting would be held in the court house. Everybody approved the suggestion, and a large number met promptly at the hour appointed. The meeting quickly organized by electing Mayor J. D. Burnett chairman, and Mr. L. C. Miller secretary. The purpose of the meeting was stated by Hon. W. H. Burwell, who also enumerated many of the advantages that would accrue to the entire county by connecting up the farm homes throughout the county by a system of rural telephone lines focused at the central in Sparta, and thus putting practically the entire population of the county in instant communication with all the phone system in town and with each other. Several others spoke along the same lines, and Superintendent Weaver, of the Bell Telephone company, explained the cost of such lines and their manner of operating. Plans were suggested which, after full consideration, were unanimously approved. These plans contemplated encouragement and co-operation in building up lines throughout the county in such a systematic way as will reduce the cost to a minimum and the efficiency to a maximum of convenience and usefulness.

"For devising ways and means of carrying these plans into execution, and for the purpose of co-operating with sections of the county desiring to avail themselves of the benefits of such a system, a committee was appointed. This committee consists of J. D. Burnett, chairman, Robt. Holmes, W. H. Burwell, Earle Wheeler, George White and M. L. Duggan. The committee has already met with the greatest possible encouragement from every source, and it begins to look now like our citizens who have so long neglected important public utilities mean to give to Hancock county the best organized system of rural telephones in middle Georgia. Progressive communities in the county will do well to consult with this committee promptly, and by such a spirit of co-operation as has so far manifested itself almost anybody in the county may soon have in their own homes telephonic communication with everybody else in the county. And then we will begin to realize that we have the best county in middle Georgia."

What this county is doing any other county can do. The people of this county ought to get together and see that our section is dotted with rural telephones. Lines, radiating from the central office at this place, should in the next six months, be radiating all over the county. After once you get a phone in your house you would not do without it for many times the cost of installing. Any information you might wish to know can be gotten through

your local exchange, or will be cheerfully given you by calling at this office. Come in and let us talk this matter over with you.

Was Once a Ball Player.

Here is a masterpiece of pulpit eloquence by Billy Sunday, formerly famous as a ball player, who is now doing service as an evangelist: "Twenty-two years ago, with the Holy Spirit as my guide, I entered this wondering temple, called Christianity. I entered at the portico of Genesis, walked down through the Old Testament art gallery where the pictures of Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joseph, Isaac, Jacob, and Daniel hang on the wall. I passed into the music room of Psalms, where the spirits swept the keyboard of nature and brought forth the dirge like wail of the weeping prophet Jeremiah to the grand impassioned strain of Isaiah, until it seemed that every reed and pipe of God's great organ of nature responded to the tuneful harp of David, the sweet singer of Israel. I entered the chapel of Ecclesiastes where the voice of the preacher was heard and unto the conservatory of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley's sweet scented spices filled and perfumed my life. I entered the office of Proverbs, then into the observatory room of the prophets where I saw telescopes of various sizes, some pointing to far-off events; but all concentrated upon the bright and morning star, which was to rise above the moonlit hills of Judah for our salvation. I entered the audience room of the King of Kings, and caught a vision of His glory from the standpoint of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; passed into the Acts of Apostles, where the Holy Spirit was doing His office work in the formation of the infant church. Then into the correspondence room where sat Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul, Peter, James and Jude, penning their epistles. I stepped into the throne room of Revelations where all towered into glittering peaks, and I got a vision of the King sitting upon His throne in all His glory, and I cried:

"All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!"

Fine Crop Year in Prospect

Surely this is fine weather for the farmers in this section at this time. It could not be more propitious if the farmers could have specially ordered it and got exactly what they desired. The early corn is planted, and land and weather conditions are the best for putting in the cotton, which also applies to all the minor crops. Oats are in the most promising condition, the preparatory work which may be done for potatoes, cane and forage crops assures all these of a splendid start, and melons and orchard products never held out brighter prospects at this season than is the case now. Our farmers have, indeed, cause to feel highly encouraged by the crop outlook for this year, as the latter part of April finds it. If these conditions shall continue this year will be the greatest crop year in this section since many years.—Anderson Mail.

Work Make Progress

Vice President and General Manager M. J. Caples, of the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio road, Superintendent Pettipiece and officials of the road, arrived in the city this morning, having made the trip from Bostic, N. C. horseback. They expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the progress that has been made on the grading. Within a very short time the work of laying the rails will begin.—Spartanburg Journal.

BEVERLY'S EXCLUSIVENESS.

Beverly, on the north shore of Massachusetts, has always been exclusive in every sense. The name belongs to a large district, but it is all given over to wealth. President Taft's summer home will be at Beverly Cove, on Salem, near a good golf course and a country clubhouse. His neighbors, who will doubtless rejoice at his advent, are the kind of folks who take their leisure without much relaxation. Yating, boating, tennis, and golfing are the pastimes. There is no "roughing it" at Beverly. The social round is followed with the formality of winter life in town. Beverly will be the most fashionable and exclusive of all our summer capitals. If the politicians pursue the President to the north shore, they must carry their dress coats with them. But we have no doubt that President Taft will manage to have a good time at Beverly, and tactfully avoid too much social entertaining.—New York Times.

