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A FOG BANK disperses ordinary sound, much as it does light. Smooth musical notes are thrown hither and thither by the moving masses of vapor, and no man can tell where they originate. A whistle in a fog may be called "the mirage of sound."

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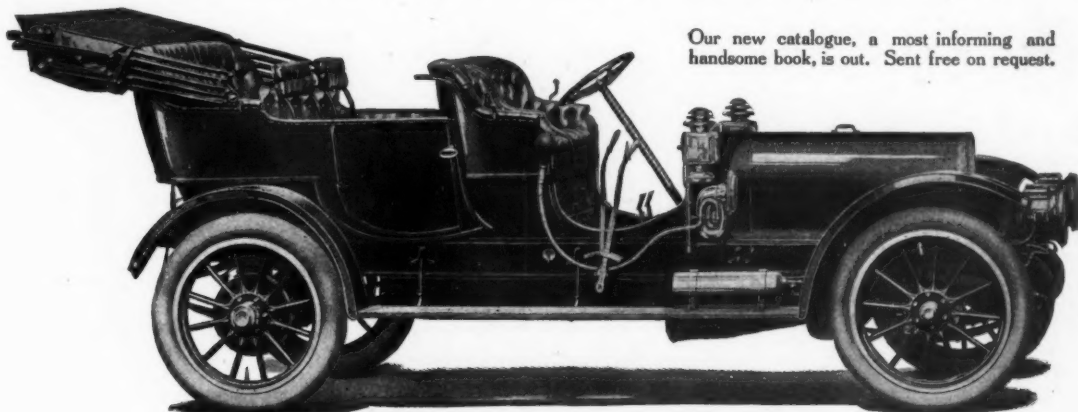
A simple way to decide between a four-cylinder and six-cylinder automobile is to compare the best high-powered four you know with the Franklin Model H. The way to get at the facts as between the Franklin six and other sixes is to compare them feature by feature and then put them to severe tests, over bad roads and good roads and on hills.

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DEAR LIFE:

In connection with your sympathy for Mr. Charles W. Morse on account of his having to be vaccinated, I would like to inquire whether your self-complacent independence goes so far as to free you from your own prejudices to the extent of publishing some statistics on small-pox deaths before and after the introduction of vaccination?

I would be glad to know also whether you are opposed to all preventive medicine based on the use of anti-toxines; and if you were bitten by a mad dog whether you would take the Pasteur treatment or prefer to die as was formerly the custom in such cases?

With much respect for your artistic and literary attainments and very little for your knowledge of the common facts of medicine, I am,

Very truly yours,
HARRISON W. SMITH,
AUBURNDALE, Jan. 25, 1910.

Replying to our correspondent's questions:

Our self-complacent independence would allow us to print vaccination statistics. We consider it undesirable, however, as both its value, its futility and its danger have been repeatedly proven by statistics. All depends on who does the figuring.

We are not "opposed to all preventive medicine based on the use of anti-toxines," although, personally, we should not indulge in it.

If bitten by a mad (?) dog we certainly should not take the Pasteur treatment.

Lest We Forget

DEAR LIFE:

For over half a score of years I have rarely missed reading an issue of your paper. You are always sane and just, whether the subject matter is the theatre, the tariff, religion, vivisection, conservation, Morse or Ferrer. The case of the latter is very instructive. It has many precedents in the history of thought, in the great "warfare of science with theology in Christendom," as so well related by our great and noble educator and scholar, Andrew Dickson White, in his work bearing as a title the

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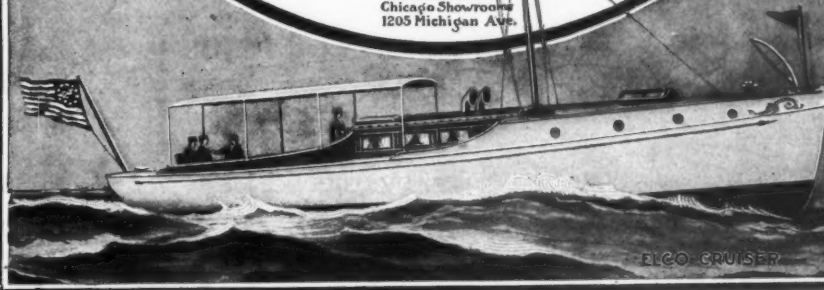
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words which I have placed in quotation marks. But, dear LIFE, let us look at home. We daily murder innocent and ignorant laborers and other toilers in our mills and factories because we are too indolent to provide safety appliances; we fail to provide decent and sanitary quarters for the men and women, and, aye, children, employed in our cotton mills, our steel mills, sugar factories and other industrial plants; we give them no light and no air, and we implant the germs of disease within them; we give them impure and contaminated water to infect them with typhoid, which has be-

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pompously asserts itself to be; at least they insinuate as much at every opportunity. And so I ask: Do you think the paragraph in question will serve any other purpose than to fill in an inch of your valued space? Is it supposed to be funny? Is it a challenge? Let me know the "one exception," and I'll take your word for it and subscribe. At any rate, your information is so scanty for news of such a vital character that you might put your vaunted courage to the test and give a few particulars. A little muckraking now and then is relished by the best of men. Vox POPULI.

From Our Readers

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come our constant companion, while it might be reduced to be an occasional visitor; and, last and not least, we dismiss, every day of the year, without trial or investigation, innocent and upright men who displease the men in power. As the Spanish inquisitor silenced Ferrer by taking his life, so the industrial autocrat silences the fearless critic among us by taking his livelihood! The scene has shifted from the political arena to the industrial. The political crime has been replaced by the industrial crime. But I did not intend to grow so serious, dear LIFE, when I started this epistle. Keep up your good, noble and courageous work for all that is right and true; help to raise the standard of justice and truth, and we will forget the increase of the postal deficit due to the increase in your circulation.

Ever yours faithfully,
B. A. BEHREND.

PITTSBURGH, PA.,
January 19, 1910.

"Vox Populi" Seems Bewildered

DEAR LIFE:

That little italicized paragraph about your being, "with one exception, the only free and independent journal in America," is one of the funniest things you've served in some time. I don't question LIFE's integrity, but it seems to me you take a lot upon yourself to damn the whole of American journalism. The morsel lacks the requisite salt, which might take the form: "And we can prove it." Otherwise, what's to prevent your alleged muzzled contemporaries from sticking in the same remark about themselves? I had hugged the delusion that the five periodicals I take as a regular diet were as free as LIFE

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From Our Readers

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That Spinster Number
Two Opinions

DEAR LIFE:

I think your last number was not up to par in funniness and humorosity. Is that the reason you call it "Spinster's Number"? I have heard that women had no sense of humor, but I never heard it was limited to spinsters.

And so many pictures of women looking under the bed. Don't you realize that woman does not look for a man under the bed nowadays? She looks under an automobile.

Spinster,

E. B. McCAFFREY.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 21, 1910.

DEAR LIFE:

Accept my heartiest congratulations on the Spinster's Number. It is rather the best for a year past. The funny parts are funnier—the others more convincing than for, some time. The "Reward of Virtue" is better than reams of sermons and will do more good.

I am for you strong, LIFE, and you, indeed, do help to make life in Arkansas livable.

Sincerely yours,

H. C. PARMELEE.

FORT SMITH, ARK., Jan. 19, 1910.

His Appreciation

TO THE EDITOR OF LIFE:

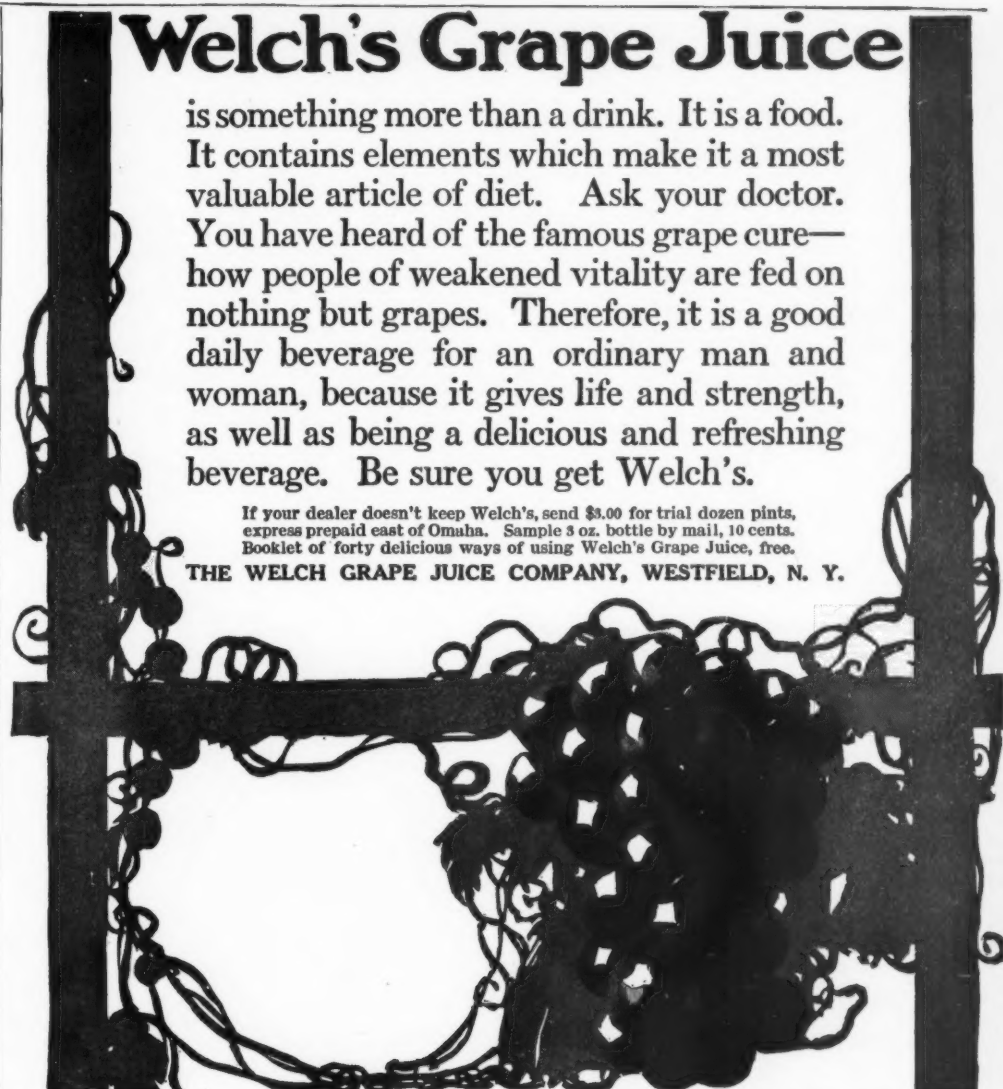
Your fearless discussions of the Ferrer case have aroused my admiration. Presumably your recent mails have been filled with a torrent of more or less unintelligent abuse by those who blindly

Welch's Grape Juice

is something more than a drink. It is a food. It contains elements which make it a most valuable article of diet. Ask your doctor. You have heard of the famous grape cure—how people of weakened vitality are fed on nothing but grapes. Therefore, it is a good daily beverage for an ordinary man and woman, because it gives life and strength, as well as being a delicious and refreshing beverage. Be sure you get Welch's.

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rally to the slogan of "Loyalty to the Church." You have proven your ability to make clear the units of the case and I have nothing to contribute thereto. Possibly, however, it may in a measure be gratifying to you to receive assurance that your efforts are not unappreciated by those of your readers who cherish the American freedom of education and welcome any influence which tends to insure its continuance.

Yours truly,

L. T. SHERWOOD.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 21, 1910.



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In the *Detroit* Electric alone do you buy a centralization of responsibility—an earnest guarantee from the manufacturer which says:—

“We will stand back of the battery; because we built it.

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Detroit
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“We will stand back of the motor because we manufactured it.

“We will guarantee the body, because it is designed, shaped, assembled and finished in our own shops.”

Unless you buy this security—which you buy in the *Detroit* and in no other electric carriage—you pay merely for a hope expressed by the man who sells you, that the battery (which was made by someone else) and the motor (which was made by someone else) may not prove deficient.

He cannot guarantee them—because he did not build them.

Back of every *Detroit* Electric is an investment of more than a million dollars which says of your carriage:—

“This is our work. We are proud of it. We vouch for it. And we will not try to shoulder the responsibility on to the maker of some one of its parts.”

Isn't that an assurance worth having?

