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"If There is Not a Way, Cut a Way."

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The Best Foot Forward

TOURISTS who have taken extensive automobile trips during the past season doubtless noticed the big difference in towns and cities thru which they passed. Two communities may seem alike in size and advantages, yet the temper of the two places may vary widely.

In some there is an atmosphere of activity and energy noticeable even to the casual observer. The people radiate aggressiveness and their attitude suggests a community of achievement and advancement.

Other towns are pervaded by a more listless feeling. Many loafers may be seen on the benches and decorating the curbstones. Business men stand in their doorways, lazily observing the traffic. In other stores clerks idly gossip. Little knots of people gather to exchange sidewalk gossip.

Probably the majority of them say that the world is all wrong and that adverse conditions are responsible for their disappointments in life. They complain of the backwardness of their home town, yet if they were asked to serve on a committee to give the community a boost, they would promptly decline.

It's no trouble to get the picture. Most everyone has observed just such places. But they are not past redemption. A few active men in such a town can remake it in a few years.

If they are engaged in business, they soon raise the level of business practices by employing up-to-date methods in their business, which in time will be copied by other business men. If they be clerks or mechanics they act as a stimulus to others in the same calling and beneficial results are soon noticeable.

The success of any community depends upon whether the majority of its people are alert and want to see their home town improve. They can bring about improvement if the will for it exists.

Every person who has any pride in this community should give a little thought now and then to its improvement for no improvement will ever come until after some individual or group of individuals have visualized its possibilities.

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France has as much trouble getting a new cabinet as some of us Americans do picking out a new automobile.

Winter Health

DON'T limit your winter activities to those popular indoor sports of fuming over a balky furnace or a smoking stove and complaining about cold weather, but get a bit of open air exercise every day.

This is the advise of an authority on health, given with the idea that it will be timely because the weather forecasters are predicting that old King Winter will have in his royal train more than the usual assortment of ice, snow and wind.

According to the health experts, the white-whiskered, temperamental old codger will prove to be a harsh, disease-bearing tyrant or a big-hearted, health-giving, benevolent monarch according to the way each person prepares to deal with his wares.

Exercise has long been recognized as a fundamental health requirement, because to keep up the tone of organs of the body with exercise is essential. Exercise, however, that involves the use of some mechanical device will not serve as a substitute for fresh air, proper diet, sufficient sleep and outdoor exercise.

There is no real substitute for muscular activity. Every person knows this to be a fact, but a comparatively small number follow a living code they know to be best for their health. Pills, drugs, stimulants and like treatments are not substitutes.

People who do not use their muscles more or less every day lose power and decrease their general efficiency.

The best form of exercise is recreation in the open air. The most important thing is for people to realize this is the very foundation of health and that it must be practiced.

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The wisely wicked are beyond redemption.

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Girl was arrested for attempted robbery. Since when did they begin arresting the feminine sex of holdups?

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If you lay down on a job, it is very apt to wriggle out from you.

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After winning a woman's hand, a man sometimes wishes she had no thumbs.

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If you laugh when the joke is on you, the hilarity of other folks will not be so painful.

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What has become of the old-fashioned mother who always said when "company" was being entertained, "Little pitchers have big ears?"

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It's not uncommon to read about someone inheriting a "cool" million. That's hard to understand. A million would make the most of us about a hundred degrees in the shade.

Teaching by Example

A MOTHER was advising her son against loitering in pool rooms. She reasoned with carefully chosen words that it was against the law for minors to frequent such places.

The son rebelled, saying that men violated the law every day. She countered by pointing out that good men did not, and she referred to one citizen of the community whom she thought above reproach.

The mother received an answer that put an end to her argument when her son said that he had been riding with the man she mentioned and that he had driven his automobile fifty-five miles an hour.

"And that's against the law, I know," said the boy with an air of clinching the argument.

The mother retired in disorder, clearly outpointed in the controversy, because she could not deny the youthful logic. Every state regulates the speed of automobiles and driving beyond the limit is clearly an infraction of the law.

But men do every day the things that provided his boy with a reason to which he tied his argument and excused his own violation of the law.

Thoughtlessly, laws are broken, and often when it is more convenient not to obey the letter of the law and by example of our best citizens set up a foundation for the lawlessness among the younger generation about which such loud complaint is made.

It is always well, before condemning the boys and girls for misdeeds, to set our own house in order. Some of the crime which we are quick to condemn, may have originated on our doorstep.