CHICAGO MAIDENS WANT HUSBANDS WHO WILL BOSS

More than one hundred Chicago girls, pretty, vivacious and fairly well to do, want husbands—that is, if they can find the right ones. The responses of these young women, describing their ideal man, were read last night at the Halsted Institutional Church by the Rev. D. D. Vaughan, during the course of a sermon on "the model husband."

A majority of the young women writers surprised both the pastor and the audience by stating positively that they want their husbands to be "the real boss." They also declared that it was not necessary that he be handsome, wealthy, talented or a "swell dresser." But it was insisted in every case that he be a "man who was capable of real love." The word "love" was underscored in most of the letters.

The feminine candidates were practically agreed that their future "better-halves" must be "good-hearted, kind and affectionate." Business or professional men were not preferred by the most, but "clean, honest men who make clean money" were desired.

HE SHOT A NEGRO

Last Friday Mr. A. Z. Bryson of Garvin township shot and perhaps fatally wounded Dude Robinson, a negro about 35 years of age. From what can be learned in appears that Mr. Bryson went by the home of Robinson, who lives on his place and asked him to do certain work for him, the negro being under contract with him. The negro was very impudent and after a few words shut the door in Mr. Bryson's face. Mr. Bryson went on around the house toward his own home and after getting a few feet from the house the negro opened the back door and fired, using a shot gun. The load passed by Mr. Bryson's head with out striking him. As quickly as possible Mr. Bryson returned the fire, but without effect. After again firing at the door where the negro stood, Mr. Bryson again started home. The negro again opened the door and running out into the yard fired both barrels in the direction of Mr. Bryson, neither shot taking effect. This time Mr. Bryson was more successful than before, for when he fired the negro fell with a bullet through his body.

Mr. Bryson sent for Dr. Algood who attended the wounded negro, who is said to be in bad shape. Mr. Bryson went before Magistrate Guyton and gave bond for his appearance before court.—Anderson Intelligencer

One of the ambitions that the average girl has is to speak to a strange man just because the thought of it scares her so she never would.

Moon To Hide Her Face.

Local astronomers are greatly interested in the coming total eclipse of the moon, which occurs on the evening of Thursday, June 3. The phenomena may be observed all over the continent if the sky is clear.

In this section the rise of the moon will be almost normal and the people may watch the shadow of the earth gradually steal over the lunar body. But further in the continent, probably on the other side of the Mississippi, the inhabitants will first see an odd looking disc of a reddish color rise from the east.

When the moon rises here only a narrow portion of it will be observed. Gradually it will enter deeper and deeper into the earth's shadow until the moon gives no light and is only barely perceptible.

This year the moon does not enter into the heart of the earth's shadow so there will not be a black eclipse. The moon, however, will be in the earth's shadow for over an hour, and practically the only light from the heavens will be that of the stars.

The reason why the moon will be invisible is the influence of the earth's atmosphere, which bends the sun's rays at the edges of illuminated hemispheres of this planet and throws on the moon a faint glow, generally of a red copper hue. It results from the absorption in the earth's atmosphere of the green, blue and violet rays that pass through it. It is much the same as the sunset glow, though infinitely more faint.

As the phenomenon of the eclipse develops, the children will be able to see for themselves the truth of the statement they learned from their geographies.

An eclipse of the sun will be witnessed a fortnight later, on Tuesday, June 17th, shortly before sunset. The only effect that it will have is to send the chickens to roost an hour or two earlier.

The lunar eclipse is precisely the same as that which saved the lives of Columbus and his party in the isle of Jamaica in the year 1504. The natives refused them food. Columbus, knowing that an eclipse was due told them that God was very angry because of their inhospitality and would take away the light of the moon. The moment that the natives saw the light going, they rushed to their storehouses and brought their choicest viands, supplicating the "white angels" to bring back their moon. Columbus handed it back in about an hour.

The earliest account of an eclipse was discovered in the tomb of a Chinese emperor. The date has been fixed by chronologists as January 29, 1136 B. C.

A Real Tiger for Clemson

Mr. David Traxler, formerly of Timmonsville, now of Greenville, is trying to get a real tiger for Clemson College his old Alma Mater. He is corresponding with several tiger-catchers in Africa for a real animal for Clemson. It is not said whether or not he has secured the services of Teddy to secure the genuine Mascot for his old college, but if he hasn't and his other efforts fail he might try the experiment with success.

Swallowed A China Egg

A gentleman who lives near the city tells a very remarkable snake story. A few days ago a snake was shot from a tree in the yard, and in the snake was found a china nest egg. The egg is supposed to have been in the snake several months for the very same egg was missed from a hen's nest last fall.—Florence Times.

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The best in the world.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

An examination for teacher's certificate will be held at Pickens, S. C., on Friday, May 14th, 1909. The examination will begin promptly at 9 a. m. All applicants are urged to be present at the beginning of the examination, provided with proper stationery, etc. The law requires boards of trustees to employ only those teachers who hold certificates recorded in the office of the county superintendent of education, and there will be no other examination until October.

