

THE SPRING BLIND.

"To tell you the truth, old fellow, I never understood why with your capacity for domestic enjoyment you remained an old bachelor. Early disappointment in love?"

"I vowed to marry her or not at all, and she—"

Just at that moment the spring roller blind of a house that faced directly on the sidewalk flew up with a sudden "br-r-r" and a snap. Both the men looked around, and both were just in time to catch sight of a remarkably pretty girl's face with a pout of vexation on it.

"Who is that girl?" Guthrie asked.

"I'm afraid I don't know her, old fellow," said Bean.

"You haven't any idea who lives in that house, have you?"

"No, I haven't. Oh, by the way, I think I do know! Unless I'm mistaken, that's old Calthorpe's place. He's a fellow commutator of mine, and that's about the full extent of our acquaintance. But she isn't the young lady of your secret, is she?"

"That's just it," said Jeff, with a puzzled expression. "She can't be, and yet that face for the moment looked—"

"Like her? Was her name Calthorpe?"

"No. Her name was Sargent."

"How long ago was it?"

"Seven years."

"It isn't a long story," Guthrie presently continued. "She taught school there in that faraway little village among the hills and the mines. I was interested in her from the first and tried to win my way into some sort of acquaintance with her. But she seemed disinclined to anything like society."

"You didn't stay there more than a year altogether, did you?" Bean asked.

"Much less than a year. I never exchanged more than six words with her in all the time we were both in that village."

"Is this girl very much like Miss Sargent?"

"So much like that it wouldn't be remarkable even if they were twin sisters."

Guthrie's visits to the home of his married friend were all much alike in one very pleasant feature—he always romped with two out of three children, while the youngest, the baby, looked on and crowded and jerked itself about enviously.

"Now, what is it?" Mrs. Bean asked, turning to her husband when Allie and little Jeff had both been finally silenced under the bedclothes.

"Oh, it isn't my affair," said the husband.

"We—I—wanted to ask if you knew a Miss Calthorpe here, living in that new red brick house at the end of the common," said Guthrie.

Mrs. Bean shook her head. "No Miss Calthorpe lives there," she said. "Mr. Calthorpe lives there."

"Oh," said Bean, "was that old woman Calthorpe's sister?"

"She isn't really old, dear. She's younger than Mr. Calthorpe. There's one daughter, I believe."

But that night Mrs. Bean said to her husband: "Leave me alone for two days, and I will know all about your window blind young lady. Then make Jeff Guthrie come here and stay overnight."

The next visit of Jeff Guthrie was planned for a Saturday evening, with arrangements for a stay over Sunday.

After church this subtle woman insisted on lingering about the porch until a gray haired lady came out, and with her daughter, the girl who had pouted at the window blind.

"Mrs. Perry, let me introduce our particular friend, Mr. Guthrie, and this is Miss Perry."

Nothing could have been more properly conventional than this introduction, and that was why Guthrie was so angry with himself for turning red and becoming confused. Mrs. Bean had, unknown to Guthrie, expressly invited these two ladies to dinner beforehand.

"Tell me, have you any relative—had you, I should say—of the name of Sargent?"

The girl's face changed in a moment. She was pale and bit her lip.

"Oh, Mr. Guthrie," she said, "you must ask mother that! I don't know about it. It was only a little girl of ten when poor Margaret left us and married that—"

She checked herself, then after an embarrassing pause went on, lowering her voice to a whisper and glancing round at her mother. "Did you know her—him?"

"I once knew a Miss Sargent very slightly."

"Where?"

"In Pennsylvania, at Brinkville."

"Oh, yes! He treated her so badly, after all, she had to go somewhere and be a teacher. Mother would have forgiven everything, but Margaret was too proud to come back to us. She went and called herself Miss, I suppose. We only heard that she had died in Pennsylvania—nothing more. I was sent to school in Germany soon afterward."

"I understand," said Guthrie, "your mother has had a great deal of trouble."

"That is why she looks so old at fifty. Tell me, please, am I so much like poor Sister Margaret?"