Anderson Carriage Company,



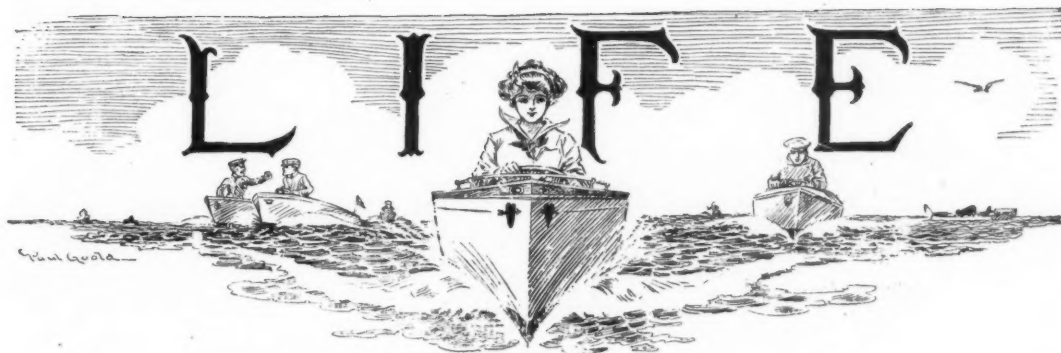
Isn't it an advantage to drive a *manufactured Detroit Electric* instead of an assembled something else?

Study the electric carriage situation in your own community. Observe how the *Detroit Electric* is displacing other makes.

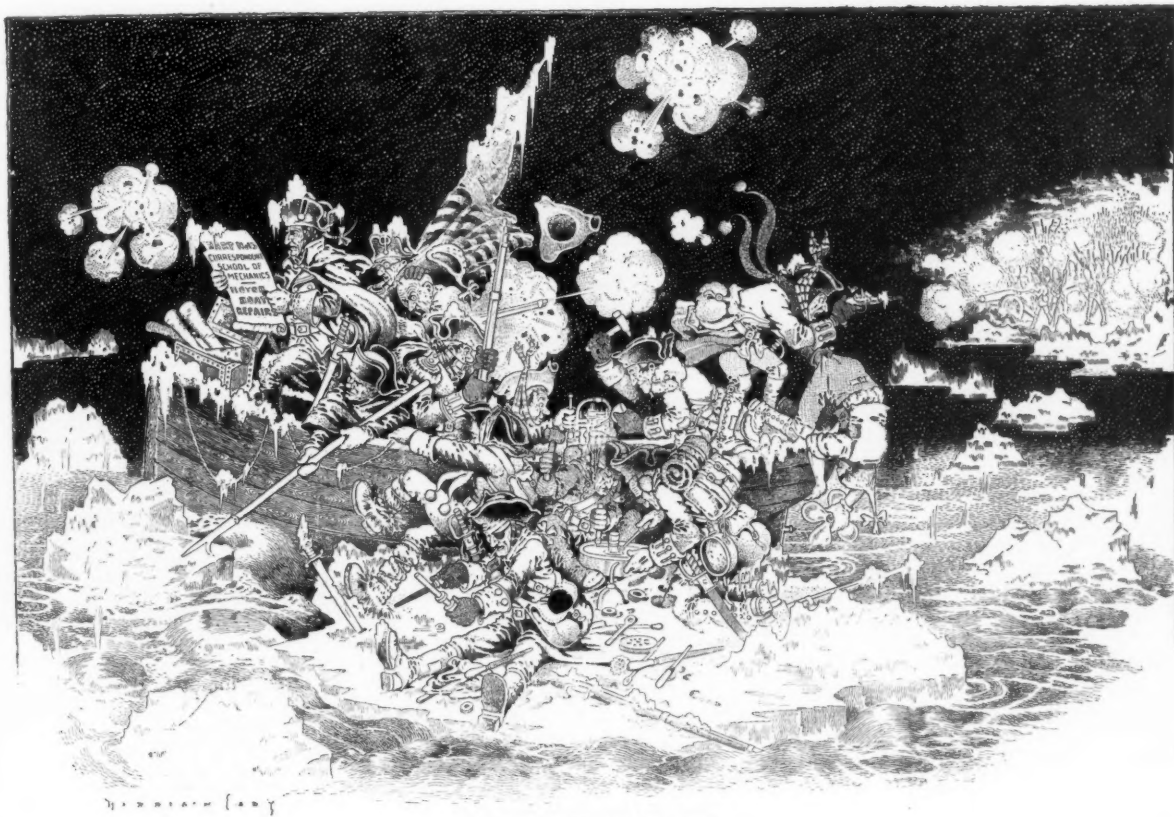
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AS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

HAD HE CROSSED THE DELAWARE TO-DAY

Lèse Majesté

THE case in New York of the boy, Aaron Chrystall, who for the heinous offense of misusing a trolley transfer was locked up for several days without even the privilege of communi-

cating with his mother, does not seem to be understood by many sentimentalists who have entered protest.

Let us be calm. It is no time for people to have opinions. Be it remembered that the boy broke, or at least fractured, a law. The majesty of the law must be

upheld at any cost. And who shall deny that this law has majesty? Does any one suppose that a power that can secure control of the streets of the largest city in this whole land of freedom would not protect that control with duly majesticated laws?



"While there is Life there's Hope."

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J. A. MITCHELL, Pres't. A. MILLER, Sec'y and Treas.
17 West Thirty-first Street, New York.



WE read in the papers that the Republican party has gone miscellaneously to the bow-wows; that it has broken in two, and that its moieties are irreconcilable, each of them for the moment, hating and fearing the other more than it does the Democrats. We read that the responsible Republican leaders in Congress cannot rely upon enough votes to pass the Administration measures, and that both Republican factions are hoping for Democratic success in the elections next fall. These reports, we believe, fairly represent the state of things in Washington at the end of the first year of Mr. Taft's administration.

Seeing how parlous a state the enemy is in, the Democrats are cheering up a good deal, and talking about the need of using some sense in their doings, and of settling down to principles that some of the voters believe in, and of putting forward men of character and standing whom the voters will be willing to put into office. A very promising token of Democratic awakening is the Democratic League movement in this State, led by Thomas M. Osborne, which seems to have made real progress towards getting the Democratic party in New York out of the hands in which the long despair of Bryanism had left it, and putting it on its legs again as a party to be trusted and reckoned with.

How much is it Mr. Taft's fault that his party, after a year of his administration, finds itself in so bad a case? Mr. Taft is not a heaven-inspired politician. We doubt if he was originally architected with a view to

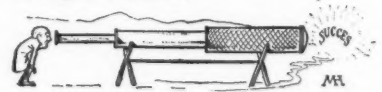
his living in the White House. He was not trained to that service, and anyone who wants to think that he is imperfectly adapted to it and ought to be on the bench, can make out a fair case for that opinion. Nevertheless Mr. Taft is the human depository of a lot of mighty good materials. Good Presidents have been made in times past out of much less timber than there is in him, and it is likely that in him there is a good, and perhaps a great, President in the making.

A Kansas editor named Allen says that Mr. Taft could not carry a township in all Kansas. Kansas, says Mr. Allen, was for tariff revision and the Roosevelt policies. Kansas has laid it up against President Taft that he did not give her tariff revision downward, and she suspects him of backing water on the Roosevelt programme. As is the feeling in Kansas, so, Mr. Allen says, is the feeling generally in the West. Very likely that is so. Governor Harmon observed the other day that bad as the Republican mixup is in Ohio, Roosevelt could still sweep that State.



THERE is some humor in including the failure of tariff revision in the evidence of Taft's abandonment of the Roosevelt programme, but it is true enough that the country, and especially the West, expected some legacies from the administrator of the Roosevelt political estate, which the Republican party has been very loath to pay over. Mr. Taft is blamed for that, but his fault has been, chiefly, that he did not, as soon as he was sworn in, grab the Republican Congress by the gullet and proceed to shake the goods out of it. For much more than that fault it is hard to blame him. He is not a precipitate person. He was trained, not in war nor in the holdup industry, but on the bench. An administrator of a decedent's estate is entitled to a year and a half in which to settle it up. Mr. Taft was expected to administer the Roosevelt estate in six months. That was not long enough to give him. In

a way it is really helpful to him to talk as Editor Allen has been talking, to slam out for conservation as *Collier's* has been slamming, for all that shows the temper of the people and what they want, and enables Mr. Taft to go to his party leaders and say, "You see how it is!" It may help him presently either to unite the great body of the Republicans in a coherent body that will march with events, or else to take sides with that element in it that is facing the future.



LET the Democrats take courage by all means and pull themselves together and search their depositories for fit principles and their ranks for fit men. It is their chance for a revival. Mr. Taft has worked to help it by trying to better politics in the South and make it necessary for Southern Democrats to use their minds. But for other folks than Democrats it is too early yet to give up all hope of the Republicans, or all expectation that Mr. Taft as a President will turn out well. He has been buncoed to some extent by the tariff makers, has had some bad luck in his cabinet, which has been profusely advertised, and has inherited a lot of policies which he heartily believes in, but which must be reduced to terms of statutory law before they can be made operative. That cannot be done in a minute, and, in some cases, cannot be done at all unless Congress will pass laws for him. So we incline to the opinion of a wise letter writer from Maine to the *Springfield Republican*, that Mr. Taft's administration is now at about its lowest point, and is likely to improve and be much more popular. If instruction can help it, it is sure to do better, for it is getting instruction by the ton.

And this may be worth remembering, that while Mr. Taft's job is to carry out the Roosevelt programme, the headline on that programme is TAFT. Anybody that thinks that the Roosevelt influence is not going to be for the programme and the administration that Taft heads is very imperfectly acquainted with Theodore Aficanus.



FORCE OF HABIT

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TO be given the small room in the attic so that the spare chamber may be ready for possible but unexpected company.

To hear the completion of the family quarrel that he wishes his arrival had interrupted.

To hear both sides of the family quarrel separately.



"IF THESE MOTOR BOATS GET MORE NUMEROUS I WON'T HAVE ANY NERVES LEFT."

To agree with both sides of the family quarrel when heard separately.

To walk from the station in rainy weather because it is so bad for the family horses to be out in the rain.

To stay at home and take care of the children while the other guests are taken driving.

To make himself at home in the library without having been given the key to the book shelves.

To be joked about his personal appearance.

To be reminded of his youthful flirtations in the presence of new and entertaining young women.

To be told when to go home.

To be told when to stay home.

In short—to be treated exactly like "one of the family" without the inalienable family right to say what he thinks of it.

Embarrassing

"YOU must have struck it rich, old man. I see you in this taxicab every day."

"It isn't that. You see, one night I told the chauffeur to drive me around until I told him to stop. I fell asleep, and when I awoke I did not have enough money to pay his bill. So I've got to keep on riding in it until I die."

THREE bees that give no honey: brag, boast and bluster.

An Acrostic

Mighty, model, modern.
Oarless, often occupied.
Thousands thoroughly tested.
Ornamented, ordered, operated.
Reliable, ready, required.

Balky, baneful bargains.
Output ordinarily obtained.
Attractive, acceptable, advantageous.
Tormenting, taxable tasks.
Speedy, serviceable, satisfactory.

Vance C. Criss.



THE UNCLE OF HIS COUNTRY

In a Newspaper Office

CITY EDITOR: One minute, Jones.

REPORTER: All right.

CITY EDITOR: I don't know whether it is absent-mindedness on your part, or an expression of your views on matrimony, but I'd rather, when you have occasion to write about a wedding, not have you say that Miss Smith and Mr. Brown "underwent" a marriage ceremony.

Popular Birthdays

SAMUEL SIDNEY McCLURE
Born February 17, 1857

The constellation of McClure has long been known in the literary periodical firmament. It is set in a syndicate of lesser stars, and is of the first muck-raking magnitude. It is visible in the publishers' heavens throughout the year, and can be seen with the naked eye any clear day. It was formerly in conjunction with the Doubleday double cross, but has since then been shining by its own light.



Colonel McClure is the chief sun of this group. Sir, we congratulate you upon your ascendancy. May your bright rays never grow less. The public is with you.

JOSEPHINE DASKAM BACON
Born February 17, 1876

To a woman of such admirable literary and social attainments, whose domestic triumphs are not less than her contributions to art, we take off our hats. To you, madam, who have amused and edified us, we offer the humble tribute of our praise and felicitation.



RUSSELL HENRY CHITTENDEN
Born February 18, 1856

Professor Chittenden, it will be remembered, some time ago conducted a series of experiments upon soldiers and other human beings, in order to find out how little food they could live on. He afterwards wrote a book about it, a monument of statistical information about foods.



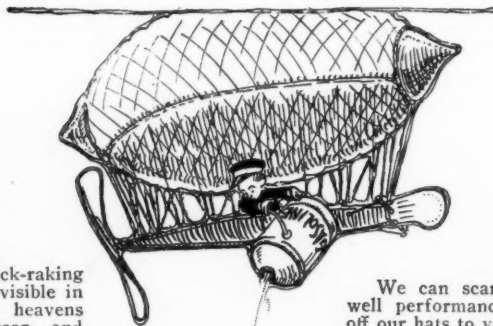
In spite of all this, Professor, we assure you that not only have we nothing against you, but we esteem you highly. The fact that you have made an effort to get us to lead the digestible life might, we can easily understand, bring offense to many. But we are broad and liberal in our views. We shall not let it stand between us, and especially on this your birthday, when all differences should be buried.

