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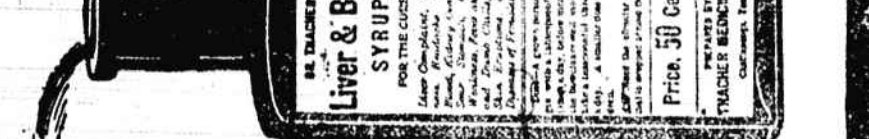
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One Editor's Mistake. An editor of a small paper recently stated that he had been married by one of the most beautiful married women in the town. He promised to tell her name in the first issue of his paper next month. In two weeks the circulation of his newspaper doubled. But when he gave the name of his wife he had to leave town.—The Fourth Estate.

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# BILL ARP.

It is now many weeks since the good St. Valentine told the birds to mate and the girls and boys to go wooing. St. Patrick has been out and shook his shillelagh at the snakes, but still gentle spring keeps on flirting and fooling with old man winter and makes him believe she is in love with him. But she isn't. May and December never mate, nor March and November. It is against the order of nature. We old people can look and linger and admire, but that is all. We have sailed down the river and encountered its perils, its reefs and rocks and shoals and quicksands, but, strange to say, we give no warning. Maybe it is because we know that warning will do no good; maybe, because misely loves company; maybe, because it is the order of nature, the fiat of the Almighty. Verily the young people would mate and marry and launch their boat and sail down that river if they knew there was a Scylla and Charybdis at every bend and Leviathans and maelstroms and cataraacts all the way down. Poor, trusting, suffering woman. What perils, what trials, what afflictions does the material vessel bring upon you! Close up by us, while I write, is a beautiful young mother lingering in the grasp of death—dying that her first born child may live. There is nothing more touching, more pitiful, more heroic than this. There is nothing that a man is called upon to endure that compares with the death of a mother in childbirth.

But there is a brighter side—a more charming, comforting picture of life—married life, domestic life—when the good mother is a mother. She looks with pride upon her children and grandchildren as they come and go lovingly before her. What calm serenity hovers over her matronly face. What sweet content, what grateful rest—rest from her labors, her pains, her care for the world. She exclaims with Paul: "I have fought a good fight; I have kept the faith; I have finished my course. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

To every old and lassie there is a period of life not always thrilling or tragic, but highly emotional and sensational. Of course, I mean the period of love—young love—or love's young dream, which sometimes runs smooth and sometimes don't. What a luxury it would be to look back at the time and see just what love has felt and suffered and enjoyed. Such a kaleidoscope would have a world of eager lookers, for the old are as fascinated with stories of love and courtship as the middle-aged and young. The longing over the daily or weekly paper we may skip the displayed heading of war in Serbia or riots in London or cyclones in Oregon, but any little paragraph that has love in it arrests the eye and demands attention. Children do not seem to look back at the time they are in their teens; they begin to mix a little timid, cautious love with their other studies. A sweetheart is a blessed thing for a boy. It straightens him up and washes his face and greases his hair, and his teeth and simulates his ambition to excel and be somebody. Jerusalem! How I did luxuriate at palpitate and concentrate toward the first little school girl I ever loved. She was as pretty as a plink and as sweet as a daisy, and she looked at me as if nobody was looking I caught her on the stairs and kissed her. She was dreadfully frightened, but not mad. Oh, no; not mad. She ran away with blushes on her cheek and more than once that evening I saw her glancing back at me behind her book and wondering if I would ever be so rash again.

And now, Mr. Editor, if a thousand of your patrons peruse these random memories, nine hundred of them can finish up the chapter from their own written book. What a lover and what a lover's girl! What a lover who has not stolen a kiss, who has not caught his palpitating thrill and felt like Jacob when he lifted up his voice and wept? Oh, Rachel, beautiful and well favored, no wonder that Jacob wepted they were no one to molest or make thee afraid. That memorable kiss is now four thousand years old, and has passed into history as classic and pure, but I have had them, and so have you, dear reader, just as sweet and soul-inspiring, and never said anything about it to anybody. Ours was a mixed school, and every day the teacher had a girl who had stood up in a line and spell and define. My sweetheart stood head most generally, and so I was stimulated to get next to her, and I did, and my right hand shyly found her left, and we both were happy. But time and circumstances have had their way, and both found new loves—she married another feller and was content, and so did I, but neither of us have forgotten the stolen kiss or that tender childish love that made our school days happy.

