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THE BEE HIVE.

H. C. Dodge, in Goodall's Chicago Sun.]

Observe these busy little bees, as they flap up their wings, and try to be as wise as these by saving all your money. You smoke say, five cigars away, and drink, say six times daily; cards, pool, and billiards, too, you play, and treat the fellows gayly. In twenty years this fun will cost, according to good scholars, with interest, and time that's lost, just \$20,000. But if you count your loss of health and self-inflicted trouble, you'll find this foolish waste of wealth will be more than double. Then, when its time no more to slay, but pleasure take, so sick you will feel because you didn't save, you'll want some one to take these busy bees, and then, when your ease, with forty years of

The Farmer's Daughter.

Anna Fisher was a farmer's daughter, but her beauty might have been coveted by many high born dame. As her father was in comfortable circumstances, and both he and his wife were proud of their lovely child, she was allowed to work or be idle at her fancy; and her only regular duty was attention to the comfort of her blind sister, Ella.

There arrived at the pleasant village, for recreation, a young man of handsome face and pleasing address; one of the art of pleasing.

With his time unoccupied, and his fancy struck by Anna's exceeding loveliness, he determined to win the love of the young country girl.

It was just after sunset, one pleasant spring evening, that Anna was walking slowly through one of her father's meadows on her way home, when she was startled by a report from a gun from a little thicket near her.

With a feeling of terror—for the sound was not a common one in that peaceful neighborhood—she quickened her pace, and was hurrying on, when a voice calling her made her pause; in an instant the sportsman stood before her apologizing for the fright he had caused her, and pleading the unfrequented spot as an excuse for his having chosen it for sporting.

'But what were you shooting so late as this?'

The young man was unprepared for this question, and stammered something about an accidental discharge.

Accidental! So far as watching for some hours for Anna's return, and then firing in the hopes of startling her, could make it.

He introduced himself as Edwin Parker, from London, and she in return told him her name.

When they parted at Farmer Fisher's gate, it was with a determination on his part that this should not be their last meeting, and a strong desire on hers to see him again.

Somehow it happened that Anna grew very fond of taking long walks about sunset; and Edwin, by some unaccountable magic, was always going the same way about the same time.

I will now give my readers the substance of a conversation which passed between the lovers one evening, between four or five weeks after their first meeting.

They were walking in the old meadow; Edwin's arm was thrown round Anna's waist in the most natural way possible.

'Anna,' he said in a low tone, 'you do not answer me; I say I must return to London tomorrow.'

'It is so sudden,' murmured the young girl. 'But you will be here soon again, Edwin?'

'That, it is impossible for me to tell. It may be years before I can visit this spot again. Oh, Anna!'

he cried, in a sudden burst of passion, 'how can I live without you? Why must me part?'

'Hush, Edwin, you are too violent. You will, you must, return soon! Soon! A whole year must pass before I can come here again.'

'There was a moment's silence; then, bending over her, Edwin whispered, 'Anna, do you love me?'

'You know I do!' she answered. 'Do you love me well enough to trust your future happiness in my hands—to be my wife?'

'I do; but my father—'

'Hates me! I know it well!' said Edwin bitterly. 'He believes, because I am a farmer's lad, but a gentleman, there is no truth or goodness in me. Believe me, Anna, that it is only his prejudice against towns that causes your father's dislike to me.'

'But,' faltered Anna, 'that prejudice is so strong that I fear he will never consent to my wedding you.'

'Once my wife dearest, and he will forgive you. Though he might not be willing to let his child go, still, believe me, when the knot is tied, he would forgive.'

It took long, even with Edwin's subtle reasoning, to win Anna's consent to a clandestine marriage; but it was given at length and, with a promise to be in the meadow that night prepared for a journey to London she left him.

When she reached home, she found the family only awaiting her return for the customary evening detentions.

Edwin Parker was early at the appointed rendezvous, and waited impatiently for Anna.

The hour was past, and she came not.

At length, weary with watching, Edwin strode from the meadow to the little country inn where he was living. On his table he found a neat tiny note directed to himself.

'Ah! he murmured, as he tore it open; 'determine, at home, I imagine! This will explain all!'

Within he found these words:—

'DEAR EDWIN,— 'Could one who forsook her first duty, that to her parents, fulfil the holy duties the name of wife would bring? I dare not come; it has cost me much to write this; but I feel that I am doing right, and that strengthens me. Win my father's consent, and I am yours.'

ANNA.

