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OVERWORKED WORDS.

They Get Into a Discussion and End Their Trouble.

I was awakened in the middle of the night by a disturbance in the library, says Willis B. Hawkins, in the Washington *Post*. It did not seem to be the noise of burglars. It was more like the murmuring of many tongues engaged in spirited debate. I listened closely and concluded that it must be some sort of a discussion being held by the words in my big unabridged dictionary.

"I don't care," said the little word Of, "I may not be so very big, but that is no reason why everybody should take advantage of me. I am the most mercilessly overworked word in the whole dictionary, and there is no earthly reason for it, either.

"People say they 'consider of' and 'approve of' and 'accept of' and 'admit of' all sorts of things. Then they say 'all of us' and 'both of them,' and tell about 'looking out of the window, or cutting a piece of bread 'off of' the loaf, until I am utterly tired out."

"Pshaw!" said the word Up. I am not much bigger than you and I do twice as much work, and a good deal of it needlessly, too. People 'wake up' in the morning and 'get up' and 'shake up' their beds, and 'dress up' and 'wash up' and 'draw up' to the table, and 'eat up' and 'drink up' their breakfast.

"Then they 'jump up' from the table and 'hurry up' to 'go up' to the corner, where the street car driver 'pulls up' his horses and the passengers 'ascend up' the steps and 'go up' into the front seats, and conductor 'takes up' the tickets. All this is done before people 'get up' town and 'take up' their day's work.

"From that time until they 'put up' their books and 'shut up' their offices I do more work than any two words in this book, and even after business hours I am worked until people 'lock up' their houses and 'go up' to bed and 'cover themselves up' and 'shut up' their eyes for the night. It would take a week to tell what I have to 'put up' with in a day, and I am a good deal 'worked up' over it."

"I agree that both Up and Of are very much overworked," said the word Stated, but I think I, myself, deserve a little sympathy. I am doing not only my own legitimate work, but also that which ought to be done by my friend Said. Nobody 'says' anything nowadays; he always 'states' it."

"I do a great deal of useless work," said the word But. "People say they have no doubt 'but that' it will rain, and that they wouldn't wonder 'but what' it would snow, until I don't know 'but' I shall strike."

"And me," said Purpose; "look at me. I get hardly anything to do because people are always 'proposing' to do this or that, when do idea of a proposition is involved. Why, I read the other day of a man who 'proposed' to murder another, when really he had never said a word about it to a living being. Of course, he only 'purposed' to commit the murder."

"It is no worse," said the word Fewer, "than to have people say there were 'less' men in one army than in another."

"No," added More Than, "and no worse than to have them say there were 'over' 10,000 men."

"It seems to me," said the word Likely, "that nobody has more reason for complaint than I have. My friend Liable is doing nearly all of my work. They say a man is 'liable' to be sick or 'liable' to be out of town, when the question of liability does not enter into the matter at all."

"You are no worse off than I am," said the word So. "That fellow Such is doing all my work. People say there never was 'such' a glorious country as this, when, of course, there never was 'so' glorious a country elsewhere."

I saw that there was likely to be no end to this discussion, since half the words in the dictionary were making efforts to put in their complaints, so I returned to my couch, and I will leave it to any person who has read this account to say whether I had not already heard enough to make me or anybody else sleepy.

OBSERVATIONS.

About the time most of us are thoroughly ready to enjoy life Death sends in an advance notice.

Town life breeds cynicism; country life, belief.

Making ends meet is harder upon the brain than moving girders is upon the muscles.

Critics are much maligned. If they tell the truth, interested parties declare them prejudiced; if they praise indiscriminately the public yells "bought!"

An old woman rouged is a ghastly spectacle.

It requires more fortitude to bear up against manifold sordid economies than against sudden shocks.

No more dreary thing is found than a dull person trying to be witty.

He who laughs last laughs alone.

Bad economy feeds the family upon stalled ox upon the first day of the week and a dinner of herbs on the last.

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THE SUNDAY DINNER.

Respect the Sabbath and Give the Housewife a Needed Rest.

It is a matter of considerable question which is the hardest work-day of the week—Monday, the almost universal washing-day; Saturday the cleaning-day, or Sunday, the day of rest.

