IN AUTUMNTIDE.

The apple seeds are black at core;
The linden leaves, like fairy ore,
Shed the effulgence of their gold,
Paving the pathways green before.

More plaintive grows the thrush's pipe;
The quince's cheek is yellow ripe;
And the smooth pallor of the pear
Reveals, like dawn, a russet stripe.

The minstrel wind behind the hill
Above its strings is never still;
Autumn through all the brooding land
Works the rich wonder of its will

As in a necromancer's glass,
We watch the radiant pageant pass,
Wood waving banner back to wood
Across the seas of grass.

Forgetful what the hours presage,
We feel that we have plucked a page
From the untroubled Book of Dream -
A leaf from out the Golden Age!

C. Scollard, in Appleton's Magazine.

Mistakes of Reporters.

Some Ridiculous Transposition Famous Sayings.

T. L. De Vinne, New York, in his book, 'The Practice of Typography,' gives some funny mistakes of reporters.

A speaker made this statement:

'In these days clergymen are expected to have the wisdom and learning of Jeremy Taylor.'

The reporter wrote and the compositor repeated, '* * * the wisdom and learning of a journeyman tailor.'

Another speaker quoted these lines:

'Oh, come, thou goddess fair and free,
In heaven yclept Euphrosyne.'

They were printed as the reporter understood the speaker.

'Oh, come, thou goddess fair and free,
In heaven she crept and froze her knee.'

Another orator quoted this line from Tennyson's 'Locksley Hall:'

'Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of Cathay.'

But the quotation was written and printed:

'Better fifty years of Europe than a circus in Bombay.'

One of the worst perversions of a hackneyed quotation — incorrectly given by the speaker — is this, which seems to be the joint work of the zealous reporter and the equally reckless printer:

'Amicus Plato, amicus Socrates, sed major veritas.'

'I may cuss Plato, I may cuss Socrates,' said Major Veritas.'

Why Men Don't Marry.

I think we have given the unfortunate bachelor almost more than his share of blame on the non-marriage question. A good deal of the fault lies with the girls. They frighten the men off by foolish behavior and talk. When a young man in moderate circumstances hears a girl declare that she can't get on without a certain number of dresses, and that in order to be happy she must have this or that luxury, he says to himself, 'Dear me, I can't afford all that; I'd better keep out of matrimony.'

Half the time the girl doesn't mean it, but she thinks its smart to talk that way. She also makes a mistake of being more proud of her showy accomplishments than her useful ones. The finer arts may catch a beau for her, but I very much doubt if they will ever catch a husband. There is a girl who always has something the matter with her—a headache, a cold; or she always feels so tired. You can't blame a man for not wanting to marry that kind of girl. He knows the kind of wife she would make—a helpless invalid, whining and fretful.

And the untidy girl, as all know her. Sometimes she's pretty, and usually she is good-natured, but she drives more men away from matrimony than any other kind of a girl. A man may be attracted by her when he first meets her, but when he begins to think of her as his wife the prospect frightens him. He imagines the slovenly home she would make and the discomfort he would live in, and so he retires into his bachelor shell and thinks single blessedness is good enough for him. There is one type of married women who is largely to blame for much reluctance on the part of men to marry. She is the 'nagger.' When a bachelor sees a married man being nagged to death he makes up his mind to keep his head out of the noose. He has a lively contempt for the hen-pecked husband and does a great deal of talking about what he would do if he were in Jones' position; but deep down in his heart he knows perfectly well that he would be just as meek and down-trodden as Jones.

Men love peace and like their evening to be free from worry and wrangle.—Mrs. P. N. Craycroft, in the 'Woman's Magazine.'

Same Old Town.

A traveling salesman, whose 'territory' lies in the Southwest, was one afternoon in the depot awaiting an eastbound train, when a flashily dressed person covered with cheap jewelry came into the waiting room from the platform where he had been standing since the coming of the last train.

'Well, this old town hasn't changed a bit since I lived here,' said he, by way of general observation to the drummer and two or three natives of the place. 'Everything just the same as it was fifteen years ago. Not a particle of change!'