We therefore wish you the best of health, and many happy and gastronomical returns of the day.

ADELINA PATTI (Baroness Cederstrom)
Born February 19, 1843

No system of education, nor any coalition between nations, no prophet crying in the wilderness, no any reform movement, no new religion nor system of philosophy, nor victory on the battlefield, has ever been able to produce a voice like yours.

A voice is unanswerable before the bar of public opinion; it is subject to no moral system; it is above custom and privileges and tradition. It is not pre-natal. It is purely accidental.



It is the one thing that everybody understands. It is known wherever it is heard, by the high and the low, the rich and the poor. Patti, singing "The Last Rose of Summer," would make armies pause and break up the most solemn assembly of the world's greatest. It carries its message alike to the mother and the monarch.



We can scarcely believe, madam, that your farewell performances have ceased among us. We take off our hats to you—the greatest of them all. We hope that you will continue to merit for many years to come the gratitude of millions of devout listeners.

BRANDER MATTHEWS
Born February 21, 1852

The aristocracy of letters acknowledges no territorial prejudices. The high minded of the earth are met with in all parts of the globe. A Hindoo savant, sitting in rapt contemplation, would welcome to his esoteric horizon a man like Brander Matthews and call him brother, as much as he would some more intimate racial *confrère*.



Professor Matthews is one of our brightest literary stars. Subjected to all sorts of temptations he has still preserved his individuality. He is no mean spelling reformer. He is a scholar whose sense of universality has kept him an individual. In his attitude of a teacher he has been always a learner with the rest.

Here's to you, Brander Matthews. Long may you wave!

MARGARET ELIZABETH SANGSTER
Born February 22, 1838

Mrs. Sangster was for many years the accomplished editor of *Harper's Bazar*. Afterwards she wrote for the *Ladies' Home Journal* and she now has a host of readers on the *Woman's Home Companion*. A long and honorable career.



LIFE's congratulations!

MARGARET WADE DELAND
Born February 23, 1857

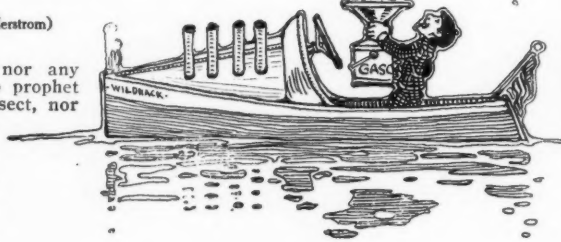
There can be no doubt that among the women writers of America Mrs.



DeLand occupies a pre-eminent position. She possesses the gift of character delineation united with a graceful and interesting style—a style founded on the simplest methods, and, as such, deserving

the highest praise.

Madam, you have added to our stock of those few best books that we hope in time shall go to make an enduring literature. We acknowledge our indebtedness to you and wish you joy and a long life.



"THANKS, OLD MAN."



RECENT DISCOVERIES IN ALASKA
THE GUGGENHEIM RANGE

JOHN HEYL VINCENT
Born February 23, 1832

Bishop Vincent has builded better than he knew. His Chautauqua Circle has been accepted in so many homes and has been provocative of so much educational good that it is in many ways a monument to his creative ability. He has maintained it without ostentation and in the face of many difficulties. New movements have arisen but the Chautauqua has gone on with undiminished vigor. Many people owe their liberal educations to its beneficent influence.

We salute you as a good man and a useful citizen.

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A Precedent

IT is to be hoped that the arrest in New York of the Duncan child—e-Greece-iously garbed, may be a precedent for future activities of the Gerry Society, but with slight modifications. That is to say, if the society will go a step forward from arresting every underclothed child to providing it with

proper clothing, possibly so much money would not have to be spent in removing adenoids and disseminating vaccination marks with their attendant poison.

Of course, we understand that such a sensible proceeding would be against the laws, as laws are principally for the purpose of providing salaries for indigent politicians.

A Principle

WHEN Secretary Dickinson ordered the War Department to stop buying supplies from the Standard Oil Company, on the ground that this trust is a brigand and not deserving the patronage of honest people, he did a unique and valuable thing, because he brought up a principle that may well be considered.

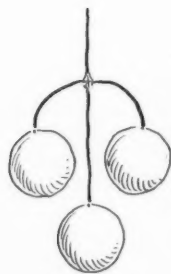
Secretary Dickinson, of course, does not expect to be consistent. If he were, and endeavored to carry his principle to its ultimate conclusion, he would be in trouble immediately. He wouldn't be able to ride on a railroad or a street car—certainly not in New York. He could not patronize the corner grocery store. He could scarcely buy any clothes. He

could not well listen to the average sermon.

FOOLS get married and wise men stay married.



"My dear madam, in order that we may justly claim for this machine the title that appears above the door, I respectfully suggest that you wait for the next car."



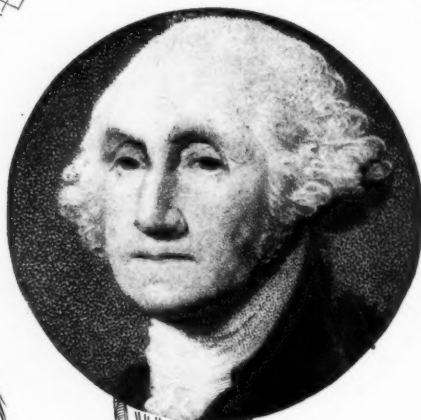
G.Y. ECHSTEIN



G.Y. SNOW



G.Y. SCHMIDT



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G.Y. RAIN-IN-THE-FACE



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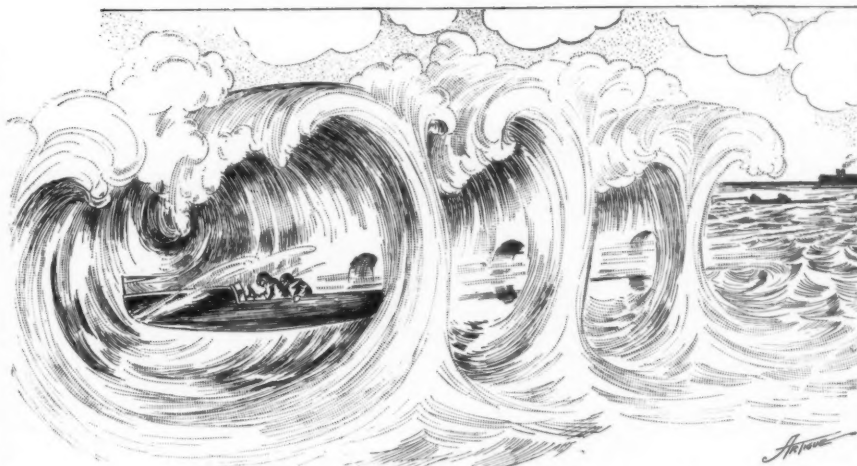
THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY
AND SOME OF HIS NAMESAKES

Ethics

ETHICS is a set of rules formulated by the sophisticated, and called moral because nobody knows what "moral" means. Ethics, therefore, like justice, may mean almost anything.

One of the common rules of ethics, for instance, is that it is wrong to tell a lie. Many old-fashioned people still observe this rule, but the people are seldom either rich or respected, and are easy prey for good business men with stock to sell. The degree of sophistication of any person may be measured by that person's skill in justifying—that is, in making ethical—any lie he may see fit to tell.

Without ethics, slavery would never have been possible, for there would have been no way to make the slaves enjoy their subjection.



HOW IT SEEMED IN THEIR NEW BOAT

Danger Ahead

NOW that publicity has come to its own and people everywhere are recognizing its extreme reform value, is there not danger of carrying it too far? The American people have long had the reputation for overstepping the mark, once they are aroused.

It is all very well to publish the facts about the forestry preserves, or about the trusts, or to combine and refuse to eat meat, but is there not a line somewhere where we must stop?

For example, the other day it transpired that the waiters in some of the most fashionable hotels in New York were receiving from seventy to one hundred dollars a week in tips. This—we can see ahead—is going to result in a combination against the waiters. Anti-tipping leagues will no doubt be the order of the day. Thus the horrid spirit of Injustice will stalk among us, just as we are about to accomplish something really worth while.

It is obvious that we have the chance to wreak a vengeance upon the waiters if we want to. Here are the facts, and here is the publicity. All we must do is to stand together.

But is it fair to do this? Should we refuse hereafter to tip a waiter just because he may be and probably is earning one hundred a week?

No, a thousand times no! In the first place, and in the last place, this is going to make waiters irritable. And when they are irritable, how can they wait properly? And if they can't wait properly, how are

those few people, who don't care for money and who still insist upon tipping, going to be comfortably served?

NOTHING has been proved, or seems likely to be proved, that is contrary to the integrity of Mr. Secretary Ballinger. Nor has anything been disclosed to make folks think him a lucky choice for Secretary of the Interior. He does not appear to be the peg to fit that hole.



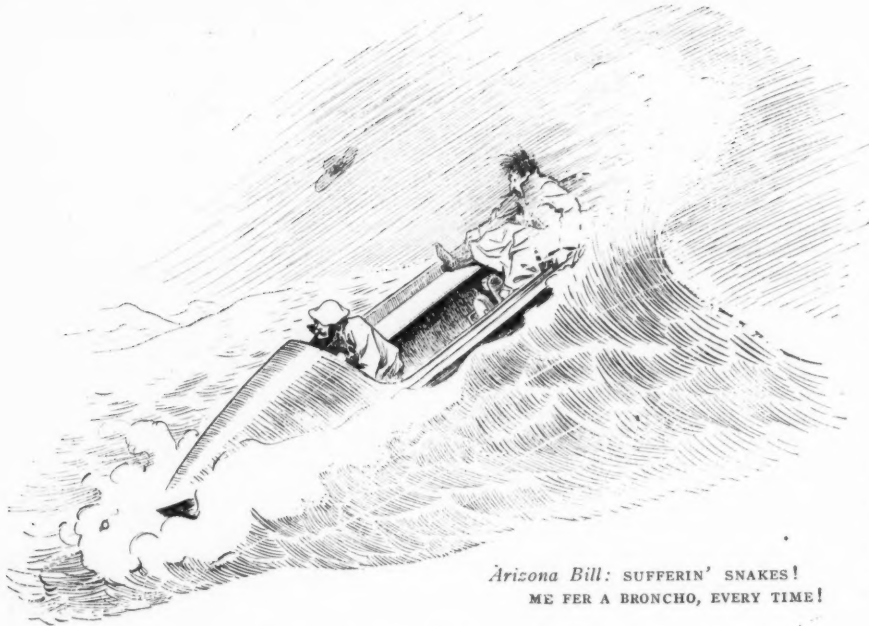
"I'LL BET LITTLE GEORGE WASHINGTON DIDN'T LIVE IN THIS TOWN."

CHAUFFEUR: A racing car makes a bullier noise.

MOTOR-BOATIST: But with a motor boat you can take your noise into such awful still places!



"WE WERE THE FIRST THAT EVER BURST INTO THAT SILENT SEA."



Arizona Bill: SUFFERIN' SNAKES!
ME FER A BRONCHO, EVERY TIME!

The Book of the O'Possum

Being a little ready-reference manual of administrative problems and perplexities, not intended for circulation among the opposition.

Panama Canal: A miasmatic, insatiable ditch purchased from the French for a sum it is criminal libel to mention, and which is designed for navigation by the American merchant marine—if said merchant marine is ever subsidized into being. The Canal, which will be finished in 1913, or '17, or '29, or '83, was at first estimated to cost about \$150,000,000, but careful mathematicians have quadrupled the cost for every chief engineer that has resigned, and are still figuring.

Nicaragua: A Central American banana-plantation inhabited by revolutionists, liberators, major-generals, Harding Davis heroes and employees of the United Fruit Company. Nicaragua was established early in the nineteenth century for the express purpose of rendering His Satanic Majesty green with envy at the poor showing he was making with his own subterranean inferno. Revolutions and holidays are observed alternately in this happy land.

Insurgents: A group of long-haired, grim-jawed, wordy mid-western gentlemen who, having observed in the intermediate geography that Rhode Island is the smallest State in the Union, are inclined to make a big noise about it. A hardy, inconciliatory set who thrive and roll up great pluralities under the fiercest cannonading and profanity.

The New Tariff: "The best thing that ever happened."—Aldrich's Unrevised Lexicon. "The worst hodge-podge ever enacted."—Lafollette's Weekly Magazine. But business has been good.

