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### Lion Has Lucky Bone.

Like the children's wishbone, the lion has a "lucky bone," which natives in Africa always present to the hunter or other distinguished visitor who comes among them and to whom they wish to express good will. The natives have great respect for the king of beasts and do not tolerate "lion chops" in their meat rations. The white hunters say lion chops are not good eating.

### Inspiration.

If you ever get to feeling conceited about what you have accomplished in life, read a little biography and find out how some others with half your opportunities have won world-wide recognition before they were anyway near your age. And if you should feel depressed you might note the number who have won both fame and fortune after they were far older than you.—Carthage Press.

### French Insurrectionists.

The A B C club was the name adopted by certain Republican enthusiasts in Paris, France, professing to relieve the depressed. These men organized an insurrection, which was suppressed with bloodshed on June 6, 1832. The events are described by Victor Hugo in his great work of fiction, "Les Miserables."

### Java in History.

Batavia, the capital of the island of Java, and of all the Dutch possessions in the East Indies, was built by that people about the year 1619. The French seized the place, but it was captured on August 26, 1811, by a British force, led by Sir Samuel Auchmuty, and restored to the Dutch in 1814.

### Opportunity Beckons.

There may not be anything new under the sun, but there are new uses for everything there is. It is discovery of new application to useful purposes that engages men of research and gives them part in the world's progress. Ours is a world of opportunity.—Grit.

### What Your Heart Weighs.

The weight of the human heart is from eight to twelve ounces.

### War Hymn's First Name.

The Marseillaise, the popular French patriotic song, was first called the "War Song of the Army of the Rhine," but was later named for the revolutionists of Marseilles, who sang it as they entered Paris.

### Man and His Creator.

He fell to work, whistling softly, and was swallowed up in the keen, clear joy of creation, which does not come to man too often, lest he should consider himself the equal of his God, and so refuse to die at the appointed time.—Kipling.

### Aborigines of the Bahamas.

The Lucayans, now extinct, were the aboriginal inhabitants of the Bahama islands and were the first Americans encountered by Columbus, who described them as a mild and indolent race, who had their foreheads artificially flattened.

### Man of Mystery.

"Seen any mysterious strangers around here lately?" asked the city detective. "Well," said the village constable, "there was a fellow with a circus last week that took a pair of rabbits out of my whiskers."—San Francisco Argonaut.

### Stymied.

"Father, I cannot tell a lie," little George began, but Washington, senior, interrupted: "There's no use in your taking up golf then."

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## SCHOOL DAYS



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## WHEN I WAS TWENTY-ONE

BY JOSEPH KAYE

At Twenty-One:—Marietta Holley, Author of the Famous "Samantha" Books, Didn't Help Her Mother as Much as She Should.

AT THE age of twenty-one my position in life was like that of any other young girl in the pleasant north country. I helped my mother in the ordinary work of the household, though not so much as I should have done, for until one has the responsibility of a home, one does not understand the care and labor it means.

"I scribbled a good deal even then; poetry—so-called—and essays on almost any subject, some, I believe, that even Shakespeare and Milton would have thought beyond a poet's range. I did a great deal, indeed everything available that came my way. I roamed over the literary hills and vales with the freedom and delight of the country born.

"So much for my outward life. As for my inner life, I dreamed the gleaming, fanciful castles that young girls exhibit both in city and country—glittering castles that, it is needless to say, were never built.

"My ambitions at that time were boundless; and so was my faith. I was going to do some great work that would revolutionize the world and would set all the wrongs to right. Nothing is easier than for youth to make over the world; nothing is easier than for youth to look through the golden haze that hangs about their future and see a world transformed; nothing is easier than for youth to view the world's weaknesses and ailments and stand serenely on a height—a conqueror.

"Alas for the dream and ambitions of youth! The long years pass and things move on about the same. And as the shadows lengthen in the west, instead of the high place and the conqueror's dream, one must sit by the common wayside and see the old world go by in the same old way.—Marietta Holley ("Josiah Allen's Wife").

Marietta Holley is one of the last surviving members of the old school of writers who used to delight our parents and grandparents. She is the author of the celebrated "Samantha" books—"Samantha Amongst the Brethren," "Samantha at Saratoga," "Samantha Among the Colored Folks," etc., and for an equally popular work of that period. "Around the World With Josiah Allen's Wife." The last "Samantha" book was published in 1913, "Samantha on Women's Rights."

