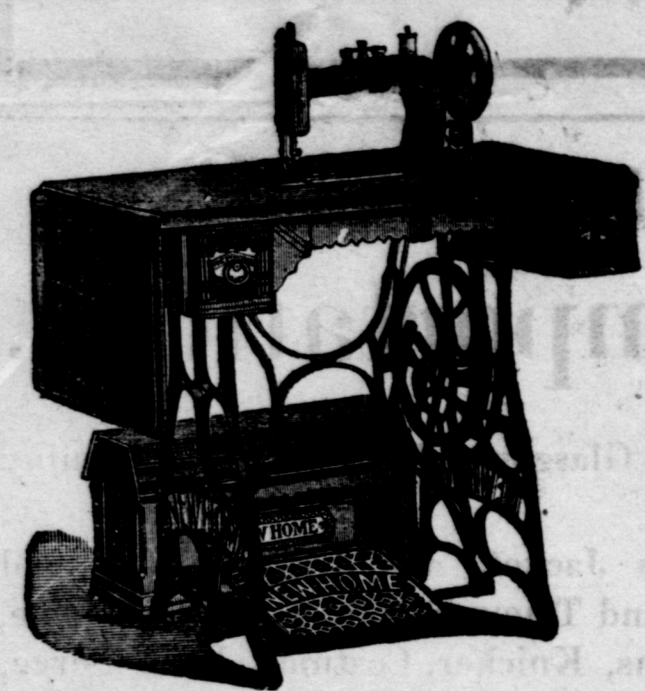


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WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21.

#### The Crossing Paths.

Our far diverging lines of life,  
Have for a moment crossed,  
To touch, and wind away, and be  
In the dim distance lost.  
No chance in all our wanderings  
Has brought us heretofore  
So face to face, to pause, and speak,  
And part, and meet no more.  
As passing ships, whose wide-fung sails  
Are for an instant furled,  
We hail, and hatter words of cheer,  
Brought from the under-world;  
With eager question, quick reply,  
Across the deck we lean;  
Then part and put the silence  
Of ocean wastes between.  
We turn and watch the fading sail  
Until our eyes grow dim,  
And the blue billows melt away  
One the horizon's rim.  
How sad it seems a few brief words,  
A kiss, a hand-clasp given;  
Then—paths that cross on land or sea,  
No more this side of heaven!

Well, let them cross, as cross they may,  
And let them still diverge,  
Sundered by leagues of desert land,  
By mountain or by surge,  
We know there is one central spot  
No travelling feet have passed,  
Where earth's divergent, crossing paths  
Shall meet and end at last!

#### Average Value of Estates.

Mr. Charles B. Spahr, of Columbia University, has recently examined the records of the Surrogates of thirty-five counties in this State and has published the results in *The Outlook*. The examination covered the last three months of 1893 and included the counties of New York and Kings, the richest in the State. The results are remarkable as showing (1) how few people, comparatively speaking, leave any estates at all; and (2) the low average value of estates. The following is a summary of the facts shown:

1. Out of 10,000 persons over twenty-five years of age, dying during the quarter, only 3,851, or just about one-third, left any estates whatever. Of those who were heads of families only one-half left any estate, not even a savings bank account.
2. Of the 3,851 estates administered on, only 884—about twenty-seven per cent. of all estates, and nine per cent. of all those dying—were worth over \$5,000.
3. Sixty-six per cent. of all left no estates; twenty-five per cent. of all left estates valued at under \$5,000, the average value of those below this amount being \$1,292. Less than nine per cent. of all left estates valued at over \$5,000.

These investigations were made without reference to life insurance, but they afford a powerful argument for life insurance. They are the results of life—not its rosy-hued expectations. They warn men that if they would do better than the average man they must employ better methods than the average man. Most men who read these lines will handle considerable money every year during their lives. Whether they will leave an estate of \$5,000 or not, will depend in most cases upon whether they have a life policy or not.

