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CAREFUL SPEECH.

It Aids Clear Thinking and the Ex-
pression of One's Ideas.

Nothing is more of a help to clear
thinking than careful speech. Very of-
ten we discover a flaw in our logic
when we attempt to put it into words,
observes the Irish World. But some-
times we really have ideas, though
we experience difficulty in expressing
them.

People of sympathetic natures are
frequently dumb in the presence of sor-
row. Some who are very intelligent
are so silent and diffident that nobody
ever gets the benefit of their bright
ideas.

A recent poet has intimated that for
the deep things of life language is al-
together inadequate; but, however that
may be, it is the principal means at
present by which human beings get
close together.

We learn to talk, as we say, in the
first few years of life, and some of
us get very little beyond that start in
babyhood. We can ask for what we
want to eat and drink, but we are un-
able to express sympathy tactfully and
gracefully.

We have a great many ideas that we
never try to put into words, because
we feel that we do not know the right
words. We have not really learned to
talk while we remain silent regarding
the things which mean most to us.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

If There Were Fewer of Them There
Would Be Less Crime.

A St. Louis judge recently made the
statement in an address delivered be-
fore a local bar association that "if
one-fourth as much as is spent for
keeping up our courts, jails, poorhouses
and paupers was applied to help ne-
glected city children make a proper start
in life the high tide of crime surely
would decrease."

This is a remarkable statement to
make; but, coming from the source it
does, it is worthy of consideration of
all philanthropic men and women. Had
the speaker made his statement more
general and applicable to the country
as well as to the cities it would all the
same be worthy of credence.

The life of every one depends largely
upon the start made. There are those
who are started right and then depart
from the straight but narrow path, but
they are the exception and not the
rule. Thousands of little unfortunates
may be said to be born criminals, the
offspring of criminal parentage. If
not so born they are so bred. But it
is true, as said by this St. Louis judge,
that if a benevolent and righteous pub-
lic would deal with the problem as it
might there would be less crime and
fewer criminals. — Knoxville Journal
and Tribune.

Our Public Health Service.

In the fields of preventive medicine
and in all matters in which the public
health is concerned the public health
service does work which is not only un-
surpassed but unequalled in any coun-
try of the world. This is recognized
and fully appreciated in Europe, and
recently in one of the chief medical
journals of Europe high praise was
given to the service for the extremely
valuable information with regard to
disease and preventive medicine which
was disseminated by the agency of its
bulletins and other publications. In
fact, the United States public health
service is unique and is an institution
of which this country has every reason
to be proud. It remains as an ever
ready foundation upon which to erect
the department of public health when-
ever congress shall see fit to establish
it.—Medical Record.

Guessing a Star.

Mira, the wonderful star in the con-
stellation Cetus (the Whale), stands
foremost among those variable stars
which have produced so much guess-
work. Besides the theory that its
even months' variations are due to the
flickering up and down of gas, it has
been conjectured that this distant sun
is subject to particularly acute sun
spots, that its obscurations are due to
eclipse by huge planets revolving round
it and even, according to Maupertuis,
that it is not spherical in shape, as
other heavenly bodies are, so that we
see it sometimes in sections, some-
times in plane. Occasionally, as in
1789 and 1839, it has blazed up actual-
ly to first magnitude, while from 1672
to 1676 it disappeared altogether.—Bos-
ton Transcript.

Warming a Serpent.

Down in Bermuda Mark Twain
made a speech about snakes to a group
of little girls. The speech was great.
The only trouble was that the little
girls could not appreciate it. It flew
over their heads. This was the hu-
morist's conclusion:

"Never warm a serpent in your bos-
om. It is far easier to warm it by
placing it under the pillow of an inti-
mate friend."

His Ear For Music.

"Has your daughter finished her mu-
sical education?"
"I suppose so," answered Mr. Twob-
ble, "but sometimes when she is play-
ing one of those classical pieces it
seems to me that she is starting to
learn all over again." — Birmingham
Age-Herald.

Translation.

"What on earth did that fellow mean
when he said he was a peregrinating
pedestrian, castigating his itinerary
from the classic Athens of America?"
"He meant he was a tramp beating
his way from Boston." — Baltimore
American.

Contentment gives a crown where
fortune hath denied it.—Ford.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The library building is fast nearing
completion.

The Episcopal Guild will meet Feb.
1 at the Red Cross room. Plenty of
work. Come early.

E. J. Roberts, Jr., is in the city from
Spokane for a few days' visit to his
brother, W. T. Roberts, and family.

Mrs. G. P. Challis, who has been in
Pendleton undergoing an operation,
returned home yesterday morning.

Mrs. J. D. Rice, daughter Carol
and Mrs. Delta Hunt were dinner
guests at the Mumma home in this city
last Saturday.

The ladies of the Methodist Aid will
entertain the ladies of the Baptist Aid
next Wednesday afternoon at the home
of Mrs. Furnas.

J. W. Campbell came home the
latter part of last week from a busi-
ness and pleasure trip to points on the
coast in Oregon and Washington.

Frank Knapton brought a seal's
weight to The Herald office Wednes-
day. He said no one threw it at him
—just found it on the road on his way
to town and brought it here for the
owner to claim.

The petty thievery that has been
going on in this community for some
time still continues, more reports of
foodstuffs being taken from cellars
and warehouses of citizens and ranch-
ers being reported this week.

The Hermiston boys' high school
basket ball team is playing in hard
luck these days, losing to Echo high
in the game played at the Auditorium
in this city Friday night of last week
and to the town team of the same
place Thursday night of this week.
The high school girls' team also lost
the game played here Thursday even-
ing with The Dalles high school
girls.

Veterinary Surgeon J. A. Peed, who
in the course of business connected
with his veterinary and jitney driv-
ing work, which keeps him on the
road most of the time, has as a result
of this steady going quite a number of
punctures and tire blowouts. But
from now on he can laugh at his former
aggravating trouble, for he has in-
stalled a large modern electrical
vulcanizing machine that is capable of
welding patches and close up small or
large rents on inner tubes in less time
than it takes to tell about.

Parentheses and Brackets.

Know all writers, compositors and
proofreaders by these presents: Marks
of parentheses (which are frequently
required) are not to be confounded
with brackets ["Hear, hear!"], which
serve a different purpose. The use of
one for the other [vide almost any
newspaper page] is extremely sloppy
(if you know what we mean) and ex-
hibits lack of familiarity with or in-
difference to the technique of writing.
[Applause.]

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