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I, who now stand with eyes undimmed and dry
To say good-by.

Today good by to all sweet memories,
Good by to tender questions, soft replies;
Good-by to hope, good-by to dreaming, too.
Good-by to all things dear-good-by to you.
Without a kiss, a tear, a prayer a sigh—
Our last good-by.

### POISON IN KISSING.

A Physician's Views As Presented at a Medical Meeting.

[Utica (N. Y.) Letter.]

Lives are daily sacrificed and diseases are daily communicated by the promiscuous habit of kissing. As a custom it should be abandoned among women in their greetings.

It is within my remembrance that a boy was suddenly stricken down with that dreadful malady, diphtheria. The mother kissed the son most affectionately, but it was the kiss of death for her. I have no doubt other physicians have noted similar observations.

In the sacred precincts of the fireside, when death has laid its relentless hands on one of its members, the common practice of kissing is liable to induce septicæmia, and thus other precious lives be exposed to the venomous sting of death. As you can see more easily the action of a drug when given in a large dose, so you will see more pointedly the danger arising from kissing by giving an illustration of a malignant disease.

There is no longer any doubt in regard to the inoculability and infectiousness of consumption. It is not an established fact that it is not contagious. When you remember that more die by its insidious hands than from any other cause, but few families or relatives of families can be exempt from it. This being true, should not persons visiting such unfortunate individuals do away with the accustomed mode of greeting by kissing? A disease which has resisted the treatment of the most skilled up to the present day should be prevented if possible. Is human life to be sacrificed for the sake of conforming to a custom? Change the custom, and other ways of greeting will be equally popular and much more sensible and safe.

The bacillus of phthisis is a minute form of organized life, which acts so subtly that the introduction of it into the system would not be manifested by any immediate symptoms. As surely as "a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump," just as surely will the microscopical germs multiply in the system in the most marvelous manner. Soon there will be a hacking cough, some elevation of the temperature, hoarseness or shallow voice, and the work of destruction now noticeable goes on until its victim can no longer resist its invasion, and death claims the victory.

There is a disease more terrible than the two previously mentioned. It is peculiar to no grade in the social world; it is handed down "up to the third and fourth generation" when it gets thoroughly seated in the system, unless treatment be continued for years. It is more terrible than cancer, for that is not hereditary. It is constitutionally destructive, while cancer is more locally so. It eats away the palate, destroys the hearing, softens and disintegrates bones, and in its hereditary descent produces malformation of brain and body. It exists very extensively in this country, but more so in other parts of the globe. A person may have the appearance of health, yet the system may be poisoned by it. Such a person kissing another upon the lips free from the disease, could communicate it. Every physician has seen these cases in hospitals or in private practice. Laying aside the question of heredity, a dissolute husband may convey it to his wife, and she in turn to her children or lady friends through kissing.

#### Origin of the "Student's Lamp."

[St. Paul Pioneer Press.]

Prominent as ornaments on a St. Paul parlor mantel stand a couple of English lamps, whose claims to heirloomship are indisputable as their age, which is known to reach 150 years. They are made of hammered silver, and are noted for that prodigality of material our dear, dead progenitors favored—probably because the Comstock lode hadn't been discovered and silver was regarded as worth taking pains about.

The lady owner of the lamps was asked by a gentleman guest a few evenings ago if she had ever tried to use them as anything but ornaments. She replied, with surprise: "Of course not. They wouldn't burn." The gentleman made a close examination, and, fired with a desire for discovery, took one of the lamps to the dining-room, and with it a student's lamp of the ordinary German pattern. He took both lamps apart, and, as he suspected, their plan was precisely similar. The feed, the wick arrangements, the reservoir—each and all corresponded. The inference is plain that the German who has reaped so rich a reward from his lamps was an imitative Aladdin. He must have seen one of these early English fellows and stolen his ideas bodily therefrom.

#### Fees of English Physicians.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Appropos of doctors, the English professional journals have been telling wonderful stories about the fees of English physicians. The Students' Journal says Sir Andrew Clarke makes over $75,000 a year, which The Medical Journal says is strictly true. Others add that Dr. Radcliffe used to make an average annual income of $35,000 a year, and Dr. Baillie $50,000; that Sir Astley Cooper took $5,000 in a single fee; that some other doctor got $10,000 for going to Pau from London; that Catherine II of Russia paid Dr. Dimsdale $60,000 for vaccination.

The Paris Temps thinks all this English boasting very immodest and unprofessional, and intimates that no French doctor will allow such facts about his pecuniary gains to become known. It observes, however, in order to give some idea of what French doctors could reveal if they chose, that it is within its personal knowledge that Nelaton on one occasion refused $80,000 to go to St. Petersburg to perform a very simple operation.

#### Fast Railroad Traveling.

[Chicago Tribune.]

An American, whilst on a visit to the old country, was talking to a group of cockneys about railway traveling, and remarked that some of the fast trains in this country ran long stretches at the rate of a mile a minute. "O, that's nothing to the rate they travel on this side," interrupted one of the Londoners. "I know the conductor of one of our fast express trains who aimed a blow with a club at a man standing at a little wayside station through which the train passed, and knocked down and killed a man standing at a station seven miles further on. That's what I call speed."