But love becomes more earnest after awhile more intense, more frank—then a young man meets a young woman, they meet like the turtle-doves in the spring of the year, they are looking around for a mate. It is nature, and it is right. God said, "It is not good for man to be alone; I will make a helpmate for him." And he made Eve to help meet the expenses, and that is what a wife ought to do now, but a good many of them don't. They help make them, but they don't help meet them, and that is why the young men have almost quit marrying. The rich girls want a man who can help them, and the poor girls are trying to keep up with the rich, and so the turtle-doves mate more slowly and marry with more maturity than they do now. It is not vanity to say that I could have married half a dozen nice girls, and my wife could have had choice of a dozen clever, prosperous youths as likely as myself. "I could have married any one of them and shot his arrows right and left. Sometimes he shoots a young man and then waits days and weeks before he shoots the girl he is after. This keeps the poor fellow on the warpath and frantic and impatient and full of rage. But he was clever to me, for I was as I can judge he let my both arrows at once and plucked my girl and me simultaneously, and with a center shot. My wife denies this, but I have told it so often I believe it. There was no skirring on my part; I never shot with a scattering gun. My wife was cheap in those days. My recollection is that it cost me only about \$45—twenty-five for clothes, ten for a ring and ten more to the preacher. It didn't cost anybody else anything to speak of, for there were no wedding presents. That remembrance wasn't invented. We didn't go to Niagara or anywhere else, but we went to work. A month or so later we did take a little trip to Tallulah Falls and look at the water tumble over the rocks, but that didn't cost but a few dollars and made no sensation outside the family. My thoughtful wife had enough nice clothes to last her two years when I married her, and

they were long afterwards out up and cut down for the children, and there are some precious fragments hid away in the old trunk now. The old piece of common size was sufficient then for a traveling wardrobe for a lady of the land. My father and mother and two children made a journey by sea to Boston with one trunk and a valise, and came back to Georgia by land, in a carriage, but not long since I saw a delicate female traveling with two trunks four times as large, and ribbed with iron, and fastened with three massive locks, and said she was not happy. Oh my country! That girl was too much in love with her clothes to love a man, and nobody but a fortune-hunter would dare to marry her. Young man, beware of trunks!—Bill ARP in Atlanta Constitution.

### NEWSY CLEANINGS.

There are 148 libraries in Mexico. The Mexican Government maintains fifty-eight lighthouses.

Hotels in London are overcrowded with American arrivals. A crown is being made in Paris for King Peter I. of Serbia.

The anti-automobile agitation in England appears to be dying down. Definite steps toward erection of a \$3,000,000 art museum in Chicago have been taken.

Over 500 miles of railway, mostly single line, are owned and worked by the Natal Government.

The Episcopal Diocese of Oregon favors the incorporation of the name "Catholics" in the church title.

Atlantic City, N. J., possesses a police motor car which is used solely for the conveyance of intoxicated prisoners.

Three English motor cars are running between Dunga and Lad, the first motor car service in the Congo Free State.

Orders have been given by the French Government for the construction of a turbine torpedo boat at Havre.

The Berlin (Germany) Daily Zeitung announces that the first automobile fire engines introduced in that city are a complete success.

A thorough investigation of affairs on the Kiowa and Comanche reservations in Oklahoma, has been ordered by the President.

The Italian Parliament is considering a proposal to grant a pension of \$500 a year to the four granddaughters of General Garibaldi.