'Pshaw!' said Edwin, tossing the note impatiently into the fire; it ain't worth the trouble.'

The next morning Edwin Parker had left the village.

About a month after this Anna was in the garden watering some plants, when her father joined her.

'Anna, do you recollect a young man who was here some weeks ago, named Parker?'

'How her heart bounded! 'Yes, father.'

'He has been convicted of forgery and is— Heavens, Anna, how pale you are! Are you faint?'

'I am better now. Father, I will tell you all and they pray your forgiveness.'

'Dear Anna, did you think your old father blind? No, no, my child, you need tell me nothing. I was passing the thicket when your appointments was made, and overheard all. I watched your chamber door all night, thinking to stop by force if you ventured out. Thank God it was not needed!'

'Thank God, indeed?' said Anna. 'I might now have been either a forger's wife or a wretched, suspected daughter.'

No Accounting for Taste. (Lynchburg News.)

A few years ago while at Christiansburg we had pointed out to us an old colored man who was said to be an habitual coal-oil drinker, that he would go to a store and buy half a pint at the time and drink it off with the relish of an old toper taking his morning toddy. He seemed to be in fine health, and to the observer, prospered under the influence of his oily beverage. This old man, when questioned as to his habit, stated that to him the taste was better than any other drink he knew of; that he could stand a great deal of cold and was never sick. It is said that during the days of the James River canal there was employed upon one of the boats a negro man who

drank coal oil regularly, but until to-day we did not know that Lynchburg could produce another addicted to the same habit. At the police court this morning one of our white citizens was charged with drinking coal-oil. He pleaded guilty to the charge, and to verify the statement he picked up the oil-can and drank freely of its contents. He confessed to being very fond of this drink, and stated that it was both stimulating and healthy. This party is known to be a total abstainer from all intoxicants, and it was supposed that he partook of nothing stronger than water. Is coal oil a temperance beverage?'

How to Catch Cold. Leave off your heavy underclothing on a mild day. Take a hot drink before going out in the cold or damp air. Let the boys romp at school during recess time without their hats. Sit in the passage or near an entry after dancing for half an hour. Sit in a barber shop in your shirt sleeves while waiting to be shaved. Wear your light-weight summer hosiery through November. Put on a pair of thin shoes in the evening when you call upon your girl. Fail to change your shoes and stockings after coming in on a very rainy day. Have your hair cut and shampooed just as a change takes place in the weather. Wear one of the new ladies' cutaway coats without a chamois or flannel vest underneath. Throw your overcoat open on a blustering winter day to stow off your nice new necktie. Send the children out in autumn for exercise in short, thin stockings and skimpy skirts. Leave out your rag carpet when you go driving, and wear your nicest one to look well. Go to the front door in a cobweb dress, and linger, bidding good night, to your favorite young man. Take a hot bath in the evening, and sit up in your room to finish the last pages of an exciting novel. Throw off your heavy coat when you reach the office in a hurry and put on your thin knock-about. Go down to breakfast with a wrap on a chilly morning before the fires have got fully started. Put the window of your sleeping room up before you go to bed, especially if the window is near the bed. Run a square to catch a street car and take off your hat for a few moments to cool off when you catch it. Go out into the lobby during a theatrical performance and promenade around without your overcoat. Do your black hair up high when you have been accustomed to wear it low and go out on a windy day. Come in from a rapid gallop on horseback and stand talking in the open air to a friend for five or ten minutes. Go to an evening party in a dress suit without putting on heavy under-wear to compensate for the lightness of the cloth. If you are bald headed or have a susceptible back, sit during grand opera near one of the side doors in the Academy of Music. Vick's Floral Guide for 1886, the pioneer seed annual of America, comes to us this year a real gem, not a dry list of hard botanical names, but over thirty pages of reading matter, among which are articles on Roses, House Plants, Cheap Greenhouse, Young Gardeners, and very interesting reading, followed by about 150 pages containing illustrations, descriptions and prices of seemingly everything the heart could desire in the of fine Seeds, Plants, Bulbs, Potatoes, &c. It is a mystery how this firm can afford to publish, and really give away, this beautiful work of nearly 200 pages of finest paper, with hundreds of illustrations and two fine Colored Plates, all enclosed in an elegant cover. Any one desiring goods in this line cannot do better than send 10 cents for the Floral Guide, to James Vick, Seedsman, Rochester, N. Y. Deduct the 10 cts. from first order sent for seeds.

THE JOKERS' BUDGET.

A Little Humorous Reading for the Leisure Hours.