#### Posture While Reading.

[Dr. Dudley S. Reynolds.]

The eyes can properly be used only when the body is an erect position. When we stoop the face is flushed and the eye bloodshot. Thus reading in a recumbent posture is ruinous to the eyesight. An object should be held fourteen inches from the eye for properly focalizing it. We should never look at the sun; better look at the moon, notwithstanding it has a sentimentalizing effect.

Baltimore Manufacturers' Record: One of the greatest needs of the south is the education of its people in mechanical ways and means.

#### India's Medicinal Herbs.

[Chambers' Journal.]

With regard to the medicinal herbs and cures of the natives, they are endless. Hardly a weed grows but they find some virtue in it for some ailment or other. The large leaf of the castor-oil plant, heated and applied externally, is used for allaying local inflammation and pain; the leaf and bark of the neem tree, a well-known and similar valuable appliance; a small weed like clover, gathered among the grass, is applied to the temples to allay headaches, or otherwise as a counter-irritant, as we use mustard; the chereita, also a well-known tonic and fever-preventive; the milk of the chutwan tree for tooth-stuffing, though little needed in a country where tooth-brushing, like a part of their religion, precedes and follows every meal, and pearly white teeth are the result, despite the free use of sweetmeats.

During a long residence in the country, I have on many occasions observed and experienced the value of native herbs and medicines. The mention of these to medical men, however, has received but little notice beyond an incredulous smile or contemptuous allusion to such "crude cures." One of those coming under my personal notice I may mention. A child of one of my servants that appeared to be dangerously ill of incipient small-pox was given to the gardener before referred to to be treated for the disease, a bargain having been struck for a fee payable only on the child's recovery.

There was every symptom of a severe attack. The child's breath was fetid, skin parched, lips and nose seamed and bleeding. The gardener commenced by smearing the child's body over with fresh herbs pounded in goats' milk, and then wrapping him up in a blanket watched him the whole night, now and then reapplying the herbs and carefully guarding him against cold. The result of his treatment was that in twelve hours all the dangerous symptoms had disappeared, the child had complete ease, and there was no relapse from rapid convalescence. The free rush of spots that came out soon faded and disappeared. I could hardly imagine that nature, unless aided by these herbs, could work so rapid a change. At the same time it may be added that had the government taken the home precaution of vaccination the treatment would probably never have been needed.

#### Why Bismarck Admired Fleury.

[Rochester Democrat.]

Bismarck has nothing but contempt for democracy. The stories that he likes are those of men who have outwitted mobs. During the seige of Paris while he was at Versailles, a pass was applied for by a relative of M. Cuvillier Fluery, the eminent critic and member of the French academy. The chancellor at once gave the pass, saying: "M. Fleury is an admirable man. I know a capital story about him." The story was this: M. Fleury, who had been tutor to the Duc d' Aumale, was in 1848 private secretary to the duchess of Orleans. When the revolution of February broke out, a rabble invaded the palais royal, where the princess resided, and began smashing works of art, pictures, statuettes, and knickknacks. All the household was seized with panic except M. Fleury, who, throwing off his coat, smeared his face and hands with coal, caught up a poker, and rushed among the mob, shouting: "Here, I'll show you where the best pictures are." So saying, he plied his poker upon furniture of no value, and, thus winning the confidence of the roughs, was able to lead them out of the royal apartments into the kitchen regions, where they spent their patriotic fury upon the contents of larder and cellar.

The sequel of this story is very droll, and Bismarck relates it with great relish. A few days after he had saved the palais royal, M. Fleury was recognized in the street as the duchess of Orleans' secretary and mobbed. He was being somewhat roughly hustled when a hulking water-carrier elbowed his way through the throng, and roared: "Let that man be! He is one of the right sort. He led us to the pillage of the palais royal the other day!"

#### A 10-Year-Old's Biography.

[Kansas City Journal.]

Following is the biography of a 10-year-old youngster of this city's public school, written by himself:

First—When and where were you born? Of what descent?

Second—Where have you lived?

Third—How have you spent your life?

Fourth—What remarkable things have happened to you?

Fifth—What should you like to become?

"I was born in Kansas City, Jackson county, Mo., West Central States, U. S. A.; Western Hemisphere; Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1878.

"I am English descent. I have lived in Kansas City all my life.

"Once I tumbled down a well, and was fished out with a clothes-line. I fell down steps two or three times, and mashed my fingers once when I was a little kid. I got in some jam that had Cayenne pepper in it, and it made me dance like a wet hen on a hot brick.

"I want to become an angel."

#### How Sleigh Bells Are Made.

[Popular Science Monthly.]

How many boys and girls know how sleigh bells are made? The little iron ball is too big to be put through the holes in the bell, and yet it is inside. How did it get there?