Pinchot: A servant of the public good bent on conserving the future breakfast-food supply of the nation whether school keeps or not.

Ballinger: Another servant, etc., who is willing to take all his breakfast-food right now.

Roosevelt: ??????????

Ship Subsidy: A pleasant asset which no interoceanic transportation company should be without. Designed to raise our merchant navy above the rank of the Haytian and to give our Dreadnoughts something to protect besides South American bucko-general-issimos.

Railroads

IN spite of the optimists there seems to be a disposition to do something with our railroads. This is a great mistake. We cannot be too careful of our railroads. Our railroads are important arteries of commerce.

Any attempt to restrict stock "watering" would seriously affect Wall Street, and our railroads could not possibly run without that ten-to-three band of patriots. How could a Wall Street ticker be interesting, to say nothing of profitable, if it were always to quote a stock at just what it was worth?

In the Future

"WHAT are you doing with those field glasses?" asked the mother.

"Oh," said the daughter, as she turned her gaze skyward again, "I am looking for Jack; he said he would be 'down' this evening."

Up to Date

"OLD Sousem is carrying his drinks remarkably well of late," observes the man with the undecided mustache. "He used to get pretty wobbly, but I notice now that no matter how much he drinks he always walks as straight as a chalk-line."

"Yes," explains the man with the nervous Adam's apple. "I understand he has had himself fitted with one of these gyroscope balance wheels such as they use on the new mono-railway."



THE STARS AND STRIPES

EARLY IN LIFE WASHINGTON HAD PREMONITIONS OF THE FUTURE.



What's the Difference?



A Solution for High Prices

IN view of the unceasing upward trend of the "luxuries" of life—such as meat, sugar, bread and butter—the contract which I have just made for the publication of my new novel can hardly fail to interest the readers of LIFE. On publication, the firm in question agree to send me a barrel of potatoes, 103 pounds of the best flour, 50 pounds of cut and granulated sugar, respectively, 30 pounds of coffee and a box of sardines. Thereafter I am to receive for every five copies sold a porterhouse

steak or a 5-pound leg of mutton, as desired; for ten copies I may elect a chicken (not to weigh over 6 pounds), and for fifteen copies a turkey—weight limited to 7 pounds. For twenty copies I may have a shirt (cuffs attached) and for thirty a pair of shoes. A ready-made suit requires the sale of one hundred copies, while a suit to measure—but why indulge in impossible dreams? Other luxuries are provided for on a like scale—female articles being reckoned double, so that the outlook for my wife is bad.

The advantage of this arrangement is

obvious—no matter to what point prices rise, I am provided for. Five copies give me a steak, even if it costs a dollar a pound. As my book may continue to sell for several years I can face the future with comparative tranquillity.

I may add that any editor wishing poems, stories or articles may write to me, care of LIFE, stating how many lumps of sugar, beans of coffee, etc., he can pay per word, line or page, as the case may be. Just at present I am short of marmalade.

William Wallace Whitelock.



MOTOR-BOATING HAS ITS DRAWBACKS

Master Frederick on Motor Boats

TEACHER wants us boys to rite a essay on Motor Boats. Any boy can do that. All he's gotter do is go stand in fronter one an' look it over; then go back an' rite all about it. That's easy.

This is a mecanic age. Pa says so; an' machinry comes natchral to mos' boys; or mos' boys go natcheral to machinry. At any rate, they seem to get mixed up in it a good deel, at times.

If a boy 's jus' strainin' for more work in the ritin' line, he can get some one to take him out in a Motor Boat, an' let him pick up the vo-cab-u-la-ry (that means a liner talk. I jus' looked it up) that 's needed to keep her goin' an' start up the enjins when they get cranky.

I get my 'maginashun frum Pa. Ma has n't none. She believes mos' anything. I'm glad I'm fuller that essence. I'd rather tell the stories than do the beleevin'.

But about my essay. I'm goin' to begin it this way: "A Motor Boat is like Love. It's fuller throbs, thrils and quivers. It carries you along an' you do n't know where you're goin'. Sometimes you can't make it start, an' sometimes it starts when you are n't lookin'. It's apter take you some place and leave you walk home. Return tickets is no good on it. You take your chances when you step on. A Motor Boat has bin known to killer man. So can Love. A Motor Boat often blows up a man. So duz a woman. (woman here is sinominous with Love).

A Motor Boat can make a man happy an' envied, or despised an' miserubul, an' so can Love.

A Motor Boat costs a hole lot, but anybody who *can* get one, gets one, an' I guess that's the same with Love, too."

Key C.

Statuary Hall

STATUARY HALL in the Capitol at Washington is not worth very much disturbance of the peace. If rows become too common over the effigies that the States are to place there, it will be better to disband the marble and metal company that now peoples that sanctuary and give it up. The general sentiment of the country is safe enough as to the privilege of selection proper to be accorded to any State, but there is no protection against agitating talk, nor against the adulteration of the quality of the company gathered in the hall by an incursion of comparatively ordinary people.

The last acquisition to the Statuary Hall collection is George L. Shoup, of Idaho. This father of the republic seems to have been a go'l. honest man, but he has been dead less

than ten years, and his fame has not yet matured enough to have emerged from the boundaries of Idaho.

The collection is in danger of becoming humorous. It is impossible to protect it from mediocrity either in sculpture or subject. It is also impossible to protect the marble delegate from any State from public disparagement by disapproving critics.

Westminster Abbey is run by its dean, who says who shall and who shall not be admitted to it. That duty might be executed for Statuary Hall by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives. If it is, his pay should be raised one thousand dollars a year, and his widow should be entitled to a pension whenever he is killed in the discharge of his duty.

Scriptural Reflection

THE man with the fading fringe of hair in sort of a festoon from ear to ear across the back of his head stood in a store and watched a woman purchasing braids, switches, and so forth.

Turning sadly away he mused:

"Unto her that hath shall be given, but from him that hath not shall be taken even that which he hath."

WIFE: How would you define migraine?

HUSBAND: Well, in your case I'd call it an aching void.



HOW IT REALLY HAPPENED

"DON'T BE SO ANGRY, GOVERNOR, I DID NOT CUT DOWN THE CHERRY TREE. BUT FOR THE SAKE OF OUR COUNTRY, OF WHICH I'M TO BE THE FATHER, LET'S COOK UP A TALE THAT WILL BE AN ASSET FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS."



OFFICIAL WASHINGTON IN 1912
A DAY ON THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT

Lawyers and Their Fees

A LAWYER of Manhattan was lately credited with receiving a fee of \$750,000 for services (extending over four years) in joining a couple of mining companies. Our neighbor, the Springfield Republican, considers that he was overpaid. It does not think it possible that he could have earned so much in the time mentioned, though it admits that those who employed him may consider that he earned what they paid him.

As to this particular case we know nothing, but it should always be remembered nowadays that lawyers in great cases should be paid not only for their time, skill, effort, and reputation and the value of their services to their clients, but for the risk of damage to themselves from the employment. When one hears it said, "No! Finesse can never be president now. He was Grab's lawyer and adviser in the Gold Brick Holding Corporation case," what impression is left on the mind as to the size of the fee that Finesse should have exacted

from Grab for his services in that case?

A lawyer, nowadays, is held responsible for his practice. If he takes service to enable rogues to commit rogueries with impunity, or to help land pirates rob the public lawfully, it goes into his record, and he can never get it out. There is a difference between defending an indicted man charged with crime and advising the man beforehand so that he can commit the crime and escape the possibility of indictment. The former service, when performed for a client able to pay, deserves a liberal fee, but the latter service a very much bigger one, because, being disreputable, it is irreparably damaging to the doer of it.

If a lawyer's fee looks enormous, and you can't account for it on usual or reasonable grounds, smell of it. If it doesn't smell right that explains. As smells the fee so will smell to the last of his days the lawyer who took it. Nothing but interment in the ground gets smells of that sort out.

Pecunia non olet is a much overrated maxim. It does smell; yes, down to the third and fourth generation.

The Modern Novel

AND they were NOT married and thus lived happily forever after.

LIBERAL-MINDEDNESS is shown not by what you believe but by what you are willing others should believe.



Mr. Trimm: "THE DARN THING'S BROKE AGAIN, MARY. SHE AIN'T MOVING."



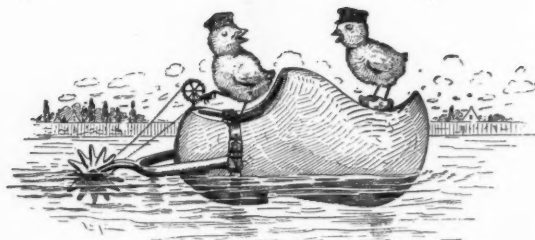
Three of Not Great Distinction



EW dramatic authors have the skill and luck to follow one success by another. Mr. Eugene Walter did it in with "Paid in Full" and "The Easiest Way." Therefore he was entitled to a failure in their successor. He is fortunate in that "Just a Wife," while not having either the dramatic strength or popular appeal of the other pieces, is not only not a failure but is a more than ordinarily interesting play. In it he lays a very strong tax on the credulity of his audiences. It is difficult to believe that a girl, calculating enough to marry a man for money alone, could go along for six years a wife in nothing but name and refrain from any of the extremes or excesses that tempt women with unlimited means and time at their disposal. She is not the least bit in love with her husband, so she hasn't even that safeguard against temptation. If she did love him and was waiting for his love to turn from the woman who was his principal interest outside of his business ambition, it would be understandable that a young, attractive and practically free wife could have gone on living a simple and innocent life of expectancy. The mere fact that she understood the terms of the business agreement under which she was to stand as a sort of moral voucher for her husband's reputation would hardly restrain even the saintliest of women from making a break of some kind.

More in the line of probability and evidently easier to Mr. Walter's pen was the picture of the "other woman" who shared the husband's occupations and ambitions. The interest of the play centres on her invasion of the wife's home and the latter's victory over her through sheer gentility in manner and conduct. These hints at the story are enough to show that Mr. Walter's play is not commonplace and that it has enough dramatic possibilities to hold the attention even if it fails to satisfy the intelligence. The other characters are also of the kind that we give some consideration in a play, although we would think them fantastic in real life. The husband, for instance, who is represented as a master mind in the business world with tremendous ambitions successfully realized, is during the progress of the play a weak-minded person who relies upon his private secretary to make up his mind for him. And the private secretary is evidently in the habit of doing it.

"Just a Wife" is staged by Mr. Belasco, which is equivalent to saying that the settings are picturesque, that no detail in the stage pictures is overlooked and that not a single possible effect in speech or business is left unused. Charlotte Walker, always delightful to look at, is the wife, and plays it with a saccharine dignity which at times fools us into the belief that there might perhaps some time have existed such an impossible character. Amelia Gardner made the other woman realize the author's intended combination of devotion and desperation. Mr. Edmund Breese was anything but an embodiment of the man of big affairs. Mr. Bobby North was taken from the vaudeville stage to represent a self-made



"I TELL YOU, MATE, SAILING VESSELS HAVE HAD THEIR DAY."

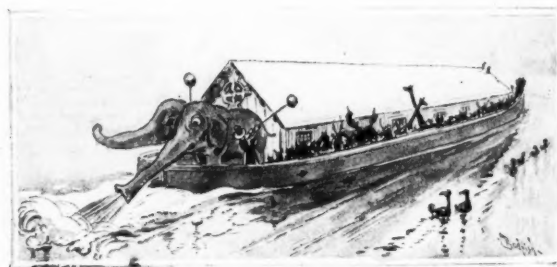
young Jew, funny in his faithful exaggeration of Jewish speech and mannerisms, but of excellent heart and intention. It was a good piece of character work.

"Just a Wife" won't add to Mr. Walter's reputation, but it is not a bad bridge-over between his latest success and others to follow.



HERE'S an explanation for the sudden removal of so many plays that seem to be not entirely bad and yet fail to get favorable recognition from the public. The great demand for plays to fill the increased number of theatres in New York and elsewhere has compelled managers to take the work of many new and inexperienced dramatists. Their lack of expertness does not become manifest until their plays are put into actual performance. They may have the foundation for a good play and the play may be good in the main but every little while there is a cog left out or the machinery skips and there's a hitch in the action and the progress of the story. This was strongly evident in "The Heights," which was produced by Mr. Frank Keenan at the Savoy for a week and in which he had the leading part. It told a very ingenious story and had some thrilling moments, but the author failed to make it plausible. It was too good a piece though to be abandoned so hastily, for with a little more elaboration by the author and a little more persistency on the part of its backers, it might have been pushed on to a reasonably long life. It was well acted by Mr. Keenan and his company, including such capable artists as Mr. Frank Mills, Mr. Harry Benrimo and Willette Kershaw.