Fishing for Facts—Knew There Would be a Wedding—That Vest—In the Hallway—A Codfish Story—Dots and Dashes.

FISHING FOR FACTS. 'Popper, wot do they have the policemen watch the block where they had smallpox for?'

'Oh, to keep the disease from spreading.'

'The policemen'll keep 'em from breaking out, won't they, popper?'

'Yes, yes.' 'Is smallpox dangerous, popper?'

'Yes, quite dangerous.'

'Its catching, alu't it?'

'Yes, very.'

'But when you're vaccinated you won't catch anything, will you, popper?'

'No, I s'pose not.'

'You were vaccinated when you went off with Mr Brown yesterday, wasn't you popper?'

'Why what makes you ask that question?'

'Koz mommer said she knew you wouldn't catch anything if you stayed fishing for a week?'

KNEW THERE WOULD BE A WEDDING. 'You will hear of a wedding soon, said a rather prudish looking dame to a lady friend in V—street car the other morning.'

'Will I?' replied the lady, 'who is to be joined in holy bonds of matrimony?'

'Why that couple opposite me.'

'Where did you get your information; you are not acquainted with them?'

'No, yet I am sure of it,' replied the spinster. 'Didn't you see her wet the end of her handkerchief with her tongue and wipe a little dirt off the gentleman's cheek?'

'The gentleman may be her husband,' said the lady.

'Then she would have brushed it off with her muff?'

THAT VEST. Mrs. Jacking: 'Look heah, Martha, what yer ent dat piece outen yo' daddy's vest for?'

Martha: 'I jes wanted a little piece fer my crazy quilt.'

'Mrs. Jacking: 'Crazy quilt, hay! Well, you wait till yer daddy sees his Sunday vest, den you'll see sumfin crazy what won't be no quilt.'

IN THE HALLWAY. 'Say, Mr. Gogglesop, what do you come to our house so often for?'

Gogglesop (patronizingly)—'Now, Nommy, you must ask your sister Clara that, when she comes into the parlor—just ask her.'

'Well, I did, and she said she'd be blest if she knew.'

A CODFISH STORY. Guest—'Bring me some smelt.' Waiter—'We have no smelt, but we have codfish.'

Guest—'I want smelt.' Waiter—'Well, sir, the codfish will be smelt as soon as it is brought in.'

DOTS AND DASHES. We may not like hotel keepers, but we have to put up with them.

If you only practice long enough at setting a steel trap, you will be sure to your hand in.

Full many a feather on a woman's hat, Once loomed up on a rooster's keel! Full many a seal skin covered once a cat, Good gracious, sakes; how big us women feel!

'Fritz, how much do you love me this morning?' asked Uncle Ned. 'As much as I would hold if I was all taken out of myself,' was the comprehensive reply.

Oh, mummy dear, I do love you, oh, so much! No one could tell you how much I love you; no, not even the biggest story teller that ever lived. Ma, can't I have an apple?'

'Oh, Arthur, how happy I would be alone with you on a quiet island in a distant ocean?'

'Have you any other wish, dearest Laura?'

'Oh, yes, do get me a season ticket for the opera?'

Grains of Gold.

A fool's stupidity gone to seed.

The winter of discontent is the coldest of all winters.

Not talking too much is really one half of all the wisdom.

A very stubborn man is often wrong, but seldom dishonest.

Each the semblance of truth that is in a lie makes it stronger.

'The burden which was thoughtlessly taken up must be patiently borne.

We can hardly see humility and tenderness enough except by suffering.

Caution is generally composed of one part of principle to two of policy.

Religion is the deepest study of life and few become accomplished students in it.

Grand temples are built of small stones, and great lives are made up of trifling events.

Kindness is stowed away in the heart like rose leaves in a drawer, to sweeten every object around them.

There is nothing lower than hypocrisy. To profess friendship and act enmity is a pure proof of total depravity.

The man who on discovering his errors acknowledges and corrects them, is scarcely less entitled to our esteem than if he had not erred.

Simple emotion will not suffice to elevate the character or improve the life. There must be power of self denial, strength of will, persevering efforts.

Children hunger after new things and new ideas. They will learn with pleasure from the lips of parents what they deem drudgery to learn from books.

Work is your true remedy. If misfortune hits you hard, you hit something else hard. Pitch into something with a will. There's nothing like good, solid, exhausting work to cure trouble.

If a bee stings you, will you go to the hive and destroy it? Would not a thousand come upon you? If you receive a trifling injury, don't go about the streets proclaiming it, and be anxious to avenge it. Let it drop.

