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## Bible Thought For Today

**THE RIGHT ATTITUDE:—** O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture; and he is the voice of his pasture. Psalms 95:6, 7.

## WHAT TO TEACH.

Everybody wants something else taught in the grammar schools. More music, more art, more manual training, table manners, home management, general economics, world history, evolution—these are a few of the subjects regarded by their pushers as all-important.

It may be granted that it is desirable that the future citizen be taught all these things and more. But life is short, and there are only 60 minutes in an hour.

One thing many well-wishers of the schools forget, and that is the foundation on which these studies must rest, if they are to do any good. First and foremost, schools must teach their children how to think. If a child has been taught how to get a tight hold of facts in his memory, how to reason problems out to their conclusions, then when he is a bit older he can be trusted to tackle for himself, with sound results, matters of art, economics, health, manners and carpentry.

But if all his training is slipshod and superficial, none of it will stick. Thorough analysis of arithmetic examples, maintenance of standards of excellence in spelling, education of hand muscles in legible writing, rules for grammar which will help make of it that "clear cold engine" Huxley said it should be.

Anything can be learned or done with a well-trained mind. Nothing can be done with a lazy, lazy, unexercised mind.

## MELONS AND MARKETS.

A meeting of growers and shippers was held the other day at the United States Bureau of Markets at Brawley, Calif., to discuss the advisability of holding down shipments of cantaloupes from the Imperial Valley to five crates per acre for two days. Over 500 cars went out of the Valley in one day.

This is a slight gain in taking thought about distribution from the old days when earloads of peaches were shipped and then thrown away at the receiving point to "keep the price up". Everybody lost in that case.

There is no question of glutting the city markets with ripe fruit. The market which can be glutted is only that small fraction of the population which can buy at high prices. There is no limit to the amount of fruit in season which a population can absorb at prices within reason.

But somewhere along the line between the underpaid farmer and the overcharged consumer the price undergoes a sea change into something new and strange. Being, transportation and reasonable services of those who handle it do not explain the difference. American business enterprise, with all its productive efficiency, is still strangely backward about distribution.

## Prejudiced Histories

There need not be so much adverse comment in the North regarding the plea made at the Confederate Veterans' convention for southern school histories written from the southern viewpoint. The North has had, ever since the Civil War, its histories written from the northern viewpoint and right or wrong, many of them have been unnecessarily offensive to the South. Sectional views of the great war may differ for a hundred years to come, though time's perspective steadily blurs the outlines and softens the animosities.

It is unfortunate, though, that any such issue should be raised, now or hereafter. What is needed more than any ministering to sectional pride and prejudice is such an attitude of open-minded fairness on the part of historians, statesmen and other creators of opinion as will enable the people of different sections to understand each other's viewpoint and sympathize with each other. Historians, fanning popular prejudice and passion for profit or from false patriotism, have much to answer for in this irritable and war-ridden world.

## Successful Protection.

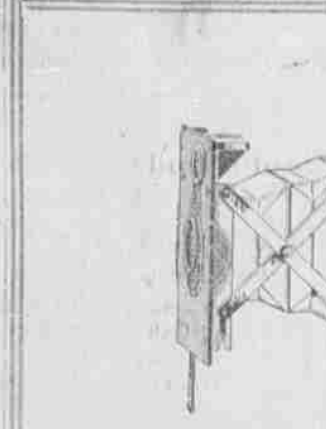
When laws are passed or treaties made to combat specific evils it is a good plan to check up on them within a reasonable length of time to find whether they are working successfully.

In one instance, at least, five years of operation show marked success. That is the Migratory Bird Treaty ratified by Canada and the United States five years ago to protect birds which winter in this country and breed in Canada. At the time the treaty was signed, several varieties of migratory birds were on the verge of extinction. Others were shrinking fast in numbers. All of these birds have been increasing in the years since the treaty, at first slowly, now more rapidly. An Ontario land owner who leases his 10-acre bird sanctuary with great interest reports that a few years ago seven geese and ducks wintered on his farm. The next year the number returned and brought 11 more. Each year the flock has continued to grow with the marvelous result that last year there were between 5,000 and 4,000 of the birds on his place. While the treaty protects the birds, the birds in turn do their part to pro-

text the farms and forests, for there has been an increase in the birds which are particularly helpful in keeping down insect pests.

## A Fallen Hero.

It may be unfair to compare Harry Ruth with Patsy Arbuckle, yet both seem to be something in common between the two. Both have been

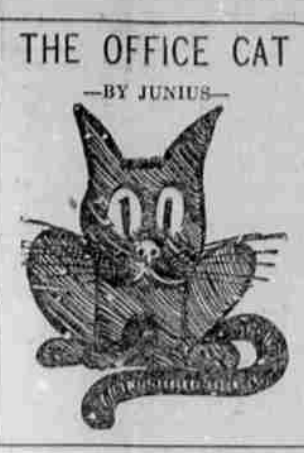


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**Economical**  
John—"Just burned up a \$109 bill."  
Demijohn—"You must be a mil. lionaire."  
John—"Well, it's easier to burn them than to pay them."

## THE OLD GRAY MARE

The old gray mare I used to drive, is out of use, but still alive. She's but the shadow of the steed. Who once was brimming full of speed. There's something lacking in her eye That makes her seem to want to sigh. But nothing man could do or dare Would make her part with my old mare— For long we've known each other well And many stories we could tell Of times when we a flying went To meet the ones on pleasure bent.

Two living sport, and I'm so glad To keep her for the fun we've had. Her feet still, warm as any today, Has windows facing my garage. And you should see her looking bored At me when drinking up my Ford.

It's much easier to impress the neighbors than to impress the man who makes the loans at the bank.

## The Great American Festival

Pat was helping the gardener on a gentleman's place and, observing a shallow stone basin containing water, he inquired what it was for. "That," said the gardener, "is a bird bath."  
"Don't ye be foolin' me," grinned Pat. "What is it?"  
"A bird bath, I tell you. Why do you doubt it?"  
"Because I don't believe there's a bird alive that can tell Saturday night from any other."

Without any actual work to do, the head is just a loafing place for thoughts and ideas.

She—"How did they ever come to marry?"  
He—"Oh, it's the same old story. Started out being good friends you know, and later on changed their minds."

Two plans used to make a quart, we learned, but now they make a funeral.

To Better Advantage  
"Ethel has a new bathing suit."  
"I suppose she is anxious to show it off."  
"No, I think her anxiety is to show it on."

The ideal hammock should be just large enough for one, but strong enough for two.

A Hard Case  
Hotty—"Uncle is going to marry Mr. Whoads to reform him."  
Helen—"How interesting. What

is it? Drink, cards, gambling or what?"  
Betty—"He's a tightwad."

One Word More  
"Have you given Jack his final answer yet?"  
"Not yet—but I've given him my final 'No.'"

Woman's page note from the Kansas Industrialist: "If rescued early enough, a batman with a fringe makes a fetching dress."

July 10th last day to pay rent without a penalty. 7-6-21  
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Other strap pumps with turn soles and low or medium heels are in all sizes and widths, priced at \$2.50 pair.

**English "Boxing Day"**  
Boxing day is the 26th of December, and is one of the four legal bank holidays in England. It was on this day that in older times the gentry made presents, especially of money, to their servants and dependents. These presents came to be known as Christmas boxes.

**Salt Supply Here to Stay.**  
The salt supply is not likely to be exhausted. Every pint of sea water contains a half ounce of salt and it is estimated that there is salt enough in the sea to cover the entire globe to a depth of 63 feet. The Scandinavians and people of northern Russia are the greatest salt eaters in the world.

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