Like "The Watcher," "The Heights" didn't last out the week it takes LIFE to go through the press, and hasty withdrawals like this give our "Confidential Guide" the unavoidable appearance of being inaccurate.



THE FIRST MOTOR-BOAT
(DOUBLE ELEPHANT POWER, ALTERNATING EXHAUST)



THE play "None So Blind," which Mr. John Mason has chosen to succeed "The Witching Hour," is open to the same charge of inexperience on the part of the author. Of its six characters three are not on the level, and in such a small cast it seems a waste of material that there should be two principal villains when one would have supplied plenty of plot and background to set forth the uprightness of the hero. Even the latter pretended he was blind when he could see perfectly, which enables him to discover that one of the bad men—a gentleman in the literary business—has some vague intention of stealing his wife and the other of spoiling the big bridge he is constructing somewhere out in the Rocky Mountains. The author is so indefinite in his story and his character-drawing is so vague and contradictory that the play does not satisfy.

It is redeemed in a measure by the dramatic possibilities involved in the pretended blindness of the hero, and Mr. John Mason is a suffi-

ciently experienced and accomplished actor to let none of them escape him. Of course, the blindness being only pretended cannot be worked for sympathy or pathos, and Mr. Mason makes the engineer a blunt, forceful personality, who deals man-fashion with the threatened and actual perfidy which surrounds him. He can take care of the men in this way, but in the case of his wife, who has been only indefinitely wavering from fidelity, he has opportunities for tenderness of which he does not entirely avail himself and thus misses some effects of light and shade.

Mr. Walter Hale is the wife-tempter, also in an indefinite way, and is the gentleman in the literary business. This term is used advisedly because, as he is attired and made up by Mr. Hale, he has not the slightest eccentricity of dress and appearance such as almost invariably marks those associated with literature in any capacity. In fact, so far as

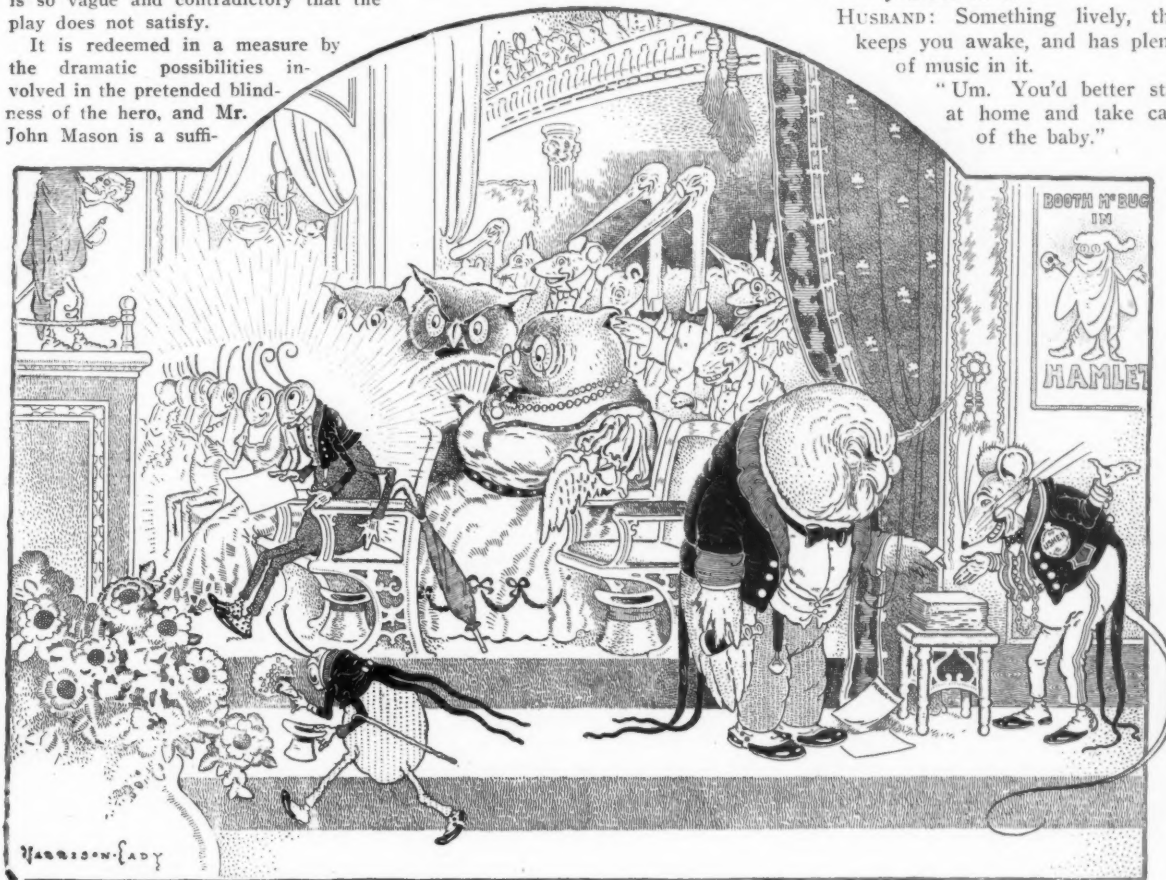
looks go, Mr. Hale might be a prosperous broker or manufacturer of automobiles. Nevertheless, he does about all there is to be done with this ill-defined personality and delivers his lines with unusually good diction. Mabel Roebuck, as the wife, plays the part with a great amount of facial expression, which counts for nothing, because it seems to have no connection with the lines she is speaking or the situation being demonstrated. She is far from unattractive but her mind should have more control over her face. The older roles were less important and were fairly rendered. "None So Blind" is by Mr. Ernest Poole. He is fortunate in having Mr. Mason stand sponsor for his effort. Otherwise it might have gone to join those 8,000,000 eggs in cold storage. *Metcalfe.*

There's No Place Like, Etc.

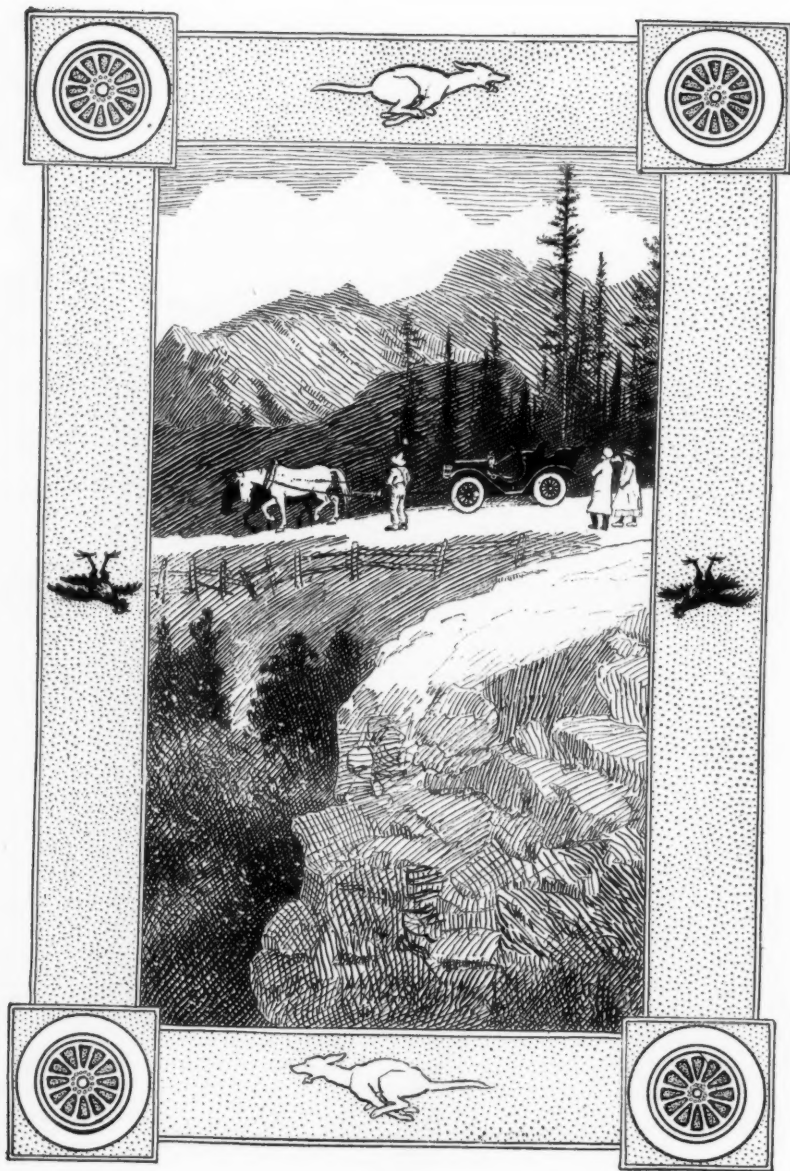
WIFE: What sort of a play would you like to see?

HUSBAND: Something lively, that keeps you awake, and has plenty of music in it.

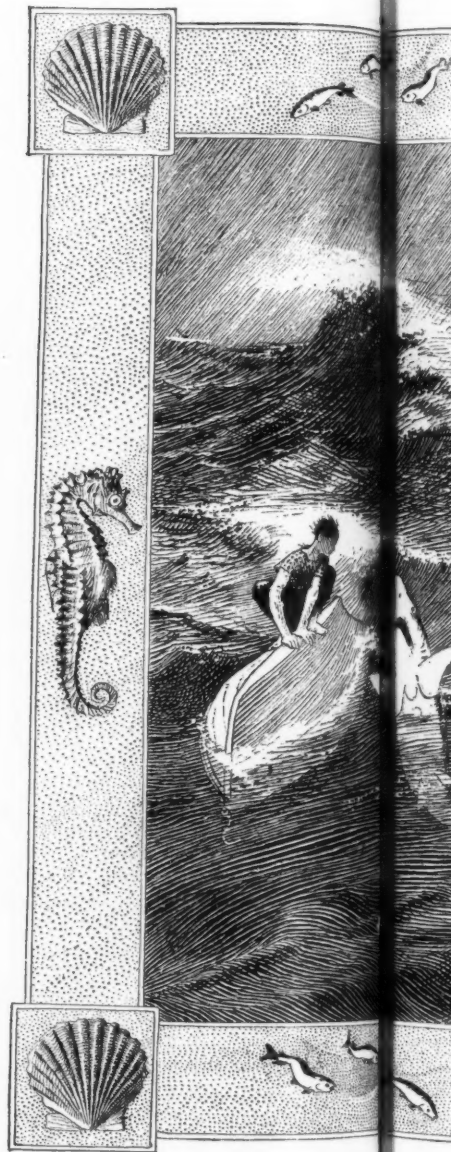
"Um. You'd better stay at home and take care of the baby."