Sleep and Health

ONE contribution all parents can make toward the education of their children without sacrifice or expense is to see to it that they get regular and adequate hours of sleep.

Physicians and neurologists agree that dullness among school children is very often sleepiness or under development because of insufficient hours of sleep. The physical ills which follow too little rest in the adolescent period. Every mother knows that a sleepless baby is a sick baby.

A trend toward nervousness among school children is attributed to irregular and insufficient hours of sleep. Accurate information would probably disclose that the men and women as well as the children of this community average eight or more hours of sleep nightly and it cannot be charged that our school children are dull or under-developed.

Every adult knows the value of sleep and the amount he or she, individually, requires for health and maximum mental and physical efficiency. Children can not be expected to ascertain this for themselves, so it is incumbent upon their parents to learn what is required and provide for it.

School Girls' Dress

THEFTS by girls this time of year when beautiful things are on display for Christmas selling are not uncommon.

People who feel concern about this sort of thing, regardless of whether the girls are theirs, naturally go deeper than the surface for a cause.

That any school girl should become a sneak thief is serious enough, but even more serious for the welfare of girls of the future is the temptation that they will have to overcome unless the cause is removed.

Girls cannot be condemned for liking pretty things. They have a yearning for beautiful clothes and trinkets. It is a part of their nature.

Some girls, whose parents have the means, are permitted to wear in school the most costly dresses. They should not be censured if their whims are gratified, but their parents have a responsibility in the matter that can't be escaped.

If fathers and mothers who have the money to clothe their daughters luxuriously, would decide for the sake of the common good that they should dress more modestly their dress would set the standard of dress for the entire school, and much of the difficulty that now exists would be eliminated.

Girls who go to school in finery that is beyond the means of the average household set up ideals for their less fortunate girl friends whose reasoning power is undeveloped and who cannot overcome the desire for the same sort of clothes.

Girls from homes where every luxury cannot be provided get a wrong view of life, and, as in some cases they are tempted beyond their power of resistance and fall. And they should not bear all the blame.

Doing A Day's Work

AN ADMIRER of President Elliot of Harvard University once said to him: "What an opportunity, what pleasant work you must have as president of a great university, where thousands of young men, full of life and promise, are always about you to keep you young!"

"Come to my office," he replied, "and I will show you that work is routine, just one day's work after another."

And yet here was a great man, out of his days upon days of work, could and did make a name for himself, one of the most distinguished of names on the honor roll of the republic.

This should be a lesson for every man and woman, the best to be learned in life—that there is a certain amount of drudgery and monotony to work, regardless of the kind it may be.

And the person who realizes this basic fact early in life and puts something of himself in the day's work, instead of becoming a machine, stands apart.

As we think of the innumerable workers of the world going to their tasks each day, we are so accustomed to the fact that we do not think that behind each fact is a person who is working for something or somebody.

In some mysterious way each one builds a character out of thousands of busy days, sometimes of honesty, sometimes, alas, of dishonesty, of strength or weakness. There goes out of each a characteristic influence, and there comes in upon us certain moulding influences. One man makes for himself a name respected and honored, which his children may cherish, and in which they may take pride. Another lacking the stability and strength of character, can never leave his blocks in order and in the end leaves no one in place.

Beneath all noble effort is the day's work, duties willingly accepted, tasks happily performed. The successful man or woman is the one who sees clearly the value of the day's work and what may be accomplished with it.

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Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7:30 P. M.

JOHN COMMON, P. M.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

—Fine winter weather.

—Christmas two weeks from today.

—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wood entertained the Five Hundred Club, Tuesday evening.

—The Entre Nous Club was entertained Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. R. E. Temple.

—Mrs. Jennie Howland underwent a critical operation at St. James Mercy hospital, Hornell, Tuesday.

—Miss Rhea N. Perkins of Shinglehouse, Pa., and Milo W. Cole of Richburg were married November 28th.

—Wm. M. McCracken, formerly of Wellsville, died suddenly, Dec. 4th, of heart failure, at his home in Salamanca.

—Mrs. Walter L. Greene returned from the hospital last Thursday where she had a very successful operation on her neck.

—A six and one-half pound daughter, Billie Jane, was born November 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. William Griswold of Bolivar.

—The annual Christmas appeal to "mail Early" has been issued by Postmaster General. New—To "mail early" one must "shop early."

—Bradford Cornelius died at the home of his sister in Alfred Station, November 27th. Deceased was born in the town of Alfred, Oct. 22, 1849.

