

THE SCHOOLTEACHER.

How a Young Man Fresh From College Makes His Start.

A young man fresh from college who decides to become a schoolteacher has many things to consider. The profession, if it can be called a profession, is still unorganized. No standard of excellence, no diploma certifying ability, is required. Methods of teaching in public schools in New York state are very different from those in Colorado, and those in Utah are different from those in Buffalo. There are private schools of all kinds. There are almost as many methods of teaching arithmetic as there are of teaching vocal music. To obtain his first position he ordinarily joins an agency. He takes to the agency his record at college, supplemented by as many pleasant recommendations from his professors as possible, pays his yearly fee and promises the agency a certain percentage—5 per cent usually—of his first year's salary. Occasionally his college will find a place for him in one of the schools that prepare directly for it. At any rate, he will find without great difficulty a position that will support him. Perhaps it will be in a little denominational boarding school, where he will teach thirteen different subjects during his first year, as one man I know did. If he survives his first year successfully and with some measure of content in the work he is likely to be a teacher for the rest of his life.—Leslie's Monthly.

CHARMING DOLLY MADISON.

The Greatest of All the Mistresses of the White House.

To define the charm of a charming woman is always difficult. Dolly Madison's features were not regular, nor was her figure perfect. She was not witty, nor was she wise, and she participated little if at all in her husband's intellectual life. Nevertheless she stands out as the greatest of all mistresses of the White House, and her popularity was unbounded. She ruled over her world in Washington with genial good nature and instinctive tact. Her nature was warm, affectionate and impressionable. She loved life and people, and her world loved her. Her brilliant coloring, animated face and well rounded figure went with a cordial manner and a sympathy for those about her amounting to genius, and she was always ready to bubble into laughter.

Who could resist such a woman, the wife of a president? She was the center of observation at the inaugural ball, but she would have been the center of observation at any ball even if she had not been the president's wife. She had, in fact, ruled as indisputably over the little boarding house in Philadelphia kept by her mother when she was the Widow Todd as Mrs. Madison—Galliard Hunt in Century.

CANADIAN CASTLES.

The Most Interesting Is Chateau de Ramezay at Montreal.

To Americans castles are associated with the storied Rhine, picturesque England or France and Spain, but it is interesting to be reminded by the St. John (P. E. I.) News that there are a number of ancient Canadian castles still existing, the chief ones being St. Ours, Rimouski, St. Eustache, L'Anse-au-Loup, Montbello, Ste. Marie de la Beauce, Vandreville, Rouville and, most interesting of all, the Chateau de Ramezay at Montreal. The latter was built in 1755 by Gertrude de Ramezay, at that time governor of the district of Montreal and knight of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis. From him was descended the last French governor of Quebec at the time of the capitulation in 1760. From that time to 1840 the castle remained in the possession of the government and was the residence of the French and English governors until the capital was transferred from Montreal to Quebec. It is now owned by the Antiquarian society, which has made of it a museum for historical relics of the old regime, and as such it possesses much interest for visitors to the one time capital of New France.

The Gold in the Ocean.

The fact that sea water contained gold was first made patent, we believe, by the observation that the deposit on the copper plating of jetty piles in sea harbors was comparatively rich in the precious metal. On the estimate that a ton of sea water contains approximately one grain, the yield would amount to something like 200 tons of gold per cubic mile and, as the volume of the world's ocean is estimated at 400,000,000 cubic miles, the total possible yield of gold would be no less than 100,000,000,000 tons—a truly attractive prospect to the company promoter.—London Lancet.

A Cruel Threat.

Mr. Sulps (who has called about that long standing account)—So you won't pay today, eh? Well, now, I warn you if you don't settle with me by this day week I'll go round to all your other creditors and tell them that you've paid me in full, and then you'll have 'em all down on you. See what I mean?

Disappointing.

Rector's Wife (to village grocer)—Well, I hope you like our new curate. Grocer—Yes, ma'am, thank you; we like him very well (pause); not, however, that I think he's as fluent as we had a right to expect, seeing as his father was an auctioneer.—London Telegraph.

The Unlucky Opal.

"You don't mean to say you're superstitious about opals?" he remarked. "Well," she replied, "I think it's unlucky to neglect an opportunity of getting one."—Philadelphia Press.

Tobacco and Wife.

[Hopkinsville Kentuckian.]