'I reckon that's about it, mister,' replied an old fellow who was embracing a stove in the corner. 'Your leavin' it don't pear to have made much difference in the durned old town.'

—The common way is to hate a man first, and find a reason afterwards.

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Why It Doesn't Save.

Do you find your gas stove a real economizer? If not, may not these be some of the reasons:

Lighting burners before ready to use them.

Baking but one thing at a time.

Heating water or cooking in uncovered vessels.

Placing small vessels upon large burners.

Using large burners when a small one would do.

Not turning out the flame before removing food.

Not lowering the flame when food is already boiling.

Heating flatirons with nothing over them.

And would it not be worth while to make use of these suggestions? For the gas-stove can be, and should be, an economizer:

Matches are cheaper than gas.

Learn to read the metre—a simple little clock.

Soak dried foods before cooking them.

Heat water in the oven after the baking is over.

When baking biscuits broil beefsteak below the same blaze. Both require quick heat, and both done at the same moment.

Try the expert's rule of putting loaf cake into an almost cold oven and baking with only one burner.

Use a steam-cooker if possible, as a whole dinner, from roast to pudding, may be perfectly cooked in it upon a simmering burner in three hours.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

The Business Girl.

From the Chicago News.

From the moment you enter the office until you leave it, attend solely to your duty.

When you have finished attending to your duties leave the office.

The habit of lingering after business hours to chat with the young men in the office is a bad one.

If the young men wish to talk to you they should seek you in your own home. Chattering will not raise you in your employer's estimation.

A business office is not the place for fun and social conversation,

No matter how great your friendship with one of your fellow-workers, treat him during office hours as you would a comparative stranger.

There is no reason why you should not be cordial and pleasant toward the men with whom you come in daily contact, but never allow the slightest liberty or familiarity.

Accept no presents from your business associates, and when a married man begins to show you more than ordinary courtesy keep away from him.

Dignity is an invaluable asset to the business woman.

Do not carry the office home with you. Forget it from the time you leave it until you enter it again next morning. You will do your work all the better for going at it in a fresh frame of mind.

If you want poetry look for it in the prosaic, in those who feel that which they cannot express; not in those who express that which they do not feel.

It's so much easier to borrow trouble than it is to pay debts. Many a happy man's so-called happy home is happy only when he isn't there.

"They tell me at school, pa, that I am to have the valedictory."

"Well, we'll see the doctor and have him give you something for it."

A Merciless Creditor.

From Puck.

"Loogy you sah! Dess loogy yuh!' truculently said a certain colored man, upon meeting another citizen of the same hue. 'What about den dar fo' dollahs and semty-fi' cents yo'-all has been uh-owin' me for de last two yeahs, and uh promisin' time after time, but never puhdoosin'? I wants muh money right right now, and I's p'intedly gwine to git it too!'

'Now, now, Brudder Yockey!' deprecatingly expostulated the debtor. 'Yo' knows dat at de time I extracted dat 'ar obligation I was a lost and undone soul, uh-wallerin' in de bonds o' sin and de sass-pole o' 'nickerty; but since I got religion, last Subbaf was two weeks ago, de Lawd has done fuhgive all muh wickedness—and, sho'ly, muh brudder, yo' ortah——'

'Dat's all right, sah! Dat's all right—in a figgerative sense! De Lawd may have fuhgive yo' debts, like yo' says, but it's a heap mo' likely dat he's merely layin' low twell he gits yo' dess whuh he wants yo', and den lam it out'n yo' triflin' hide wid confirmed interest! Dat may or mought not all be so, for what I knows; but I does know dis: I has yo' in a corn-der, right now, muhse'f, and yo' gotter come across wid dat 'ar fo-semty, or I'll wrop muh cane around yo' shins twell yo' howls like a catmount! Well, sah?'

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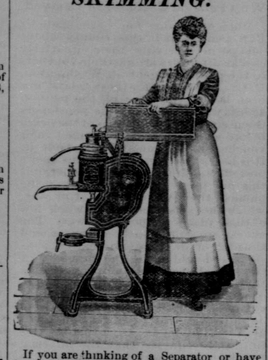
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Prospero Garcia, the owner of a ranch situated in the Zamora district, State of Micjoacan, Mexico, upon which grows a strange tree that is called by the natives "tree of death," is said to have offered a liberal reward to any one who has the courage to blow up the cursed tree with dynamite or who will remove it from his ranch by any other method.

