The World in Spring.

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All alone I wandered,
Far, so far away,
Into God's own country,
One lovely springtime day.

The sun smiled down a blessing,
The sky was azure blue,
And on the grassblades glistened
Bright drops of morning dew.

The birds sang in the tree-tops,
The earth was brightest green,
A brooklet rippled merrily,
A streak of sparkling sheen.

Dandelions and daisies
In field, on hillock, strew,
And little yellow buttercups
And clover blossoms, too!

All nature seemed to whisper,
To whisper soft to me,
"The God of love hath made it,
Hath made it all for thee."

Clean Up The Hen Houses.

The poultry raiser should make an effort to clean up the houses and lots as soon as possible in April. It is a good idea to do this quite early in the month. Usually during the middle or the latter part of the month, the ground thaws out and the heavy rains come, making it impossible to do the job effectively.

The first thing, clean out the house. Remove all the droppings and dirt on the floors, all the straw in the nests and all the litter on the floor of the laying rooms. After this is done give the house a thorough scrubbing. Do not stop with the floor, but carry the campaign of cleanliness to the walls and even the celling. As soon as this has been done, wash the floor, walls and ceiling with a solution of crude carbolic acid. Use about a half pint of the acid to a gallon of boiling water and apply the mixture while it is still hot. An old broom is the best means of applying it and the solution should be so thoroughly applied that every crack and crevice is filled. When the walls and ceiling have dried, they should be whitewashed. Make the wash quite thin so that it, too, will enter the cracks and crevices. After the first coat has dried sufficiently, apply one that contains a little more lime. The carbolic acid and the lime destroy all disease germs and insects with which they come in contact.

In case the house is quite open or there are a number of places behind which the pests can hide, you should burn a little sulphur in the house after it has been disinfected with the carbolic acid, but before it has received either coat of white wash. Take an old skillet and heat it upon the kitchen stove till it is as hot as you can make it. Then take it to the hen house and place it on the floor, throwing there a handful of sulphur in it and leaving it to burn out. Be sure and close the door so that none of the fumes will escape.

The roosts should not be overlooked, but should also receive a thorough washing with the carbolic acid solution and whitewash.

If you can possibly do so, it is a good idea to keep the hens out of the disinfected house for a week or ten days. Even with the thorough method of disinfection mentioned above, some of the insects will escape.

By taking the hens away from their usual roosting place, a number of the insects not reached are easily starved after being nearly destroyed with the sulphur fumes. This method is not practical, however, unless you have two houses and lots so that it is an easy matter to transfer the hens from one house to the other.

High Price For a Cent.

A specimen of the first cent struck in the United States Mint in 1793, with thirteen links in the circle on the reverse, was sold for $82 in New York the other day, at an auction held at Hotel Barthaldi.

Some of the prices exceeded anv ever paid before. Two half cents, struck in 1836 and 1852, brought $42.50 and $35, respectively. Of the cents struck in 1704 fifty-six varieties were disposed of, two minor varieties bringing $30 each. A flying eagle of 1856 brought $12. Six pattern trade dollars issued in 1873 brought $25. Much interest was shown by those present in the tokens that at one time passed for money in this country. One showing the head of Andrew Jackson on one side and the inscription. 'The Bank Must Perish,' on the other, which passed for a cent during President Jackson's administration in the late 30's, brought $22.50

Several fine Colonial pieces of this country were sold. An Annapolis shilling brought $4. A pine tree shilling, struck in Massachusetts in 1652, sold for $15, while a threepence of the same coinage brought $4 60. A twopence, 'Rosa Americada,' struck in England in 1722 for use in this country, sold for $11, and a copy of the New York cents, which during the latter part of the eighteenth century were coined at a private mint at Newburg, brought $3.70.

The "hay seed" and "Rube" stories of the yellow press, put forth to show what suckers farmers are, find contradiction in the following amusing incident, which shows that at least one tiller of the soil was fully equal to the occasion: An old Pennsylvania farmer, while on a visit to Philadelphia, was taken with a violent toothache, and, calling on a dentist, was informed that the tooth must be extracted, and that he had better take gas for the operation. The patient agreed to this and then started to count his money. the dentist remarked, "Oh, you need not pay me until I have finished." "I reckon not, replied the farmer, "but if you are going to make me unconscious I thought I'd jest like to see how I stand."

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The Highest Horse; A Study In Paleontology.

The industrious delvers of science have unearthed in Wyoming the fossil remains of a horse thirty feet long and more than thirty feet high. How long ago he lived we are left to conjecture, but doubtless it has been hundreds of thousands, perhaps a million, years since this gigantic equine stepped across ridges and streams to graze off the tops of primordial trees. Whether he was a race horse with a track record or used as a draught animal by the correspodning man giants of those ages is not stated. But we have the skeleton before us and know that he existed, where now the patient burro pulls his load and the stolid mule makes his way through the mountain mists. Presuming that this prehistoric horse belonged to the cave dwellers, it is interesting to reflect how they managed their mastodonic steeds. A horse so tall that a thirty-foot ladder became necessary when his bridle was to be put on might well be called the pride of the stable, if indeed there were stables big enough to accommodate him. We are wont to think of the giraffe as some tall, but his long legs and longer neck were not in it with this recrudescent specimen of painstaking paleontology. Only the extravagant rhodomontade of the wildwesterner seems adequate to describe this quadrupedal monster. He could stand on the Rocky mountains and drink out of the Mississippi while laving his tail in the waves of the Pacific.

