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TRUST IN THE LORD with all thine heart; and lean
not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknow-
ledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.—Prov. 3:5, 6.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

"Milk Caused Man's Downfall."
—Newspaper headline. Ten nights
in a dairy, or the evils of drink.

The car was a Pullman by
birth.

What most men desire is a
permanent shave.

COW MADE
How is the milk-maid?
He said with a bow,
It isn't made, sir,
It comes from a cow.

Apparently the ideal candidate
must be prominent enough to in-
spire respect and not able enough
to arouse suspicion.

From now until November "no
man's collar" will have a time get-
ting itself worn.

Correct this sentence: Let's
make him leader of our gang,
chorused the boys, because he has
nice long curls.

Inventions and Discoveries We
Are Waiting For.

A device for automatically clog-
ging taxi-meters after a reason-
able limit—say, the first mile.

Some method for preventing
loose garters from dragging on
the floor (especially when danc-
ing).

An instrument for measuring a
girl's limit (understand it as you
will) before taking her out.

A machine for torturing stags
who insist on cutting in.

Lip sticks that won't smudge or
otherwise leave evidence of a
man's weakness.

A device for steering automob-
iles with the feet.

Helmets that do not tear so
easily.

A smokescreen for obscuring a
chaperone who is particularly con-
scientious—or very curious.

Probably the only man who
knows just how Hiram feels is
Mr. Bryan.

Mother says that the only way
to make a good husband is to be-
gin spanking him for selfishness
at the age of three.

Hope should always be equip-
ped with a parachute attachment
to let it down easy.

You will find a girl who does
not close her eyes while kissing
doesn't keep her mouth shut after-
wards.

A country is safe so long as
scandal is rare enough to justify
large headlines.

Friend of family to old colored
washerwoman: Have you seen
Miss Edith's fiancée?

Edith pondered for a moment
and then bent over the laundry
tubs once more. "No, ma'am, she
said. It ain't been in the wash
yet."

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST
SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO
THE EDITOR IF THEY DE-
SIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

MR. GARLICK ON MARS.

To the Editor:

Can you spare room for an
article on the planet Mars?

"Mars Declared Inhabited, Com-
munication Improbable," so de-
clares one of our daily newspa-
pers. Why scientific men of
great mental power should still
feel pessimistic after all the wun-
derful revelations of science dur-
ing the past century is surprising.

Communication with Mars (not ad-
mission of being considered probabi-
list) is certainly a foregone conclu-
sion.

Mars as a member of our Solar
System is enjoying the same light
and heat that we do and no doubt
the Martians are just as keen to
converse with us as we are to con-
verse with them. It is an older
world than ours and probably far-
ther advanced in knowledge and
better able to understand us than we
are to impart anything new to the
Martians. Who will dare to deny
the probability of some of the
master minds of history being
round conjuring on Mars today or
on some of the other major plan-
ets of our system.

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The Task and the Will

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the text of a periodical without meeting the self-improve-
ment salesman. He's there every month in the front of
the book with a scheme to make your lungs as capacious
as a blacksmith's bellows and your memory as enduring
as that popularly ascribed to the elephant. He seeks to
plant in you a desire for biceps as powerful as Mr. Zhy-
sko's and a will as unyielding as Gibraltar.

Especially is he anxious about your will power. He
insists if you say every morning, "I will have a million
dollars before I die," that eventually that prospect will
materialize.

This may be entirely true, and a strong will may be
capable of scaling any height. But much depends on the
task set for the will. It might be as well in the end if
there were courses arranged for deflation of a lot of the
will power in the world. A movement for weaker wills
would stop, among other things, all future wars for it
would do away with a vast amount of selfishness. A will
as inflexible as Everest is not particularly precious if it
is exercised in trampling on the rest of humanity to reach
a seat in the sun.

Lincoln did not repeat the "I will" formula periodically.
Historians seem to agree that he groped along in a con-
sciousness that he was an instrument of God.

The picture of the downy sophomore clenching his fists
before the mirror and parroting the mystic ritual is en-
gaging. But perhaps it would be better in the beginning
if he substituted faith for gymnastics in will power. Faith
moves men forward with no loud gritting of teeth and
digging of nails into the palms. The will developer is apt
to be an annoyance to himself and a nuisance to his friends.
Faith annoys no one, and it is a lot more comfortable than
looking intense and cutting a neighbor's throat.

Just Be Careful

When one sees the magnificent overhead crossings in
Union county—and this county has more than her share—
they bring to mind the terrific expense of bridging the
railroad so that the careless brothers may have their lives
spared.

Searching just a little we find that to eliminate all of
the more than 250,000 grade crossings on Class One rail-
roads would cost, it is estimated, \$19,000,000,000. That is
not far from the valuation of the existing railroads.

Admittedly it is desirable to get rid of grade crossings.
Doing so would save thousands of lives. But we will make
no progress in that direction by misrepresenting either
responsibility for the grave situation or the respective
rights of railroads and users of the highways. There is
not here any conflict between privilege and public rights.
The railroads are agencies of public service. Not a train
is run, either to transport goods or to carry passengers,
except to serve the public.

There is slight inconvenience to automobilists in stop-
ping at the relatively few railroad crossings they encoun-
ter in a day's journey. There would be enormous loss and
inconvenience to patrons of the railroads were trains re-
quired to stop at every highway grade crossing their lines.
The grade crossing problem is a grave one. It will not be
solved without respect for common sense.

Faster and Faster

O Man, to what heights of art art thou not soaring?

A human being has thrust himself, in a crude mechan-
ical device, through the air-envelope that covers Mother
Earth, at the rate of 288 miles an hour.

This is the fastest that any living thing ever has been
propelled by its own volition.

Too much, perhaps, we dwell upon our kinship with
the other animals. Man is, after all, the king. He has
done what was not done before, and the heart gives a leap
of hope at the prospect which lies before him.

In the hand of Fate we lie, the fingers clenched tightly
over us. With this achievement of Lieutenant Maughan,
it seems that one finger is slowly being forced back. The
crushed thing flutters. It fain would deny the barriers,
struggle free. If time and space can be thus conquered,
may not the riddle of life itself one day be solved?

should be confined with the
circle of this earth's orbit. In-
deed the greatest of all the promises
made to Abraham could not be
fulfilled on this little earth.

It is the duty and the privilege
of man to study the stars heav-
ens, because they declare the
glory of God and silence the
tongue of the atheist.

It is only a little while until all
the major planets of our sun's
family will interchange views on
revealed and un-revealed questions.
When all of the great intelligences

on all planets of the system will
be consulting together as to best
arrangements for a periodical
united demonstration of worlds in
their love and adoration for their
great creator. How infinitely small
will this world's sectarian differ-
ences appear—when all the worlds
of the Solar System join in one
song of praise to the great Cre-
ator of all worlds.

Apologizing for trespassing on
your space, Mr. Editor, don't be
in doubt about Mars or Venus or

any of the other planets, they are
all ours and it is only a question
of knowing how.

Yours truly,
L. GARLICK

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