



The Office Cat

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KEEP SMILING

Have you ever noticed in this neck of the woods the time it takes to deliver the goods. When a fat slovenly woman with slovenly dress is holding the bottle? A minute or less. Is plenty of time for the milkman to do his job of delivering the milk, and he's through. The next, it will take twenty minutes or more. When a beautiful woman steps out of the door. With a nod and a smile; she's ready to chat. While he is polite, and raises his hat. The moral is this: You can bet your last dime. The heart with the smile will win every time.

The attorney had talked for over an hour. He noticed what seemed to him inattention on the part of the court. It was as he had feared—his worship was unable to appreciate the points of his argument. "I beg your worship's pardon," he said, "but do you follow me?" The magistrate shifted uneasily in his chair. "I have so far," he answered, "but if I thought I could find my way back alone, I'd turn around now."

When girls roll 'em down and go around bare kneed these hot days. It is in order to have their shins cleaned with soap and water so as to pass the rigid inspection of the rubber necks.

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In an art gallery two women were standing in front of Millet's famous picture, "The Sower." "I wonder what kind of grain he is sowing?" said one woman. "Why, millet, of course," replied her companion, "Don't you see the name in the corner?"

Lottie Fisher says an "assistant" is the man who does all the work.

Some men we know ought to wear tail lights so those in a hurry won't bump into them.

PAYMENT IS SOUGHT OF CHINESE LOANS

TOKIO, Sept. 5.—The government and banks of Japan are trying to devise some scheme whereby what are known as the Nishihara loans to China totalling 100,000,000 yen may be recovered or at least the interest of 7,500,000 yen a year, which has not been paid since the loans were negotiated in 1918, may be secured.

When the loans were made by the Industrial bank and the Banks of Korea and Formosa, it was expected that China would give the banks certain concessions, but these have not been forthcoming. The banks have had to pay the interest to the investors who bought the bonds and there seems no prospect of China being able to repay the interest, much less the capital which was to have been spent on railways in Manchuria and Mongolia and in the development of mines in the Amur and Kirin provinces.

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HAZEL HALL.

By PHILIP J. SINNOTT

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 6.—Hazel Hall has been unable to walk since childhood. As her diversion, she took up needlework.

In time, it brought her happiness. And now, it is bringing her national fame as a successful poet.

While other children of her age played on the streets near her home, the pale faced girl, watching them through a window but unable to join them, did not grieve. Instead, she threw herself more fervently into the creative art of needlework.

As her nimble fingers flew, the girl's mind filled with beautiful thoughts. She began in a child-like manner to put these thoughts into poetry.

Growing into young womanhood, Hazel Hall became more absorbed in her stitching and her versifying. Soon her needlework began to bring financial returns. So did her poems for magazines began to seek her verse, and she won several national prizes, including the Leonora Speyer prize for a group of poems.

Her needlework and thoughts resulted in her latest triumph, publication of "Captains" a book of verse which has already received encouraging comment.

"Between her and life are the heavy draperies of a physical monotony which shuts her off from the world," declared William Stanley Braithwaite, Boston literary critic, who suggested the title for the girl's book.

Miss Hall is hopelessly crippled but—

"I write poetry only when feeling both mentally and physically fit," she says. "Writing poems condenses my interests, and is always spontaneous with me. It is my way of expressing certain ideas and impressions."

"These ideas come as inspirations; sometimes a line or phrase, or as a sudden appreciation of a word, you might say. Keen appreciation is the forerunner of all great things."

Miss Hall's second book of poems is nearly ready for publication.



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OLCOTT AT ROUND-UP

Governor, Attired in Cowboy's Regalia, Leads Procession

LAKEVIEW, Sept. 6.—Governor Olcott, outfitted in colored shirt with all the cowboy's regalia and riding a calico cow pony, was one of the principal attractions of the second day's program of the round-up here Sunday. Loud cheers greeted the governor as he led the parade with A. J. Ousley, president of the association, past the grandstand and bleachers.

Following the governor, in similar cowboy's regalia, each escorted by one of the directors of the round-up association, was Sam Korer, secretary of state; Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer; Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital, and Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian.

The day's program was replete with thrills, especially when a mad bull, being ridden by Jesse Post, an Indian, charged into a group of men in the arena, putting them over the fence and horning one, though not seriously injuring him.

Riding a bull backwards and sideways was another event which caused the spectators to gasp for breath. Dorothy Morrell, a national figure in round-up circles, gave a spectacular exhibition by riding Canary, one of the hardest buckers here, and her husband, Skeeter Bill Robbins, filled in dull moments, which were few, with fancy roping.

Of the 35 cowboys who entered the saddle bucking contest were Ray Bell, Pendleton; Boss Richardson, Paisley; Jesse Stahl, colored, Eureka, Cal.; Perry Ivory, Alturas; Bill Raymond, Chico, Cal.; George Farmer of John Day and Jesse Costen, Cheyenne, Wyo.

FORTUNE LOST BY ATLANTA MAN WHO TRADED FOR SLAVE

ATLANTA, Sept. 6.—If Thomas Peacock had clung to a piece of Atlanta real estate that he swapped years ago for Ran Peacock, a negro slave, he would have been worth at least \$100,000 before he died. But he never regretted it, according to his statement.

Death now has claimed them both. Peacock died a few years ago, and "Uncle Ran" passed away the other day at the age of 83. The property increases in value yearly as Atlanta grows, "but it was the best bargain I ever made," was the white man's remark a few years ago when he saw a great office building going up on the lot at Whitehall and Alabama streets, one of the most valuable corners in the city.

The story behind the trade is that of the affection of the old-time southerner for the slave boy who was his especial playmate. Seventy years ago before Lewis Peacock died, in apportioning out his property he left Ran to his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Connolly. Young Thomas Peacock, a few years later, gave his sister his fourth interest in the Alabama-Whitehall corner for Ran, who, as a likely young negro, was worth around \$1,500. Mrs. Connolly's son now owns the lot and the Connolly building which stands on it. Real estate men say the lot itself is worth \$400,000 or more.

Peacock said it was the best bargain he ever made because when he went away to war he left Ran to take care of Mrs. Peacock and the children and it was Ran who worked the plantation near Atlanta and foraged for the wife and children of his master, after Sherman's soldiers had burned the city and stripped the countryside of food.

Harry Poole says if the workers in the pajama factories strike, there will be no new show on Broadway next year.

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