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"I'm getting sick of Valentines,"
Said Cupid to his brother,
"And do you know I almost think
I'll never send another.
I carried one a year ago
To little Rosebud May,
And found that twenty, more or less,
Had come for her that day.
Now when you send a Valentine,"
Said Cupid, "what's the fun
Of knowing that it simply counts
As 'number twenty-one'?"
"I know a child," his brother said,
"A little friend of mine,
Who never yet in all her life
Has had a Valentine."
"I'll take her one," cried Cupid,
Springing lightly to his feet,
"Tell me the number of her house,
And kindly name the street."
And only waiting to be told
The best and shortest way
He spread his shining silver wings,
And flew without delay.
He found the little girl and stood
Before her in surprise,
For shabby gowns and ragged cloaks
Were strange to Cupid's eyes.
This lassie had a sweet round face,
A dimple in her chin,
But ah, alas! her shoes were worn,
Her dress was old and thin.
One moment Cupid stood amased,
Then, with a bow as fine
An any even seen at court,
He gave the Valentine.

—NATHANAL BRAMBLE.

Kennedyville Items.

After the beautiful day and evening of Monday, we are Tuesday morning in the zone of ice, sleet and drizzling rain. What a changeable climate. We understand that some of the people of the county have been harvesting ice from the late freeze.

Improvement still continues around our Pennsylvania R. R. station as only recently three new lamps for lighting up the premises when trains are late coming in, have been erected in line in front of the station platform and walk.

Miss Lulu Covington, formerly of Kent county, but now of Mt. Pleasant, Del., was the guest of Miss Lulu Van Dyke from Saturday evening until Sunday evening.

Miss Eunice Lambert, of Chestertown, and Miss Nellie Jones, of Sassafras, were guests of Miss Mabel Hague on Sunday, and attended service at the M. P. Church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Hayes and daughter, Miss Annie, of Galena, mother and sister of Mrs. Joseph Weer, are now on a visit to the home of the latter. Their numerous friends were happy to see them at the services of the M. P. Church Sunday, and looking so well. Mrs. Weer, who has been indisposed for sometime, is very much improved.

Mr. Harley Whiteley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Whiteley has been quite sick with pneumonia for over a week, but under the good treatment of Dr. J. W. Urie, is much relieved.

Near a hundred members of Kennedyville Grange were present on Monday evening, when eleven candidates, five ladies and six gentleman, were given the first and second degrees of the order, Mr. G. R. Rasin, worthy master, in charge. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris, of Still Pond Grange, were visitors, and each gave an interesting and much enjoyed talk. The musical programme arranged for the occasion by Worthy Lecturer Wm. M. Clendaniel, Jr., and in charge of Rev. Mr. Clews, was very fine and much enjoyed by a large number present. Miss Emma Shafer, a member of the order, who recently took the full course in Domestic Science at College Park, gave a most interesting report, using the blackboard for illustrations. The report was not only interesting and entertaining, but exceedingly helpful along the line of food products for the building up of bodily health and strength.

This Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, the grange will meet for conferring of 3rd and 4th degrees on the large number of candidates, in connection with which there will be a feast of good things for all present, for both body and mind. The worthy lecturer's programme is quite full, consisting of recitations by Misses Ada Hurlock and Annie Melvin, and interesting and practical topics to be discussed by Messrs. John C. Redmile and Wm. S. Hurlock.

Piney Neck Items.

The play entitled "The District School at Blueberry Corners" which was given in the K. of P. Hall on Wednesday evening of last week by local talent, was very much enjoyed by a large audience. It was also very successful from a financial standpoint, the receipts at the door amounting to $21.40. The audience was very delightfully entertained between the acts by two comic recitations by Mrs. O. H. Connelly. The proceeds were for the benefit of the M. E. Church.

Capt. J. C. Ashley, who was taken to the John's Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, last week to have a sore operated upon is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Herman Hill, who has been operated upon for appendicitis, is rapidly improving and will probably be able to return home in about two weeks.

Mr. Edw. Hudson, who had an attack of lagrippe last week, is now able to be out.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church was held Wednesday at 2.30 P.M. Dr. Robert Watt presided.

Mr. Joseph A. Ashley spent Friday and Saturday of last week in Baltimore.

Miss Eden Ashley returned to the State Normal School on Monday of last week after spending a few days with her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Charles Ashley, of this vicinity.

The members of the K. of P. Lodge have added some improvements to their hall by building several new benches, which were much needed.

Some of the folks of this community have filled their ice-houses during the last few days. The ice was from two to three inches thick.