Strength in Continuity

The results to be derived from continuous, everyday advertising cannot be overestimated. That person or concern that desires to have its business grow and expand goes into the newspapers and stays there. By that we do not mean to let the wording of an ad. run without frequent change. We mean space.

The advertising you did yesterday will help your advertising today, and the advertising of today will help that of tomorrow.

The child that makes greatest progress at school does not attend Monday, skip Tuesday, back Wednesday and out Friday. He is attending every school day in order to pass his finals. In continuity there is strength. "Out of sight is out of mind." To discontinue an ad. while you still have goods on your shelves or vitality in your brains to produce something means one of two things—either that you have made your fortune and are ready to retire or that the business is retrograding and degenerating—"Some Pitfalls of Advertising," Missoula (Mont.) Herald.

Give This a Trial.

Set a post in your hog lot and every hog will rub against it. This gives the cue for a cheap and effective louse killer. Wrap the post tightly from the ground up with quarter-inch rope, and saturate the rope with kerosene every few days. Kerosene will kill lice, and the hogs will keep on scratching against the post.

Mules For Ploughing

A farmer who sold a big lot of cotton at 9 1-2 cents recently, says he is not worried about having sold too soon. "For," he declared, "if I had not sold then I would not sell now, because it would cost me more than a half a cent a pound to stop my mules from the plows to haul it."—Yorkville Eoxuirer.

Blue Ridge to be Completed?

Word has been received here that the Southern Railroad has bought the Stump House Mountain tunnel and the old Blue Ridge right-of-way. It was owned by private parties, as it had been sold for taxes by the state.—Farm and Factory.

North Pickens Circuit.

Rev. E. L. Thomason preacher in charge.

FIRST SABBATH.

At Porter's chapel, 11 a. m.; Salem, 3 p. m.

SECOND SABBATH.

Mt. Bethel, 11 a. m.; New Hope, 3 p. m.

THIRD SABBATH.

Gap Hill, 11 a. m.; Twelve Mile, 3 p. m.

FOURTH SABBATH.

McKinney's, 11 a. m.; Friendship, 3 p. m.

Wisdom always knows when to quit.

An engagement ring is a girl's idea of a band of hope.

A little push will greatly outlast a strong pull.

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Learn how the successful poultrymen of the country make their money. Their secret methods and discoveries explained fully. FELCH'S Mating Secret of Fertile Eggs. Dr. WOOD'S Egg-Food Secret, SECRET OF FEED at 15 cents a bushel, and scores of others. This revolutionary book, (one copy) and Farm Journal two years for 50c. Send stamps or coin to Wilmer Atkinson Co., 1420 Race St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Liberty Items.

Work has been commenced on the new bank building and it will be rushed to an early completion.

This section enjoyed fine rains last Saturday and Sunday. They were greatly needed!

The early gardens are putting on new life since the recent showers.

A Missionary Forward movement lecture was given at the Presbyterian church last Sabbath. It was greatly enjoyed by those present.

The farmers are rushing things these days and as a consequence there is not much seen of them in town.

Spring is upon us in earnest. For several days last week the thermometer registered about 80 degrees, but cooler weather followed the showers.

Some of our farmers are through planting cotton seed.

The small grain crops are looking unusually fine. C.

Tribute Of Respect.

On March 18th 1909, an oppressive gloom was cast over our entire community when the spirit of our dear sister, Mrs. Mary Jane Parsons, took its flight to the eternal shore. She was one of those happy combinations that could make the best of everything, and, above all, could see the hand of God in the daily happenings of life. She was one of the charter members of Mile Creek. Not forgetting her church, she donated one hundred dollars to the church. She was a promoter of every good work and was especially thoughtful of the sick and bereaved. As an appreciation of her noble life we offer the following resolutions.

1st. That we, the members of Mile Creek Baptist church, bow in humble submission to this providence and return thanks to God for the noble life and example of christian faith and service she has left us.

2nd. That we cherish her memory as one following closely in the footsteps of her Lord, going about doing good, not only in her own family circle, but in the community at large.

3rd. That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and pray that our Heavenly Father may comfort them in their sad affliction.

4th. That a page in our record book be dedicated to her memory and a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and to both the Pickens Sentinel-Journal and Baptist Courier for publication.

Mrs. Janie Dalton,
Mrs. Lou Curtis,
Committee.

To Our Correspondents.

We desire to offer a few suggestions to our correspondents. Write on one side of the paper ONLY.

Write all proper names plainly. We have no way of knowing who you are writing about and a great many times we have to guess at it.

Leave off foolishness as much as possible. Our readers as a general thing don't care for it, but want the N-E-W-S. Give the births, deaths, marriages, accidents, improvements, general conditions of the crops, in fact any items of news that will be of interest to our many readers and get your copy in by Tuesday each week.

ALWAYS sign your name to your communication. If you do not wish your name to appear we will withhold it.

Up Before The Bar.

N. H. Brown, an attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., writes: "We have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for years and find them such a good family medicine we wouldn't be without them." For Chills, Constipation, Biliousness or sick Headache they work wonders. 25c at all Druggists.