The tree is supposed to be over seventy-five years old, and is said to have been planted by a man, who, because of his numerous crimes and his forgetfulness of the divine laws, was swallowed up by the earth. That man, according to tradition, was "unhombre muy malo." He never went to mass, never confessed, did not have the image of a saint in his house, did not carry a rosary around his neck and never made the sign of the cross.

It was rumored that he was responsible for many murders, but he was never in jail neither could he be incarcerated because he had a compact with the devil.

Two things he loved—birds and trees. He planted numerous trees and fed big flocks of birds that knew him and came to his home every morning to pick the crumbs of bread which he threw in the patio.

Many years ago (and this is well remembered by the peasants), it was Good Friday. Everybody in town had attended the religious services of the morning and were going to their homes, when a terrific noise was heard. They rushed to the street where it came from to find out what it was and saw the earth had opened under the cursed man's feet. He was enveloped by thick flames and smoke, and disappeared beneath the surface of the earth.

This was regarded as a most deserved punishment. While the faithful were in church the cursed man was loafing around, and, having seen a big crucifix upon an altar erected on the street, as was done in those days, he placed a burning cigarette in the lips of the image.

Scarcely had he made eight or ten steps when he was engulfed by the inferno.

That very day all the trees that he had planted, except the cursed one, dried up, and all the birds he had fed died.

An attempt was made to cut down the tree, but the man who made the attempt dropped dead, stepping on the shadow of the foliage. The man's body had to be left there to be eaten by the crows, because nobody had the courage to approach and remove it.

Since that day, numerous persons have met a tragic death under that tree. A pedestrian who went under it for shade on a hot summer day, was bitten by a snake and died in two hours. Three men, on different occasions, sought shelter from rain under its branches, and were struck by lightning. A woman who was hanging some clothes to dry from the trunk of the tree was attacked and killed by a billy goat that came from nobody knows where and that was never seen again. Two years ago a little boy who was riding a burro, innocently led the animal to the tree. The animal threw him off and kicked him to death. The last victim was struck by lightning while under the tree.

The horror that peasants have for this tree is so great that peons refuse to work on the field half a mile around it.

In an Irish farming cummunity lived a certain son of the Green Isle who was particulary fond of sausage. He was not always careful to observe Friday by refraining from his favorite form of pork.

One Friday the good Father called unexpectedly while Michael was at dinner and found his parishioner enjoying his sausage.

'Michael,' said the priest, 'you must not indulge in meat on this day.'

'Sure, Father, it's not meat I'm eating, it's sausage,' he replied.

'But, Michael, sausage is meat.'

'Oh, no, your reverence; sausage is not meat.'

'Well, Michael, I'll say no more, but I am in need of firewood, and you may bring me a load as penitence for this.'

The next day Michael appeard at the parochial residence and unloaded a big wagon load of sawdust. The priest, on meeting his parishioner, said: 'Michael, I didn't want sawdust. It was wood I wanted.'

'Sure, father, it was wood I brought,' replied Michael.

'No, it was not, it was sawdust,' answered the Father, getting angry.

'But, Father, if sausage is meat isn't sawdust wood?,

'A funny thing happened up to our mill at Chelsea recently,' said Mr. Shepard. 'Our mill foreman had been feeding a hen on hemlock sawdust and meal mixed. He gradually reduced the anount of meal until finally he fed her nothing but hemlock sawdust, and she seemed to thrive on it. As she wanted to set, he gave her a dozen of her own eggs and she hatched out 11 woodpeckers and one chicken with a wooden leg. I tell you, there is merit in hemlock, even in the sawdust.'

This is a curious incident, but Mr. Shepard is a former Stevens Pointer, and whatever he says 'goes.'

—Pastures are a regular part of the farm, and should be fertilized like any other crop.

—Harrow the old mossy pastures and work in some white clover seed with wood ashes.

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