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KINDNESS.

It is easy to offer a kind act or a pleasant word. A good deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. Pleasure bestowed upon a grateful mind is never sterile, but generally begets reward.—Basil.

AMERICA THE WORLD FEEDER.

The countries of Europe are gradually running out of food reserves. The war which is now in its second year, has prevented the raising of normal crops, so that the usual reserve at this period of the year is not on hand, and as the months advance and the consumption of food proceeds, supply will be lessened. The best way it can be figured is that the European nations must call upon the United States for food supplies or go hungry.

The demand of Europe upon our granaries and fields, will be greater than ever before, and with these foodstuffs and farm products going away from our shores, does it not mean that prices will soar here at home?

The United States will have to feed the world, and that is where our billion-bushel wheat crop will come in handy.

PRESIDENT WILSON AS A LOVER.

When the announcement was sent broadcast over the telegraph wires that president Wilson had also won a signal victory in his courtship with a merry widow, the country rejoiced amidst its surprise. All mankind loves a lover, and in the case of the president of the United States, the people were prepared to lend their acclaim, and bid him well.

But there can be too much publicity given to even a good thing. The newspapers and the press associations have hit upon every trivial move that the president and Mrs. Galt have made to elaborate upon it and to make it appear as of momentous importance. Their loving is being very much overdone in the newspapers, and a more dignified handling of their happy affair would offset what nine out of ten women now call "gush."

If this lavish handling of inconsequential matters in connection with the betrothal of President Wilson and Mrs. Galt is to continue until December, we make a motion that they get married next week and put an end to it.

How to Win Her Heart.

We know a boy who knows girls, all right.

He's only six years old, but he observes things. We heard his mother calling him down for rudeness at play the other day, and our eavesdropping was rewarded with this:

"Billie," called the mother, "I want you to quit teasing that little girl! Aren't you ashamed of yourself?"

"Well, I got to tease somebody, an'—"

"You've got to tease somebody? That's a fine idea, I must say! And so"—

"Yes, an' she wants to be teased. If I quit she'll go play with some other little boy."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Word "Canvassing."

How "canvassing" got its election significance is a puzzle. The word appears originally to have meant tossing in a canvas or blanket and thence generally mishandling or assaulting. "I'll canvass thee in thy broad cardinal's hat," is the Duke of Gloucester's threat to the bishop of Winchester in "King Henry VI." The next stage of meaning was that of destructive criticism, from which to thorough discussion—"canvassing" a subject—was simple enough. But how exactly did it arrive at the election sense? Dr. Johnson explained that the term meant "trying votes previously to the decision" and derived it from "canvas, as it signifies a sieve."

A Book of Jade.

The most solid book in the world, says the Fine Arts Journal of Chicago, is in the Field museum. It has only ten pages, but they consist of exquisitely engraved slabs of the finest jade. The book was made by order of the Chinese Emperor Kank Hsi (1662-1722) and is a family document of great historic value. The text is in Chinese and Manchu, with elaborate ornamentation on the first and last pages.

It is believed that this precious relic was turned into cash through the necessities of the deposed imperial family, which has been in retirement with a limited income since the establishment of the Chinese republic.

Socrates and His Pupil.

There is a story told of Socrates that he once asked a self confident pupil to draw a line and, the line being completed, to construct a square upon it. The youth did as directed. "Now," said the sage, "make me a square twice the size of the one before you." "That is easy," replied the novice, and forthwith, producing the line so that it was double the length of the first, made another square. Very carefully Socrates proved to the now crestfallen follower that the new square was really four times the size of the original. Next he explained how the task ought to have been done and concluded thus: "Our first step to wisdom is ever a knowledge of our own ignorance."

Russian Police Story.

A Russian official once told a curious story of the thoroughness of the Petrograd police in the early nineteenth century. He had lost his pocketbook, containing a considerable sum, gave notice and had the money restored to him within a day or two without the pocketbook. Shortly after he found that the pocketbook, still containing the original notes, was not lost, but had slipped into the lining of his fur coat. Naturally he asked whence had come the restored money. He discovered that the police rather than admit failure had collected the money among themselves.—Dundee Advertiser.

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