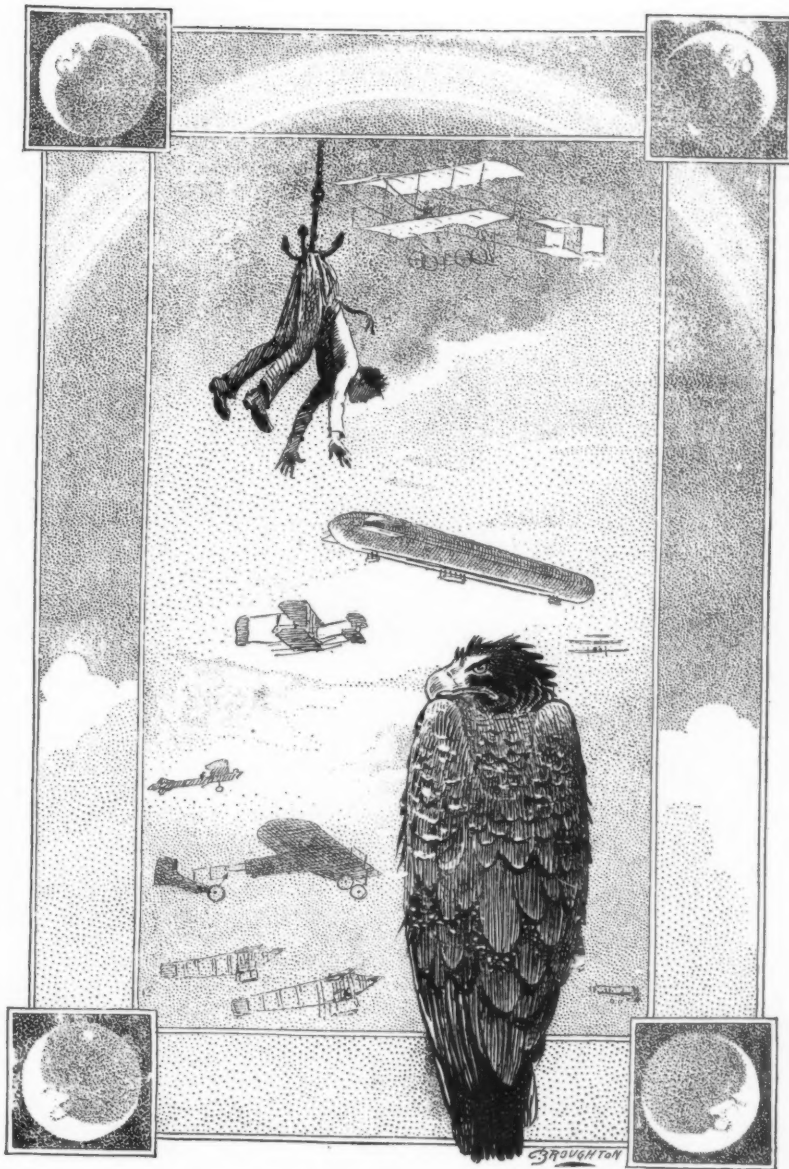
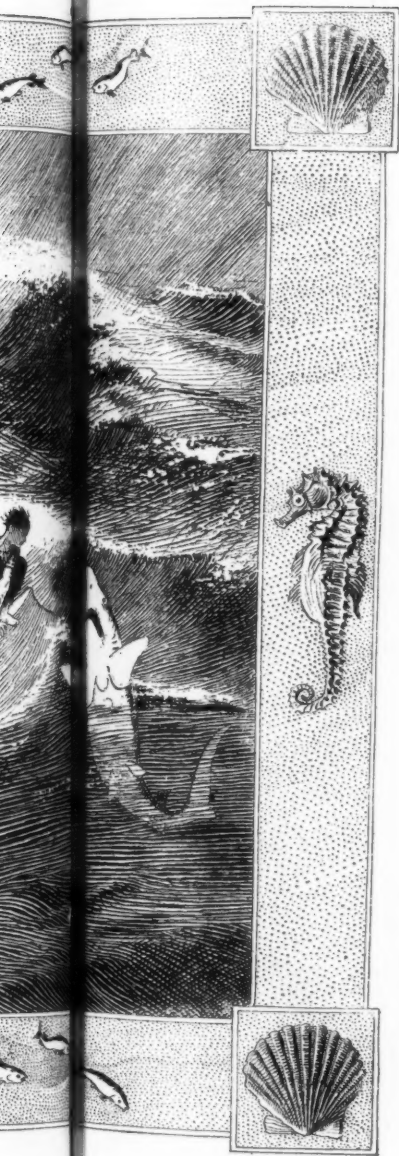
Irate Mr. Owl: SEE HERE, USHER, I HAVE PAID FOR THE BEST SEATS, AND NOW YOU PUT THAT FIREFLY THEATRE PARTY DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF US!



Land



Sea



Sky

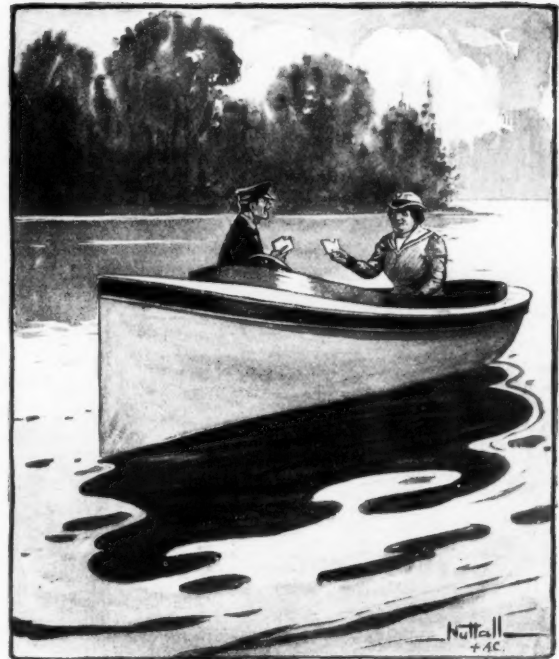
BOOKISHNESS

THERE must, one imagines, be many others besides oneself who, not having read anything of Jerome K. Jerome's for a number of years, will take up his *They and I* with something of the hesitating curiosity with which we re-encounter old friends. Such meetings have a double interest, rooted in a two-fold fallacy—the gauging of our friend's alteration by the yardstick of our own fancied stability and the measuring of our own growth by the presumed lack of change in our former acquaintance. Occasionally, when the parties to the encounter happen to have kept approximate pace with each other on parallel paths they mistake the finding of a new congeniality for the recapture of the old and speak of “renewing their youth in company.” This is an agreeable hallucination, and one that *They and I* may well be trusted to produce. It is supposedly an account of the author's purchase of a country house and of his children's attitude toward it and toward himself in the course of the proceeding. It is written after the manner of long ago by the author of the *Idle Thoughts* turned forty, and in reality bridges the gap between *Three Men in a Boat* and *The Passing of the Third Floor Back*—the facetious humor of the one passing into the kindly insight of the other. But you read it with the pleased surprise of imagining yourself still able to enjoy that which you thought you had outgrown.

IN attempting to follow Eva Lathbury, the author of a novel of London theatrical life called *The Sinking Ship*, into the hinted intricacies of a situation in which a young playwright is involved with an actress mother, a would-be actress daughter and a has-been actress grandmother, there are moments when a plain statement, even if it were a shocking one, would be as welcome as a match to an entombed miner. One is so often led to a point where one is evidently (and vainly) expected to infer something momentous that one comes to wonder whether the habit of plain speaking adopted by modern realism has blunted one's powers of inference. And one is so constantly involved in analytical clouds of verbal chiffon that one comes to speculate as to the possibility of writers using ink after the manner of cuttlefish. And when, toward the end, the author comes out into the open in a couple of straightforward chapters and makes one wish that one had met her characters sooner, one is so astonished at the change that one hesitates to say whether it is she or oneself that has at last become lucid.



Little George Washington Beaver: YES, FATHER, I CANNOT TELL A LIE, I DID IT WITH MY LITTLE INCISORS.



“MARIA, THIS SANDWICH TASTES OF GASOLINE.”

“I’LL EXCHANGE WITH YOU, JOHN. MINE IS FLAVORED WITH MACHINE OIL.”

THE IMAGE OF EVE or, as Margaret Sutton Briscoe calls her bright little story, “A Romance with Alleviations,” may be picked up without any fear of risking involuted brains. Indeed, one recommends it for devoluting brains that have already suffered that violence. It contains the intimate annals of a little social coterie and the confessions of a matchmaker whose good intentions exceed her skill and occasionally outstrip her understanding; whose friends laugh at her for her pains, who has the good sense to laugh at herself and at whom and with whom we are privileged to smile. As a romance the book may be passed by with scant notice, but its “alleviations” are such that it is altogether an excellent selection for lazy reading.

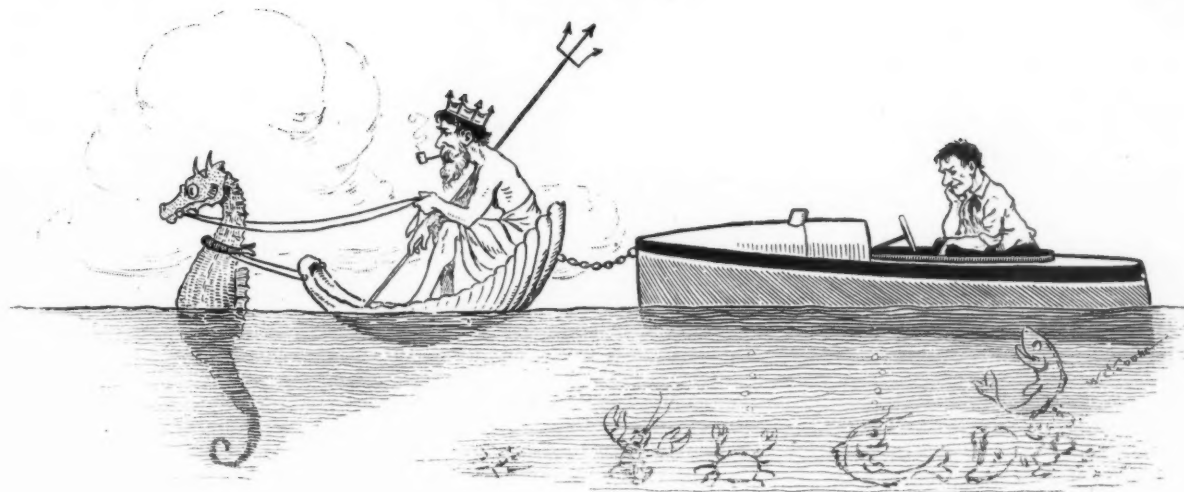
CRITTENDEN MARRIOTT, in *The Isle of Dead Ships*, has scratched the surface of an Eldorado of adventurous romance. He has floated his hero and heroine on a derelict steamer into the heart of the Sargasso Sea and landed them on a fascinating tangle of abandoned vessels, lost galleons and blood stained hulks. The surviving boy in us fairly thrills with delight at the mere notion of such an opportunity. Why, Robinson Crusoe, with his one footy little wreck, was a pauper by comparison! But, then, Crusoe had the foresight not to rescue a girl and Mr. Marriott's hero, having made that mistake, has to pay the penalty. There is nothing on earth that can spoil a good Crusoe romance like a girl. They are such specialists!

J. B. Kerfoot.

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"GET A HORSE!"

Huh!

IT'S easy enough to be honest when life flows along like a song, but when you're out of work and the rent is due and your wife is ill and the children are hungry and you see something you want and there's nobody looking and you've got to a point where you don't much care if there is some one looking, because a warm cell is as good as a cold pavement—why then—?

QUESTION for debating societies:
Would Lincoln have gone with his State?



"WHAT IS IT, A BOY OR A GIRL?"
"IT IS NEITHER; IT IS A COUNTRY."
YOU ARE THE FATHER OF YOUR COUNTRY."

The Muck-Rake Stories

JONES, who likes to read a bit of something that will take his mind off of his own cares just before he goes to bed, used to look in the magazines for a nice story, or read a piece of a lively novel—something easy to follow with a tired mind. But now he says he finds himself at eleven o'clock looking around for a muck-rake story, or searching headlines for a new malefaction of the trusts. These current compositions he finds to be as good as anything to change the current of his thoughts, take him out of himself, instill in him a sense of the brotherhood of man, and send him cheerful to bed with a stimulated heart and a comforting sense of high resolve and comparative self-approval.

We must not get improperly fond of muck-rake stories. At present they are one of the few forms of tragedy that the American mind seems to like. Of course there is a popular appetite for divorce stories and newspaper tales of crime generally, but those tales are of a different order from the muck-rake stories and produce a different effect. In a way the muck-rake stories that are really good have something of the effect of purging the passions that Aristotle says is the business of tragedy. The good ones, compounded intelligently and truthfully and in the right spirit, stir not nearly so much animosity against individuals or groups of men as disgust with hoggishness, lawlessness and all the greedy and dirty schemes to get something for nothing or beat the public out of its rights and property.

One of the lessons that is being taught

just now in this country is that it is wrong to grab even what belongs merely to the public. That a whole community has an interest in franchises, that the whole people has an interest in public lands and minerals, and that it is mean to beg those things, is almost a new idea.

The muck-rake stories have done a vast deal to diffuse that idea. We owe them a great deal. And yet man cannot live by them alone, and should not feed his busy mind on them exclusively. If we do that, we shall be for killing the dog because there are fleas on him. The big work in politics for years to come will be in the line of checking privilege, restraining corporations from owning and ruling the country, and getting the worker and the taxpayer his dues. The problem is to do all that without killing off individual enterprise.