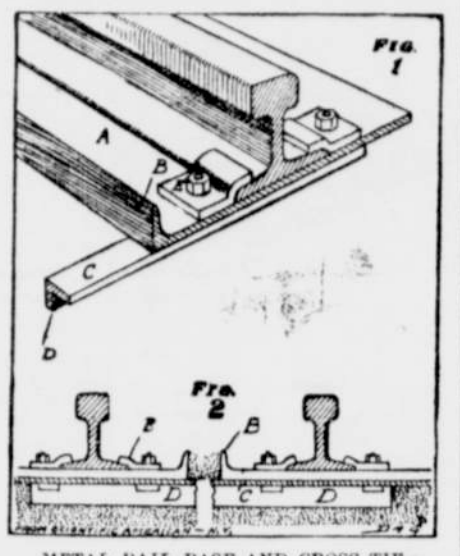
"So much that I thought I was looking at her for the moment when you appeared at the window."

Jeff Guthrie ceased to be the old bachelor friend of the Bean family, and it was all owing to the escape of that roller blind from a girl's fingers. The marriage of her youngest daughter at least was against Mrs. Perry's wishes; neither was it an unhappy one, and Mrs. Bean prided herself upon having brought it about.—Pittsburg Post.

NEW TIE CONSTRUCTION.

Metal Rail Base and Cross Ties For Railroad Tracks.

A substitute for the wooden tie construction is illustrated in the accompanying engraving. The rails are laid on metal base plates indicated at A. Each base plate is provided with a flange along its inner edge, which is denoted by the letter B. It will be observed that these base plates extend longitudinally under the rails and form a continuous support for them. At frequent intervals the base plates are connected by means of cross ties C, which are also provided with a flange along one edge. This flange extends downward, as indicated at D, and is imbedded in the ballast of the roadbed so as to provide an anchor for the tie. The rails are secured to the base plates and ties by means of clamps E, which are fastened in place with bolts. The upturned flanges B of the base plates afford abutments against which the ballast is packed. Thus they guard against lateral movement or distortion of the track, while



the flanges D of the ties prevent longitudinal movement or creeping. The flanges also serve as guard rails to catch and retain the wheels of a derailed train or car. The base plate provides a smooth surface for the derailed car, obviating injury or shock which results from a car bumping over the ordinary ties. The continuous bearing for the rails provided by the base plates prevents low joints with the resultant hammering, which soon wears out the track. The Messrs. Temple of Ohio have secured a patent on this tie construction.

RE-ENFORCED CONCRETE.

A Structural Material Suitable to Any Kind of Building.

By re-enforced concrete is meant a building having a concrete framework or skeleton and either concrete, masonry or brick curtain walls. The concrete frame must have steel re-enforcement designed, fabricated and placed by or under the supervision of technically trained and experienced engineers.

Too frequently is the assumption made that concrete is an easy thing to handle and that any one can work with it safely. The collapses and failures of concrete structures which have occurred in the United States have been due to just such ideas. The plans for the buildings have been drawn by men who did not appreciate the amount of detail and the study necessary to provide for all contingencies. The erection was entrusted to contractors who had no perception of the importance of the proper placing of the re-enforcement or of the necessity of rigid inspection of materials constituting the concrete, let alone an appreciation of the problem of forms and their removal.

Granted that re-enforced concrete is given the consideration every other structural material receives as far as design and erection are concerned, there are presented to the prospective builder or owner a material and method of construction which, though comparatively new commercially, but old historically, are entirely satisfactory for industrial purposes. Re-enforced concrete is being used all over the world today for nearly every kind of structure, from telegraph poles and fences to great arch bridges, sixteen story buildings and factory plants many acres in extent.—J. P. H. Perry in Engineering Magazine.

Regenerating Rubber.

In a process recently patented in Germany for the regeneration of vulcanized india rubber, fragments of old rubber are mixed with from one-tenth to one-fifth their weight of aniline, and the mixture is heated until it becomes fluid. The special advantage of the process is the comparatively small quantity of solvent required. The regenerated rubber is said to be little inferior to new rubber in elasticity and other properties. It can be vulcanized in the usual way and can afterward be regenerated again by the new process.

Special Bee Sense.

Gaston Bonnier affirms that the ability of bees to fly straight to their hives from a distance as great as two miles is not due, as some have believed, to either sight or smell, but to a special sense of direction possessed by bees. M. Bonnier bases his belief in the existence of this strange sense, which would be extremely useful to man also, on a series of experiments with homing bees. He does not know what organ the sense is located, but he says that, at any rate, it is not in the antennae.

Substitute For Leather: belting.

An excellent substitute for leather belting can be made from a piece of ordinary fire hose, splitting it up the middle into two parts—i. e. two belts can be made from one piece of hose.

Humor and Philosophy

BY DUNCAN N. SMITH

PROCRASTINATION.

