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SPIRIT THAT COUNTS

YOUNG GIRL LEARNED LESSON AS TO TRUE HOSPITALITY.

Sparsity of Fare Need Never Be a Deterrent to a Cordial Invitation to Sit at Table With the Family.

It was Monday noon. Old Martha, grumbling, was hanging the last of the wash on the line. She really enjoyed washing, and would have been insulted had her mistress suggested sending it out; but being of a pessimistic temperament, she grumbled upon principle.

In the house, Miss Elizabeth and her niece Muriel, who was visiting her, were setting the luncheon on the table. It was a "pickup" luncheon Monday, Miss Elizabeth explained, as she set two pieces of custard pie and a saucer of snow pudding on the sideboard. Muriel nodded. The family to which she belonged knew all about "pickup" meals. But suddenly a look of consternation swept across her face.

"Aunt Elizabeth!" she cried, "I here isn't a visitor—getting out of a carriage!"

Miss Elizabeth looked over Muriel's shoulder. "It's Mrs. Stacey Reed!" she declared. "Put the tea on the table, child. I'll bring her right out."

"Bring her out?" Muriel repeated; but her aunt was already opening the door, and Muriel, in an agony of embarrassment, knew that she had not even taken off her green-checked apron. She gave a hasty glance over the table. A little warmed-over fricassee chicken, left from Sunday's dinner, and some quince preserve from supper, bread and butter and dried beef, radishes and tea—and the two pieces of custard pie and one portion of snow pudding! It could not be that Aunt Elizabeth would bring a visitor out! But she was interrupted by Aunt Elizabeth's voice, cordial and full of pleasure:

"Come right out, Mrs. Reed. We were just sitting down to luncheon. This is my niece, Muriel Hastings. Muriel, will you get Mrs. Reed a plate?"

Muriel set a plate for Mrs. Reed. She could not talk, it all seemed so embarrassing. At home they would have put off luncheon forever rather than ask anyone out—so. She waited in a torture of anxiety for her aunt's excuses. Then slowly she began to realize not only that there were no excuses, but that both ladies seemed to be enjoying themselves. Aunt Elizabeth only laughed when she offered the guest her choice of custard pie or snow pudding.

That evening Muriel suddenly said: "Aunt Elizabeth, I never knew one could have company like that. We never do at home."

Miss Elizabeth's eyes dwelt kindly upon the young face, which already had its tired lines of worry. "Do you like to 'put folks out,' Muriel?"

"Why, no, of course not," the young girl answered.

"Well, then," Miss Elizabeth answered, smiling.

"But it would work only with real ladies," Muriel persisted.

"Well, then," Miss Elizabeth answered again.—Youth's Companion.

Too Much.

In persuasive tones the good-looking woman who had secured an interview with the taxicab manager tried to convince him that the company owed her \$2.02.

"Something broke," she said, "and I was held up for 45 minutes while the driver tinkered with the machine."

Her manner was so impressive that the manager was on the point of writing out a check for the money demanded, but before doing so he remarked:

"It certainly was a case of overcharging. It wasn't your fault the cab broke down, and he should not have charged you for the time it took to make repairs."

"O," said she, "he didn't. It isn't overcharging I am complaining about. He made me late for a bargain sale that closed at 11 o'clock, and when I finally got there I had to pay \$4 for a blouse that had sold up to 11 o'clock for \$1.98. It is the difference I am fighting for."

Then the manager closed his check book.—New York Times.

Osier's Cure for Gout.

Since his proposition that man should be chloroformed at sixty, Dr. William Osier has been regarded more or less as a grim monster by many people, says "One Who Knows Him." In reality Doctor Osier is a mild-mannered man, with a fund of genuine humor, as witness the following cure for gout which he once recommended to a friend:

"First, pick a handkerchief from the pocket of a spinster who never washed to wed; second, wash the handkerchief in an honest miller's pond; third, dry it on the hedge of a person who has never been covetous; fourth, send it to the shop of a physician who never killed a patient; fifth, mark it with a lawyer's ink who never cheated a client; and, sixth, apply it, hot, to the gout-tormented part. A speedy cure must follow."

Good Way.

