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### Crude Art in Europe.

Americans sometimes think that it is only our country that is troubled with crude art in the form of graceless statues of public men. But occasionally, at least, Europeans are moved to protest against similar afflictions. The statues of Bjornson and Ibsen in Christiania have evoked strong protest, and a movement has been started for their removal. Bjornson's son declares that the statues "look like cheesemongers who have climbed up on a pile of their wares."

### Wasn't She a Woman?

"Dat man ober dar say dat women needs to be helped into kerridges and lifted ober ditches. Nobody eber helps me ober ditches nur into kerridges. And ain't I a woman? I have ploughed and planted and gathered into barns, and no man could head me. And ain't I a woman? I could work as much and eat as much—whilst I could git it—as a man, and bear de lash as well. And ain't I a woman?"—Sojourner Truth.

### Make Good Road.

In the "gum-bo" regions of the lower Mississippi valley, where the roads have been the worst in the world, progressive citizens have taken to burning the clay of the soil and spreading this material over the highways. The "gumbo" is so changed by the heat that it presents a fairly hard and mudless surface, even after a heavy rain.

### Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children's teething period.

Surely Had Forgotten Something. An Eastbourne, Sussex (England) woman recently started on a railway journey with the uneasy feeling that she had forgotten something. This turned out to be correct, for she had to take the next train back to pick up her child, which she had left on the station platform.

### Making Glass Tough.

Tumblers, wine glasses, lamp chimneys and other glasses may be rendered so durable as to be almost unbreakable by placing them in a saucenpan of cold water and gradually bringing it to boiling heat. Care should be taken that they do not touch each other during the bubbling-up of the liquid.

### Don't buy water for Malaria. Liquid Blue is almost all water. Buy Red Cross Ball blue, the blue that's all blue.

### Famous Sentence.

A correspondent who inquires as to where the famous saying of Webster's career by Rufus Choate may be found—the sentence being omitted from some of the collections which publish the speech—is referred to "The Works of Rufus Choate," by S. G. Brown. The sentence contains 1,255 words.

### Painful Discovery.

"Well," said the dentist as with a steel instrument he tapped Mr. Acklin's tooth, "I told you when I put that crown on that it might give you trouble. I never guarantee a crowned tooth." "Oh, I know. I wish I'd had the blame thing pulled!" moaned Mr. Acklin sadly. "I've found out to my sorrow that crown's rests the tooth that wears a crown!"

### Pettit's Eye Salve FOR WEAK SORE EYES

To the Rescue. "I am at present devoting a good deal of time to the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy," said Old Ed. Howe, writing in his own magazine. "Think of the absurdity of it," he continues. "We do. Our notion of nothing to get excited about is this Shakespeare controversy."

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### Taking No Chances.

At a domestic economy lesson, the Northern Christian Advocate reports, little Emily was asked to state briefly the best way to keep milk from souring. Her answer was certainly brief and to the point. It ran: "You should leave it in the cow."

### Peace.

Nothing in the world is worth the loss of thy peace; even the faults which thou hast committed should only humble and not disquiet thee. God is full of joy and peace and happiness. Endeavor then to obtain a continually joyful and peaceful spirit.—J. Tersteegen.

### Water in blinding is adulteration. Glass and water make liquid blue costly. Buy Red Cross Ball Blue, makes clothes whiter than snow.

### Almost the Limit!

A Boston girl who had just returned from her first trip abroad was asked if she had been seasick. "Seasick!" she replied. "Why, I went into the steamer and sat down on my best hat—and I didn't care!"

### Mirrors at Road Corners.

A mirror about three feet high, which shows the approaching traffic, has been placed on a sign post erected at the junction of four roads at Beckenham, Kent.—London Mail.

### Does Delicate Work.

Photographically to measure and record the vibrations of a machine or building is the purpose of a simple apparatus invented in England.

### "Right O!"

Burning the candle at both ends is one way of making both ends meet.—B. M. C.

## RAISE PRICE ON BUTTER CORNER

Syndicate Has 117,000,000 Lbs. In Cold Storage Plants.

### Upon Investigation by Secret Service Agents, Government Starts Suit Against Alleged Pool.

Chicago—Loot amounting to between \$11,700,000 and \$17,550,000 may be pilfered from butter users in the United States in the next few months.

More than 117,000,000 pounds of butter, amounting practically to an absolute corner in the commodity, is held in cold storage. Prices inflated to from 10 to 15 cents a pound above normal will be asked for this butter. Most of the loot will be divided among a small ring of men, including several beef packers, according to reports in the hands of the Federal authorities.

