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A girl loses her self possession when she puts on a wedding ring.—Chicago Daily News.

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The laundry bill doesn't come out in the wash.—Chicago Democrat.

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SUSAN B. ANTHONY.

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Mrs. Redd—And what did you say to your husband when he said the cake wasn't half baked?

Mrs. Pepper—I told him he was.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

They Are No Longer Friends.

Fay—That Miss Snapp is just hateful, isn't she?

May—Yes. You were present yesterday when she told me I was "the homeliest girl in our set," weren't you?

"Yes; and I gave her a piece of my mind about it afterward."

"That was kind of you, dear, but I hope you weren't too severe."

"Well, I told her how sensitive you must be about it."—Catholic Standard and Times.

The ground cannot be made too rich for gooseberries and currants, and any extra attention given them the first year will have its effect for years after, as a good start is an advantage. Plant in rows four feet apart, cultivate thoroughly, and then mulch. Cutting out the old wood should not be overlooked. It is not difficult to get large yields of fruit when the soil is rich and the cultivation is thorough.

Full House.

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"Yes."

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The issue of Collier's Weekly for May 26th is strongly tinted with a political flavor which makes it an admirable preliminary to the two conventions at Philadelphia and Kansas City. The special article by Senator Frye, of Maine, is a clarified summary of legislation for which the Fifty-sixth congress is responsible. Senator Frye's position as president of the senate gives this article an ex cathedra tone that is most convincing. No other man in the United States is qualified to prepare so moderate and unbiased a synopsis of the winter's legislation. The idea of political activity is further carried out by Henry Loomis Nelson in his judicial article on the issue of imperialism. Mr. Nelson is qualified by his ripe experience to handle the delicate subject of territorial expansion in a way that must bring true light to every conscientious American.

Placing the Blame.

She looked at him scornfully, even indignantly.

"Would you let a woman stand while you occupy a seat?" she asked.

"Madam," he replied, "do not blame me. The fault lies primarily with your own sex."

"How so?" she demanded.

"I did not receive proper home training," he answered.—Chicago Post.

The Color Line.

"I'm not prejudiced, as a general rule," said Mr. Poindexter, looking fixedly at his wife, as she entered the room, "but the color line is drawn in this house from now on."

"Why, what do you mean?" she asked.

"Bleached hair doesn't go," he replied, violently.—Philadelphia North American.

To make sealing wax for fruit cans, take eight ounces of rosin, two ounces gum shellac and a half ounce of beeswax. Melt all together. This will make a quantity, and may be melted for use when wanted.

Thick brown paper should be laid under carpets if the patent lining is not to be had. It saves wear and prevents the inroads of moths, which, however, will seldom give trouble if salt is sprinkled around the edges when the carpet is laid.

Diplomacy.

Miss Wonder—Why do you always ask Miss Singer to play her own accompaniments?

Miss Gabby—Why, she always plays loud enough to drown her own voice.—Baltimore American.

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