—Andover friends have received announcement of the birth, November 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herrick of Bolivar, of a little daughter, Mary Corinue.

—Dr. H. L. Hulett of Bolivar is a patient at the Deaconess hospital in Buffalo, having undergone an operation in that city, for the removal of an ulcer from the corner of the right eye.

—Mrs. Simon Reisman of Genesee, Pa., is a patient at Jones Memorial hospital, Wellsville, where she underwent a serious operation about three weeks ago. Mrs. Reisman was a former resident of this village.

—Fourteen days—"Get Busy."

—Born, Nov. 29, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dorsey of Angelica, a son, Robert Joseph.

—John Gorman of Wellsville died at Jones Memorial hospital, December 5th, aged 50 years.

—Rev. Kellerman of Hopbottom, Pa., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Whitesville church.

—George L. Farnum of Angelica died November 20th. Deceased was born in West Almond, Nov. 11, 1854.

—An average oil producer has been drilled in on the Alex Keenan farm at West Union.—Whitesville News.

—Look out for sneak thieves and give them what they deserve. There are no more contemptable persons in a neighborhood.

—In the list of patients admitted to Jones Memorial Hospital, Wellsville Friday, we note the name of George Hunt of Andover.

—First nomination of officers of Andover Lodge No. 786, I. O. O. F., Tuesday evening. Refreshments will be served at close of lodge.

—The net indebtedness of New York State on June 30, 1924 was $222,372,488 or $20.38 per capita. In 1918 the per capita was $17.91.

—Mrs. Jennie Flint has had eleven chickens and a quantity of coal stolen from her home on Fourth street. Other complaints of theft have been made in the village.

—Andover merchants are giving you a fine assortment from which to select your Christmas gifts, watch the advertising columns of the News for items and prices that will assist you in buying.

—The Women's Missionary Circle of the Baptist church will meet December 15th, with Mrs. Lee Trowbridge, at seven p. m. This will be a joint meeting with the W. W. G. Society. Topic for study: "Our Work in China."

—Jesse A. Hills, of New York City, a former resident of Andover, has left by motor for Florida where he will spend the winter in the interest of the E. A. White real estate company, an organization with which he has been associated for the past six years.

—The household goods of Rev. C. C. Conrad were taken to Holland, N. Y., Monday where they are to reside. Andover people deeply regret the removal of Rev. Conrad and family from our village, where they have made many friends during his pastorate with the Baptist Church.

—The annual meeting of the Past Grand's Council of Allegany County Odd Fellows was held at Wellsville, Saturday evening. Past Grand L. G. Clark of Wellsville was elected as president for the coming year. After the election, five candidates were initiated. A banquet followed the work.

—The S. D. Baptist Ladies Aid Society met with Mrs. Erwin Livermore Tuesday afternoon for a business meeting. A tureen supper was enjoyed.

—The Erie railroad has had surveyors at the Holliday Crossing near Cuba and state that plans and specifications are nearly completed for a new crossing that will abolish the present one, now commonly known as "the death trap"—as much of the work as possible will be done this year, they state, and the concrete work completed in the spring.

—The following wells were completed in the Allegany oil field during November: Ebenezer Oil Co., Allentown, one well, 10 barrels; Harry Metzgar, Petrolia, one well, 10 barrels; M. B. Moore, 2 wells, 18 barrels; Messer Oil Co., 7 wells, 21 barrels; J. A. Wilber, one well, 4 barrels; McEwen Bros., Alma, one well, 1 barrel; R. B. and M. B. Moore one well, 2 barrels.—Bolivar Breeze.

—John Hurley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hurley of Friendship, is the winner in the prize essay contest for Allegany county, which has been held by the Woman's Division of the Democratic State Committee. The young man will be given a free trip to New York City, December 28th, where he will be entertained by the committee of which Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt is chairman.

—The Rev. and Mrs. David Williams of Belfast were both seriously injured last Saturday, while driving to Wellsville. Their car was run into by a machine driven by Frank McCarthy of Scio. Both Mr. and Mrs. Williams were thrown against the windshield and critically injured from shock and cuts from the broken glass. They were taken to Jones Memorial hospital. It is claimed McCarthy was intoxicated and drove square against the Williams car.

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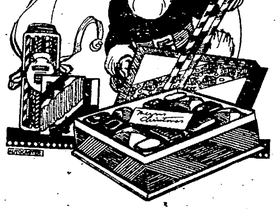

Christmas Gift Suggestions

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