Cynic Well Answered.

A cynic once observed: "It does not matter whom you take as a bride, because you always find out next day that you have married some one else." To which every happy husband will confidently reply: "It is better to love the real woman you have married than to marry the ideal girl you have loved."

Magazine and Politicians.

Many magazines are like politicians, in that their promises of good things for next month are the cleverest part of them.—Detroit News.

ROBBERS GET $60,000 LOOT.

Hold Up Train in Mississippi and Blow Express Safe.

Corinth, Miss.—Mobile & Ohio passenger train No. 4, northbound, was held up and the express safe blown open and robbed seven miles south of Corinth by four men heavily armed and masked.

Bloodhounds have been telegraphed for and a posse has been organized to take up the pursuit.

It is reported the safe contained $60,000 in currency.

Where the robbers boarded the train is not known. Engineer Wilden and Fireman Kaufman first learned of their presence when two of the men crawled over the tender with revolvers drawn and commanded that the train be brought to a halt at a point designated. The command was obeyed.

In the meantime other members of the band had gained entrance to the express car and after subduing Express Messenger Snoddy, set the explosive, which was touched off when the train came to a stop.

After taking the contents of the safe, the four took to the woods without attempting to rifle the mail or molest the passengers.

No attempts will be made to penetrate the densely wooded river bottom where the men are believed to be in hiding, until the arrival of a detail of railroad officers and bloodhounds from Jackson, Tenn., who are coming aboard a special.

BRIBERY PROBE STARTS.

Four Mexico Representatives Formally Arraigned.

Santa Fe, N. M.—With the formal arraignment of Representative Manuel Cordova, Julian Trujillo, Louis R. Montoya and J. H. Lucero, arrested on a charge of soliciting a bribe of $5,000 for their collective votes for United States senator, the investigation by the lower house into the alleged corruption was begun.

The accused legislators, who are to be tried first by a committee of 15 appointed by the speaker, have employed counsel to defend them against the charge, which they now deny. Their defense will be that they were led into the trap as a result of a political conspiracy, believing they were going to attend a caucus at the time they visited a room in the hotel, where it is alleged they received $500 each on their promise to vote for a certain candidate for senator.

The investigation of the alleged bribery of the four members will be pushed vigorously by the committee and all the sessions will be public.

The men were formally served with warrants charging them with a felony. They are in the custody of the sheriff of Santa Fe county.

SMUGGLES DIAMONDS IN HAT

San Francisco Woman Admits Her Offense to Officers.

New York—Mrs. Banche Carson, a fashionably dressed widow of San Francisco, had diamond earrings concealed in her hat when she passed custom inspection on her arrival from India, according to a reported admission made to authorities.

Mrs. Carson declared only a package of unstrung pearls, for which she paid duty on the valuation of $850. Custom officers brought the woman from her hotel for further examination, asserting that the pearls were worth $7,500.

The woman broke down and admitted, it was said, that she had hidden two diamond earrings in her hat and had other jewelry which altogether the authorities valued at $20,000.

Mrs. Carson was held, charged with smuggling, in $2,000 bail.

Mrs. Carson gave her address as 925 Gough street, San Francisco.

Railroad Found Guilty.

Buffalo, N. Y. — The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad was found guilty in the United States District court of violating the commodities clause of the Hepburn act, and was fined $2,000. The company was indicted on 20 counts and faced a maximum penalty of $100,000, the other charge being that it shipped free from Buffalo to Scranton, Pa., a quantity of hay for feeding mules in the mines. An appeal will be taken to test the constitutionality of the penal feature of the commodities clause.

Women to Calm Insane.

Los Angeles — Because he believes women's voices calm the insane much more quickly than do those of men, Dr. J. A. Reilly, superintendent of the California hospital for the insane at Patton, announced that it is his intention of replacing all male nurses of that institution with women. "The insane are more amenable to the soft word of a woman than to the threat or command of a man," said Dr. Reilly. "I never have found a man so insane as to forget his respect for a woman."

Morgan May Buy Temple.

New York — Following J. P. Morgan's long sojourn in Egypt this winter, reports have reached this city to the effect that he is negotiating for the purchase and removal to America of the famous ruins of the Temple of Philae. The temple is threatened with destruction owing to the rise in the level of the upper Nile as a result of the enlargement of the Assouan dam. The cost of the work would be more than $8,000,000.