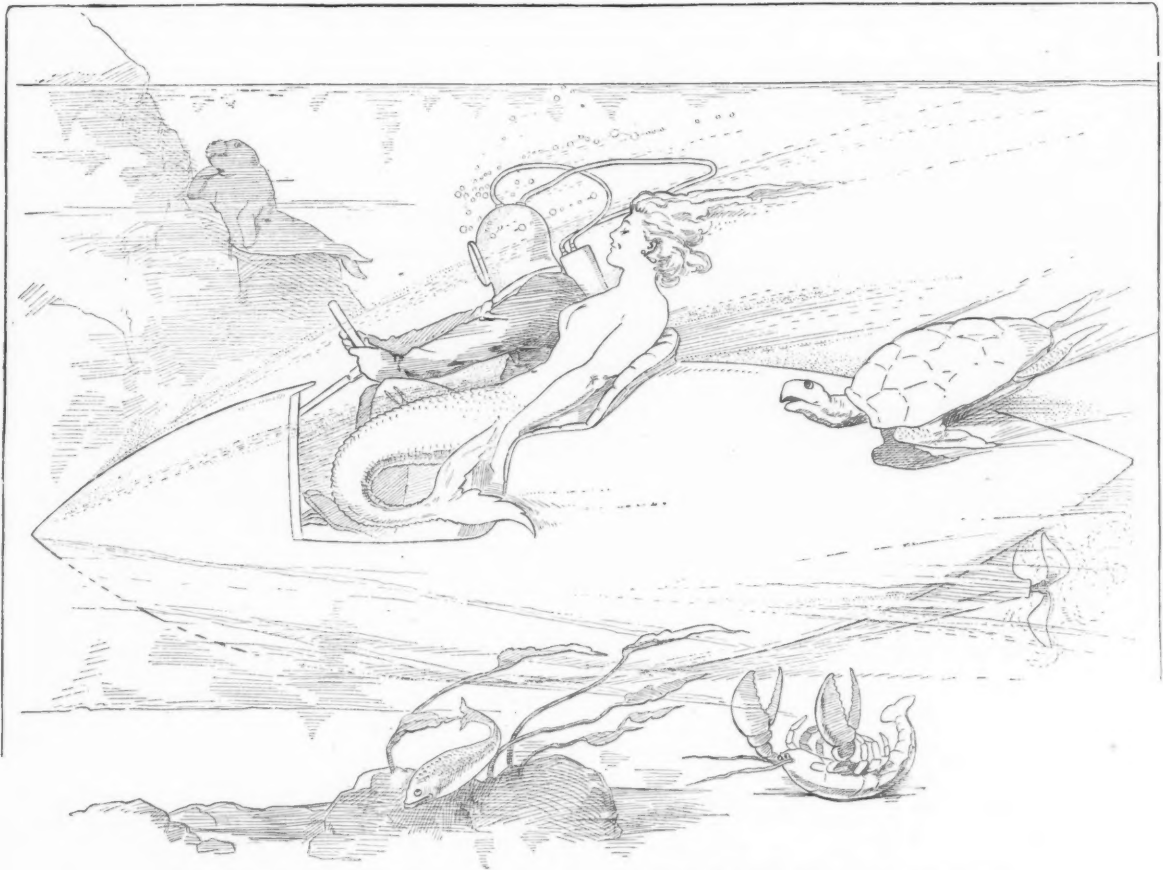
Stung, But Unaware

IF the plain people don't know they've been betrayed it's their own fault. They spend all their time reading the murders on the first page and don't get in where the editorials are.

And if they knew, there probably wouldn't be anything done about it, party spirit being what it is.

That's what parties are for, to keep the masses, to their proper economic function of pulling chestnuts from the fire for the politicians and their friends. By their instrumentality it becomes possible to fool enough of the people enough of the time so that a tariff by Rhode Island and for Rhode Island need not perish from the earth.

R. B.



Mr. Lobster: THESE JOY RIDERS HAVE NO CONSIDERATION FOR THE PEDESTRIANS' FEELINGS.

A Hero Again

THE great, inevitable conflict in the air was on.

Our fleet of airships was confronted by that of the enemy.

Suddenly a scout-plane darted in with the news that the enemy was bringing up its reinforcements.

Unless something tremendously heroic was done all was lost.

Quickly Richmond Pearson Hobson, sailing on a single motorplane, dashed into the imminent breach.

In resonant tones he began delivering his series of Chautauqua lectures.

This quickly used up all the air over an area of one hundred miles in diameter.

Not only the enemy's reserves, but the enemy's armada, fluttered helplessly to the earth, where they became easy captives.

The only thing left aloft was Victory perching upon our banners.

An Old Argument

A NICE LOOKING young gentleman named Van Wyck Brooks has been having something to say about American humorists. He declares that "as a general thing they don't depend upon being true to life."

This phrase "being true to life" has seen good service, and really ought to be pensioned. When ever any critic wants to say something particularly objectionable about another writer, he promptly declares that his writing is "not true to life."

Now the reports furnished by newspapers of police court happenings or stories of murders or divorces, etc., are true to life in the sense that they give as nearly as possible an account of the actual thing that has happened; and yet

they are not literature. The shipping news in the *New York Herald* is "true to life."

Something else is the matter with our humorists, Mr. Brooks, besides being untrue to life. Try again.

AT the meeting of the Educational Alliance, held at the Hotel Gotham, Abram I. Elkus said: "No greater good can be done the Jew than to get him out of New York to the farms or some other such pursuit."

New York City will not attempt to stop this exodus. It would be the same generous parting as that which took place between Polonius and Hamlet. Here it is, from Shakespeare:

POLONIUS: My honorable lord, I will most humbly take my leave of you.

HAMLET: You cannot, sir, take from me anything that I will more willingly part withal—except my life, except my life.



COLONEL WAYTE PASSED THE ENDURANCE TEST WITHOUT TURNING A HAIR

A Necessary Evil

SOME one has said that marriage for a woman means giving up the attentions of several men for the inattention of one.

Mrs. Pankhurst, when asked to give her opinion of acid throwing by the suffragettes during the recent election in England, said it was "inevitable." Following that line of reasoning no suffragette will ever suffer from the inattention of her husband; it may not be a very pleasing kind of attention that he will bestow upon her, but it will be at least alert.

Man's sphere, woman's sphere; considered alone, each is only a hemi-sphere, at least so we have been taught, and anything *hemi* or *demi* is always so incomplete, isn't it?

Without women any nation would be a Stag-Nation, but without men we would become Carrie Nations.

Why is it that although a crowd of men may be rough, boisterous or annoying they are never ridiculous, whereas a feminine crowd "per se" always is?

Have you, O! gentle reader, ever wandered into that New York cloister, that shelter for the feminine unattached, the Martha Washington Hotel? It is a blessed sanctuary for the manless in times of trouble and shopping, but who would choose to live in a female hemispherical atmosphere always?

No, it is better to be plural than singular. Not that we agree with the much quoted woman of the slums, who, pushing aside the bandages from her swollen face and opening her blackened eyes (sad souvenirs of her husband's attentions), pittingly said to the sympathetic settlement visitor, "Gee, it must be orful to be a old maid."

But we do say that if for nothing else but to make a complete background, a proper *mise en scène*, as it were. Whether for Suffragette or Mollusk, Spinster or Spender, Widow or Wife, Man, Mere Man, is a necessary evil.

Helen Thornton Higbie.

Capitalism Will Prevail

WHILE labor's contented with just what it's got, While few sons of toil want to better their lot, While the masses believe to be good what is rot, Then some will be happy, but most of us not.

To a Chemist

"I WANT you to prepare for me a formula for making the best pumpkin pie that can be made," said the pie manufacturer to the chemist. "I've used turnips and ochre and potato flour and all the things my rivals use, and have beaten them a little bit at their own game, but now I want to put out a pumpkin pie that will simply outclass all other brands. I will pay you whatever fee is right for the work."



"IT SAYS HERE THAT MEN ARE GOIN' TER WEAR CLOTHES TER MATCH TH' HAIR, THIS WINTER."

"THAT'S GON ER MAKE IT KINDER COLD FUR TH' BALD-HEADED FELLERS, AIN'T IT?"



The February Tree

Now blooms for all the world to see
The February cherry-tree.
Whereof, with all veracity,
We now set down the history.

First Cupid saw it standing fair
And cried, "A tree, I do declare!"
Then, whipping out his knife, with care
He left initials carven there.

George Washington then cut it down
In order to acquire renown,
And since in every vale and town
The story serves his fame to crown.

A few years later Lincoln came.
He also wished to make a name.
Pursuing thus the noble aim,
He split it into rails and fame.

—Lippincott's.

JOHN: What doctor attended your
aunt in her last illness?

JAMES: None. She died a natural
death.—*Harvard Lampoon.*



"WE KNOW WHAT YOU FELLOWS HATE
ON EARTH. NOW, GET BUSY."

Led On by the Minister

"Then you don't think I practice what I preach, eh?" queried the minister in talking with one of the deacons at a meeting.

"No, sir, I don't," replied the deacon. "You've been preachin' on the subject o' resignation for two years an' ye haven't resigned yet."—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

A Love Feast

FAT MAN: You're growing stout.

LEAN MAN: And you're getting thin. Whereupon they shook hands, smiled, and each mentally declared the other fellow "a bully good friend."—*Lippincott's.*

A BIGAMIST married a woman, and one of the witnesses afterward admitted to the officiating clergyman that he had known of the bridegroom's legal inability to wed.

"But if you knew," said the clergyman indignantly, "why didn't you tell me?"

"Well, parson, it was like this," the witness said: "One of the parties was eighty-three and the other eighty-seven. Says I to myself: 'Oh, gosh! it can't last long. Let 'em marry, and darn the law!'"—*Washington Star.*

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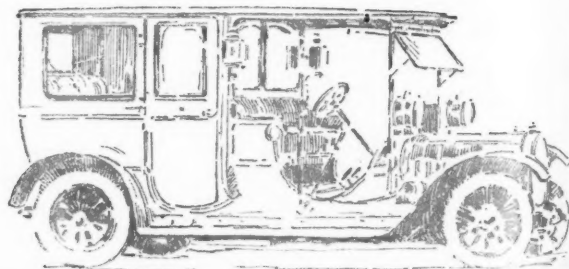
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His Views on Suffrage

When a female canvasser asked an old farmer to sign a petition in favor of a woman's movement he eyed the document for a while with suspicion. "No, I'm again' it, sure," was the reply, with the emphasis of a man who had had some domestic infelicity. "A woman who's allus a-movin' is allus a-gettin' in trouble. If you've got anything to keep 'er quiet I'll sign it."—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

A New One on George Washington

During a Friday afternoon lecture on history in a Baltimore educational institution the instructor had given a lengthy disquisition on the character of George Washington, incidentally touching upon his work as the organizer of the Revolution.

"Now," asked the instructor, "if George Washington were alive to-day what practical part do you think he would play in present-day politics, judging from the past?"

A prolonged silence on the part of the pupils followed this. Finally, however, one lad saw a way out.

"Sir," he queried, "wouldn't he be too old?"—*Lippincott's.*

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A Toast

To the moment that's the fleetest,
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 The first kiss is the sweetest—
 Make it last.

—Sun.

Artistic Efforts

My little four-year-old niece worked for a long time with a pencil and paper over a portrait of her father. She finally stopped and, after seriously inspecting the likeness, exclaimed in disgust: "Oh, dear! I guess I'll put on a tail and call it a monkey."—*Woman's Home Companion.*

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"She swept the room with a quick glance," he read. Then picking up the pencil he added:

"Ah! if she would but sweep our rooms with an ordinary broom, once in a while."

But this passage did not appear in the completed narrative.—*Brooklyn Life.*



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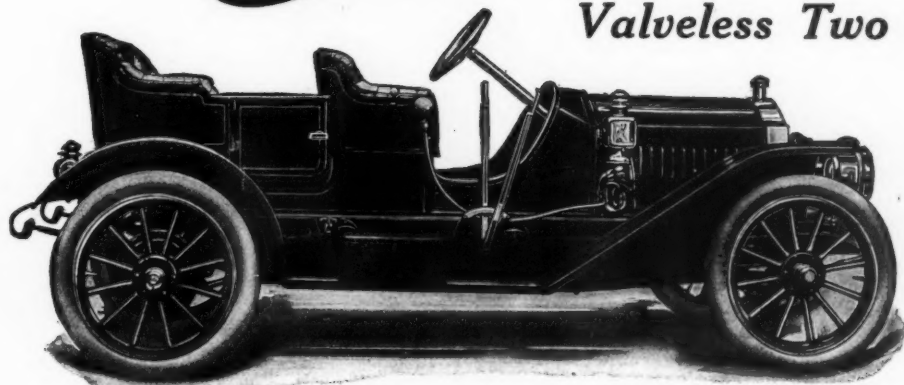
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Rhymed Reviews

The Man Shakespeare and His Tragic Life Story"

(By Frank Harris. Mitchell Kennerley)

Right glad to leave a scolding wife,
His baggage, dramas, sketched, but
none done,
Will Shakespeare fled, to drink of life,
In brave Elizabethan London.

He roved and sang in joy intense
And, like a Latin, scarce a Briton,
Pursued, regardless of expense,
That black-eyed wanton, Mary Fit-
ton.

To her, for lack of words, no doubt,
He sent a friend to do his pleading;
That friend, Lord Herbert, cut him
out!
(The Sonnets tell the whole pro-
ceeding.)

Now Shakespeare schemed a year or so
To have the scamp assassinated,
But when 'twas time to strike the blow
(Like Hamlet, mark you), hesitated.

And now he cursed the faithless peer
And wailed his woe in numbers mel-
low;
And now he raved (observe, "King
Lear"),
In jealous frenzy (see "Othello").