#### Making Socks in Sections.

A novelty has recently appeared in hosiery, the new idea being to make it possible to repair hosiery so that it will appear as if new. To this end fast seams in the mesh are made across the toe, ankle and heel. If, therefore, a hole appears in the toe, it is cut off and a new one attached, which is easily and quickly done by hand, the seams appearing practically the same as when new. In like manner the heel is repaired, or, in case of "general debility," the whole foot can be removed by cutting it off at the ankle. In order to make it possible for all to repair their own stockings it is the design of the manufacturer to furnish with every dozen pairs of hosiery one dozen extra pairs of feet, three dozen pairs of toes and three dozen pairs of heels.

It is noticed as a fact of peculiar geological interest that the very deepest parts of the ocean are not in or near the center. The deepest sounding yet obtained—27,930 feet—was got 110 miles outside the Kurile Islands, north of Japan. The mean depth of the Pacific is estimated at 15,000 feet, but there have been very few soundings. There is another deep but small area seventy miles north of Porto Rico, in the West Indies, given as 29,361 feet, and nearly equal depressions have been found in other isolated spots.

A lake of boiling mud two miles in circumference exists in the island of Java, near Solo. Masses of soft hot mud continually rise and fall, and huge mud-bubbles explode like balloons, with reports like guns, at the rate of three a minute.

### The Cure For Diphtheria.

Dr. Koch is exercising precaution in announcing his new cure for diphtheria. The expectations aroused by his experiments with tuberculin were due to the unwise claims of too enthusiastic followers. He has been engaged for the past year in developing the anti-toxin treatment for diphtheria, and, according to the report of Dr. Biggs, chief inspector of the New York bureau of bacteriology, with much success. The New York Board of Health has asked for an appropriation of \$30,000 to establish stations for the treatment, and it will presently be placed among the list of preventive medicines. The culture of the bacilli occupied a period of six weeks and the animals operated upon became immune to the poison in from four to six months. Their blood, which is withdrawn in minute quantities, is then used in inoculating the patient and, thus introduced, neutralizes the toxin absorbed in the circulation of sick persons from the throat, and renders them artificially unsusceptible to its action. It is possible in this way to protect any person from the contraction of the disease after exposure to the infection, and also to cure nearly 100 per cent. of cases where the patients are treated in the early stages. Dr. Cyrus Edson, in his report to the public, states: "One of the most important and significant features of the treatment depends upon the absolute innocuous character of the remedy, it having, apparently, no influence, either favorable or unfavorable, in health or in disease, accepting as to its power of neutralizing the poison of diphtheria; so, while it has enormous capacity for food, its use is absolutely devoid of danger." Despite these assurances there are persons who will view with repugnance the introduction of such substances into the circulatory system. There is something humorous in the thought of the multitude of inoculation the infant of the future will be called upon to endure in order to keep pace with the discoveries of modern science.

### The Moorish Merchant.

A merchant sailed over the sea to a distant country, where he had made a large fortune by his industry and cleverness. Many years after he returned home. When he landed, he heard that his relations had met to dine at a neighboring country house. He hurried there, and did not even wait to change his clothes, which had got somewhat damaged on the voyage. When he entered the room where his relatives were assembled, they did not seem very glad to see him, because they thought that his shabby clothes proved that he was not very rich. A young Moor, whom he brought with him, was disgusted at their want of feeling, and said, "Those are bad men for they do not rejoice at seeing their relation, after his long absence." "Wait a moment," said the merchant in a whisper, "they will soon change their manner." He put a ring which he had in his pocket on his finger, and beheld all the faces brightened, and they pressed round dear cousin William. Some shook hands with him, others embraced him, and all contended for the honor of taking him home. "Has the ring bewitched them?" asked the Moor. "Oh, no," said the merchant, "but they guess by it that I am rich, and that has more power over them than anything else." "Oh you blind men!" then exclaimed the Moor, "it is not the ring that bewitched you, but the love of money. How is it possible that you can value yellow metal and transparent stones higher than my master, who is such a noble man?" "Wealth maketh many friends, but the poor is separated from his neighbor."

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A story is told of a Pennsylvania judge who once, in one of the interior counties, had a number of Irishmen before him indicted for a riot on a canal. All their names were included in one indictment, and the jury found them all guilty, though one of them, Pat Murphy, clearly proved an alibi. They were all brought into court to be sentenced, and Pat was directed to stand up with the others.

