

**For School Improvement.**

BEVILLE, February 25:— School Improvement Association has decided to offer 15 prizes to the schools of the State. The most decided material improvement made during the year in length of time. Five of the prizes are to be \$100 each and ten are to be \$50 each. Regulations concerning the 15 prizes that are to be awarded by this association are as follows:

1. Improvements must be made between January 1 and November 15, 1907.

2. Prizes will be awarded to schools where the most decided material improvements have been made during the time mentioned.

3. Under the material improvements are included local taxation, consolidation, new buildings, libraries, interior decorations, beautifying yards, and better general equipment.

4. No school can compete for any of these prizes unless it is a rural school. No town or city with more than 500 population shall be eligible to the contest.

5. All who wish to enter this contest must send names and descriptions of schools, before improvements are made, to the president, prior to October 1.

6. All descriptions, photographs and other evidences showing improvements must be sent to the president before November 1.

Prizes will be awarded in checks sent by December 1. The prizes are to be used for further improvements in the schools receiving them.

MISS MARY T. NANCE,  
MISS ANNA P. STARKE.  
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**Voice the Index of the Mind.**

Cultivate a mild, gentle and sympathetic voice. And the way to secure a mild, gentle and sympathetic voice is to be mild, gentle and sympathetic. The voice is the index of the soul. Children do not pay much attention to your words—they judge of your intents by your voice.

Your voice reassures. "My deep know my voice." We judge one another more by voice than language, for voice loses speech, and if your voice does not corroborate your words, it will follow.

are won or repelled by a word. Your dog does not obey your words; he does, however, your intents in your voice. The best way to cultivate a

voice is not to think about it. Actions become regal only when they are unconscious; and the voice that convinces, that holds us captive, that leads and lures us on, is used by its owner unconsciously.

Fix your mind on a thought, the voice will follow. If you fear you will not be understood, you are losing the thought—it is slipping away from you—you are thinking of the voice. Then your voice rises to a screech, subsides into a purr, or bellows like the vagrant winds. Anxiety and intent are shown and your case is lost.

If you fear you will not be understood, you probably will not. If the voice is allowed to come naturally, easily, gently, it will take on every tint and emotion of the mind.

And so, to get back to the place of beginning, the advice is this: The best way to cultivate the voice is not to cultivate it. The voice is the sounding-board of the soul. God made it right. If your soul is filled with truth your voice will vibrate with love, echo with sympathy, and fill your hearers with the desire to do, to be, and to become.

Your desire will be there theirs.

By their voices ye shall know them.

Peace—be still! Feel that, and then say it, and your voice shall be a word of command that even the elements will obey.

—Elbert Hubbard in *March Lippincott's*.

**To Fireproof Cloth.**

The following is the process by which to fireproof cloth: Dissolve by gentle heat forty parts boric acid, thirty parts aluminium sulphate, seventeen parts gum tragacanth, nine parts potassium silicate in 450 parts of water. Then make another solution of the following: Thirty parts sodium nitrate, seven parts ammonium borate, seventeen parts ammonium phosphate, 400 parts of water. Mix both solutions and permit the mixture to subside and settle. Decant the clear solution, saturate the textiles with it and hang them up to dry without wringing.—*St. Louis Republic*.

**Not Only Walls Have Ears.**

"Mrs. Smith looked lovely this afternoon," remarked the woman just returned from the pink tea. "Usually she gets herself up like a cream puff or a slab of Neapolitan ice cream, but this afternoon she looked lovely."

"Was she as much painted as usual?" asked the girl.

"Painted?" queried the kid of the family. "What color?"

"Red, white and blue," explained the girl quickly, adding: "Little pitchers! He'll be telling her the next time she calls."—*New York Press*.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, M. V. Cox, a minor, of the State of W. M. H. Cox, deceased, will apply to E. M. Buckingham, Probate Judge of Williamsburg County, at the office of the Clerk of the Court, at the residence of M. V. Cox, Administrator of the Estate of W. M. H. Cox, Kingstree, S. C.

**Didn't Bother Them.**

During the campaign of 1892 Senator Vest spoke facing the grand stand on the Moberly fair grounds. The management was conducting horse races, and between the cheering of the winners and for the laboring orator things were lively. At the close of a particularly exciting heat, during which everybody hawled himself hoarse, Vest mopped his brow and, turning to the tumultuous crowd about him, remarked, with mild sarcasm:

"Gentlemen, perhaps I'd better wait till the racing is over."

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"Go ahead, senator, with your little talk!" he yelled. "You ain't bothering us a bit!"

**Company For Auntie.**

A correspondent relates a good child story. On a visit to her aunt the child asked, "Did you ever tell a lie, auntie?" This was a poser, but honesty and self-accusation both prompted the affirmative reply. "Then do you know where you will go to when you die?" came the prompt demand. Again the answer had to be "Yes." Whereupon the child, in excess of self-sacrifice, threw her arms around her aunt's neck and said, while she burst into tears at the thought: "Never mind, auntie, never mind. I shall be there."

**A Salmon Story.**

Here's a fish story: A sportsman fishing for salmon in one of the streams that run into the gulf of St. Lawrence discovered a spot where he was convinced that a salmon ought to be lying. As he made his way through the bushes a cast which he had wound around his hat became loosened. As the sportsman peered over the bank a fly on the loose cast gently touched the water. Immediately a salmon seized it and rushed away upstream, carrying both hook and hat.


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