

FIGHT THE FILTHY FLY.

A Poison That Is Not Dangerous to Human Life.

To warn people of the dangers of flies, and to show them how to get rid of the pests, the Chicago health department has issued a bulletin...

A good fly poison, not dangerous to human life, the bulletin adds, is a solution of bichromate of potash...

Seven different varieties of flies are found in our houses, 98 per cent of which are represented by the common house fly...

The number of bacteria upon a single fly have been proved to range all the way from 550 to 6,600,000. The average for 414 flies which were examined...

The Meek Man Retorts.

"Fountain pens," snapped the nagging wife, "remind me of some husbands."

"What is the resemblance?" ventured the meek little man.

"Expensive, can't be depended upon, won't work, and half the time they are broke."

"That's pretty rough, Martha, but you couldn't compare a fountain pen with some women."

"I guess not."

"No, a fountain pen will dry up and some wives won't."

And then he made for the suburban trolley and made a bee line for town.—Chicago News.

Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, of Denver, and the newly formed Public Service League of Women have succeeded with their protests against an ordinance passed by the Denver alderman...

Attorney General Lyon was named by W. H. Townsend, of Columbia, as the representative of the State to go over the books of County Treasurer Langford...

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The Bedtime Story.

Half-past buttercup, half-past clover Dreams of the night where the winds blow over; Half-past mid-nod, half-past noddy...

Passing of the Indian.

A hundred years ago the great Mississippi valley and West were given up to the Indian. When the settlers came the Indian had forced upon him a new mode of life...

Had Been Anticipated.

A London composer was one summer engaged on the score of an opera, and as the weather was very hot he worked with the windows of his study open...

One morning he completed and tried over a new march, and the lady on the same afternoon seated herself at her grand piano, opened her windows and rolled forth the air fortissimo...

"My dear, I give it up! I thought I had composed an original tune, but it must be a delusion, for my grand march—my chef d'oeuvre, as I thought it—is only a reminiscence and is already the property of some music publisher!"

When Boston Shuddered.

"The superior intelligence of Boston continues to excite the envy of her sister cities," recently observed a prominent Bostonian, "and I propose to add fuel to the flame by citing the newest instance thereof..."

A witness in an Irish court talked so loud that Charles Phillips, who was counsel on the other side, said, "Fellow, why do you bark so furiously?"

Retribution.

Tommy—Pop, what is retribution? Tommy's Pop—Retribution, my son, is something that we are sure will eventually overtake other people.—Phila delphia Record.

In a recent speech Sir Robert Hart called attention to a remark made to him years ago by the Chinese Prime Minister, Wen Hsiang: "You had better let us sleep on; if you will awaken us, we'll go farther and faster than you'll like."

Dr. Elliot's Five-Foot Library.

Some time ago Dr. Charles W. Elliot announced that the books necessary to give a liberal education could be placed in a five-foot book case...

For instance, in the month of April, there were 25,105 readers at the Astor and Lenox libraries, but for only four of the forty books on Dr. Elliot's list was there any considerable demand...

There is absolutely no demand for any of the books in Dr. Elliot's list," declared William Ricey, director of the Booklovers' library.

Marches and Marches. A schoolteacher in a small town saw some of George Elliot's works displayed in the window of the "general store"...

Considerate. Mr. de Club—My dear, a great German physician says women require more sleep than men.

No Mystery This Time. Mr. Popp—By gosh, for once in my life I know where my cuff links are.

It is all right to vote for the country's prosperity, but you must work for your own.—Atchison Globe.

Conscientious Sentry. An officer, at a State camp, decided to see for himself how his sentries were doing their duty.

Cornered. Five young men went into a shop recently to buy a hat each, says By-stander.

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THE TIME TO BUY. You want to own your home. Every good citizen does. If you do not already own your home, you can't get on the right road any too soon.

WOMAN'S FIRST DUTY TO MAN.

A disquieting dispatch from New York reaches us. Fifty unmarried members of the Progressive Woman's Suffrage Union of that city have signed a pledge not to marry any man who will not formally agree not only to support woman's suffrage but to take an active part in the fight for it.

And so we are disposed to hope that these ladies in the Antimatrimonial League will also make some concessions when the hour and the man arrive. It is woman's duty to reform man. That is the charge she has to keep.

Conscientious Bill. "Bill had charge of the animal tent," said the old circus man.

Well, one day when we were showing in the Midlands I had come up to London to arrange about some advance business.

They each said "yes." "Then I'll give a hat to the one who can truthfully say he has not kissed any other woman but his own wife since he was married."

Hand over that hat," said one of the party. "I've won it."

"Yesterday," was the reply, and the hat was handed over.

One of the others was laughing heartily while telling his wife the joke, but suddenly pulled up when she said:

"I say, John, how was it you didn't bring one?"—Galveston Tribune.

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