Great Earth Block to Be Pumped

San Francisco—The exposition officials have awarded the contract for the filling in of a submerged part of the world's fair site. Work is to be begun at once. One million cubic yards of earth is to be pumped from the bottom of the bay by suction dredges, the area to be filled covering several blocks.

300 Adrift on Ice Floes.

St. Petersburg—Three ice-breaking steamers are en route from the Neva in the direction of the island of Nargen, to the northwest of Revel, in the Gulf of Finland, where 300 fishermen are adrift on floating ice. They are in imminent danger of losing their lives.

Peculiar Chinese Industries.

In Taochow there are some strange industries. One is the raising of the machi, a sort of large pheasant, the tail feathers of which are very valuable, as they are needed for the dress hats of mandarins. Timber is very plentiful in this district and is sent away by raft to all parts.

Do Not Lose Your Temper.

Anger is a lack of sense. That is to say, a man is not as sensible when he is angry as he is at other times. He may be angry and still have more sense than some people have when they are not angry, but he is not as wise when he is angry as at other times. He cannot reason so well; his brain does not work in as sane a groove; he is more foolish than other people who may have much less sense than he has when he is in good humor.

Prayer and Work.

If you do not wish for his kingdom, don't pray for it, but if you do, you must do more than pray, you must work.—Ruskin.

Fundamental Error.

We suffer, in teaching, from the means being exalted and the end forgotten.

THE NORTH WIND.

When the wind is east they say,
We may have a rainy day;
When it travels from the west,
Waving fields have little rest.
Warm and soft it is we know,
When the southern breezes blow;
But this north wind puzzles me—
Who knows what the weather'll be!

BOYS' AMUSEMENTS IN CUBA

Spin Tops in Spring Just Like Their American Cousins—Reason for Custom Is Problem.

Boys certainly are boys the world over, and the little Cuban youngster is as like Young America as two peas in a pod, says a Havana correspondent in the New York Sun. Just why the Cuban hopeful should resort to the sport of top spinning in the springtime and no other is inexplicable, but it is true here just as it is in the states. It is not remarkable that they should spin tops. The strange thing about it is that they should only take up this amusement in the spring. In the United States there is a reason for this. The winter has kept the youngsters more or less bottled up and the sports he has indulged in have had their reason in cold weather. With the coming of the warm spring days and the disappearance of snow and ice, the top inevitably appears first of all and has its run until superseded by marbles, the playing of which is better suited to the still warmer days following.

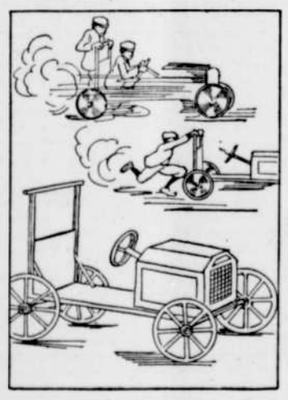
But in Cuba there is no such reason. So far as the climate is concerned the youngsters can spin tops successfully from one end of the year to the other. Why do they do it only in the spring? That this is a fact cannot be controverted, and it is done, too, by boys who have never set foot on American soil. Nor has the practice come with the American flag.

Is it then psychological? Is there anything in the mental make-up of the species boy which irresistibly compels him to seek his top in the months of March and April? Can it be hereditary, handed down through all the ages from the days of Noah's ark? Now if this be not the explanation of the reason why Yankees in a cold climate and Cubans in a hot one spin tops in the same months of the spring and at no other time, let some student of the race furnish another.

HERE IS A NEW PUSHMOBILE

Imitation of Automobile Recently Built by Philadelphia Boys Makes Splendid Racer.

The pushmobile itself is new, but a new type of pushmobile was recently built by a couple of Philadelphia boys, who won a race with it. As most boys know, the pushmobile is an imitation of an automobile, and the majority are made by their owners. The vehicle shown here has this advantage—there is a long handle pivoted to the back, and the "pusher"



New Pushmobile.

propels it by this means, which enables him to run in any position he likes. Otherwise he has to run continually in a bent-over attitude. Another big advantage of this handle is that it can be raised at right angles with the seat of the machine, and the pusher can jump up on a cross-bar that will then be at the bottom, and ride there while going down grade or after a vigorous shove, and get rested. The time and energy thus saved are important factors in a race

Who Are Our Neighbors?

