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Moslem University at Cairo, is far more valuable than any other book ever made, for every letter in the book is printed in gold. Perhaps the writers of the Koran had a hunch that their product would have very little literary value, hence proceeded to give the one copy a literal value that would preserve it, at least as a curiosity, for a long time to come.

The Sheppard-Towner Maternity and Infancy Bill is still on the Senate Calendar as a subject matter for consideration. The House, last Spring, at the urgent request of The National League of Women Voters, adopted a measure continuing the operation of the act. Renewal of appropriations are necessary and the women affiliated with the League have commenced a campaign to see that the Bill is not permitted to die in the United States Senate. The "fair" lobby should have no trouble in convincing little better than onehalf of the senators that their cause surpasses, for instance, Boulder dam in importance.

Many barbers may not agree, but the president of the Journeymen Barbers' International Union is authority for the statement that "baldness is inevitable as long as men encounter scalp diseases in barber shops." He predicts that "women will soon be similarly afflicted" unless sanitary conditions are greatly improved in many shops and state sanitary regulations of such places is made an actuality. The Barber's hairbrush is one of the instruments in a barber shop which a man who values a healthy scalp can well afford to repudiate.

The motorists in the United States owe \$1,378,-000,000 on the automobiles they are driving at the present time, if the survey made by the National Automobile Chamber is correct. About 64 per cent of all new cars and about 50 per cent of all used cars are sold on time. The average individual indebtedness for new cars is \$595.00, while the average automobile debt on used cars is set at \$275.00. It is evidently a considerable strain on the average American to have a motor vehicle for his pleasure and business needs.

The Lutheran Aid Association in Appleton, Wisconsin, in 1926 issued 8626 adult certificates, representing approximately \$11,050,500 in membership insurance. In the last six months of 1926 there were issued 1547 juvenile certificates. The association, no doubt, is doing considerable business on FAITH alone. All of which leads us to think that the fellow who said: "What's in a name, anyhow?" didn't know what he was talking about.

The publishers of Iowa have started out to block the establishment of a proposed state-owned and operated printing plant at Fort Madison or Anamosa. Just fancy how much propaganda such an institution could issue. The inmates might be able in time to do wonders for the world on the outside—bringing society around to the prisoners' point of view.

The National Association of Real Estate Boards reports that a backswing from the city to the farm has begun. The people who have left the farms for the bright lights of the cities are evidently beginning to learn that real independence, life and living is, after all, that which we collect out in the rural community and not in the congested area of the city.

Another ancient bit of aid to proper habiliment is coming back into use, according to a ukase recalling the suspenders, issued by the National Association of Merchant Tailors, which met at Memphis in January. The belt around the waist will be relieved of duty while the elastic shoulder band will resume its accustomed place, if the tailors are permitted to regulate men's dress.

The crusaders against the "weed" should dig up the old city laws of Boston for the 40s to find a precedent in support of their campaign to ban the cigarette from public places, for at that time Boston, by law, forbade smoking on the public streets, and as late as 1848 prosecuted violations of the anti-smoking ordinance.

That there is still, in spots, considerable reverence for historic things is demonstrated in the fact that several rooms in the Apsloy House, the Picadilly residence of the great Duke of Wellington, are still kept in the condition in which they were when he last occupied them. Posterity sometimes does show due respect.

The stout fellows in Berlin have organized a Fat Men's Club and are said to be doing a wholesale business, although membership qualifications are on the basis of physical weight. Only those who tip the scale at 350 pounds can join but it is said that the boys who weigh over 400 pounds are holding down a substantial majority in the new club.

If the doctors are to be believed, leaving out the experience of the layman, over-eating has sent more people to their graves through the centuries than over-drinking. If the latter has slain its thousands, the former has slain its tens of thousands. Unfortunately, few ever think of the overindulgence in eating as having anything to do with morality.

Well, he didn't make much of an impression as a governor, but just the same it will furnish Walter M. Pierce with the first impressive stanza to all his future political speeches, which we fancy will commence in this fashion: "When I was governor of Oregon, etc., etc., etc." Not a great deal beyond that fact can truthfully be said.

Of the millions of professed lovers of the common ordinary cat, how many make any real effort to prevent the enormous increase in numbers that is constantly going on? Tens of thousands of cats are annually born to lives of suffering and homelessness.

Now that State Street in Chicago, has been made into a "white way," innocent parties should be able to venture out on that White Way without fear of being shot, after the sun goes down. So many persons have lately been shot by mistake in Chicago because of the darkness.

It is queer that people don't discover that they cannot hate and love at the same time and that they are only wasting time trying it. Cultivate an ounce of hate and you will damage a ton of love. Hate and Godliness will never mix. The two don't travel together.

Comes now the ladies of the land as patrons of the tonsorial shops, where men formerly had no competition. It is estimated that more than five million women, annually, in the United States, now visit the barber shops.

According to statistics, enough milk was produced in this country in 1925 to fill a canal, reaching from New York to San Francisco, sixteen feet wide and as deep as the Erie Canal.

The man who has learned to say no to the demands of his own insurgent nature has armed himself betimes against assaults from without.

An epigram has been defined by someone as something that sounds like it ought to be true.

When you want to use a beautiful word be sure you have the right place for it.

There is much difference between imitating a good man and counterfeiting him.—Benjamin Franklin

Contentment is the philosopher's stone that turns all it touches into gold.