"Yes; we had a big home wedding." "You say it passed off smoothly?" "Yes; we hired a Broadway director and he staged it just as if it had been a musical comedy."

SONG OF A BOY.



Wouldn't you like to be
 A bolterous boy like me,
 And leap and run
 Just for fun?

Wouldn't you like to skate
 After school, so late!
 Or play snow-ball
 Till mother's call?

Wouldn't you like to go
 A-hunting through the snow
 Like Indian wild,
 Yet just a child?

Ah, yes, I bet you would
 Be like me if you could,
 And once you were just so—
 Long time ago!

ALMANAC CARRIED IN HEAD

Memorizing Little Rhyme Will Enable One to Know Day of Week First Day of Month Falls On.

Of course you have seen the large number of calendars that are given away every year, and you may have admired the little pocket almanacs that business men give you for a stick in his waistcoat pocket. Well, here is one that you can stick in your head.

First of all learn this little rhyme:
 Time Flies Fast,
 Men Wisely Say,
 Men THINK, Alas!
 Time's Pooled Away.

The capital letters beginning each word stand for a day of the week. T is for Tuesday and TH for Thursday. S is for Saturday and A for Sunday. M for Monday and F for Friday. W is for Wednesday. The twelve words are for the order of the twelve months, three in each line.

The capital letters tell you what day of the week the first day of the month will fall on in 1912, so that you can tell your friends what day of the week their birthdays will fall on or what day will be Christmas or Fourth of July.

Take the Fourth of July. It is the seventh month and the seventh word begins the third line of your verse with an M. If Monday is the 1st of July Thursday will be the 4th.

Any day late in the month may be found by counting sevens. Christmas, for example; December 1 is a Sunday, so the other Sundays are 8, 15, 22 and Christmas must be on Wednesday.

This rule will not apply to January and February, because this is leap year. The verse gives the 2d for them.

WHAT IS A NO-FARE CHILD?

Cincinnati Car Company Has Installed Ingenious Attachment to Tell Exact Height of Children.

The Cincinnati Car company has attached in all their cars an ingenious attachment which is known as the fare mark. Should a parent claim that her child is entitled to ride free, being under five years old, and should the conductor have his doubts on the matter, he hustles the youngster to the fare mark, and if he or she is over



that mark, then the fare has to be paid. It has been computed that the average five-year-old is 41 inches, and on these lines the company base their estimate.

Non-Laughing Peoples.

There are whole peoples who cannot laugh. The North American Indians, for example, are usually devoid of humorous perception, and when some of the Veddahs of Ceylon were asked why none of their people ever laughed they solemnly replied that they never see anything to laugh at. On the other hand, some savages appear to have a more robust sense of humor than their civilized brethren. Doctor Livingston tells of an African tribe who, when dressed in clothes for the first time, "rolled about on the ground in uncontrollable fits of laughter."

Competition in Value Giving is Honest Competition

The value of a shoe, as related to its price, is the true test of a shoe bargain. Merely a low price on a shoe you wouldn't want at any price if you knew the unvarnished shoe truth about it, about its slighted workmanship, its low grade of leather—should not impress you at all.

This shoe store doesn't sell the lowest priced shoes in town. It does not attempt mere "price competition." But it DOES sell shoes that in actual VALUE GIVING, set the pace for all competitors, and usually sets it so that competitors prefer to talk "prices" rather than values. Our line of SELZ SHOES cannot be beat for value giving.

Your Dress Accessories Should Be as Classy as the Clothes You Wear

Some one has said that the right kind of a tie adds 10 per cent to a man's dress, and the wrong kind cheapens it 50 per cent. At a small price you may buy ties at our store that will add more than 10 per cent to your dressed-up-ness. Let us show these ties.

They're ties for people who believe it worth while to wear the classiest that may be obtained.

No Deteriorated Foods at Any Price

It's worth a lot, in way of peace of mind, to know that no deteriorated foods are ever apt to get into your house. And you are positively assured of this, that nothing of the sort will get into your house THROUGH THIS STORE.

Price concessions on deteriorated food products are merely one kind of a swindle, and one that ought to have its penalties.

A grocer must KNOW his business, in addition to having a conscience, if his patrons are to be protected in what they buy for their tables.

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