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It is not strange that very few men know themselves intimately. No one cultivates disagreeable acquaintances.

McKinley says there are two kinds of farmer, "those who farm the land, and those who farm the farmers."

This state ranks second of all the states in the percentage of increase in wealth during the past ten years.

The only people who know how to bring up children are childless; the only men who know perfectly how to run a railroad are those who never had a chance to try; and the fellow who knows how to run a newspaper is the fellow that never did it.

Somebody should invent a mirror that will enable us to see ourselves as others see us and every professional slanderer should be presented with one of them at public expense. An epidemic of suicides might then be confidently expected.

The rain-makers were completely successful in the experiments at Corpus Christi, Texas, on Saturday. Several bombs were discharged up in the air, and soon showers of rain fell over a limited area, and continued half an hour. Final experiments will be made this week, after which the party will go to other points. Uncle Jerry's officers are doing their best to show good results before the meeting of congress—probably with a view of a large appropriation.

There are many little things about weddings that people inquire about says the Ladies' Home Journal. The bride writes a personal note of thanks for every gift received, whether it be a great one or a little one, and if she cannot do this before the ceremony, she does it after the bridal trip. In the church the bridegroom's family and friends sit at the right of the altar being on the bridegroom's right hand, while those of the bride are placed on the left at the bride's left. The bridegroom does not pay for anything connected with the wedding unless he should choose to send bouquets to the bridesmaids and, of course, to the bride, and presents and boutonnières to his best man and the ushers. A widow removes her first wedding ring at her second marriage, and does not assume it again. The engagement ring is taken from the third finger of the left hand and worn afterward as a guard to the wedding ring. It is not considered good taste to cut the finger out of the glove for assuming the ring.

People returning from Portland, after visiting the Exposition there pronounce it the greatest ever held on the coast. The exhibits are far ahead of any previous year, not only in number and arrangement, but also in variety and general appearance. The attractions, especially the music and art, are away above expectations. The Zapadores Band, from the City of Mexico, is discoursing wonderful music, and has made a decided hit. The range of music performed seems to be without limit, and the fear that the band would confine itself to Mexican and Spanish music has long since disappeared. The art gallery is a revelation; the paintings being the greatest that have ever been placed in an exposition. The mineral, horticultural, and agricultural exhibits are a genuine surprise. It was supposed that the Superintendent not being connected with mining or agricultural industries would neglect this important branch of the Exposition; but the result shows that it has received more than the usual attention, and is a gratifying success. The horticultural department is larger than it ever has been, and the quality of fruit is a source of great admiration. Other features have been added which bring the Exposition far beyond expectations. With the reduced rates on all transportation lines this year, there is no reason why people should not go and partake of the benefits the Exposition offers.

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