Miss Holley is a veteran in the cause of women's suffrage.

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"The feminists are claiming the credit for the modern woman's freedom," says enfranchised Fannie, "but it probably was a man who invented the can-opener."

## Mother's Cook Book

"The woman who has not loved, played with and spanked a child, has missed one of the cardinal joys."

### MEAT EXTENDERS

A SMALL slice of mutton cut up into serving-sized pieces, browned in butter, or sweet fat, covered with boiling water and a sliced onion with two or three sliced or latticed carrots, cooked slowly for two hours on the back of the stove, will serve more persons than just one slice of mutton.

### Ragout of Lamb.

Take one pound of lamb from the flank, one-half cupful of dried peas, one quart of cold water, two sliced onions, one teaspoonful of salt, three cupfuls of cubed potatoes, one cupful of diced carrots, three tablespoonfuls of flour, two teaspoonfuls of Worcestershire sauce, two teaspoonfuls of catsup, two teaspoonfuls of chopped parsley, with pepper and paprika to taste. Pick over the peas, soak over night in cold water to cover. Wipe the meat, remove the bones and cover them with the quart of water, add the soaked peas, bring to the boiling point and simmer until the peas are tender; add salt, potato and carrot, cook until the vegetables are soft. Mix the flour with a third of a cupful of cold water, add to the stew and cook for ten minutes. Add two teaspoonfuls of lemon juice and the other seasonings and serve at once.

### Roast Beef With Mexican Sauce.

Reheat rare roast beef cut into thin slices in the following sauce: Cook one onion finely chopped in two tablespoonfuls of butter five minutes. Add one red and one green pepper, one clove of garlic, all finely chopped, two tomatoes peeled and cut into pieces. Cook 15 minutes, add one teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce, one-fourth teaspoonful of celery salt and salt to taste.

### Nut Tidbits.

Beat the whites of two eggs stiff, add a cupful of sugar and fold in one cupful of chopped nuts and one cupful of cornflakes. Drop cakes on baking sheet and bake in a moderate oven.

*Nellie Maxwell*  
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## How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

### DOG DAYS

"MUZZLE that dog! The idea of letting a dog go about that way in these dog days!" And it was a "dog day."

Why do we call very hot days dog days? To be sure, in the summer, dogs are dangerous, and when people were not compelled to be as careful as they must be now to incapacitate them for doing harm, the hot days witnessed enough horrible accidents to earn the appellation. But that isn't how it started.

The ancients, with their myths and goddesses, were ardent devotees of astronomy. The planets were popularized, so that school children were familiar not only with this symbol, but their physical changes. "Dog days" was the name given by the ancients to a period of about forty days at the time of the rise of Sirius, the planet called the Dog Star. This happened to be at the hottest time of the year, the star rising on July 1. On account of the changes of procession of the Equinoxes, the date has been brought down to about July 23.

Regardless of Sirius, we call them "dog days," if it is hot, and in cool weather we do not divert our attention from the strenuous life to astronomical problems. Yet the planet rises just the same.

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## BIG ENOUGH

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

THERE'LL come a time, it won't be long. When things begin to happen queer: When stockings start to disappear, And other happenings as queer Will make you wonder now and then Where all your gloves are gone again. You miss a certain undershirt, And father's shirting for a shirt, Yes, time rolls on, the day it brings They're big enough to wear your things.

A father knows, if really wise, The meaning then of family ties; For time rolls on, the time it is The family starts wearing his, If now and then he misses one, He'll likely find it on his son; And even daughters have been known To wear the ties that fathers own. Yes, overshoes or dinner rings, They're big enough to wear your things.

There comes a time when you declare That Sonny's old enough to wear A dinner coat; and you decide To fill him full of joy and pride With yours. But, when you go to seek The coat, you hunt about a week, And wonder where that coat is gone— Then find that Sonny has it on. They seldom wait till someone brings, When big enough to wear your things.