IN Cuba they think it No terrible crime To do things tomorrow Or any old time. Today is for pleasure, Not worry and strife, Nor bustly leading, The strenuous life.

The beautiful present They don't like to waste On labor that spelleth Undignified haste. A task that's unable To wait, they declare, Can go without doing For all that they care.

It may be their climate, But it is the case They do not hunt labor Nor give it a chase. And if we are careful Our neighbors to scan We'll find a few people Built just on that plan.

It isn't the island; It isn't the sun; It's plain human nature Just having a run. On labors accomplished They may not be strong, But it is a cinch they'll Be dead just as long.

Very Reasonable.

"Don't you think my new bathing suit is perfectly charming, Maud?"

"Yes; it is very pretty, but I fear it isn't serviceable."

"Why not?"

"Does it fit you?"

"Perfectly."

"I am sure it will shrink when it is wet."

"Oh, well, I can wear it all season without washing."

Appreciative.

"What do you want?" asked the great publisher.

"I would like to sell you a popular song," said the struggling author.

"Who is it popular with?"

"Me, for one."

Only There is a Difference.

"I notice one thing."

"What is it?"

"A woman always judges of the beauty of a piece of wearing apparel by the price."

"Well, I, too, have observed that when the wearing apparel is his wife's a man applies the price test too."

His Reason.

"Do you believe in woman's rights?"

"Me?"

"Yes?"

"Course I do."

"Do you? Why?"

"Because it is the most comfortable belief to hold these days."

Delighted.

"He is a golf enthusiast."

"Old player, is he?"

"No."

"What?"

"Not at all. In fact, he can't play for string beans. But he has learned how to swear."

Observe.

It's the little things that count. Kindly notice what I say When you check up the amount You are called upon to pay.

It's the little nickel leak That depletes your modest pile. If relief you haply seek Save one every little while.

Save a dollar or a dime Get your friends the same to do. Then when comes vacation time They perhaps will lend to you.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Opportunity fools a man about as often as he takes it in.

Money in the banks is influential—as long as it stays there.

People who are very fond of company are not so apt to be particular as to the quality.

We are always either flattered or suspicious of the man who argues with us.

If you can't tell what a woman means, don't make the mistake of asking her to elucidate.

Don't imagine that attracting attention is in itself a praiseworthy thing.

The more you argue with a woman the more determined she is to stick to her point—in which she doesn't differ from a man.

Don't undertake to make the other fellow sorry unless you are willing to be sorry yourself.

Riches always have had wings, and they probably can now be depended upon to get flying machines.

Nothing stimulates industry like a healthy appetite.

Life is made up of a lot of things that we don't like and one or two that we are crazy about.

WHY GIRLS SUCCEED.

The Business Maiden Must Be Careful With Her Pennies.

One of the hardest lessons the business girl has to learn is to save, says Barbara Boyd.

It is difficult for youth, with its enthusiasm and ambitions and rose colored view of life, to anticipate want. Whereas for age—isn't there a Prince Charming coming some day who will take care of her?

It is difficult to save on \$8 a week. Try it.

But nevertheless a girl should resolutely make herself save. And if she once gets the habit, if she acquires ever so small a bank account, this in itself helps. It pays to start a saving fund, if only with \$1, just for the little niche it makes in the memory and the insistent voice with which it asks for more.

Many schemes are devised by business girls to help them save. One girl has a number of little envelopes labeled with her various needs—"luncheon," "car fare," "church," "board," "laundry," and so on. Each week when she gets her salary she slips into each envelope its requisite amount, and when it is due the money is there for it. She is not the girl who must run and borrow of her landlady when the laundry comes or who must ask her friends at the office to loan her enough for her lunch the day before salary is due. This method of planning leisurely and calmly how she will spend her money enables her each week to set aside a little for saving.

Another girl puts away a certain amount when she gets her salary, saying laughingly, "If I don't have it I can't spend it." But though she saves by this method, she probably doesn't get as much out of what she spends as though she planned more carefully.

Planning in one form or another is the keynote to saving. Hasty buying and thoughtless spending are its deathknell. The girl who wants to save should plan carefully her expenditures, her regular weekly expenses as well as the twice a year expenditure for clothes.

The girl who wants to save should not buy her clothes thoughtlessly. She should not buy on impulse. She should deliberately plan her clothes campaign, know beforehand what she wants, buy that and that only. She will be dressed with better taste and better get the worth of her money.

