

The Choice of Paint.

Fifty years ago a well-painted house was a rare sight; to-day an unpainted house is rare. If people knew the real value of paint in need of paint would be "scarcer than hen's teeth."

For the man that needs paint there are two forms from which to choose; one is the old form, still favored by certain unprogressive painters who have not yet caught up with the times—lead and oil; the other is the ready-for-use paint found in every up-to-date store.

Mixed paints are necessarily cheaper than paint of the hand-mixed kind, because they are made in a large way by machinery from materials bought in large quantities by the manufacturer.

Of course there are poor paints on the market (which are generally cheap paints). So there is poor paint, poor paint, poor paint; because of that do we go back to the hand-mill, the hand-loam and the soap-kettle of the backwoods? No, we use our common sense in choosing goods.

There is scarcely any other article of general use on the market today that can be bought with anything like the assurance of getting your money's worth as the established brands of prepared paint.

Some very wholesome counsel was given to young lawyers by Cortlandt Parker, of Newark, N. J., who is looked up to as the most eminent lawyer in that State on the occasion of a memorial banquet recently given in his honor.

"To my young friends a word of advice: Stick to the profession—seek to elevate it. Do not seek by it to make money. Doing that makes it a trade—not a profession. Be fair in charges. Help the poor, with advice and with professional aid. Do not speculate. Be known in Christian work and in charity, public and private, according to your means. Study law and history in all spare time, and manifest it by your action in the courts. Do not be a politician. But always vote and do the duty of a citizen. Be member of a party, but independent—a slave to no one. Deserve honors and office. If they come, as if you deserve them, they should, do honor to them. If they do not, never mind. There is One who seeth not as man seeth, whose 'well done, good and faithful' is worth all the dignities of all the world."

A fertile-minded agent, now one of the widest known life insurance officers in the country, was trying to sell a client a policy on which the agent's share of the first premium was \$1500.

Not Patented. An old French woman, exasperated by the continual boasting of a daughter-in-law who considered that her own children were the finest and best the Bon Dieu ever made, exclaimed one day to a friend: "Really one would think that Angele had invented maternity."—Lippincott's Magazine.

THE PULPIT.

AN ELOQUENT SUNDAY SERMON BY REV. DR. A. H. GOODENOUGH.

Subject: Material Prosperity.

Bristol, Conn.—The Rev. Dr. Arthur H. Goodenough, long a Brooklyn pastor, now of the Prospect M. E. Church here, preached Sunday a strong sermon on "Is Our Nation Drunk With National Prosperity?"

The text is taken from the Decalogue. The Ten Commandments were Israel's national constitution. The Decalogue was given as the rule of conduct of the people of Israel.

Why not? He certainly had a right to because He was kind and merciful to every body else. But the Lord turned away from following after Him and sought out ways of their own. And sometimes they preferred garlic and onions in Egypt rather than the discipline of the journey, which would ultimately bring them to the land of milk and honey.

It has often been said that America is God's second Israel. God has surely been good to this nation. He has shown us many mercies. He has abundantly poured into our laps the wealth of the prairie and mine.

That is the world's estimate of us. God forbid that we should ever fall in the job or tithe of what is expected of us! Our mission is to make the world better. The ways and means are here; the ability to use them is also here. God grant that what is in our heads and in our hands and in our banks and in our barns, may all be laid upon the altar—consecrated to the advance and uplift of all the people who look to us for guidance and blessing.

For some years past there has come to us an unbroken stream of prosperity. This is due to two things: First—the blessings of heaven, in rain and dew and sunshine upon a rich and fertile soil. Second—the industry and skill of man in making the best and most of what is given to him.

Our Secretary of Agriculture has given to the world a report that makes the heart of every American dance for joy. The whole world has stood before it in surprise and delight. Not only has it beaten all previous reports in our own land, but it has surpassed anything that any nation has ever been able to render.