Why not make a collection of the common field weeds or flowers? Carefully prepare and press them in an old book; when they are dry fasten them to the right page of a sheet of paper. Let the left page fold over the right to furnish a cover for the plant. Make a collection of weeds and put them in small vials. Paste a label on the bottle.

Learn to call by names as many insects and birds as you can. Ask any one who you think knows. Don't stop until you find out what you want to know.

If you find a plant or insect you cannot name, carefully pack and mail it to the experiment station, and they will try to find its correct name. If there are birds you cannot name, describe them as to their size, color and flight. Give any other points you can—nest on ground, bush or tree; what they eat; whether they sing or whistle, etc.

BIG STRIKE IS OVER

Lawrence Textile Workers Return to Work in Mills.

New Bedford Employes Only Hold Out for Larger Raise—Consumers Will Bear Burden.

Boston—The great Lawrence strike, which brought in its train increased wages for 275,000 textile workers in New England, was officially declared off at all the mills in Lawrence, having accomplished its purpose, in the opinion of the leaders.

It is generally believed that advances in wages or reduction in hours of paper mill employes, bagging and burlap workers, machinists and operatives in other industries, all are traceable to the movement which owed its origin in Lawrence. The number of persons thus to benefit is more than 300,000.

Advances in the price of woolen and cotton goods which have been made or which are in prospect probably will place upon the ultimate consumer much of the burden of the additional cost to the textile manufacturers. This will aggregate between ten and twelve million dollars in the next year, it is estimated.

Mill agents, in announcing advance in prices, have said frankly that the upward trend is the result of wage advances.

New Bedford, where the manufacturers of the finer grades of cotton goods have refused to accede to the demands of their employes for an additional five per cent, has displaced Lawrence as the center of interest in the textile situation.

Unless the mill owners give the increase demanded within a few days, it is feared that a strike of from 25,000 to 30,000 operatives will ensue.

While an increase of five per cent has been offered, the New Bedford operatives are insistent that they receive 10 per cent.

Secretary Devolt, of the Manufacturers' association, has promised that the mill owners would decide early in the week, whether this should be granted.

The suggestion has been made that an immediate increase of 7½ per cent be given with a promise of an additional 2½ per cent on a given date. This may be the basis of a compromise.

ONLY HEALTHY CAN MARRY.

Chicago Cathedral to Turn Away Ailing Twains.

Chicago—Dean Walter T. Sumner of the Episcopal Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, preached a sermon Sunday upon the "Sacrament of Marriage," in which he made the following announcement:

"After consultation with Right Rev. C. P. Anderson, bishop of Chicago, and with his approval, Dean Sumner and his co-workers of the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, have agreed upon an advanced policy with regard to the administration of marriage in the cathedral.

"Beginning with Easter, no person will be married in the cathedral unless they present a certificate of health from a reputable physician to the effect that they are normal physically and mentally and have neither an incurable nor a communicable disease.

"This step is taken only after months of study of the situation and deliberation as to its advisability. It is believed that this stand will meet with the immediate sympathy of the clergy in the church at large, all of whom have long felt the undesirability of being party to the marriage of persons who, because of their physical condition, should never be allowed to enter into the marriage state and propagate their species."

Strike's Back Broken.

Aberdeen, Wash.—That the back of the I. W. W. movement in the big mill strike here has been practically broken was evidenced by the fact that despite the hundreds of strikers who surrounded the Aberdeen Lumber & Shingle company's plant, the mill, with a full crew, is kept in operation. It is understood here that the harbor mills will resume regular operations immediately and that all employes will be Americans with families, receiving the minimum scale of $2.25 a day.

Americans Quell Mutiny.

Charleston, S. C.—United States marines from the cutter Yamacraw have charge of the Haytien gunboat Ferrier, the crew of which mutinied here. The men went on strike because they had not received their pay for three months, and fearing serious trouble, the commanding officer, William F. Watts, called upon Captain West, of the Yamacraw, for protection. The United States officer sent Lieutenant Brookway and 15 marines to the gunboat. There was no resistance to the marines taking charge.

Troops Told to Unpack.

Leavenworth, Kan.—An order was received at headquarters at Fort Leavenworth that the Seventh Infantry, which has been held in readiness to move at a moment's notice, may unpack. Every organization in the post has been in readiness for active service for almost two months. The order is construed to mean that the trouble in Mexico has subsided and that no additional troops will be needed on the border, for the present, at least.