Postmaster Breathitt has received the following letter from a former Kentuckian, who now lives in Oregon. We publish it to assist the writer in supplying both of his wants:

Erwin Ore., Feb. 5, 1905.—Mr. Post Master: Will you please hand this note to some old tobacco raiser. I want 5 dollars worth of home made tobacco from old Ky. for chewing. I want as old tobacco as their is and as good. I want to pay what it is worth. Would like if it was twisted. Who ever gets this note answer at once. I use to live in Ky., in Livingston co., and if there is some good old maid or a widowed lady a Bout 35 or 40, tell them to write to me if they want to change there name for a Better one. I was married once in Ky. I got my licens at smithland, was married at love's chapel, close to caryville. I got a fine lady; I want a nother one from old Ky., they are the people most respected. Believe me, yore friend,

A. J. BESS.

P. S.—Say lady, if you do write send me yore picture. I am this way, quick sales and good profits. My wife has Bin dead 7 years. I have no children. By By.

The writer of the above evidently has neglected to look about Oregon. If he had he need not be writing to Ky. for a wife. Possibly our Oregon ladies are a little bit particular themselves and its a case of have to with him.

SHE GOT HER BAGGAGE.

Mrs. Isabella Bishop Was a Self Possessed Traveler.

Mrs. Isabella Bishop, whose travels in different parts of the world secured for her membership in the British Royal Geographical society, visited America when she was a young woman. She was unused to travel and was alone when she had the following experience:

Once in a train going to New York she was dreadfully tired, and yet she had a feeling that if she went to sleep the man sitting next her would pick her pocket. She struggled for some time against her inclination to sleep; but, having for a moment given way, she awakened to feel the hand of her neighbor gently withdrawing her purse from her pocket.

In her purse, besides some money, which was, comparatively speaking, of small moment, was her baggage check. That was the only thing that really mattered. If she accused her neighbor of theft, nothing was simpler for him than to drop the purse out of the open window beside which he was sitting. No; she determined she would leave any interference until they arrived at their destination.

She secured the services of a porter and, with apparent calmness, followed her traveling companion down the platform. Having described her baggage to the porter, she at the critical moment bowed slightly to the pick-pocket and, with an airy smile, said, "This gentleman has my baggage check." And he immediately presented it to her.

A Well Conducted Riot.

In 1707, irritated by the high price of provisions, the poor people of England rose in many parts and seized the corn from the flour mills, which they sold at reasonable prices, giving the money to the rightful owners—a well conducted riot that caused a law to be passed against the eighteenth century cornering of wheat. But, a severe winter following, the distress became so great that the London common council ordered \$5,000 to be subscribed out of the city funds and that "a subscription book should be opened for the donations of all well disposed persons." "By this noble plan," says a writer of that time, "great numbers of people were happily relieved from the most abject state of distress."

Wax Matches.

Wax matches, so called, are made by drawing strands of fine cotton thread, twenty or thirty at a time, through melted tallow, with a small admixture of paraffin. The wax hardens quickly upon the threads, and the long tapers thus produced are smoothed and rounded by pulling them through iron plates perforated with holes of the desired size. Finally the tapers are cut into match lengths and dipped.

The Beseating Sin of "Gentlemen."

All people above the condition of laborers are ruined by excess of stimulus and nourishment, clergy included. I never yet saw any gentleman who ate and drank as little as was reasonable. Looking back on my past life, I find that all my miseries of body and mind have proceeded from indigestion.—Sydney Smith's Confession.

Knew Him.

He was looking for a rich wife and thought he was on the trail. "I love you," he said in soft, warm tones, "more than I can tell in words." "You'd better try figures," she replied coldly, for she was not so green as she looked.

The "Governor" Was Enough.

"Charles, have you ever considered going into any business?" "Now, The governor wanted me to last year, but I told him, don'tcher know, it was enough to have one tradesman in the family."—Judge.

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POULTRY SPECIALIZATION.

In the Biggest Poultry Producing County of the United States.

Poultry raising is largely carried on by farmers in America as a minor factor in diversified agricultural practice. In consequence poultry is found distributed on a large number of farms in small groups. This fact is illustrated by figures from the last census, which show that 88.8 per cent of the farms in the United States report poultry. This tendency is less marked in the west, for the census figures show that only 75.8 per cent of the farms in the Rocky mountain and Pacific coast states report poultry. The diffuse distribution of the poultry industry has to a certain extent masked the importance of poultry diseases. Individual losses are necessarily slight and have not constituted an incentive for demanding the more extensive investigation of the cause and prevention of disease. Unquestionably, too, the isolation of poultry in small groups has contributed to restrict the spread of infections.

An Amazing Poultry Population.