Pat protested vehemently, and reminded the judge that he was at home in bed and at a considerable distance from the scene of the riot.

"Stand up, Pat," said the judge, "stand up! You're just as guilty as any of them. You know you would have been there if you could!"

### WHEN NYE WAS CADI.

Table Etiquette as Taught by the Brave Editor of the Laramie Boomerang—Receipts for Making Tomato Catchup that Men not Women, Should Try.

Evangeline Follansbee, East Timber Lake, La., writes to know if it is proper for the groom to furnish gloves and souvenirs to the ushers and best man; also what supplies he should furnish for the wedding.

She is soon to be married, and has been all summer gathering wild strawberries and selling them to raise money for her outfit. She naturally desires to know what will be supplied by the groom.

Evangeline, if you know what a task it is for me to settle these matters of etiquette, you would be chary of your inquiries to an overworked man.

Generally the bride's family tries to be as light a burden to the groom as possible until after the honeymoon, when he may supply flour, bacon, molasses, etc., without violating the proprieties.

You make a mistake, however, in going into an elaborate wedding if you have to gather wild strawberries in order to pay for it! It is no disgrace to be wedded without great display considering your circumstances.

I acted as usher once at a wedding where each usher received a diamond stud that would buy a good team, yet to-day the groom is trying to keep a livery stable tidy at \$20 per month, and the bride each week does the washing for one of her bridesmaids at 75 cents per dozen and hangs the wash on the barbed wire fence.

On the other hand, 15 years ago, when I became a justice of the peace in Wyoming, I married a couple in the loft of Wagner's store, and the two rode home on one horse to battle with life on a ranch, asking me to wait till fall for my fee, when they hoped to be able to raise it.

Autumn came and with it the fee. Now they are visiting in Venice and hiring gondolas by the week. We should learn by this, Evangeline, that it is better to go to California second class and return via palace car than to go there in a special car and come home astride the axle of a coach.

Natalie, Alkali Station, Wyo.—No; you are doing wrong to continue your friendship with a man who indicates that he loves you, yet does not follow it up by a declaration.

He is not sincere, and the quicker you serve a writ of ejectment on him the better. He is merely toying with your heart and killing time. Such a man should be arrested, taken out beyond the fair grounds and shot.

You should lose no time in telling him that life is real, life is earnest, etc., and that you cannot monkey about in life's glad morn with one who was not serious.

Your error while visiting in town was quite natural, but reaching for a slice of lemon with your fingers when it was at the bottom of your iced tea was not so bad as your offering the tea afterwards to the gent who sat near you.

You also laid yourself open to censure when you got under the table in search of the steak which jumped out of your plate and when you bumped your head and broke your backcomb in getting out.

Though the guests laughed and thus violated the best table manner rules, it was not very surprising. You also did wrong in showing your temper and by saying "damn it!" at the loss of your steak, as you were among strangers at the time.

You did wrong in calling attention to the absence of the butter at the table, as quite a good many people recently adopted the custom of omitting butter at dinner, especially people who really need the butter money for the purchase of clothing.

For my own part I do not think there is anything wrong in having butter on the table at dinner. Those who do not care for it may let it alone or leave the table if butter be offensive to them.

Strict Confidence, East Haddam, Mass.—You doubtless feel a certain degree of bitterness when you refer to the full evening dress of your friends, and certainly you write like one whose neck and shoulders are a trifle skinny.

Please do not let that influence you in the matter, for in England, where I have several times visited and fully enjoyed myself, it is the custom for ladies without exception to wear full evening dress even at the age of 102 years.

It is a custom to which one readily becomes accustomed, and one soon ceases to notice it, although I could never get quite accustomed to seeing grandmothers rigged out that way.

No senator does not receive over \$5,000 per year. The reason that a U. S. senator who was worth several millions of dollars should go to the senate year after year on \$5,000 salary is that he wants to do the country all the good he can. He would lie and toss all night on his sleepless couch if he could be a senator, yet shirked the responsibility.

You will have to scald the tomatoes, peel them and then strain them through a cheesecloth in order to make a good catchup. Then cook over a slow fire, adding one thing and another to suit the taste. When it is done, using great care to avoid putting things in it that will not please the taste, while guarding against omitting necessary ingredients, you should bottle it.

