

GREETINGS

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I wanted a wire paper clip. Miss Smith, also new to the ministry, said she would fetch some from the storekeeper. That's what started the matter. I pinned the loose papers together and went on with my work.

The storekeeper had evidently refused to part with any clips without an order. Miss Smith brought me a printed folder containing a request for "paper clips, wire," which she had typed in triplicate on paper headed "Ministry of Economy. For departmental use only." She said it was the right thing to do and I was to sign it, and then Mr. Jones, downstairs, would deal with it. It sounded quite innocent; I initialed it without misgiving.

Later in the week the folder came back. It contained several "extra" sheets of paper and had evidently traveled.

The first minute was from Mr. Jones: "In reference to Mr. Temporary's request for paper clips, wire, for departmental use, I fail to see what advantage these have over paper clips, brass, which are in use in my department."

Mr. Robinson said that the question opened a wide field, and he had requested the storekeeper to let him know how many paper clips, brass, he had in stock. "See attached sheets A and B." These were a formal request to the storekeeper, and his reply, to say he had 37 one-gross boxes on hand and one box, partly opened, which he estimated to contain 60. If the exact number was required he would have the clips counted.

Mr. Short pointed out that his colleagues had not noticed that the matter was one which came within the province of the ministry of wire drawing. He had consequently put through a request for a price at which paper clips, wire, could be supplied. He attached a carbon copy of his letter, and a reply from the applied wire department, ministry of wire drawing, to say the matter was receiving attention and would be dealt with in due time.

The next minute was from a gentleman who had evidently set the vast machinery of the directorate of office supplies and sundries at work. Attached were papers from them to say they had paper clips, wire, as well as paper clips, brass, in stock. They wished to be certain that no change in design was necessary, and were sending, by motor, samples of the paper clips (wire) they had in stock, as perhaps one or other might prove suitable. Appended were other papers of which the first was from the chief of the departmental garage to say he had a motor at Huntington awaiting a consignment of paper. He had instructed the driver to return at once. On his arrival he would dispatch goods as requested.

At this point Miss Smith entered: "Will you make out an order for a typewriter eraser?"

"No," I answered firmly. "You will please give this dime to one of the messenger girls and ask her to go out and buy one!"—S. P., in London Mail.

Two War Heroes.

The two colored soldiers of the American army in France who became famous for their bravery and courage in preventing more than twenty Teutons west of Verdun from executing a well-developed plan to assault one of the most important points of resistance on the American front, have been decorated by the French. Their names are Henry Johnson and Needham Roberts. Both are privates and members of the old New York National Guard. It is said these men have been awarded the war cross by the French general of the division under whom the unit is serving, and that Johnson is scheduled to receive the much-coveted gold palm of the French army commander as well.—Southern Woman's Magazine.

"I Like Gravy."

At a recent dinner party that included the little folk in their high chairs, the guests fell to talking of that custom of the dark ages—making children wait until the second table.

"When I was a little shaver," said a prominent attorney, "my brother and I were holding forth in the kitchen. Twice the gravy bowl had been refilled. The third time it was returned to the dining room my brother stuck his head through the door and yelled: "Don't eat up all the gravy. I like gravy."

"Fish Meal" for Cattle.

On the shores of the North sea there has recently been started a factory for the manufacture of what has proven to be a very satisfactory food for live stock from the refuse of a fish-packing plant. A "fish meal" is turned out which contains 55 per cent of albumen and 12 per cent of fat. It is eaten by swine and some cattle accept it readily. Besides making use of a refuse, it releases much grain otherwise demanded for food by these animals.

Ten Years a Long Time.

"Why is Wombat hustling so strenuously? I thought he retired with enough to live on."
"It looked like enough to live on—ten years ago."—Judge.

REACH LIMIT IN ABSORPTION

Small Things Like the Turmoil of a Great War Cannot Disturb Chess Devotees.