The suit which was filed in the United States District court in Chicago on Saturday, to dissolve the alleged "butter trust," had for its object the solution of these two riddles. Whether the men and concerns named in the suit are the ones to whom the easy millions were to go has not been said openly, but it is known that the action was brought as the direct result of the activities of a score or more of United States secret service men and the defendant concerns are the Elgin board of trade and the American Association of Creamery Butter Manufacturers with their 20 individual officers made defendants as well.

### LIVING COST HITS SCHOOLS

Johns Hopkins University Will Put Up Tuition Price.

Baltimore—Johns Hopkins University, in common with other big institutions of learning in the country, is feeling the pinch of the higher cost of things, and with a growing enrollment is facing the need of an increase in tuition fees.

In the last 20 years practically every big institution has had to raise its tuition, except Johns Hopkins, Yale and Harvard. Hopkins raised its charge for arts and sciences from \$125 to \$150 in 1892, and opened its medical department the following year with a tuition charge of \$200.

The announcement has just been made by Dr. Ira Remsen, president, that for those who enter the medical school hereafter the tuition will be greater than it has been in the past.

### LIPTON UPHOLDS SUFFRAGE

Sir Thomas Says Husbands Should Even Help Care for Babies.

Atlanta, Ga.—"I am such a sincere believer in woman suffrage that I even believe men should share the actual care of the babies, especially the first few months of their existence," declared Sir Thomas Lipton in a statement here. "I believe most positively in woman suffrage," added Sir Thomas.

"How can any man, if he loves and respects his mother, refuse to care for her right of citizenship? I do not approve of the militant, meddlesome course over-anxious women have pursued, but why could we expect there would not be women agitators as well as men?"

### "Story" False, Says Root.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Root branded as "impudent forgeries, inconsistent with his opinions and abhorrent to his feelings," extracts published in Panama, Cuba, Costa Rica, Salvador and Honduras, of a speech alleged to have been made by him recently in New York. Senator Root was quoted as declaring: "This nation is a greater and nobler Rome, placed by God to act as arbitrator, not only in the districts of America, but also in Europe and Asia, through its natural resources and industrial products which supply the world."

### Wilson in Storm at Sea.

On Board Steamship Bermudian—President-elect Wilson and his party encountered squally weather during the first few hours of their trip out from Hamilton. As the Bermudian passed out of the shelter of the Hamilton harbor, she entered a rough sea that kept the vessel rolling for several hours after the Bermuda reefs were passed. The president-elect experienced no inconvenience. Instead of finding shelter "down below," he paced the decks or chatted with friends in the smoking room.

### Seismic Shocks Kill Fish.

Washington, D. C.—Millions of dead fish have been cast up from the Gulf of Mexico at Tampico, Mex., and vicinity in the past ten days, according to a report from United States Vice Consul Ewan. The consul said it was supposed a submarine volcanic disturbance had killed the fish, which range from six-foot tarpons to 18-inch mullet. An offensive odor from the fish has caused great discomfort and much uneasiness for fear of an epidemic of yellow fever. Similar conditions caused the epidemic of 1902.

### Robbers May Be Airmen.

Visalia, Cal.—Persons living in the vicinity of Wasco have informed the officers that they had seen two men flying in an aeroplane over that town about the time the Santa Fe Sunset train was robbed of \$20,145 in gold near Pentland Junction. As nothing can be learned of anyone having flown an aeroplane in that section, sheriff's deputies are investigating the possibility that the robbers escaped by the air route.

### Katsura to Be Premier.

Tokyo—Prince Taro Katsura, it is officially believed, will undertake the formation of a new Japanese cabinet to take the place of the Saionji ministry, which recently resigned. An official announcement of the names of the new ministers is expected to be made soon.

## PREPARING FOR HIS ANNUAL JOURNEY



## CHRISTMAS FOR TWO

By AGNES HOWARD BUTLER.

MATTIE had dressed her. With a child's adaptability she seemed to fit in perfectly with her surroundings in contrast to Thomas in his coarse blue gingham and heavy shoes. She would bring the spirit of youth to a house, long accustomed to the decorous ways of sober middle age. A black and white Japanese spaniel, with a nose so short that he seemed always on the point of a sneeze, jumped up beside her and laid his head affectionately on her arm.

"What a picture," sighed Miss Mattie.

"Don't spoil the child," rejoined her sister, with a glance at small Thomas, who seemed rather out of it. "Come, it's time for the tree."