And yet in this you often find A comfort of another kind: For children old enough to wear Your clothes are old enough to share A little of your burden, too— And how I hope your children do! When sons put on a man's attire, When daughters wear a woman's gayer, The man and woman that it brings Are big enough to help with things.

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## As Told by Irvin S. Cobb

### THERE'D BE AN UPRISING

THE revivalist was the mouthpiece of a new cult, an offshoot of an older denomination. In his interpretations of the Scriptures he saw no possible hope for any members of the human family who refused to accept his particular brand of religion, as distinguished from all the other brands.

Before an awe-struck congregation at a camp meeting he was describing what would come to pass with regard to those stiff-necked and perverse non-believers who were found outside his own fold on the day of judgment.

"My brethren," he declaimed, "there is no middle course. By the word of the Holy Writ I have proved to you that mankind either must take the true doctrine as it has been expounded here or accept the awful consequences. I can close my eyes and see the awful picture right now.

"Over there in shining robes stand the little group of the elect and the saved. And down below in the fiery pits of perdition millions of the unregenerate are roasting in the undying fires through all eternity while the minions of the devil heap hot coals upon their heads and give them molten lead when they beg for water to cool their parched tongues. That, my brethren, is what will come to pass."

From the body of the house a small elderly gentleman rose up.

"Excuse me for interruptin'," he said "but there ain't no chance fur sich a thing to happen. Why, the people just natchelly wouldn't stand for it."

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## THE YOUNG LADY ACROSS THE WAY



The young lady across the way says she guesses the people that say mush-rooms have little food value never bought any and they're 75 cents a pound.

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The authorities of University college, London, have decided to establish a new Danish lectureship in memory of Queen Alexandra.

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**Goes 12,000 Miles to Fish.**  
In the hope of catching a swordfish, Dr. George Radmore of Beckenham park, in Kent, England, is traveling more than 12,000 miles to New Zealand. He hopes to hook one of the giant swordfish in the New Zealand waters. Some of the fish there weigh as much as 400 pounds. He says there's no sporting thrill like feeling a swordfish tugging at the line.

**"Plus Fours"**  
The Haberdasher says that golfers found regular knickerbockers a bit uncomfortable for golfing. Designers of men's apparel, therefore, drafted a pattern in which four inches were added to the inside seam of each leg of knickerbockers, which had a standard length of 29 inches. This provided for the drop of the "plus fours."

**Earth's Doubtful Age.**  
A scientist of Princeton university believes that recent discoveries in radio-activity have given us means of estimating the age of the earth. Uranium loses one-half of its radiating power in 5,000,000 years, and the presence of this element in the earth's crust would indicate that it is not less than 1,000,000,000 years old.

**Work Well Together.**  
Mr. and Mrs. James Stuyvesant of Eastbourne, England, were in a railroad wreck five years ago, each losing an arm. Today they are constantly together working as one person, she with her left and he with his right. In cutting their food they also use both hands.

**Not Camels, Either.**  
There are certain creatures which never feel the pangs of thirst, for they are so constituted that drink is unnecessary to them, and they never swallow a drop of water in their lives. Among these animals are certain gazelles of the Far East and llamas of Patagonia.

**What a City Auto Costs.**  
It cost the average driver about eleven and one-half cents a mile to run his motor car in Washington, as proved by a survey. Street car fare is less expensive and walking is cheaper yet, besides being healthful. Still it is pleasant to be able to take your choice.—Capper's Weekly.

**Elephant Seaisick.**  
An African baby elephant became seasick and it was quite a task to land the beast from the liner Zaria when the boat docked at Liverpool. Comforts, including a crate of specially selected bananas, were waiting on the quay for the patient.

The first mission founded by the Franciscan friar, Junipero Serra, in southern California was San Diego de Alcalá, begun in 1769. Remains of this foundation still stand, about six miles north of the present San Diego.

**Ambition.**  
"Men's ambition is generally proportioned to their capacity. Providence seldom sends anyone into the world with an inclination to attempt great things who have not abilities likewise to perform them."—Ben Jonson.

**Deadliest Wound.**  
A wound from a tongue is worse than a wound from the sword; the latter affects only the body—the former, the spirit, the soul.—Pythagoras.

When crediting a man with his good intentions it might be well to remember that in order to get them cashed they must be backed by deeds.

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