Jesus Christ died on the cross for human sin. Thank God for that. The cross is our hope. But He did more than that. He preached to the poor. He healed the sick. He showed men and women the way of love, or honesty, or kindness, or brotherliness. The social, the political, the moral, the religious life of the people. He touched and quickened and saved. My friends, take heart. The country is not going to limbo. The devil hasn't got of the American people in his grasp.

A learned minister, attending an aged Christian in humble life when in his last illness, remarked that the passage in Hebrews 13.5, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee," was much more emphatic in the original language than in our translation, inasmuch as it contained no fewer than five negatives in proof of the validity of the divine promise, and not merely two, as it appears in the English version.

Gebazi and Elijah looked on the same scene. The one thought he was surrounded by adversaries, and cried, "What shall we do?" The other thought he was surrounded by angels, and said, "What shall we do?"

Yes, things are hard sometimes. And we must live on and bear God's will. Because He makes a plan for us, and there will be always something coming. We cannot tell, day by day, what may be, only He never forgets us or leaves anything out.—Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney.

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It furnishes the energy and strength for the great athletes. It is in common use by physicians in their own families and among their patients, and can be seen on the table of every first-class college in the land.

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Rise Liars, And Salute Your Queen Ho, All Ye Faithful Followers of Ananias GIVE EAR!

A Young Girl said to a Cooking School Teacher in New York: "If You make One Statement as False as That, All You have said about Foods is Absolutely Unreliable."

This burst of true American girl indignation was caused by the teacher saying that Grape-Nuts, the popular pre-digested food, was made of stale bread shipped in and sweetened. The teacher colored up and changed the subject.

There is quite an assortment of traveling and stay-at-home members of the tribe of Ananias who tell their falsehoods for a variety of reasons. In the spring it is the custom on a cattle ranch to have a "round-up," and brand the cattle, so we are going to have a "round-up," and brand these cattle and place them in their proper pastures.

Now we come to a frisky lot, the "Labor Union" editors. You know down in Texas a weed called "Loco" is sometimes eaten by a steer and produces a derangement of the brain that makes the steer "batty" or crazy. Many of these editors are "Locoes" from hate of anyone who will not instantly obey the "demands" of a labor union, and it is the universal habit of such writers to go straight into a system of personal vilification, manufacturing any sort of falsehood through which to vent their spleen.

Keep your eye out for the "Locoed" editor. This also includes "demonstrators" and "lecturers" sent out by a certain Sanitarium to sell foods made there, and these people instructed by the small-be-whiskered doctor—the head of the institution—to tell these prevarications (you can speak the stronger word if you like). This same little doctor conducts a small magazine in which there is a department of "answers to correspondents," many of the questions as well as the answers being written by the aforesaid doctor.

In this column some time ago appeared the statement: "No, we cannot recommend the use of Grape-Nuts, for it is nothing but bread with glucose poured over it." Right then he showed his badge as a member of the tribe of Ananias. He may have been a member for some time before, and so he has caused these "lecturers" to descend into the ways of the tribe wherever they go.

When the young lady in New York put the "iron on" to this "teacher" and branded her right we sent \$10.00 to the girl for her pluck and bravery.

Editors of "Trade" papers know as grocers' papers. Remember, we don't put the brand on, by any means. Only those that require it. These members of the tribe have demanded that we carry advertising in their papers and when we do not consider it advisable they institute a campaign of vituperation and slander, printing from time to time manufactured slurs on Postum or Grape-Nuts. When they go far enough we set our legal force at work and hale them to the judge to answer. If the pace has been hot enough to throw some of these "cattle" over on their backs, feet tied and "bellow-log," do you think we should be blamed? They gambol around with tails held high and jump stiff-legged with a very "cocky" air while they have full range, but when the rope is thrown over them "it's different."

Should we untie them because they beat soft and low? Or should we put the iron on, so that people will know the brand? Let's keep them in this pasture, anyhow.

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