In the vast majority of well-cared-for families, the members of which attend church and Sunday school with systematic regularity, Sunday after "meeting" is considered more or less somewhat of a gala occasion, so far as the table is concerned. The good man of the house expects a fine roast, an elaborate display of the substantials and a fancy dessert as a recognition of the day. The help in the kitchen naturally demand a day of rest and usually take it in the afternoon. So the tired house-mother must battle with the serving and the debris of this elaborate dinner single-handed or at best with a reduced quota of servants:

The good man is quite likely to bring home a guest from the Sunday service, and, notwithstanding a popular idea that the minister dines out on Monday, it is not an unknown thing for the good man of the house to bring home the pastor himself for a quiet dinner with the family, regardless of the fact that it is just as much trouble to the house-mother as if it were a high social gathering on a week day. The reason for an especially fine dinner on Sunday is undoubtedly that it is the only day when the men of business generally can dine at home with their families. On other days a great number of them are detained in the counting-room or the shop or whereever their business calls them, so late that even the six o'clock dinner hour is past and the children have been put to bed before they come home.

Yet in spite of these facts it does not seem necessary to make a really elaborate meal of the Sunday dinner. A simple dinner of broiled meat, a few vegetables simply served and a dessert which was made the day before, with the complete understanding that it is to be only a family dinner, will do much toward restoring the old respect for Sunday. It would, moreover, give the house-mother, who is usually one of the hardest-working members of a family, as complete a rest on Sunday afternoon as her servants demand.

It is not necessary to go back to the old Sabbath, which began at sundown on Saturday and lasted till sundown on Sunday, when even the poor beasts in their stalls were sometimes left without their food over Sunday by zealots, who seemed to have forgotten that even Christ and His disciples plucked ears of corn for food on the Sabbath Day. It is necessary to keep Sunday as a day of rest for hygienic as well as Scriptural reasons. When it is made a mild sort of holiday, with an elaborate dinner, only a portion of the household can keep it properly.

All the essentials of a Sunday dinner can easily be got ready on Saturday, when the help is on hand. All that is strictly necessary to do on Sunday is to heat up soup if it is to be served, broil the meat and boil potatoes and one other vegetable. The dessert should be got ready the day before, when the soup is made, and by this means a very acceptable dinner may be served, with not over half an hour's work on Sunday after the family has come home from church, and it may be cleared away almost as rapidly. If supper is served on this day it can be made a very light affair of bread and milk or porridge and milk, and no more elaborate supper should be asked for unless there is abundance of help in the house. Simple meals like these, it should be remembered if delicately served, may prove as palatable for a change as more elaborate ones.

Two Plans for Christmas Eve.

I have heard of so many plans for novel Christmas entertainments; people seem to have grown tired of the conventional tree, even if it is lighted by electric light. Aunt Laura always has a family tree, and this year it is to be all white. She will have the room draped in white cheese-cloth, and wreaths of holly and pine hung over it; the base of the tree will be hidden by cotton-wool to look like snow, and on the tree will be only white ornaments and white candles, crystal and glass; glittering white tinsel will be showered all over.

The idea that Alice Clark has evolved is more orginal still. Her Christian entertainment is going to be Japanese in character. For the tree she will have one of the stunted pine trees that grow on exposed places near the sea. The room will have a background of Japanese screens, the light will come from Japanese laterns, and all ornaments on the tree will be of Japanese make. The presents will be wrapped in Japanese napkins. Alice will wear a kimono and have her hair dressed high, in Japanese style, and her little brother, as a wee Jap, will be her attendant and distribute the gifts.—*Anna Wentworth in the December Womans Home Companion.*

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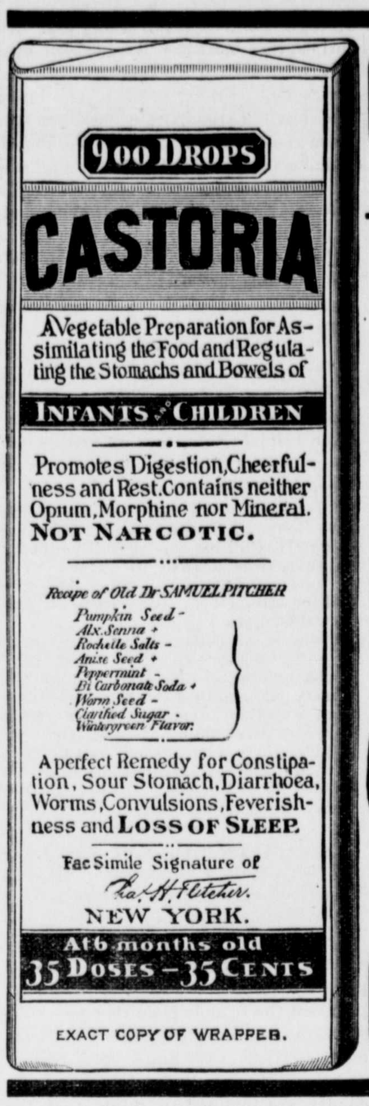

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