A white-capped maid shoved aside the portieres and revealed a tree, glittering with tinsel and heaped around with various ribbon-tied packages. There was a satisfying smallness, a cozy "portion for two" feeling about this fat little tree, in contrast to the usual spindly, sparsely trimmed evergreen at the Asylum, which was so large that it never seemed to belong to anyone but the Board of Directors.

After a moment of rapturous attention Lily hugged a real doll, and Thomas fell upon a toy horse. Being of an investigating turn of mind, it was soon minus saddle and bridle and the tail was about to follow when Miss Pris created a diversion by lighting the tree so that he might see it in all its glory before he went back. The early winter twilight began to shadow the room as she rang for tea.

Then thoughtfully she hung Tom's coat by the fire to warm in preparation for his cold ride. The tea-wagon appeared. In honor of the day it bore the Martha Washington set of colonial tradition, a cherished heirloom whose egg-shell fragility had been guarded from destruction through five careful generations. Besides the usual tea service, there was a pitcher of milk and just slices of bread, spread with raspberry jam, and a plate heaped with bananas.

It was wheeled into place before Miss Mattie, whose transparent hands had barely tilted the teapot, when with a whoop of joy the riotous Thomas made descent. Headless of his sister's warning cry and poor Miss Mattie's horrified gasp, he grasped the handle of this novel push-cart, shouting:

"Bananas! Bananas!"

The peculiar fatality which pursues small boys in a drawing-room swoop out of the debris, and as his short arms met around her neck and his tear-streaked face went down on her shoulder, she looked across at Miss Mattie and as one who has at length arrived at a happy decision, she announced:

"You take the girl—the boy is mine."

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### Christmas Plum Pudding.

One cupful of finely chopped suet, one cupful of light brown sugar, one-half cupful of molasses, one-half cupful of sour milk, three eggs (unbeaten), two cupfuls of dry bread crumbs carefully sifted, one cupful of flour, one level teaspoonful of soda, one-fourth cupful of water, one cupful each of raisins and currants, one-half cupful of citron, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful each of nutmeg, mace, cloves, and allspice. After thoroughly mixing the ingredients, pour into a buttered mold and steam for about seven hours. If smaller molds, such as baking-powder cans, are used, three hours will be long enough.—Mothers' Magazine.

### In Washington.

The bell rang and a sweet voice called:

"I have telephoned to see if the senate is in session."

"The senate," answered the attendant, "is not in session."

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### Not for Her.

"But, madam," said the surgeon, after the woman had recovered consciousness in the hospital, "why didn't you stop when the crossing policeman held up his hand? Then you wouldn't have been struck by the automobile." "What! Me stop when Jim Meginnis holds up his hand? I'd let you know I'm his wife, an' he never saw the day when he could boss me!"—Magazine of Fun.

### One of His Stuck-Up City Ways.

"Since Joe Doe's got back here again, after livin' a year in Kansas City, he's too blame' well-headed for any use!" hypercritically remarked Pip Maullin of Skeedee. "Why, when he's at work and the fire bell rings he says he's too busy to go, and just lets 'er ring. Something mighty queer about such actions; nobody is ever too busy to go to a fire!"

### Unseemly rooming.

To cover any wooden roof, such as dog kennels, summer houses, etc., get a large piece of strong brown paper and tack it down. Make sure there are no holes in it for the wet to get under. Then give it two coats of paint. This will last several years, and is almost as good as tarpaulin, and much cheaper.

### Puzzled the Small Mind.

Little Margaret noticed her mother measuring cloth by holding it up to her nose with one hand and reaching under her arm's length with the other. She looked thoughtful for a moment, then asked: "How can you measure cloth that way? Can you smell a yard?"

### Splendid Chance.

City Man—"Is there a good chance for investment around here?" Native—"You bet! More opportunity than there ever was. Land that my father paid \$3 an acre for 30 years ago I can get for \$2 now."—Puck.

### Fairy Tales Barred in Austria.

The fairy tales of Grimm and of Hans Christian Andersen are excluded from the Austrian schools by a recent order, "because of their slight importance."

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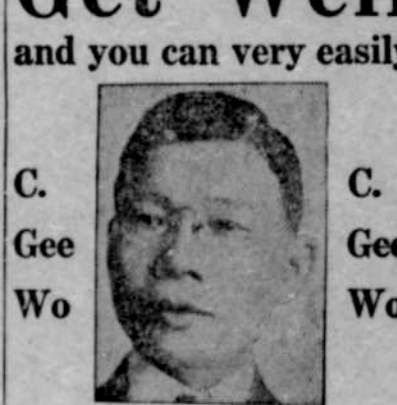
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