

Hits of Wisdom.

A young girl once heard a bit of wisdom from the lips of a very aged woman—a woman who had rounded the full term of ninety years, and with eyes still bright and clear looked out upon the inrolling waters of eternity.

Another bit of wisdom may be condensed into a pithy sentence: Avoid explanations. In some families nothing is taken for granted. Every action, every decision, every new departure, every acceptance or rejection of an invitation, must be earnestly talked and fussed over, explained and re-explained.

When our houses take fire, the first impulse is to go after a bucket of water, says Dr. Cuyler. But if temptation is the first impulse, it is to throw on more fuel. Now the best water bucket for aroused temper is resolute silence.

Brass ornaments should be first washed with a strong lye made of rock-alum, in the proportion of one ounce of alum to a pint of water; when dry, rub with leather and fine tripoli. This will give to brass the brilliancy of gold.

Candied Fruits.—Preserve the fruit, then dip it in sugar boiled to candy thickness, afterwards dry it. Grapes may be thus dipped uncooked and then dried. Or fruit may be taken from the syrup when preserved, rolled in powdered sugar, and afterwards set on a sieve to dry.

A physician says that a boil should not be allowed to progress, if it can be stopped at the outset, as the system is more likely to be poisoned than relieved by the gathering matter. The boil should be painted with iodine, and will not amount to anything if taken in the first stages.

Molasses Cookies.—One cup butter, two cups molasses, one teaspoon cloves, one tablespoon ginger. Flour to make a batter. Mould into small cakes, and bake in a slow and steady oven.

Pine Apple Jam.—Peel, grate, and weigh the apple. Put pound to pound of pine apple and sugar. Boil it in a preserving kettle thirty or forty minutes.

To Clean Gold.—Powder some whiting, and make it into a moist paste with some sal volatile. Cover over the gold ornaments and surface with a soft brush; let it dry, and then brush it off with a moderately hard brush.

Tomato Butter.—Nine pounds tomatoes after they are peeled, three pounds sugar, one pint good vinegar, all the cinnamon necessary to flavor. Boil four or five hours.

Charcoal is recommended as an absorbent of gases in the milk room where foul gases are present. It should be freshly powdered and kept there continually.

Turkey Patties.—Mix some of the white part, and with grated lemon, salt, a very little white pepper, cream and a very little bit of butter warmed, fill the patties.

Crullers.—One pound of sugar, one-fourth pound of butter, six eggs, one tablespoon sweet milk, one small teaspoon soda, one nutmeg. Flour to roll.

Silverware may be kept bright and clean by coating the articles (warmed) with a solution of collodion diluted with alcohol.

To restore frost-bitten vegetables lay them in cold water an hour before boiling and put a piece of salt-petre in the saucepan when set on the fire.

When orange or lemons are used for juice, chop down the peel, put them in small pots and tie them down for use.

Salt water, as a lotion for weak eyes, is highly recommended by many physicians, and gives much relief when eyes have been strained by over-work.

Soak singlass in water until soft, then dissolve it in proof spirits, and add a little resin; good for china and glass.

“Mere blank submission to what we cannot help is a very bitter thing, but with loving acceptance comes peace.”

Knowledge, like religion, must be experienced in order to be truly known.

God sometimes keeps a Caleb and a Joshua waiting, but he always gets them into the Promised Land.

Faith without love is omnipotence without a heart. It is the power of love with the blindness of a bat.

Call the devil by his right name and there are men in every crowd who will claim that you have insulted them.

Grape juice has killed more than grapeshot.

Culture never made a saint. Life is not measured by the time we live.

—Do you love little children? Then scatter more smiles among them.

If all loved “as brethren” there would be no unsanctified strife of tongues.

Speaking Unwisely.

Dr. A. Maass.

The celebrated preacher and theologian, Dr. Hopkins, was afflicted with a very ungovernable temper. He had a brother-in-law, a member of the legal profession, who was an infidel. This man was accustomed to say to his family, “Dr. Hopkins is, at heart, no better than I am, and I will prove it to you some day.” One evening Dr. Hopkins called upon his brother-in-law to adjust some business matters in which they were mutually concerned.