One of these lordly creatures, even when going in a walk, would make a speed that would require a gallop from our ordinary horse to keep up. He could step across any ordinary stream without getting wet and look over into the next townspip without moving. If he took a notion to work his way across lots there would seem to be nothing to impede him. Fences would go down before him like stubble and a merely playful cavort would carry him over raging torrents. A modern farmer would only need one or two of these wonders to pull all the machinery on the place. If mother hitched him up to go to church she could not only take all her own boys and girls, but invite the whole neighborhood to 'get in.' We imagine that only one load would be necessary to send all the season's produce of the average farm to market. When the thirty-footer showed up coming down street he would draw worse than a circus parade, and the whole town would follow his strides with gaping amazement. If he shied at a bit of white paper or a grunting hog rushing out of the fence corner the chances are that he jumped clear over into the next county. An ordinary man or woman sitting upon him would look like a steeple-climber at the top of our highest churches. Why, just to look at such a creature was enough to give one the nightmare.

But it is as a war horse that the startled imagination delights to depict this marvel of the pleistocene period. What a troop of cavalry they would have made for the intrepid Sheridan. Mounted on one of these thirty-footers, his famous ride would not have lasted ten minutes. Five jumps would have taken him from Winchester town to Cedar Creek, and when old Jube Early saw what was coming he would have surrendered without a word. Job thought he had turned out something fine in his war horse, but what would he have done with one of these monsters? When he pawed in the valley the hills would have crumbled, and when he let out a neigh, smelling the battle from far off, the enemy would have taken to their heels in abject terrar. The champing of his bit would have sounded like distant thunder, and the lashing of his tail would have sent the cringing foe to tall timber. Imagine a squadron of these fellows, bestrode by bipedal giants of corresponding size, coming up the road at you four abreast. The bravest modern army—Sherman, Grant, the very Japanese—would give them the right of way without question. If we had them now, our whole farming economy would undergo a change. There would be no need of electricity or steam power when two horses could move an ordinary hill or pull all the buildings on the place at once. We live in wonderful times in many respects, but after reading about this find in Wyoming we are compelled to admit that this age is dreadfully behind on horseflesh compared to what the old cave-dwellers could avail themselves of, provided they could catch them.

Habits of the Buffalo.

Of the surving herds of buffalo in this country one of the finest and largest, writes a correspondent of the Portland Oregonian, is that belonging to the Conrad estate at Kalispell. I am unable to give the exact number, but any one spending an hour in Kalispell in summer may see this herd, ranging from massive bulls black as night all the way down to the little humpy calf feeding leisurely on the extensive enclosure just north of the town.

In winter they are driven (always on Sunday morning, when nobody is on the road) across the Flathead river, 8 or 10 miles to the southeast, to a big winter range embracing several sections kept for the purpose. Buffalo care nothing for cold or snow and never take to shelter, but always lie down on the highest open knolls. One would suppose they would take to shelter in a blizzard, but they do not.

At night no matter what the weather, they seek the bleakest spot to rest. This has become second nature with them on account of wolves, no doubt the inveterate enemy of the American bison. Thirty-five years ago I hunted and learned at first hand the ways of these animals on the plains. They root the same as a hog through the deep snow to the grass.

Some years ago a party of English sportsmen came to Montana in quest of big game. They had all manner of servants, highpower guns, etc. After thrashing about several days, killing coyotes and jack rabbits, they paid Mr. Conrad at Kalispell $500 a head for the privilege of shooting down two or three of his gentle buffalo. These were borne away across the Atlantic as trophies of their great prowess in "North America."

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A Big Dakota Farm.

"Sir Thomas Lipton at a dinner in Chicago praised America's bigness.

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"'Wonderful,' said I.

"'On our Dakota farms,' he went on, 'it's the usual thing to send young married couples out to milk the cows. Their children bring home the milk.'

"'Wonderful,' I repeated.

"'Once,' he said, 'I saw a Dakota farmer's family prostrated with grief. The women were weeping, the dogs were barking, the children were squalling and the tears streamed down the man's face as he got into his twenty-mule team and drove off.'

"'Where was he going?' said I.

"'He was going half-way across the farm to feed the pigs,' said the Dakotan.

"'Did he ever get back?' I asked.

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Thoughts of Philosophers.

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When a man talks about his principles he usually means his prejudices.

Love is a picnic; do not expect it to gather up the napkins and dishes.

People are awfully rich when they aren't afraid to go to a wedding in a street car.

The best way for a woman to preserve her ideals about a man is not to marry him.

If a drunken man doesn't think he is funny he is pretty apt to have an idea he is wealthy.