This little iron ball is called "the jinglet." When you shake the sleigh bell it jingles. When the horse trots the bells jingle, jingle, jingle. In making the bell the jinglet is put inside a little ball of mud, just the shape of the inside of the bell. This mud ball, with the jinglet inside, is placed in the mold of the outside, and the metal is poured in, which fills up the space between the ball and the mold. When the mold is taken off you see a sleigh bell, but it will not ring, as it is full of dirt. The hot metal dries the dirt that the bell is made of, so it can be shaken out. After the dirt is all shaken out of the holes in the bell the little iron jinglet will still be in the bell, and will ring. It took a great many years to think out how to make a sleigh bell.

#### Reducing the Quantity.

[Chicago Times.]

A writer in one of the English technical papers explains how cold air is the cause of smoke, and how care can reduce it. He would draw the existing fire to the front of a grate and place the coals behind, thus the fire in the front would burn more rapidly, warm the air above, and so prepare the rising gases for combustion. The smoke is diminished, as the gases from the coals at the back rise much more slowly than when placed upon the fire and the air partly warmed. For stoves and boilers, warm air may be produced for the entire combustion of all the gasses, a result that is beneficial in many ways.

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### LINES.

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For mother, I Would not be bribed with gold
To wrap me up so warm,
While his little, tender form
Is lying out there in the bitter cold.

It's his first night too, away.
Nine brief years was his sweet stay
And nought could hire him from us o'er night,
Till diphtheria's cruel breath
Said, "you know my name, tis death,
And I want what gives your hearts the most delight."

So it took our petted boy,
Robbed our household of its joy,
Crossed his hands and closed his innocent blue eyes,
Spread a palor o'er his face,
Robbed us of his winsome grace,
And took him to his home in the skies.

So I want to sit and dream,
How our baby's eyes did gleam
When he went the last sweet summer to my school
Oh! how often when opprest
I' d' ve clasped him to my breast
Had the world not said this work we guide by rule.

Yes, I want to sit to-night
And feed our past delight.
Oh, the hours I joined my brother in his play!
And it would so cruel seem
Should I go to sleep and dream,
It's the first night baby's ever been away.

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### SOME CONFEDERATE GENERALS

Over half a dozen of the ex-Confederate Generals who went into the war bachelors, have remained single ever since, among them Gen. Curtis Lee, the handsome and popular son of the Confederate chieftian, and Gen. Jubal Early, who is now seventy odd.

Wherever he appears to speak in the Virginia campaign Fitzhugh Lee is recieved with enthusiasm, and bodies of mounted men ride out from every town to meet him and escort him to the hotel.

Most of the ex-Confederate Generals who are not in politics are interested in some way with railroads.

Gen. Longstreet will next month open a winter hotel in Georgia near the gulf coast,

Fitzhugh Lee is short and stout, with grayish chin whiskers, and looks like a farmer.

As then he "did all the swearing for Stonewall Jackson," Jubal Early continues to enjoy the distinction of being "the tallest swearer in Virginia."

Gen. W. H. H. (Runny) Lee, son of the late Robert E. Lee, is now a prosperous farmer in Fairfax county, Va.

One of Mahone's fast friends is Gen. V. D. Groner, now living at Norfolk and occupying the position of President of the National Compress Company.

Physically Mahone weighs less than ninety pounds. He was an engineer when the war broke out, and rapidly rose to position. He had command of the defenses at Petersburg, and distinguished himself at the Battle of the Crater. Lee singled him out of all the Generals to accompany and stand by him at the time of the surrender.

Gen. Beauregard continues to act as counsel and promoter of the Louisiana lottery.

It is curious that Gen. Curtis Lee though a grandson of Mrs. Curtis, bears a most striking resemblance to the pictures of Washington.

Gen. Hooker, who lost an arm at Vicksburg, is now practicing law in Mississippi, and is the closest personal friend of Jefferson Davis. During the past summer he was at the Virginia Warm Springs.

Gen. Walker, who commanded the Stonewall Brigade after Jackson's death is now over sixty years of age. He is a practicing lawyer in Virginia, and has been Lieutenant-Governor of the State.

Ex-Lieutenant-Governor and Gen. Robert E. Withers of Virginia, is six feet, and stout and gray, and is an active lawyer with a large practice.

Age has not made many inroads upon Gen. Joseph E. Johnson, now United States Railroad Commissioner. He has gotten out of the nervous trouble from which he has suffered for many years. He is married, but has no children.

The Commandant of the troops in the Shenandoah Valley for a long time was Gen. John Echols, who is now a director in the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, and President of the Lexington and Big Sandy Road.

Gen. W. C. Wickham, now Vice-President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, voted against Secession. He galloped the first troop of horses into Capitol Square and tendered his sword to the State and Confederacy. He commanded a brigade through the war. Gen. Bradley T. Johnson is now practicing law at Baltimore. He is a brilliant and handsome-looking man of about fifty.

Dark as an Indian and straight as an arrow, standing over six feet four inches, Gen. R. Lindsey Walker has not changed much. He has recently gone to Texas, as Superintendent of the State House at Austin.

Gen. Taliaferro, who commanded the Virginia militia at the time of the John Brown trouble, is still an active man, over six feet high, and attends to his large estate near Gloucester Point, Va., bordering on Chesapeake Bay.