This all may be tiresome and bore-some to do. But it will pay a girl to set herself to the task resolutely. It puts a different aspect on life to have a few hundred dollars in bank. And it may put you in a position to grasp opportunities which will mean much to a happy and useful future, but which you might be afraid to venture without some money to your credit to fall back upon.

HOUSEWIFE HINTS.

Use strips of shoe leather to tack heavy roses to the house or trellis, since it outlasts twine or strips of goods.

Cut out the corners from all heavy envelopes, for they are excellent for holding coins sent by mail. They also make good book corner protectors.

Knitted underwear makes the softest and best ironing holders. Put several thicknesses together and quilt on the machine. Make a tape loop to hang the holder to a nail.

A box of sardines and a can of shrimp, both prepared for eating and served together on lettuce leaves with a dressing of oil, vinegar, onion juice, salt and pepper, make a delicious salad. Mayonnaise dressing may be used.

Be careful where you place your dressing tables and mirrors. Sunlight will destroy the finest bevel French plate, and it is impossible to restore the backing without considerable expense. Dampness will destroy it in the same manner.

When scraping new potatoes they will invariably blacken the hands. There is nothing better than a piece of lemon for removing the blemish, and when obstinate if a pinch of powdered pumice is placed on the lemon it will instantly remove the stain.

To quickly prepare coconut or horseradish pare for scraping and lessen the task and the usual "crying" when grating the horseradish by running the roots through the chopping machine. All hard and fibrous pieces of horseradish should be pared before running the roots through the machine.

To have a hardy scarlet Rambler make a good showing plant it with the rack extending north and south. In this way the rose gets all of the eastern and western sun and will bloom profusely on both sides. This is one of the most luxuriant roses one can cultivate, and it delights in the entire sunshine of the day. If the long branches of this rose are turned down and covered with earth it will make a new branch, and in this way one can soon have an arbor of scarlet roses.

Very Absentminded.

An interesting event occurred in the household of a scientific gentleman who is a member of one of Uncle Sam's chemical bureaus in Washington.

The gentleman himself was hard at work in his home laboratory when the news was brought him.

"It's a boy," quietly announced the physician as he stopped on the threshold.

"All right, all right," muttered the absentminded chemist as he bent over his work. "Er—oh—ask him what he wants, won't you?"

Atwater Street Assessment

Notice is hereby given, that pursuant to Ordinance 129 and 138, passed by the common council of the city of Bandon, Coos county, Oregon, providing for the improvement of Atwater street in the City of Bandon, Oregon, that assessments have been levied upon the following property, and the owners thereof, in amounts as follows, to-wit:

Commercial Addition		
Blk 3, lot 10	Rosa Company,	\$162 50
Woodland Addition		
Blk 4, lot 8	Kime Estate,	\$213 20
" 3, " 10	Yang's Estate,	213 20
" 3, " 11	Kime Estate,	225 30
" 5, " 9	Rosa,	25 85
" 5, " 10	Rosa,	92 95
" 5, " 11	Rosa,	95 40
" 5, " 12	Rosa,	91 35
" 5, " 13	Rosa,	94 60
" 7, " 14	Rosa,	98 60
" 7, " 5	Bandon Mfg Co.,	114 40
" 6, " 6	Bandon Mfg Co.,	106 30
" 6, " 7	Bandon Mfg Co.,	94 20
" 6, " 8	Bandon Mfg Co.,	102 25
Unplatted lot	Bandon Mfg Co.,	185 95

Ferry Creek Addition		
Blk 2, lot 7	J J O'Neil,	\$163 30
Woolen Mill Addition		
Blk 7, lot 1	Strang,	\$163 30
" 7, " 3	Strang,	55 80
" 7, " 4	Strang,	55 80

Woodland Addition		
Blk 7, lot 1	Scadding,	\$ 86 60
" 7, " 2	Scadding,	86 60
" 7, " 3	Scadding,	102 75
" 7, " 4	Scadding,	118 90
" 8, " 1	W. Gallier,	100 65
" 8, " 2	W. T. Diller,	95 00
" 8, " 3	D. M. Charleston,	91 75
" 8, " 4	Mary A. Lowe,	94 20
" 8, " 5	Maie Walker,	93 38
" 8, " 6	Bredillon,	97 42
" 8, " 7	Haberly,	105 50
" 9, " 1	ary Walker,	100 55
" 9, " 2	Mary Walker,	92 50
" 9, " 3	Mary Walker,	88 50
" 9, " 4	Frank Lowe,	84 40
" 9, " 5	Frank Lowe,	76 30
" 9, " 6	W. E. Ellis,	76 30
" 9, " 7	A. Ellington,	64 70
30 feet C. Ellington,		48 50
100 feet Shields & Kennedy,		161 70