Money is a very useful thing not to have in your pockets when anybody tries to borrow from you.

A woman would rather have her husband lie about how he likes to go to church and not do it than to go and admit the truth.

Olive oil is injured by being kept in the light. When used at the table it should be put in a dark colored bottle and removed to a cool dark place immediately after the meal.

If rubber rings for use on fruit jars have become hard they may be made pliable again by soaking for half an hour in a solution of one part ammonia to two parts water.

Seven pounds of fruit, three and one-half pounds of sugar, and a pint of vinegar is the standard proportion for all manner of sweet pickling. Spicing may be varied to suit the taste.

When starching anything which has a fringed edge, fold the articles in four, and gather the fringe tightly into one hand; hold it firmly and dip the center of the piece into the starch. When dry, shake the fringe well and comb carefully with a coarse comb.

To clean marble statues nothing is better than a paste made of Spanish whiting and a teaspoonful of washing soda dissolved in water. Rub the marble well with this on a flannel cloth, and after standing an hour wash it off with warm water, dry well and polish.

Soften ivory so that it may be worked with the hands by soaking it for three hours or more in a solution of one part spirits of nitre and five parts spring water. Harden it again by dropping it on a sheet of tissue paper and burying in fine, dry salt for a day or two.

An inexpensive stain for floors is an ounce of permanganate of potash dissolved in warm water. Wood painted with it, when dry, will be of a deep brown color, and when varnished over will look very well. Care must be exercised not to allow the stain to touch the hands.

To swell currants for cakes, after they are picked pour boiling water over them and let them stand covered over with a plate for two minutes, drain away the water, throw the currants onto a cloth to dry them, and do not use until they are cool.

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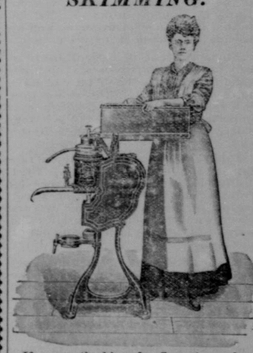
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I hear the voice of thrush and nightingale.
The day grows longer, and the peaceful ni, ht
Is sweet and cool. Say, Spring, you're out o' sight!
I wish you'd come more often in the year,
For life is pleasantest when you are here.

The ice man rolls his sleeve and smiles a smile!
The time is his the nickels to beguile;
The soda-water fountains froth and fizz;
The ice-cream man perks up for hustling biz.
But say, Spring, this is why I freely gloat;
You've given me a chance to "soak" my coat;
It brought just fifteen plunks—go hang the thrush!
Take one on me, Spring—do, old boy—I'm flush
—J. P. F.

RUSH FOR NEW PENSIONS.

Washington, March 23.—Commissioner of Pensions Warner said today that he had received up to this time 278,000 applications for pensions under the Service Pension act which was passed at the recent session of Congress.

The first day after the act went into effect the number of applications received reached 20,000. A part of these had accumulated in the bureau in the few days prior to the law becoming effective, but there was but little falling off in the number received for several days. The number has dwindled steadily until now the average number of applications received a day is about 4,000.

Commissioner Warner estimates that there will be about 300,000 pensioners under the provisions of the Service Pensions act. In the next few years they are sure to come in steadily because of the fact that the younger volunteers in the Union Army will be reaching the age when they may take advantage of the provisions of the new law. But it will not be many years before these applications will cease entirely because of the ever increasing time since the Civil War, and he expects all classes of pensioners to diminish rapidly after that time.

Experts have estimated that there are about 120,000 men in the "great unknown army" who had not been heard from since the close of the Civil War and who will now come forward to make claims. This would mean that this number of new pensioners would be added to the pension rolls.

Commissioner Warner says that this has not proven the case, as less than 2 per cent. of the applications are original pensions. He believes that when the rolls are made up under the Service Pension act it will constitute almost a complete list of the surviving soldiers of the Civil War. He based this on the fact that nearly every man of whom the Government has a record and who is still living is coming forward under the Service Pension act. Men of both high and low degree are applying. The ranks of the service pension roll now include no less than a score of millionaires. They apply for pensions under the act on the ground that it is a roll of honor and officially establishes their war record. Commissioner Warner agrees with them in this and points out that no man can be pensioned who has not served faithfully and well and who has not received an honorable discharge. Many of the applicants are now seeking pension certificates as legacies to their children, and have no thought of the amount of money which they will receive.

Recently one of the leading business men in the country, head of a great corporation, and who measures his wealth by the millions, made application for a $12-a-month pension under the Service Pension act. The general public, familiar enough with his name, has never known that he had a splendid war record; that he entered as a private and served full three years in that capacity participating in some of the bloodiest battles of the war, and received an honorable discharge.

He was so poor when he left the army that he worked at day labor. Now there are not 20 men in the country who can measure fortunes with him. His daily benefactions are said to be more than 10 times each day what he will receive in pension money per month under the Service Pension law. Yet he has written to Colonel Warner that he will, if the pension is granted him (and it will be), hand it down to his descendants with more satisfaction and pride than any of his worldly possessions.

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