Skating is a favorite sport among the young people just now, this being the first opportunity they have had this winter.

Quite an Expert.

Some time ago in Edinburgh a policeman caught a female thief in the act of stealing a banknote. Seen with the note in her hand when caught, much to the surprise of the constable no trace of it could be found when she was searched; but, the evidence being so strong, she was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. On being released she observed the officer who had apprehended her and, going up to him, exclaimed:

"See, I'm out again!"

"So I see," replied the officer. "But, I say, what did you do with that note? I've often wondered, for, you know, I caught you by the hand that held it."

Seizing the policeman by the arm, she laughed in his face and said:

"You've often wondered, have you? Well, here it is."

And she withdrew the note from the upturned cuff of his coat, where she had deftly slipped it when captured. Then, waving it in his face, she coolly walked off.—Pearson's Weekly.

Wise M. P.'s.

It need hardly be pointed out, says the author of "Fifty Years In Fleet Street," that to be elected a member of parliament does not necessarily imply intellectual superiority. Shortly after the Burmese war a young civilian, home on leave, happened to mention Burma.

"Ah, yes, Burma," said an M. P. with whom he was sitting at table. "I had a nephew who was in Burma, only he used to call it Bermuda."

On another occasion, in the month of March, some one said to Mr. Livesey:

"This is a cruel east wind."

"Yes," was the would be witty reply. "I expect it will be Easter before it is over."

This was repeated by the author of the book quoted to a respected member of parliament, who observed gravely: "I fancy he's right. I have known it to last till Easter and longer yet."

Mighty Kings.

The strongest king on record, so the story goes, appears to have been Caius Julius Verus Maximus, the son of a Thracian peasant and emperor of Rome. It is related that with one of his fingers he stopped a chariot dashing by at full speed, that he could draw a loaded wagon and split trees with his hand. This redoubtable sovereign was eight feet high, and his wife's bracelets served him for finger rings. We have passed over Og, the king of Bashan, who was nearly six miles high, drank water from the clouds and toasted fish by holding them up to the sun and who, when Noah refused him shelter in the ark, survived those troublous times by wading through the flood, which only reached to his knees, and of Atlas, king of Mauritania, who is said to have supported the world upon his shoulders.—Exchange.

Ocean Musicians.

Apart from the ordinary risks of sea travel, one of the most comfortable positions on a big ocean liner is that of a member of the orchestra. True, the pay is not high, but it is considerably increased in various ways. Four and a half hours' work daily is all that is required by these makers of melody; but, of course, they have rehearsals and sometimes learn several new pieces in the course of a voyage. The players are booked as passengers on every trip and take their meals in the saloon. On the first two days of a voyage they are not very popular, but on the third day, when seasickness effects are wearing off, there is generally a lot of appreciation for the band.—London Answers.

A Judge's Charge.

During the time in Ireland when dueling was first prohibited by law Judge Fletcher was trying at the Sligo assizes a man named Fenton, who had killed another in a duel. The judge in his instructions to the jury said: "Gentlemen, it is my business to lay down the law to you, and I will. The law says the killing of a man in a duel is murder, and therefore in the discharge of my duty I am bound to tell you it is murder, but I tell you at the same time a fairer duel than this I never heard of in the course of my life." Fenton was acquitted.

His Literary Job.

"How's your son gettin' along in Washington, Uncle Jim?"

"Fust class. He's got a literary job now."

"Literary job?"

"Yes. He puts fresh blotters on th' senators' desks every mornin'."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Too Much Paint.

He—What is all this talk about, Mrs. Bullion? She—Why, she engaged Dauber, the artist, to paint her, and when she arrived for the first sitting he declined to complete a job that had already been half finished.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Man and the Bee.

"That get-rich-quick man is as busy as a bee."

"Yes," replied Mr. Cumrox. "He's one of those busy bees who can't manage to gather honey without incidentally stinging somebody."—Washington Star.

Prophetic.

Hypo—Out of a job again?

Typo—Yep; by a mere error of the types too. I intended to set it up "Gottfried," but in the proof it showed up as "Gotfired," and the result justified the spelling.—Pittsburgh Press.

The understanding is more relieved by change of study than by total inactivity.—Cluion.

Solid Ivory.

"Yes," confessed Mr. Dorkins, "it serves me right. I engaged the man to move our goods, and I forgot to ask him how much he was going to charge me for the job. If ever I do such a thing again, Maria, you can have my head for a football."

"It would be a good deal more profitable, John," said Mrs. Dorkins, "to cut it up into billiard balls."—Chicago Tribune.

Persistent people begin their success where others end in failure.—Edward Eggleston.

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