This notice is published October 7th, 1909, first time, and last time upon October 21st, 1909, and each of all of the above assessments are due and payable to the Treasurer of the City of Bandon on or before November 11, 1909, and if such assessments be not paid as directed, then the council of the City of Bandon is empowered to issue writs of execution authorizing and directing the sale of each of said lots or tracts, in the manner that delinquent taxes are collected, in such amounts as follows, to-wit:

This notice is published under and by direction of the common council of the City of Bandon, Oregon.

Dated October 7th, 1909.

C. R. WADE,
City Recorder.

Notice of Street Assessment

Notice is hereby given, that pursuant to Ordinances Number 126 and 139 duly and regularly passed by the common council of the City of Bandon, Coos county, Oregon, providing for the improvement of North Columbia avenue, that assessments have, by such ordinances, been levied upon the following described property, for the purpose of improving said avenue, and giving credit to certain property owners for improvements already made, there remains assessments due upon said lots and tracts, in the manner that delinquent taxes are collected, in such amounts as follows, to-wit:

Lot 1, blk 1,	Ennice L. Jamieson,	\$103 30
" 2,	Peter Loggie,	103 30
" 3,	Hiram W. Coats,	103 30
" 4,	Hiram W. Coats,	103 30
" 5,	D. A. McCormick,	8 30
" 6,	D. A. McCormick,	8 30
" 7,	E. B. Fish,	11 05
" 1,	R. W. Lundy,	103 30
" 2,	R. W. Lundy,	103 30
" 3,	R. W. Lundy,	103 30
" 4,	S. E. Oldy,	103 30
" 5,	P. Hamahan,	8 30
" 6,	P. Hamahan,	8 30
" 7,	J. J. O'Neil,	11 30

This notice is published for ten days, the first upon Thursday, October 7, 1909, and the last upon Thursday, the 21st day of October, 1909, and notice is hereby further given, that the above sums are due and payable on or before the 11th day of November, 1909, and that unless such assessments above levied be paid on or before such 11th day of November, the law confers upon the council the right to cause writs of execution to be issued against such property, and the same sold in the manner provided for law for the collection of delinquent taxes.

Dated at Bandon, Oregon, Oct. 7, 1909.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Ore.,
September 11, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas B. Wheeler, of Bandon, Oregon, who, on November 29, 1907, made Homestead Application, No. 14721, Serial No. 04389, for se 1-4 of sw 1-4, 1-2 of se 11-4, and sw 1-4 of se 1-4, section 33, township 29 south, range 14 west, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. T. Traudgold, U. S. Commissioner, at Bandon, Oregon, on the 27th day of October, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Robert Walker, of Bandon, Oregon.
E. L. Spaulding, of " "
Kenneth Perkins, of " "
3664 BENJAMIN L. EDDY,
(Not coal land) Register.

Notice of Sale of Tide Lands

Notice is hereby given that the State Land Board of the State of Oregon, will sell to the highest bidder, at its office in the Capitol building at Salem, Oregon, on December 14, 1909, at 10:00 a. m., of said day, all the state's interest in the tide and overflow lands hereinafter described, giving however, to the owner or owners of any lands abutting or fronting on such tide and overflow lands, the preference right to purchase said tide and overflow lands at the highest price offered, providing such offer is made in good faith, and also providing that the land will not be sold nor any offer therefor accepted for less than \$5.00 per acre. The Board reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

Said lands are situated in Coos county, Oregon, and described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the meander line of the Coquille river at the northwest corner of lot 6, which said point is 1320 feet east and 1905 feet north from corners sections 17, 18, 19 and 20, running thence along meander line as follows, to-wit:
S 84° E 130 feet.
S 74° 45' E 492 feet.
North 36 feet to low water line.
N 75° E 15' W 257 feet along low water line.
N 73° E 10' W 232 feet.
N 80° W 137 feet.
S 100 feet to place of beginning, containing 1.31 acres, being tide land fronting on west half of lot 6, sec 17, T. 28, S. R. 14 W. of W. M.

Applications and bids should be addressed to G. G. Brown, Clerk State Land Board, Salem, Oregon, and marked "Application and bid to purchase tide lands."

G. G. BROWN,
Clerk State Land Board
Dated this Sept. 28, 1909.

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