A complex combination of factors made Sonoma county, Cal., the greatest poultry producing county of the United States. The census of 1900 credits that county with an output of 3,218,450 dozen eggs and with 481,425 fowls three months old and over. The poultry population has increased since the census, as shown by figures compiled by the Petaluma Poultry Journal from data supplied by produce concerns in Petaluma, the principal shipping point in the county. During the calendar year 1903 the territory tributary to this one town supplied 3,407,334 dozen eggs. This divided by 6.2 dozen, the census figures for the average annual production for California fowls over three months of age, would indicate the presence of 549,408 fowls near Petaluma.

Fowl Concentration and Disease.

The concentration of this number of fowls upon a few square miles of territory has demonstrated the importance of the infectious diseases of poultry in undermining the profits of the business. The proximity of poultry establishments to one another as well as the traffic in laying hens affords favorable conditions for the spread of disease. The owner of 6,000 hens naturally dreads the practical annihilation of his stock more keenly than the average farmer owning a few barnyard fowls.

Sanitation a Necessity.

California poultrymen are united to an unusual extent in affirming that failure and diminished profits are due principally to diseases. A study of the poultry diseases and of the conditions under which they occur leads to the conclusion that a large percentage of the losses among chickens older than broilers is due to preventable diseases. The man who would reap the greatest profits from poultry husbandry must become thoroughly informed concerning the recognition of the various diseases and the sanitary methods necessary for their control.

Horticulture furnishes a striking example of a widespread popular education on matters pertaining to preventable losses from disease and the parasite insects. This is a necessity sequent to specialization and concentration.

Scratching Posts.

Scratching posts, in the opinion of hog men, are not only a great comfort to hogs, but they may be made useful in ridding them of lice and of a scaly skin. The following plan is practiced by a successful hog raiser, who markets his animals in Baltimore. Plant a hickory post four inches in diameter in the hog run. Coil a manilla rope around this post as high as a hog stands and staple it securely. Then thoroughly saturate the rope with crude petroleum—kerosene will do, but it is not as good—and it becomes an ideal scratching post for hogs and pigs. The animals will rub against it continually, and oil is fatal to lice and mites. If kerosene is used the saturation should be renewed every few days.—American Cultivator.

SPRING IN THE GARDEN

"Had I but two loaves," said Mohammed, "I would sell one and buy hyacinths to feed my soul," a sentiment we must all approve; but when hyacinths are growing and blooming in our garden we may keep the loaf.

Sow seed for tomato plants in March or April in the hotbed or in plats in the house.

By error in a recent note it was stated that soil inoculation is good for "sweet potatoes." The reader familiar with the legumes undoubtedly read between the lines and saw what was intended—viz, "sweet peas."

When the seedlings are growing in the hotbeds do not let the beds become too hot. Ventilate well in the milder days and water liberally.

On account of its vigorous growth, which enables it to overtop grass and hold its own against weeds, asparagus will withstand perhaps more neglect than most vegetables. But it also responds generously to good culture.

April is a critical month with the hotbeds. A little neglect in giving air and an hour or two of ardent sunshine will scorch the tender growth, or Jack Frost's touch at night, after a balmy day, may put the plant to sleep for good and all if the protecting mats were thoughtlessly left off.

The dahlias, that fashionable flower of the present, may be grown from seeds. These germinate freely. Seeds of single dahlias prove highly satisfactory, producing a great variety of self colors—striped, spotted and tipped—and are greatly liked for cutting.

SEND THIS BOOK EAST

Tell Your Friends About Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

The 1905 issue of "Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Their Resources," issued by the Passenger Departments of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, and the lines of the Southern Pacific in Oregon, is now ready for distribution. The book has a specially designed front cover in two colors and contains eighty-eight pages illustrated by twenty-one full page first class half-tones and a number of smaller ones. The book is divided into chapters covering the following subjects: Climate, dairying, diversified farming, fish and fishing, fruit culture, grain growing, grasses and forage plants, home for millions, hop raising, irrigation, Lewis and Clark Exposition, lumber and lumbering, markets, mines and mining, Portland, "The Rose City," railroads, schools and churches, soil, stock raising, vegetable products, lands in western Oregon, condensed information about towns and cities along the O. R. & N. and the Southern Pacific lines.

The illustrations of fruitful scenes in farm and orchard districts are taken from actual photographs, the facts and statistics are based on conditions as they are, and these features of the work make it of great value to people of the East who are looking to the Pacific Northwest for homes and business locations. Every citizen of the states exploited in the book will find it valuable to send to relatives and friends in other states who may be induced to come and live in the Pacific Northwest.

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Something for Your Eastern Friends.

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Dated this 22nd day of March, 1905.

WM. LANGRISH

Administrator of the estate of Lena Becker alias Eva Davenport.

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