

SCHOOL DAYS



What Lincoln Would Have Said

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

THERE is that blasphemy that speaks, Of heaven with the hectic cheeks Of dissipation. There can be Another sort of blasphemy, A sacrilege another kind: When men assume to speak the mind Of Lincoln, when they dare to say What he would think upon this day, What he would say if he had pow'r Upon some question of the hour.

What Lincoln would have said he said: Now let the record stand. The dead Have rights as well as living men. Who dares to speak for Lincoln then? His great heart sleeps. Who shall assume

To stand beside the martyr's tomb And answer now for Lincoln's heart? What base ventriloquist art With Lincoln's voice today recites? Remember that the dead have rights.

Hide not behind the honest name Of Lincoln, seek to cloak your shame In his white robes. For only ghoul's Rob great men's graves, and only fools Put on the garments they lay down. The jester in the monarch's crown, Play demagogue, if play you must. But keep your hands off dead men's dust.

Nor rob the great defenseless dead And say "what Lincoln would have said."

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SAWS

By Viola Brothers Shore

FOR THE GOOSE—

IF YOU think the thing you're about to do might be wrong, listen to your mother and don't do it. If you know it's right, listen to your mother, but go ahead.

Why is it next week looks bigger than all last year?

Once you let your neighbor come in without knockin', you gotta keep the latch on all the time.

FOR THE GANDER—

Educatin' a fool is as much use as givin' a blind man a birthday present of a mirror.

Even a traffic cop'll talk gentle when there's no motors in sight.

If people hate you, it's often on account of some'n inside themselves. But if they despise you—look into it.

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"When a young fellow determines to get ahead," says Sagacious Sarah, "it is a pretty fair indication he already has one."

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

THE MINSTREL SHOW

THAT the once popular minstrel show was an institution of American conception is to be assumed, for the negro as a character is, of course, the product of America. But that the impersonations which sang and laughed their way to popularity all over the world were the outgrowth of a man's sentimental fancy, years before the Civil war, is not generally known, nor the peculiar circumstances of its beginning.

For years Ned Christy, later world famous as the originator of the minstrel entertainment, nursed a heart-felt desire to portray to the North the life of the southern darkies. In the spring of 1842 at a hotel in Buffalo, he suddenly proposed to the proprietor of the establishment that he give some darky impersonations for the entertainment of the other guests. He had come unprepared, but with the assistance of the proprietor's son and another young man, some burnt cork and a banjo, violin, tambourine and bones, he gave his darky show. It met with so much favor at the hotel that he repeated the performance once or twice every day for several months.

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Mother's Cook Book

Take home a smile; forget the petty cares, The dull grim grind of all the day's affairs; The day is done, come, be yourself awhile, Tonight, to those who wait, take home a smile.

WAYS WITH BACON

THE fat from the breakfast bacon should be carefully saved. It may be used to fry potatoes, as shortening for biscuits, and as fat to bind soups, provided the family likes the flavor. It may be used in spice cake for shortening, saving butter.

Spanish Rice.

Brown four slices of thinly cut bacon and remove them when well browned and crisp. To the fat in the pan add one-half a green pepper finely shredded, a tablespoonful of chopped onion and fry until the onion is a light brown. Add one cupful of boiled rice and one cupful of stewed tomato. Season with salt and pepper and add a little sugar. Cook about fifteen minutes or until thick and the liquid is absorbed, then add a tablespoonful of butter, place the bacon on top and serve from a chafing dish.

Bacon Salad Dressing.

Cut four or five thin slices of bacon into squares and fry until crisp. Mix one-fourth teaspoonful of mustard and one teaspoonful of sugar with one egg slightly beaten, add one-third of a cupful of vinegar (diluted if too strong) and pour into the pan containing the bacon. Stir and cook until the egg thickens to the degree of cream. Serve over lettuce salad.

Scallop of Bacon and Cheese.

Sprinkle the bottom of a baking dish with a thin layer of bread crumbs, put in a layer of thinly sliced bacon, cover with a layer of grated or thinly sliced cheese, add another layer of crumbs, bacon and cheese, then cover with a thick layer of buttered crumbs and bake until the crumbs are brown. Bacon fat poured over lettuce, sprinkled with seasoning, add a little vinegar after the fat has been poured out, and when hot, add to the lettuce. With minced onion or green peppers this makes a most tasty salad.

Nellie Maxwell
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THE YOUNG LADY ACROSS THE WAY



The young lady across the way says she isn't a bit superstitious, but she guesses she'll invite one more girl to her luncheon, so as not to have 13 sit at the table.

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HOME-SEWING TIME IS NEAR; GORGEOUS EVENING WRAPS

YES, the time has come to plan for spring sewing. Now that all the holiday decorations are packed away for another season, the "thank you's" all written, the children back at school, too early for golf, too late for grand opera, what to do but sew, sew, sew! Surely all signs are propitious for a January sewing bee.

House frocks to make, a supply of dresses for the kiddies, draperies for the windows—let's study up "what's new" in spring wash goods. Notebook handy? Might want to jot down a few items for reference.

For one thing, write as an opening notation that prints are outstanding

Evening wraps are reveling in a veritable orgy of gorgeousness. It seems as if elaborateness cannot be carried too far to please women of smart fashion. "Temperance in all things"—except the formal coat or cape, which may carry to excess color, fur and novelty handstitching without transgressing the law of fashion.

The wrappy coat which swathes the figure is perhaps the favorite. Often it introduces a draped treatment, after the manner of the model in this picture. Superb turquoise blue velvet is the chosen medium for this exquisite wrap. It is embellished over the hips with silver spangles and stars over a



A Simple House Frock.

for spring. Quaint chintz patterns and grandmother prints, printed satens, and especially printed batistes and dimities. "They say" small figures will predominate, especially on the heavier weaves, though peering into the far future one sees big-flowered organdies.

Fabrics on the order of pongee, also English cotton reps and Scotch madras are favored for washable daytime frocks, likewise rayon mixtures. Competing with the new prints is broadcloth in a range of delectable plain colors. This is an ideal fabric for sports and simple daytime frocks, for it launders perfectly. There are

rosy silver cloth. Of course it is smartly befurred, for most of the evening wraps are. In this instance luxurious silver gray fox is the preferred trimming.

There is spirited rivalry between velvet, brocade and metal cloth for the formal wrap. When velvet is used it is in some gloriously illuminative shade, lavishly furred, shirred, draped and embellished.

As to metal brocade, it fairly effervesces with what might be called jewel colorings, for theirs is the red of the ruby, the yellow of the topaz, the green of the emerald, the purple of the amethyst reflected amid the



Elaborate Formal Wrap.

also printed broadcloths to be had. These, with novelty rayons, show mostly small patternings.

As to styling, the trend is toward something clever and "different" from the some-time ago popular bungalow apron effect. There is a decided favor expressed for short sleeves. Some of the newest spring models introduce the bolero—if not actually, at least simulating it. Pockets are made much of, following the inspiration, no doubt, of winter styles.

It is "pockets" which give to this dress of sateen print which you see in the picture a note of individuality.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY,
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