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And now, with venom'd goose-quill
bare

(Was ever tragic secret less hid?)
He scandalized the lady fair
As Cleopatra—yea, and Cressid!

At last, burned out by futile rage,
The glow and flame of youth de-
parted,
He broke his wand and quit the stage
To die in Stratford, ashen-hearted.

"This figure that thou here seest put"
(How rare Ben Jonson's mirth must
waken!)

Was this "for gentle Shakespeare
cut"?"—

Ah, now I see! 'Tis meant for
Bacon!

Arthur Guiterman.

A Shapely Compliment

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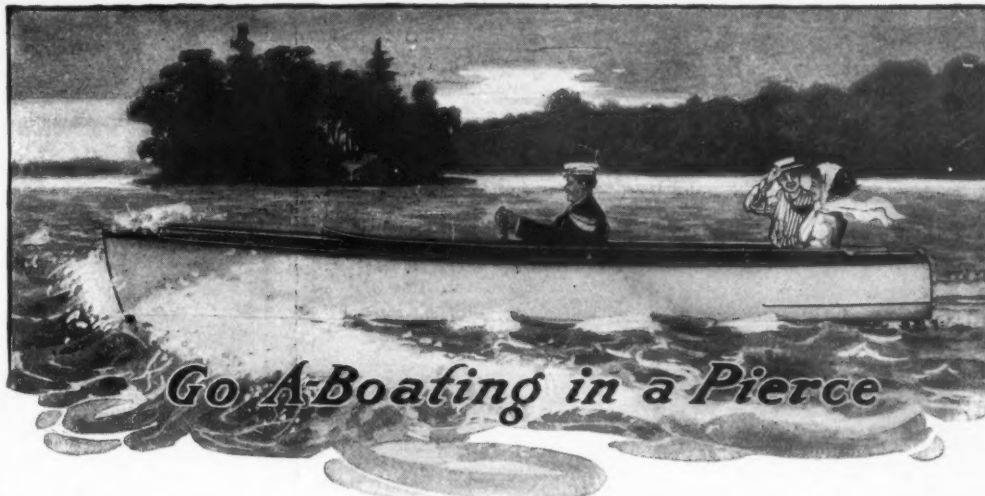
For a great variety of reasons, quite too many to set forth here, LIFE begs to be excused from making the announcement desired. If it did, folks might think it was joking and stay away; or they might go and get unsettled in their minds. LIFE is simply contemplative and irresponsible about woman suffrage, and feels happier that way, and would rather remain so than be urgent either for or against. *In medio tutissimus ibis*—"Be neutral and get slugged by both sides." That seems to be the part of wisdom and comparative peace at present in this matter of votes for women.

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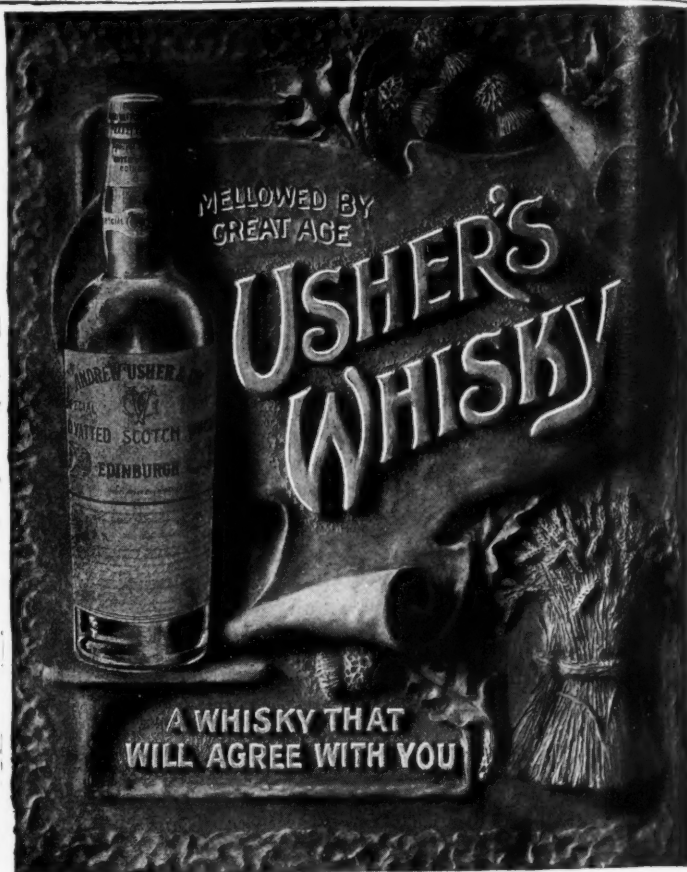
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"Who gave him the little hatchet?"

"His father. And his father—"

"Whose father?"

"George Washington's."

"Oh!"

"Yes, George Washington. And his father told him—"

"Told who?"

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"No, his father told George—"

"Oh!"

"Yes; told him he must be careful with the hatchet—"

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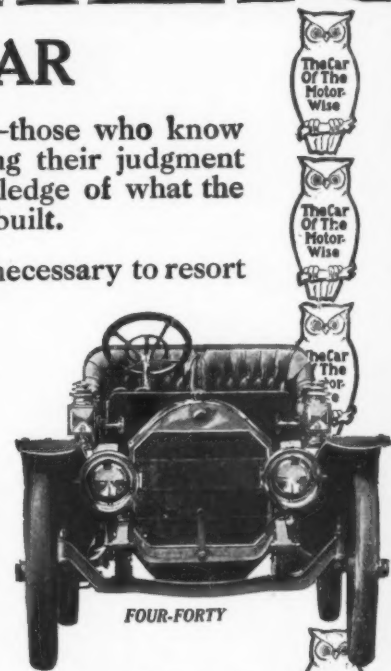
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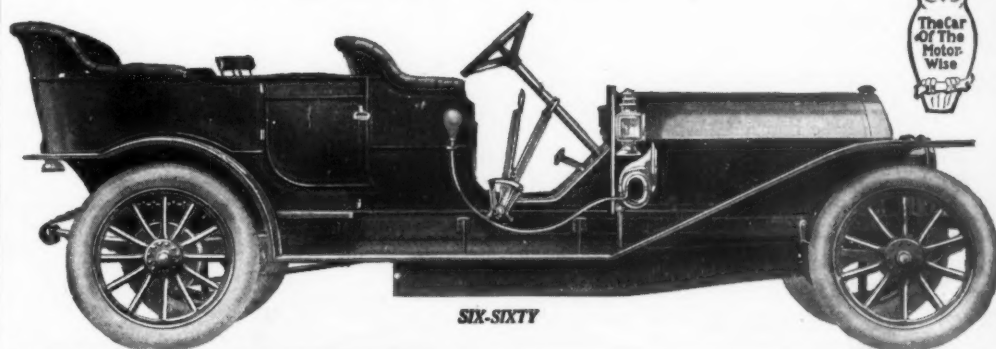
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"Who cut it down?"

"George did."

"Oh!"

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"His father did?"

"No, no; it was George said this."

"Said he cut his father?"

"No, no, no; said he cut down his apple-tree."

"George's apple-tree?"

"No, no; his father's."

"Oh!"

"He said—"

"His father said?"

"No, no, no; George said, 'Father, (Continued on page 301)



"WHY DID YOU CHOP DOWN THIS LITTLE CHERRY TREE?"

"BECAUSE IT WAS TOO MUCH OF A JOB TO TACKLE THE BIG APPLE TREE."

Sparks From Old Anvils

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"But his father came home and saw it the first thing, and—"

"Saw the hatchet?"

"No, saw the apple-tree. And he said, 'Who has cut down my favorite apple-tree?'"

"What apple-tree?"

"George's father's. And everybody said they didn't know anything about it, and—"

"Anything about what?"

"The apple-tree."

"Oh!"

"And George came up and heard them talking about it—"

"Heard who talking about it?"

"Heard his father and the men."

"What were they talking about?"

"About this apple-tree."

"What apple-tree?"

"The favorite tree that George cut down."

"George who?"

"George Washington."

"Oh!"

"So George came up and heard them talking about it, and he—"

"What did he cut it down for?"

"Just to try his little hatchet."

"Whose little hatchet?"

"Why, his own, the one his father gave him."

"Gave who?"

"Why, George Washington."

"Oh!"

"So George came up, and he said, 'Father, I cannot tell a lie, I—'"

"Who couldn't tell a lie?"

"Why, George Washington. He said, 'Father, I cannot tell a lie. It was—'"

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I cannot tell a lie, I did it with my little hatchet.' And his father said, 'Noble boy, I would rather lose a thousand trees than have you tell a lie.'

"George did?"

"No, his father said that."

"Said he'd rather have a thousand apple-trees?"

"No, no, no; said he'd rather lose a thousand apple-trees than—"

"Said he'd rather George would?"

"No, said he'd rather he would than have him lie."

"Oh! George would rather have his father lie?"

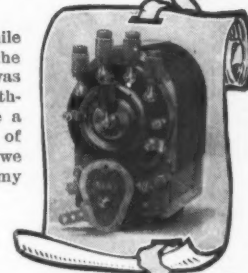
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Sparks From Old Anvils

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The Editor's Opinion

I always think of verse-writers when I am in this vein; for these are by far the most exacting, eager, self-weighting, restless, querulous, unreasonable, literary persons one is like to meet with. Is a young man in the habit of writing verses? Then the presumption is that he is an inferior person. For, look you, there are at least nine chances in ten that he writes *poor* verses. Now the habit of chewing on rhymes without sense and soul to match them is, like that of using any other narcotic, at once a proof of feebleness and a debilitating agent. A young man can get rid of the presumption against him afforded by his writing verses only by convincing us that they are verses worth writing.

. . . Above all, that there should be no hurry in printing what is written.

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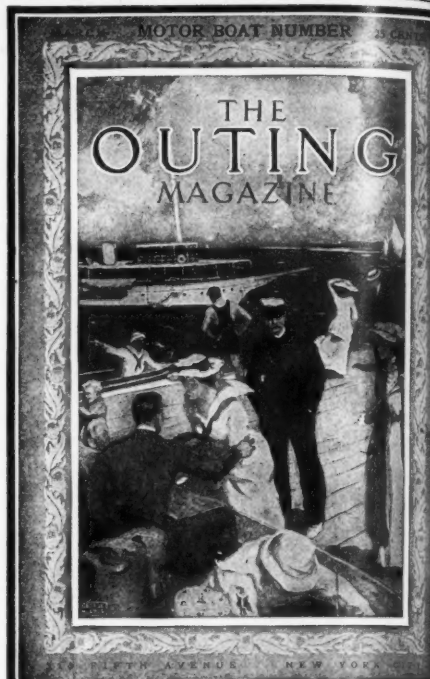
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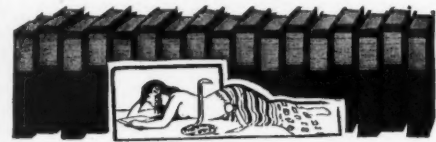
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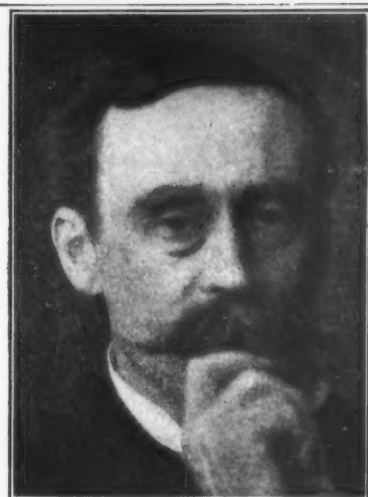
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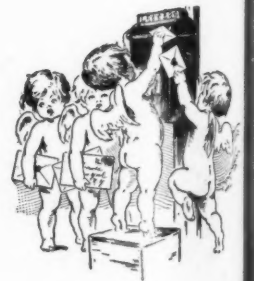
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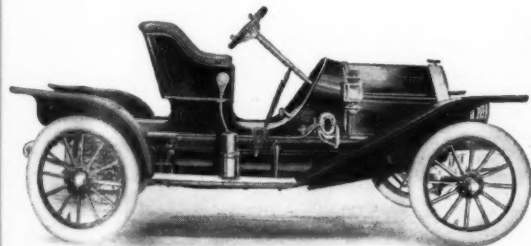
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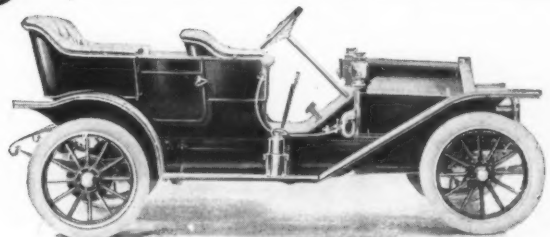
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