To its devotees chess is the most absorbing of all mental activities, the game that above all others brings complete forgetfulness of the world to those who play and those who watch the moves, observes a writer in the New York Herald.

A striking example of this self-absorption has been shown recently in the rooms of a local chess club when distinguished experts struggled for supremacy in the mimic field heedless of the stupendous four-year struggle that was fast drawing to a close on Europe's shell-torn, blood-soaked board. What was the reckless slaughter of thousands of German soldiers in comparison with the sacrifice of a single ivory pawn standing guard before its queen? Which one of those who moved the pieces or of the greater number who watched them with furrowed brows and fast-beating hearts thought of the Kaiser's peace offer while the queen's gambit was passing before their eyes? The pope may lift his voice in words of solemn counsel, but they heed him not. The only ecclesiastical power that they recognize is that of the mitred bishop sweeping into the heart of the enemy's country and smiting the rock as it stands.

To read the printed accounts of this tournament is to recall the old Puck picture of two chess players carried in their chairs from a burning building with the board between them. Nor do we wonder at the fact that it was only while absorbed in his daily game that the exiled Napoleon could forget Sir Hudson Lowe.

EPIGRAPHS PROVE A PUZZLE

Explanation of Hieroglyphics Admittedly Very Old Will Surely Be of the Greatest Interest.

Amateur archeologists of California are endeavoring to interest professional scientists of the East in the epigraphs which abound on the rocks of Round Valley, not far from the city of Bishop, and which are believed to be as old, if not older, than the hieroglyphics of earliest Egypt, to which they bear a strange resemblance.

It is believed by many that the strange markings constituted the names by which ancient tribes marked the source of water supply for the benefit of those of their number who lived roving lives.

These hieroglyphics have never been deciphered, although they are matters of record in the leading museums of the country. It is said. The Indian tribes now living in the vicinity declare they are the work of the Indians of North America and that they antedate all aboriginal lore.

Some who have examined the strange markings in the flinty bowlders say the hieroglyphics closely resemble those of earliest Egypt and may replace the latter as the first written language of humanity.

They are found always in the vicinity of water supplies, the same markings discovered near Bishop appearing also on rocks extending through the Canadian border, down through Washington, Oregon and California to the Mexican line and beyond. This fact, it is argued, indicates that prehistoric tribes marked a highway for their migrating members or for their armies, giving specific directions as to the best water supplies along the way.

French Live Stock on the Decline.

The United States food administration has called attention to the large decrease in live stock in France since the beginning of the war. In cattle this decrease amounted to 2,500,000 up to December, 1917; in sheep the decrease amounted to 6,238,000 head; in hogs to 2,809,000 head. In the period since owing to the food shortage there has been a still further shrinkage. Figures like these indicate that there will be a large and insistent demand for live stock from this country for the foreign trade for many years after peace is finally established.

Good American Family.

Thirty years ago a girl came to this country from Russia to marry Louis Flesher, an immigrant from the same country. They settled in Springfield, Mass., and when the United States entered the war they had four sons, the oldest 23. All of them entered the army and the eldest has distinguished himself in battle. He is the young man who, having lost an arm and an eye while carrying ammunition through shell fire, optimistically exclaimed: "I'm the luckiest Jew in the army. Any other man in my place would have been killed."—American Israelite.

"Olive" Oil.

Over 500 different types of husked rice or paddy were under examination last year at one of the government agricultural farms in Burma, and over 200 types of sassafras were grown at another. Hitherto much of the sassafras grown in Burma has been exported to Europe, where it is used for the production of the so-called "olive oil" for which France and Italy have long been famed.

Try a Tricorn.

Stop to think how often a certain clerk in the bakery department of a certain downtown store helps you to decide on a round marshmallow cake or a square chocolate in preference to a three-cornered devil's food.
"Look at the tricorns left again," snickered the white-aproned diplomat. "Never catch me makin' for tri's; too hard to wrap."—Indianapolis News.

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