Bishop Smythies, in Central Africa

“A danger which has to be avoided in an uncivilized country by a missionary is the danger of becoming a chief. People will gradually gather round him, and it may be that in time of difficulty they would gladly welcome him in such a position; but surely that will be fatal to his spiritual work. Every missionary must be clearly to discern between the two powers which God has placed in the world, that which we call the power of the keys and the power of the sword, and he has always to take care that in all he does he confines himself to the use of the power of the keys—those means of advancing the gospel by persuasion and by the spiritual powers granted, under whatever Lord, never snatching at political power—never snatching at political power or the power of force; for this will be sure to recoil upon him hereafter and spoil all his work, if he goes out of his sphere and snatches a power which God has not committed to him.

Russian Jews.

Not only is Russia terribly persecuting the poor peaceful Stundists, but she is also harrasing the Jews on a large and merciless scale. Her present policy is to drive out as many as possible and to mass the rest in the frontier provinces bordering on Austria or Germany. It is being relentlessly and vigorously pursued. Its natural effect is to drive over the frontier all who can afford to avoid the misery of the life provided for them in the frontier towns and provinces. All those who thus escape go to Hamburg, and thence to England, America, or to Baron Hirsch's Argentine settlements. The Russian treatment of these unhappy people is simply barbarism of the worst type. Here is an instance of their experience:—

“While the Jews constitute only 3.65 per cent. of the population of European Russia, the army conscriptions for a series of twelve years—1875-1886—show the average proportion of Jewish soldiers to be 5.37 per cent. Yet the men of which Russian writers and apologists are more fond than that the Jews continually evade their military duties. The truth is that by a device of counting dead men they are called upon for much more than their proper share of this trick is made a reproach to them.”

The Soup Pucker.

“Was it as pleasant as you thought it would be? asked mother, as Mabel came in from a splendid dinner. “Oh, yes, it was splendid,” said the little girl. “I should like to see it all over again.”

How to Preserve Eggs.

To each half-pail of water add two pints of fresh slacked lime and one pint of common salt; mix well. Fill your barrel full with this fluid, put your eggs down in it any time after June, and they will keep two years if desired.

America First Discovered by a Boy

Almost four hundred and fifty years before Christopher Columbus was born America was discovered by a Norwegian boy named Biorn, son of Herjolff. He was known by no other title, for in those days sons did not share the father's name.

In the year 1002 Herjolff, an Icelandic colonist fitted out two small vessels for a trading voyage to the Greenland settlement, and placed one of these under the command of his son Biorn, a youth of sixteen years, who, having been bred to the sea almost since infancy, had mastered the details of his profession by the time that he arrived at an age when other boys usually commence their apprenticeship.

I Assisted by My Presence.

The French “saying,” when rightly considered and acted on, is a good one. It is applied by the French to helping in either public or private gatherings by being personally present.

Give the Boys a Chance.

I think we need to study our children, and however dissimilar they may be to each other it is essential that equality of treatment be used.

The Science of Home Making.

It is a comforting fact and one of the indications of a higher order of homekeeping that the level of the science in pioneer times homekeeping was a cordial feminine virtue. It was woven out of industry, cleanliness and content with the warp of necessity.

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He Wants to Go Up.

“I think I have done my share of hard work; and if I am to be anything above a circuit preacher, it is time for me to go up.”

Personal Faith.

What a change would come over our whole lives were we—from this hour to the final close—men and women of faith in the highest sense! Vast possibilities of usefulness, hitherto unknown, would open before us.

Tired Feet.

Walking heats the feet, standing causes them to swell, and both are tiresome and exhausting when prolonged. There are various kinds of foot baths, and authorities differ as to their value.

What Others Say.

Methodist Protestant. As a rule, books sold by subscription are trashy and useless. They are always sold at exorbitant prices.

An Elephant's Self-Denial.

While in England Captain Marryat the novelist, was intensely irritated by the devotion and self-denial of a huge elephant. The beast was defending himself from swarms of mosquitoes, using a large branch to keep them from the cracks and crannies of his thick hide.

An Old Lady's Way.

A happy and vigorous old lady in New Hampshire gave these rules for the secret of success of eighty years' living on this planet, which brings so much care and worry to many of her sisters: “I never allow myself to fret over things I cannot help. I take a nap, and sometimes two, every day of my life. I never take my washing, ironing, or baking to bed with me, and I try to oil all the various wheels of a busy life with an implicit belief that there are a brain and a heart to this great universe, and that I can trust them both.”

Why a Cat Falls With Impunity.

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