Amundsen Will Lecture.

Washington, D. C.—Roald Amundsen, discoverer of the South Pole, will visit the United States next June. His first North American lecture on the successful Antarctic expedition will be made before the National Geographical society in Washington. President Henry Garrett received a cablegram from Captain Amundsen, accepting the society's invitation.

CHANGE STOCKINGS AND MIND

Discovery of Small Hole in the Former Causes Bride-Elect to Call Off Marriage.

Seattle, Wash.—Leonora Murphy, 19 and pretty, and Clyde Rowan of Astoria, Ore., after having been engaged for four years, were on their way to the minister's the other day to get married, when the bride-to-be discovered a whole in her right stocking just above the shoe top.

By the time the two reached the parsonage she had decided that the hole would show when she kneeled before the minister. In spite of Rowan's protest she bade the minister and Rowan wait until she could go home and change her stocking.

She hadn't been home more than five minutes before she telephoned Rowan he need not wait any longer. She said that while changing her stocking she had also changed her mind, and determined not to be married.

Christmas Makes Demand.

The German demand for apples and nuts to hang on Christmas trees is always very great. The inland production of apples, even in a favorable year, although large, is far too small for the demand, in spite of the fact that thousands of acres of new trees are planted each year. In order to supply the inland market, large quantities of apples and nuts must be imported from abroad each year.

Apis.

It is difficult to believe what early writers tell us of the divine honors lavished upon Apis, the sacred bull of Memphis, and upon Minevis, the sacred ox of Heliopolis. Yet perhaps some of our customs of deeds of today, as handed down by the uninitiated, may seem just as incongruously absurd when heard and understood from an equally proportionate future time.

Daily Thought.

"All men should cultivate a fixed and firm determination, and vow that what they once undertake they will never give up."

Point for Consideration.

"We must consider, not what the wise will think, but what the foolish will be sure to say."—Sir Arthur Helps.

United States Behind World.

Of all the nations the United States alone allows the use of white phosphorus in making matches.

The One Big Man.

Getting tangled up is the job of the 999, and untangling them is the job of the other one in the 1,000.

Only a Few.

There are only two or three girls beautiful enough to be slouchy.—Atchison Globe.

Promises.

A man usually wants the preacher to furnish proof that what he promises is going to come true, but he is willing to take the glib promoter's word for it.

Oh, Tell Us!

When schools of aviation are founded will they award scholarships?—Lippincott's.

Most Akin to Love.

Of all the paths that lead to a woman's love, pity's the straightest.—Beaumont and Fletcher.

Manner and Customs.

The manners of some people encountered in taking walks abroad are suggestive of the report made by the old British sea captain who was sent out to investigate the manners and customs of the inhabitants of a newly-discovered Pacific island. His report was brief, as follows: "Manners they have none, and their customs are beastly."

All He Had to Do With It.

"And you actually consented to let your wife run for office?" "Consented? Certainly not. I acquiesced."

Chinese Complexions.

The exquisite complexion of the young Chinese women is due to the great care which they give their skin. Generally speaking, the result is due to massage.

War Against "Loan Sharks."

Lawyers engaged to assist poor people in New York who had been in the clutches of the "loan sharks," have reported that their clients took an aggregate of $8,299.60 in loans, on which they were to pay $3,744.71 in interest in three months. The lawyers in most cases were able to persuade the loan companies to continue the loans at the rate of 6 per cent annually. The loans had generally been obtained to pay doctors' bills or funeral expenses.

Mice In Queer Nest.

When an old gas main was being taken out at Sunderland (Scotland) recently, a mouse was seen to run out at the end of the pipe. The pipe was then broken up, and in the interior was found a nest containing six young mice. How the animals could exist in a pipe which had gas passing through it is regarded as remarkable, but the fact that there was a fracture in the pipe may in some degree explain the mystery.

It Can Be Done.

"You make 30,000 marks a year as aviator? And yet people say you can't live on air."—Fliegende Blatter.

Recognized His Limitation.

"But," her father objected, "you have never shown that you are capable of supporting a wife." "Oh," the young man replied, "if you want her to marry a widower I'll have to confess that I can't qualify."

Pioneer in Good Move.

In the middle of the sixteenth century a professor of theology in Strassburg insisted upon having individual communion cups, and during the plague in 1654 his demand was enforced.