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## By the Hour.

In these days the rich and the poor both appreciate the services of the trained nurse, but until within a comparatively short time the more well-to-do member of society has not had the opportunity to enjoy one branch of her professional ministrations. Now, however, the hourly nurse is becoming an important member of society. Among the poor, says the Boston Transcript, the district nurse comes in by the day or hour, as the case demands; in the families of those in more comfortable circumstances, the ordinary trained nurse is usually engaged by the week, and she rarely cares to go for a shorter time.

The hourly nurse, who has had the same training, holds herself ready to answer calls at all times, for one, two, three or twenty-four hours, as the case may be. She assists doctors in minor operations, goes each day to change the dressings, and makes it easier for the family to care for the patient during the rest of the day.

Again, in these days of apartment-houses, there are many homes where it is inconvenient to have a nurse stay at the house. Here the hourly nurse is the right person in the right place. She comes for the necessary time, planning to meet the physician when he makes his visit, thus enabling the patient to have, at little expense, all requisite care, if not the luxury of constant attendance.

There are many aged people who are too feeble to take care of themselves. They do not need a trained nurse nor even an attendant all the time, but the assistance that a competent person can give them for an hour or two daily greatly adds to their comfort. New avenues of usefulness open for the hourly nurse in all directions.

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## SUFFERED FOR MONTHS Pe-ru-na the Remedy That Cured.

Miss Ella Off, 1127 Linden St., Indianapolis, Ind., writes: "I suffered with a run down constitution for several months and feared that I would have to give up my work."

"On seeking the advice of a physician, he prescribed a tonic. I found, however, that it did me no good. On seeking the advice of our druggist, he asked me to try Pe-ru-na. In a few weeks I began to feel and act like a different person. My appetite increased, I did not have that worn out feeling, and I could sleep splendidly. In a couple of months I was entirely recovered. I thank you for what your medicine has done for me."—Ella Off.

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# THE OLD MAINEVILLE BAND



They subscribed six hundred dollars for to fix up that old band. But the buildin' didn't cost much, for the hull town took a hand. An' the Equire an' the Mayor'd come in whenever work was slack. An' the minister 'ud often doff his coat an' take a whack.

We played our first engagement in the year of fifty-ninny. Down to Mason, on July the Fourth, the weather it was fine. An' as we started playin', with the drum a goin' thr-r-rap! That 'ere part of Warren county was a credit to the map.

One'd a week we gave a concert so the Maineville folks could hear. An' we made a heap o' money at engagements fur an' near. But at night when home returnin' we'd wake our kith an' kin, An' rouse the sleepin' echoes with the strains of "Home Agin'."

Well, the band got so famous they was wanted everywhere. To play at celebrations, sir, an' at the County Fair. An' at Lebanon an' Wilmington, an' as far as Murrowtown, In fact from several counties did glowin' praise resound.

But now the organization that was once the city's pride is busted up, an' all the boys are scattered fur an' wide. One's in the Legislatur, and one's an actor great. An' one in Congress represents this district of the State.

An' now the old band waggin', with all its glory shed, Like a faded specter of the past it stands in Stephen's shed. An' sometimes when children play in it, it heaves a creaky sigh, As if longin' for its cronies, and the days that have gone by.

But like the old band waggin', I am shaky now and old, An' I callate soon to take a trip where all the streets are gold. But I feel sure that some old comrade will grasp me by the hand An' say, "Member how we used to play in that Old Maineville Band?"—St. Louis Chronicle.



## PLANTS BY ARTIFICIAL LIGHT.

It has been known for some time that plant life is affected favorably by electric light, and now it appears that acetylene gas light acts in a similar manner. Some interesting experiments in this direction have recently been conducted by Mr. M. J. Jorns of Cornell Agricultural College, with striking results. Plants exposed during the night to the illumination of acetylene gas grew to twice the size of those left to the nursing of the sun only, and vegetables attained dimensions double those which were unassisted in the matter of illumination. The accompanying illustration shows very clearly the difference in growth made by plants under the two different conditions. The plant in bloom was stimulated by acetylene gas at night, while the less matured one depended on sunlight only.

