

The Twentieth Century. The twentieth century began January 1st, 1901, and will end with 2000. People did not begin to reckon time from A. D. I., but waited until about the 500 year of the Christian era. People who begin to take the great health restorative, Hester's Stomach Bitters, immediately after the first outbreak of dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, constipation, nervousness or kidney trouble will save their cure immediately from them.

Why Men Fail. Duty very often lingers and permits curiosity to get there ahead of it. Chicago Daily News.

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It Wouldn't Do. Baron Munchausen had just written a letter to a friend. He closed with a flourish, "yours truly," and signed his name. Then, with a melancholy smile, he erased the word "truly."

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Not Completed. Mrs. Darling—You told me before we were married that you had an income of \$1,000 a year. What has become of it? Mr. Darling—Can't tell you until I get an itemized bill from your dressmaker.—Denver News.

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"To Shave and to Scold" ought to make a good play—don't you think so?" "Oh, yes, indeed; much better than 'Carvice Jane' did. By the way, did you ever hear of a play by the name of 'Hamlet'?"

Balzac's Conventual Trainers. In a little village in the heart of Touraine lives a small, brown old man, says the London Observer, whose great pride it is that he once had the honor of making a pair of trousers for Balzac.

Satisfied with His Job. One of Cleveland's leading business concerns hired a new man the other day, and a little later, when the superintendent passed by, he noticed that the new man was smoking a pipe. The rule against smoking on the premises is a rigid one.

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LONGEVITY IN 19TH CENTURY.

Professors Compared—Philosophers and Farmers in the Lead. "Has the present century contributed to the increase of the duration of human longevity?" That was the question discussed the other day by a group of French scientists. In comparing the statistics of mortality in the nineteenth century with those brought out by DuRoi at the close of the previous century it appears that the average longevity since 1789 increased by five or six years. Therefore, the question put by our medical colleagues would seem to be answered, the answer pointing to an increase of the average length of life. But the present effort is to reveal the source, if source there is, in the figures before us; and that is a theory problem.

The profession which presents a happy medium in the matter of longevity is that of the scientist. Among the savants one finds as many men who die young as the number who die very old. We know that Fontenelle lived 103 years, and that Chevreul was 102. Among those who reached ages quite respectable, although their years were fewer in number, are Humboldt, who died at 82, Newton, at 85, Franklin, at 84, and Buffon, at 81.

Woes of a Wife. "Oh, that I should have married a funny man!" she wailed. "What is the matter, lovely dear?" asked her most intimate friend. "He came home and told me he had a sure way to keep jelly from getting moldy at the top, and when I asked him how he said turn it upside down."—Boston Traveller.

To Play "Shopping." The leader says: "I went shopping this morning, and everything I bought began with A. From the grocer I bought (points to a player and waits for response), from the drug-gist (points to another), from the dry goods store, from the baker," etc. The responses must be given quickly. The penalty is to take the place of the leader and start another letter.

A Boy's Composition on Girls. Girls is things wat gets taken out for nothing to theyatres and circuses and parties and everything. I wish I was a girl, my sister Mary was one and she's got a soft thing of it too. Hank Wilson comes to see her every night and he talks her out riding and dancing, and everything. He never talks me out altho I'd like it just as well.

The Away-from-Home Girl. "Write your home letters regularly and keep in touch with your parents and old friends by weekly correspondence," writes Margaret E. Slaughter, in the Ladies' Home Journal, addressing girls who have gone from home into the world to seek their livelihood. "Never let a Sunday afternoon drift out without your hour spent in an intimate and loving letter to the dear mother. This is a good occupation for Sunday, and I can hardly tell you how minute and confidential and affectionate this writing should be. But there is no need. You know what you like to hear from home, and what mother and father most long for, when your letters come. I follow those letters. Mother is in the kitchen, washing the dishes. She wipes her hands and sits down in the low rocking chair by the window where the lilac is beginning to bud. Father stands between the table and the door, waiting to hear what you have said, and aware that he must wait until mother has satisfied her heart with the first reading. Then it will be his turn. To them both you are, and you will always be, just their own little girl, and you can never send them a line which they will not read with eagerness. So never put off your family at home with a wrappy, hurried scrawl; take time; and tell them everything."

Discordant Custom in Berlin. Berlin is probably the only city of any size in which there is absolutely no attempt at anything like a general dinner hour, or even at uniform business hours. Each circle of professions has its own hours of business, which naturally regulate the household meal arrangements. Army and official circles have certain hours of duty; banking and commercial houses have their own hours; writers, actors and artists, and the university and the schools form another set with other hours. If you have a wide visiting list in Berlin you may be asked out to dinner at any time from 2 until 7. Hopeless dyspepsia is the penalty if you do not keep in one set.

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