Aridators have been appointed to decide the question pending between the steamship companies and the dock laborers at Valparaiso, Chile. The men have resumed work, however.

Because snailpox appeared on board the United States Fish Commission steamer Albatross, and returning to Seattle, Wash., from its projected trip north with a party of scientists.

### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The King of Italy is five feet three inches in height. Ketchum has refused an offer of \$100,000 for Crescens.

Richard Croker has vigorously repudiated his assertion that he is out of politics for good.

United States Senator William A. Clark intends to build the finest home in Washington, D. C.

Commodore Peary, the Arctic explorer, is anxious to make another attempt to reach the North Pole.

J. B. Grosvenor, of Peoria, Ill., has started for Russia and various points in Bessarabia, where he will study the condition of the Jews.

The Rev. Charles A. Skinner has just celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his pastorate of the First Universalist Church, Cambridge, Mass.

Bishop Hartford, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has left New York City to begin his seventh episcopal tour on the continent of Africa.

Lord Rosebery has asked the London County Council for a large annual grant to a great scientific and technical school which he hopes to found.

Senor Sanchez Toon, the Spanish Minister of Marine, has a naval scheme in hand which will call for an annual expenditure of about \$50,000,000 for ten years.

John Morley says that the House of Commons is a technical debate is like a sort of literary audience listening to a very dull play performed by actors speaking in an unknown tongue.

Miss Anna Peck, the mountain climber, has left for Bolivia, and says she will not return home until she has climbed Mt. Sorraia and planted her name upon its hitherto unconquered crest.

Brigadier-General William H. Carter, of the War College Board, will not go to the Philippines this summer, but will remain on duty in Washington as a member of the General Staff until that body is in working order.

### LABOR WORLD.

Tailors at Edinburgh, Scotland, have struck for higher wages.

Toronto (Can.) marble workers are on strike for higher wages.

Mexico will employ Chinese coolie laborers in the hemp fields.

The Bricklayers' International Union has a membership of over 80,000.

Cigarette makers of Boston, Mass., and vicinity have formed a union.

Marion (Ohio) women clerks are forming a union and will join the central trade body.

Union leatherworkers at Memphis, Tenn., are agitating the matter of shorter work hours.

Rochester (N. Y.) masons have been granted the new wage scale demanded—\$1 for an eight-hour day.

San Jose (Cal.) bricklayers have been organized under the banner of the Bricklayers' and Masons' International Union.

A satisfactory adjustment of the difficulties between the building trades and contractors is shortly expected at Peim, Ind.

St. Paul (Minn.) plumbers may go out on strike because of a refusal of the employers to increase the rate of pay per hour.

Georgia is now paying the highest wages for farm labor in the history of the State, in some instances it being \$1 a day and board.

The strike inaugurated by the Rindery Women's Union at San Francisco, Cal., to enforce a demand for living wages, is still on.

Tullahoma (Tenn.) lathers want an increase of twelve and a half per cent., and have decided to stay out until the demand is granted.

Tandberg (Can.) miners have walked out. The miners are asking for \$3.50 a day in place of \$3, and the muckers want \$3 a day instead of \$2.50.

At Morenci, Ariz., the smelters' strike is settled. The men accepted the offer of nine hours' pay for eight hours' work. It is not included in the settlement.

# Notes and Queries.

What is the meaning of St. Swithin's Day? When does it occur?

IOWA RUDE.

St. Swithin was Bishop of Winchester, educator of King Alfred and Chancellor under Egbert and Ethelwolf. He died July 2, 862. St. Swithin's Day, the anniversary of the translation of his relics, occurred on July 15. It is the common belief that according as it rains or shines on that day the next forty days will be either rainy or bright. Incidentally, Swithin has no claim to the title of saint, as he was never canonized by the Pope, a practice that was not introduced until 200 years after his translation.

How is the astronomical solar day reckoned? SLEVIN.