The experiments were carried on through three months in a hothouse. This house was divided into two parts by a curtain. This curtain was hung in such a way that each half of the house received the same illumination from the sun. The beds on each side were exactly alike, not only in size, but in location and contents. If a lily was planted in a certain part of a bed on one side, another of the same species and age was set out in the same part of the corresponding bed on the other. An equipment consisting of twelve 85-candle power acetylene lamps was erected on one side of the curtain. Ordinary tin reflectors over each light threw their rays downward upon the soil. The lights were run whenever it was dark, the length of time ranging from nine to fourteen hours, according to the period of daylight. The soil, temperature and amount of mixture were as nearly the



same on each side of the curtain as it was possible to make them.

The plants on the acetylene side in many instances matured twice as fast as those on the other side of the partition. Radishes, onions and several other kinds of plants which develop their edible parts below the surface of the ground were found to have pursued their usual course, except that they grew twice as fast as those not placed under the influence of the acetylene light.

**TOO MUCH ATHLETICS.**  
Tennis and Sprinting Apt to Induce Weakness of the Heart.

Prof. James, of the University of Illinois, says that an investigation of some years has convinced him that much evil has resulted from college athletics, according to the Boston Globe.

College athletes, he finds, bring on by overexertion a number of ills, of which the worst and most common is weakness of the heart, that, developing with maturity, unfits the victim for continued efficient effort in business, and eventually carries him off before his time.

# LASHES OF FUN

Knicker—Why do you call your auto "Taxes?" Boaker—Because folks dodge it so.—New York Sun.

Business—"How much have you got, Billy?" "Fourpence." "I've got twopenny. Let's put it together and go halves!"—Punch.

"They say there's no chance for the rich in the next world." "That's probably the reason they're getting most everything here!"—Detroit Free Press.

Mr. Goodley—Her age really surprised me. She doesn't look 28, does she? Mrs. Snappe—Not now; but I suppose she did at one time.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Nell—Somebody told me to-day that I was handsome. Bell—When was that? Nell—To-day. Belle—No; I mean when were you handsome.—Philadelphia Ledger.

An unknown commodity: Rachel—Vader! Cohen—Yah. Rachel—I want some spending money. Cohen—Spending money? Vat kind of money is dot?—Town Topics.

Teacher—What great difficulty was Demosthenes compelled to surmount before he became an orator? Soffmore—He had to learn how to talk Greek.—Philadelphia Press.

She—When should a young widow discard her weeds? He—Oh, I don't know, but I suppose she should cut them just as soon as she wants to raise a second crop of orange blossoms.—Baltimore Herald.

Mother—Oh, you bad boy! Dirty hands again! I'm afraid you're a hopeless case. Tommy (eagerly)—Oh, ma! does "hopeless" mean you're going to give up talkin' about it?—Philadelphia Press.

An absent-minded butcher was asked by a young mother to weigh her baby. He put the little one on the scales, and, glancing at the dial, remarked: "Just nine pounds, bones and all. Shall I remove the bones?"—Ex.

An Oklahoma man has discovered that there were department stores in ancient Hebrew days. He quotes the fourteenth verse in the fourteenth chapter of Job: "All my appointed time will I wait, till my change come."—Ex.

"Oh, doctor," exclaimed a rheumatic patient, "I suffer dreadfully with my hands and feet." "But, my dear sir," rejoined the physician, "just try to think how much inconvenience you would suffer without them."—London Tit-Bits.

"I understand," began the large, scrappy-looking ward politician, "dat youse had a piece in your paper callin' me a thief." "You have been misinformed, sir," said the editor, calmly; "this paper publishes only news."—Cleveland Leader.

"What's the matter?" asked the optimist; "I thought your uncle had left you \$100,000?" "He did," replied the pessimist, "but confound it, he provides in his will that I've got to use \$150 of it to buy him a tombstone."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"Why do so many actors insist on playing Shakespeare?" "I suspect," answered Mr. Stormington Barnes, "that it's because they can take all the credit if they succeed, and blame the public's lack of literary taste if they fail."—Washington Star.

She—I'm glad we went. It was an excellent performance—and for such a charitable purpose. Her Husband—Yes, indeed! We all feel a thrill of satisfaction when we do something for charity and get the worth of our money at the same time.—London Tit-Bits.

Patient—Great Scott! Doctor, that's an awful bill for one week's treatment! Physician—My dear fellow, if you knew what an interesting case yours was, and how strongly I was tempted to let it go to a post-mortem, you wouldn't grumble at a bill three times as big as this.—Chicago Tribune.

