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Kerosene has been steadily advancing for several months.

Rockefeller has given another hundred millions to education.

This is election year, you know. Meet your friends with a smile.

The only thing we don't like about the deportation of the Reds is that there were not enough of them on the ark.

They say that fashion reverses itself every now and then. The present fashion is to wear dresses without backs.

There is just one thing that would probably be better than deportation for Reds and others of that stripe, namely, decapitation.

The lady up North who fainted because her fiance failed to turn up was not so bad off after all. He was already married too much.

It certainly is a shame that baseball players are not paid more. Who blames that fellow for refusing a paltry twenty thousand a year?

Somebody says the cost of living has advanced 82 per cent. since 1914. Whoever said it evidently has no bills to pay. Wish it were 82 per cent.!

There may be, after all, worse people in the world than the radical who wrote the "instructions" beginning with "down with the senate and congress!"

There's nothing like living and learning. We have just this minute learned for the first time in our young and innocent life that there is such a place in South Carolina as Strawberry. Must be a nice place to live.

If you published a newspaper, you would wonder when you saw all the publicity stuff from presidential candidates whether or not it is really true that there are a hundred million people in the U. S. A. not running for president.

AUTOMOBILE SPEEDING.

An end ought to be put to automobile speeding. We are usually impressed along about Christmas time with the seriousness of speeding, because of the number of accidents that occur, not because it is Christmas time, but more likely because there is more travel then. But the same rule holds good all the year round. It ought to be generally understood that a person guilty of speeding is going to be sentenced to pay a heavy fine. If that same person is up a second time he ought to be sent to jail. Wanton and reckless driving is a menace to the public, people get killed or maimed by it every day, and it is best to stop the speeding before the fatal accident occurs.

Most people in Bamberg respect the speed law. Many of them do not.

Held On Charge of Killing Wife.

Laurens, Jan. 1.—Charged with having murdered his wife last night and then set fire to his own cabin home, in which lay the body of his wife, and by her side the fourteen-months-old baby of the couple, both of whom were burned with the house, Will Notes, a negro tenant, living near Cross Hill, was today brought here by Policeman Bryson.

The bodies of the two victims of the fire were burned into an unrecognizable mass. Notes stoutly denies the double crime.

Foiled at Last.

"Algy fell in love with a girl at the glove counter. He bought gloves every day for a week. To discourage his attentions she became a manicurist."

"Then he had his nails manicured every day, I suppose?"

"Just so. However, I don't think he will follow her any farther."

"Why not?"

"Then she got an employment with a dentist."—London Tit-Bits.

Roumanian Military Men Dandies. The Roumanian, at least the city resident, is extremely fond of perfume, scented soap, rouge, cosmetics and other artificial aids to beauty. This applies not only to the women but to the men.

The average young Roumanian army officer is scented, powdered, rouged and often, it is said, corseted! His habits mark him for a good deal of railing on the part of foreign officers and visitors. In dress he is as faultless as a Beau Brummel and in manner as polite as a Lord Chesterfield. He is seen at his best on Saturday or Sunday afternoon on the Cale Victoria (the Fifth avenue of Bucharest).

Dressed in a sky-blue uniform, gaudily trimmed with red, high patent-leather boots with silvered spurs that clink musically as he walks, glistening sword at side, white kid gloves and many military decorations, he makes a striking figure.

Answered the Purpose.

The assignment in the English composition class at Scipio was the supplying of the feminine equivalent term when the teacher gave out the masculine term. All was going lovely, duke with the answer duchess, marquis and marchioness, but "lord" brought no answer until Johnnie stumbled on to his answer out of his everyday vocabulary—"lordy."

New Use for Photography.

The gas meters in New York are to be read by photograph. Meter readers employed by the gas company will be equipped with small cameras which fit over the indicator on the meter. By pressing a button a light is thrown on the dial and exposure made, showing the amount of gas consumed since the last photograph.

Reopening Irish Copper Mines.

The old copper mines of Ardmore, in County Waterford, Ireland, are to start working again. Engineers state that the cliff still possesses rich lodes of copper ore, and the Drumm hills have workable deposits of coal. It is proposed to start work at once with 800 men.

Easy for Papa.

Little Joe's father had died and after the funeral Joe called his mother and asked: "Mamma, where is daddy?" "In heaven, dear," his mamma replied. Joe exclaimed: "Oh, gee, ain't that nice; he can see all the ball games free."—Chicago American.

Puzzled at Sink's Thirst.

My little daughter, after watching me pour a bucket of water into the sink and seeing it disappear, said: "Oh, daddy, does the sink drink water, too?"—Chicago American.

Healthy.

"It is healthy to breathe through your nose, isn't it?" remarked the Old Fogey.

"Yes," replied the grouch. "You can't talk when you are breathing through your nose."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Third Estate.

Schree ham—"He was a wise poet who remarked that in this world a man must be either anvil or hammer."

Peachman—"Oh, I don't know! It seems that most of them are merely bellows."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Mental Relief.

"Your husband seems less care-worn than formerly."

"Yes; now that the baseball season is over he hasn't anything but his business to worry about."—Boston Transcript.

Unassuming.

"Is your wife one of those women who look at their husbands and say, 'I made a man of him?'" asked the impudent friend.

"No," answered Mr. Meekton. "My Henr'etta is very unassuming. She merely says she has done her best."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Nautical Information.

Tenderfoot—"Why do they have knots on the ocean instead of miles?"

First-class scout—"Well, you see, they couldn't have the ocean tide if there were no knots."—The Yale Record.

Another Labor Crisis.

A three month's labor truce would certa'ny mean a hard winter for the professional agitator, driving him, perhaps, to humiliating contact with honest effort.—Indianapolis News.

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