It is reckoned from noon to noon, and the hours are counted continuously from one to twenty-four, instead of being divided into two equal spaces of twelve hours each, as is the ordinary custom. Thus, 6.30 o'clock in the morning, of say, January 2, would be expressed by astronomers as January 1, 18 hours, 30 minutes. In an astronomical regulator the hour circle is accordingly divided into twenty-four, and the hour hand goes round once in twenty-four hours.

When did Confucius live, and what are the chief features of his religion? BOY EDITOR.

He lived from 551 to 478 B. C. The Confucian faith teaches morality, reverence for the past, and conservatism in the state. Its great maxim is: "Learn the past and you will know the future."

Please tell me what is the meaning of "Alle wiken regenien." What language is it? DUTCH BILLY.

It is a Dutch proverb and means: "All clouds do not rain."

Were Christians the first to use the cross as an emblem and when did they adopt it? FEEGAL.

Christians began to venerate the cross early in the second century, but it has been in use in its several forms since before the dawn of history. It is a common figure on ancient Egyptian monuments. In its most ancient use it was probably a phallic emblem, the type of the active principle of nature.

Is there such a title as "Congressman"? ALEX. THE LESS.

There is not. A member of Congress may be either a "Senator" or a "Representative."

When a person is electrocuted are wires connected to the arms and legs? O. S. BORNE.

They are not. The arms and legs are strapped to the chair, and the electric wires are brought in contact with the body at the head and the calf of the left leg.

To settle a dispute, please tell me at what point the first railway crossed the Mississippi River. MIKETTE.

At Rock Island, the first bridge being built from the island to Davenport, Iowa.

Ship's Steward and His Duties. A steward is nothing more or less than a combination waiter and chambermaid. His duties begin an hour before breakfast, by all rights, inasmuch as it should take him that time at least to brush up his blue or black uniform, shave, make his hands neat and shine his shoes. He is supposed to wear a spotless and expansive bosom to his shirt, clean collar and black or white tie. I do not think I ever saw but two stewards who had shirts; all the others used a dickey for the sake of economy.

Waiting on the passengers at table, the care of the cabins, the care of the silverware, and a certain amount of dish-washing and pantry work, make up the steward's dining-room duties. The other half is work in the state-rooms, making the beds, straightening up the rooms and doing the general work of a chambermaid, as well as giving a certain amount of attendance to the occupants of the rooms.

The pay is very poor, and the principal dependence of the steward is on the tips he receives. They are really the poorest paid class that go to sea in one way, and yet I have known men to make \$40 in tips on a six weeks' voyage.—Leslie's Monthly.

How Young Nurses Are Absent. A young nurse of my acquaintance was found early one morning unconscious on the entry floor; upon inquiry the doctor learned that from Monday morning till Thursday night she had been without sleep, or even enough time off to bathe and change her clothes. Of course she was extremely foolish to permit such a thing, on the patient's account as well as her own, but it was her first private case, and feeling shy about intruding personal wants in a time of general stress, she had relied on coffee and determination to pull her through. The stale joke, "Why do you have to sleep? I thought you were trained?" unfortunately contains not a grain of exaggeration.

I have gone to a house twice after a day's nursing, a night spent in sponging a typhoid patient, at 10 o'clock on the morning of the second day, the nurse was still in such a broken state given her night lunch, breakfast, or even a cup of coffee. She had been out duty for twenty-six straight hours, working strenuously all the time; not a member of the household seemed equal to taking her place, or indeed direct of the necessity of doing so.—At Sea.

A Wonderful Timepiece. One of the most wonderful watches in the world is that owned and made by Major Dopping-Hepental of the Royal Engineers. It is a comparatively small watch, not much bigger than an ordinary lever, but it performs a variety of services in addition to telling the time. It rings an alarm bell in the morning to wake its owner, then it proceeds to light a spirit lamp and boil a kettle of water, and finally pours the boiling water into a small teapot. The Prince of Wales witnessed the wonderful performance of this watch and partook of a cup of tea which it made for his royal highness.

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