'Mean About His Old Chickens.'

'What are you doing there?' exclaimed a grocer, angrily turning upon an old negro who had just slipped a dressed chicken under his coat.

'Jes' but'nin' up my coat, sah. Feels er slight change in de weder. Hump, he said, when he found that he could not button his coat, 'I see gittid' so fat dat I see out-growin' all my cloze. Wall, I mus' be gon.'

'Say, before you go, take that chicken out from under your coat and perhaps you can button it.'

'Whatchicken?'

'The one you've got under your coat.'

'I declare, boss, yer's de mos' spicious pussion I ebar seed in my life. Puts me in mine ob er gentleman I knowd ont—'

'Never mind about gentlemen you have known. Take that chicken from under your coat or I'll call a policeman.'

'What, jes fur er little bit uv er chickin like dis?' he asked, removing the chicken and throwing it into a tub. 'W'y, boss, I'd hate mighty ter be ez close ez yerself is. Dat chickin aint much bigger'n er snow bird, no-how?'

'Now, get out of here.'

'What fur?'

'Because you are a thief.'

'Yer ought ter be er shamed o yer-sef ter tolk dat er way ter dis ole er pussion. I wouldn't er euz er pussion sou o stealin till I had dun prubed it on him. Boss, ez yer aint willin ter trus me, please, sah, step back dar by de stove an git my hat fur me.'

When the grocer had turned his back, the old rascal took up a large chicken and hid it under his coat.

'Thankee, sah, he said, when the grocer had given him his hat. Mighty sorry dat yer spicioned me. Say, boss, de traf is I see one ob dese klip-termaniacs.'

'Yes, you are one of these klip-ter thieves.'

'Wall, I wou't argy wid yer. Good evening, sah. I tell yer what it is, he said to himself when he passed out, 'er pussion got ter pay fur eatin me names, I puts er fine on em right dar. Huh, what er monstrous old chickin dis is.'

COMPARATIVE WORTH OF BAKING POWDERS.

Table listing various brands of baking powder: ROYAL (Absolutely Pure), GRANT'S (Alum Powder), RUMFORD'S, HUNFORD'S, REDHEAD'S, CHARM (Alum Powder), AMAZON (Alum Powder), CLEVELAND (Shortest), PIONEER (San Francisco), CZAR, DR. PRICES', SNOW FLAKE (Graft's), LEWIS', PEARL (Andrews & Co.), HECKER'S, GILLET'S, ANDREWS & CO. (Regal), BULK (Powder sold loose), RUMFORD'S (when not fresh).

REPORTS OF GOVERNMENT CHEMISTS.

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ALBUMS.

They Had Met Before.

A few days ago a grey-haired old man was in one of the hotels of Centuria, Illinois, when a stranger got off a train which had just arrived.

Pardon me, said the stranger, your face has a familiar look, yet I cannot place you. Perhaps I am mistaken.

Oh, no, said the elderly gentleman, I know you are not mistaken. I know you like a book.

Is it possible? asked the stranger.

Yes, sir; and you left without paying your board.

That, sir, cannot be, was the indignant man's answer, as he became more and more confused.

And, continued the old man, you left in the night and neglected to take your luggage.

By this time the stranger was furious. He grew red with anger, and intimated that only the grey hairs of his tormentor saved him from violent treatment.

Oh, you needn't get mad, said the old gent remaining provokingly cool. You did all these things, and I can prove it.

See here old man, who are you, and where are you from?

I, sir, am Capt. Jack Warner and you are Quartermaster Murphy, and you escaped from Libby while I was Quartermaster of that institution.

My God! was the stranger's ejaculation, as he warmly clasped the hand of the ex-rebel. Are you, indeed, the old commissary? Well, I did board with you a while, and I gave you the slip, too, he laughingly continued.

Quartermaster Murphy belonged to a New York regiment, and was captured and sent to Libby. It was the practice of the rebels to allow prisoners who had been practitioners of medicine to attend the sick in the prison hospital. They were given the freedom of the prison to come and go at will.

One day a green sentry would not allow these men to pass, when he was sharply reprimanded by Capt. Gibbs, and was told that those men who wore red ribbons on the lapels of their coats should pass unmolested.

Murphy overheard this and took advantage of it. He had some red lining in his vest, and tearing off a strip, he pinned the physician ensignia on his coat, and watching an opportunity, he got past the guard and escaped over into the Union lines.

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