Should the catchup ferment and burst the bottles, a good plan will be to make some more and make it differ from the above.

### KINDNESS OF THE CZAR.

A Little Known Side of the Dead Ruler's Nature Revealed in a Visit to a Danish Toy Shop.

Alexander III., the great Czar of all the Russias, who died on November 1 at Livadia, at the southern extremity of the Crimea, near the historical Sebastopol, was regarded by the world at large as a severe man of great dignity and gravity and a high sense of his historical responsibility. All this he was, no doubt, and his magnificent physique and great height undoubtedly contributed to this idea of him; but he had another side. He was the most peculiar uncle that ever lived, and his numerous little nephews and nieces will mourn their best playfellow.

A young American girl had an experience in Copenhagen, the home of Czarina's parents, the aged King and Queen of Denmark, which revealed the Czar in a light in which he seldom appears in the newspapers. Entering a little toy shop to buy some of the quaint Danish toys to take back to a little American nephew, she found the place crowded by nearly a dozen children and half a dozen maids, all of whom seemed to be in charge of a tall pleasant looking man who was buying toys for all the children.

The big, athletic looking man told the shop keeper to wait on the American girl first, as his small charges could wait; but one of the smallest children in the big man's party seemed to object so strongly to waiting that the American girl laughed and said that she would wait. When all the children had been provided with toys, the gentleman whispered to the little child who had been impatient, and the little fellow came over to where the young lady was standing and said—

"Uncle Xander says I must give you this, because I was rude," and handed her a book which the man he called "Uncle Xander" had selected. Then the whole party filed out and took their departure in a kind of great omnibus which had driven up for them. And, as the American girl was watching them drive away, the big man nodded pleasantly, and the little child in his arms waved his hand.

"That," said the shopkeeper, "was the Czar of Russia, and the baby in his arms was the Crown Prince of Denmark." And so this American girl had seen the "Great White Czar" in what was probably one of the happiest moments, laughing and joking with his little nephews and nieces in a small Danish toy shop.

### Kossuth's English.

Kossuth had a remarkable mastery of English. This story shows how he strengthened his knowledge of our difficult tongue. Speaking at Concord, Mass., Kossuth wished to express the figure of the Austrian eagle rending the young freedom of Hungary. The word escaped him. Stopping for a moment in the full flight of eloquence, he asked a matter of fact American who sat near him, "What you say when man tear his coat?" "Hole," was the reply. That word did not satisfy him, and Ralph Waldo Emerson, who had overheard the question, whispered "rent," with poetic sympathy for sympathy, and the stately sweep of the sentence was completed. He learned the language after his arrest in 1837, when he was sentenced in 1838 to three years' imprisonment, during a part of which he was cut off from all communication with his friends and was denied the use of pen and ink, even of books. In the second year he was allowed to read, but as all political books were interdicted he selected an English grammar, Walker's Pronouncing Dictionary, and Shakespeare. Without knowing a single word he began to read "The Tempest." He was engaged for a fortnight in getting through the first page.

### Humbus of Rainmaking.

Now as to the possibility of producing rain by artificial means. It is never safe to say what things are possible and what things are impossible to man. What the future may bring forth no one can tell. At the present time there is no evidence to show that even the smallest local showers have been produced artificially. Further than that, it is safe to say that no method of producing artificial rain has yet been publicly proposed which suggests to one familiar with the scientific principles involved even a possibility of success. That such attempts have been received the official recognition and financial support of Congress is only another evidence of the gross ignorance of scientific principles which is prevalent among our so-called educated men. That some of the men who advocate these wild schemes are honest in their motives cannot be questioned, but that all the professional rainmakers are conscienceless fakirs is scarcely more questionable. That many of them are able to submit testimony as to the efficacy of their system is equally true of every patent medicine fraud and electric healing quack who has ever swindled an ignorant public.

Some children were overheard discussing the Sunday services in the fashionable church at which the family worshipped. "Well, now," said the seven-year-old boy, "I must say I should like to know what the sermon is for."

"Why, Harry, don't you know?" answered his five-year-old sister. "It's to give the singers a rest, of course."

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