"If yoh husband beats you, mebbe you kin hab him sent to de whippin'-post," said Mrs. Potomac Jackson. "If my husband ever beats me," said Mrs. Tolliver Grapevine, "dey kin send him to de whippin'-post if dey wants to. But dey'll have to wait till he gets out'n de hospital."—Washington Star.

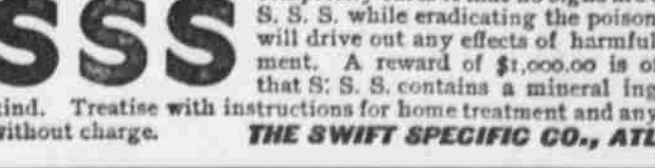
A Southern planter was asking one of his colored servants about her wedding. "Yes, suh," she said. "It was jew's finest weddin' you ever see—six bridesmaids, flowers everywhere, hundreds of guests, music, an' er heap er prayin'." "Indeed," commented her master. "And I suppose Sambo looked as handsome as any of them." An embarrassed pause. "Well, no—not 'actly, suh. Would yer believe it, dat fool nigger neber shower up!"

A farm laborer was working in a field by the roadside one cold day, when a clergyman came along the road and stopped to speak to him. "Plenty of work for you this weather, John?" he called out. "Ah!" said John, "I don't know when I don't have work, no matter what weather comes." "That's hard, John," said the clergyman; "but wait till you get to the place of rest, then you will have no work to do." "Humph!" grumbled John, "you needn't tell me! They'll find a job for John, never fear! It will be: 'Now, John, polish up the sun!' 'John, you might hang out the stars!' 'John, be quick, now and light up the moon!' No no, parson, there ain't no piece of rest for John."

Wit, when we amateurs engage in it, is sometimes pretty ghastly.

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**Pilgrims to Mecca.**  
Last year about 200,000 pilgrims went to Mecca, representing a Moslem population of about 200,000,000 in Turkey, Arabia, Egypt, Soudan, Zanzibar, Barbary states, South Africa, Afghanistan, Persia, Baluchistan, India, the East Indian and Philippine Islands, China, and Russia in Asia. The governments of Turkey and Egypt pay toll (blackmail) to the Bedouin tribes, through whose territory the pilgrims pass, but the system is not entirely effective. Last year some 20 per cent of the pilgrims were reported ill-treated, wounded or killed, and it is estimated that during the pilgrimage season travelers to Mecca were robbed of more than \$1,000,000. Caravans of 3,000 to 5,000 camels are no rare occurrence.

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**Prose vs. Poetry.**  
The poet frowns of the beautiful hair that crowns his fair idol's head and calls the man a proxy old bear who ignores its splendors instead. Yes, the poet of it makes a fad, its glories in verse he will group; but, like other men, he gets mad if a strand of it gets in his soup.

## CASTORIA

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A school teacher was trying to impress upon a scholar's mind that Columbus discovered America in 1492. "Now, John," he said, "I will tell you the date in rhyme so that you won't forget it. 'In fourteen hundred and ninety-two Columbus sailed the ocean blue.' Now, can you remember that, John?"  
"Yes, str," replied John.  
Next day the teacher said, "John, when did Columbus discover America?"  
"In fourteen hundred and ninety-three Columbus sailed the dark-blue sea!"

**A New Kipling Story.**  
It is nearly a year since any American magazine has been fortunate enough to secure a story from Kipling; but the August Century prints a tale, "An Habitation Enforced," which gives us Kipling at his best. Someone, in comparing Kipling with the old, three-volume novelist, has said that he gives us "the Liebig extract of those cattle lowing on a thousand hills," so here, where two Americans, a nervously broken millionaire and his wife, take up an enforced habitation in an enchanted corner of England, he contrives to give a quintessence of American and British civilization—a commentary, in brief, with vistas such as only a Kipling can open up. A delightful vein of satire crops out wherever the British way and the American way meet, a vein which will charm readers on both sides of the Atlantic. Most readers, too, will find in this latest story of the greatest of living English story writers the spiritual touch which was so strongly manifest in "They" seemingly marking a new and higher phase of development in man and writer.

**No Pension Yet.**  
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"For what?"  
"Well, I was once locked in a freight car for a week, with the weather at zero and nothing but a frozen turnip to eat, and nothing but blocks of building stones to keep me warm, and if I am not entitled to a pension nobody else ought to have one. The horrors of that old turnip beat us horrors of a battlefield all to pieces."

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