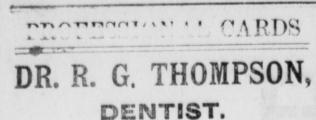
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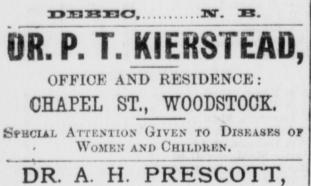
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"You are requested not only to exercise in the morning, but also in the evening sufficiently for the preservation of health.

"Talebearing and scandal are odious vices and must be avoided; neither must you flatter your companions by any remarks on their beauty, dress or accomplishment, in order to increase their vanity, and let every one thus flattered remember that such compliments are an insult offered to the understanding.

"You must not write a careless note, or any careless writing. You must write a composition, once in a fortnight, of two hundred words. You must write at least thirty good C. lines in a week.

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presenting a little rose and a little ring on a salver, with his "most respectful compliments to Miss Edith Story."

The Boundary Fence.

Before the Birchams removed from the "city proper" to the most fashionable suburb they satisfied themselves that the locality they were entering was a desirable one. Of their immediate neighbors they—or Mr. Bircham, at any rate—took no account. Mrs. Bircham was a friendly soul, could she have had her way; but her husband had an exaggerated idea of his own importance, and openly exulted over the high fence that enclosed their new domain.

The fence at the back of the big lot particularly pleased him. It was made of match. ed boards, and one could see neither over it nor through it. Every time Mr. Bircham went that way, which was not often, to be sure, he felt like patting it affectionately.

"The persons on that next street are not of our order," he said. "Undoubtedly they would try to push themselves in among us, if they could, and your reprehensible tendency to permit familiarity might lead to dangerous complications if these lots more closely communicated. I glory in this fence, Mrs. Bircham, and I wish it were nineteen feet high!"

To Mrs. Bircham these sentiments seemed foolish, not to say unchristian; but she was not one to argue, and could only hope that circumstances would rebuke her too exclusive lord.

They did, and promptly. Not more than a fortnight later, Mr. Bircham, close to his side of the back fence, was pondering the problem of a sickly grape-vine, when his attention was arrested by a woman's voice on the other side. She spoke with the freedom of one who has no thought of being overheard, and her utterance was so rapid that before Mr. Bircham realized himself an eaves, dropper he had taken in all she had to say. "The new people over there?" repeated the obnoxious neighbor. "The woman is really a charming person so far as I can tell by the glimpses I get from our .chamber windows,

but the man—such a fussy, overbearing, peacocky creature, common-looking, and with insufferable manner! I'm so glad of this fence, Gerald, because it's so fatally easy for any two men to scrape acquaintance—and I question whether that acquaintance would be



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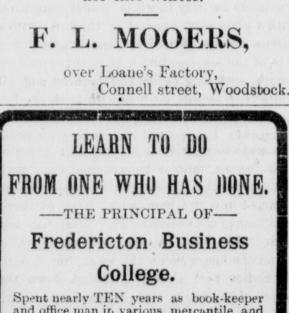
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"You must not wear your pretty dresses, or any handsome lace, neither your best hats or shawls to school.

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Miss Pierce is described as possessing a rare faculty for impressing her scholars, and it is said by her historian that the young ladies who were graduated from her school were considered models of behavior and education.

Great Folk and Little Folk.

Mr. Henry James, in his recent biography of William Wetmore Story, gives a delightful glimpse of the amusements of the group of American and English children in Rhome of whom just fifty years ago little Edith Story, the sculptor's daughter, made one. She was, too, the most favored one, for she was just recovering from a dangerous illness, and was therefore the special pet of her father's famous friends.

Hans Anderson was one of them, and, says Mr. James, "The small people with whom he played enjoyed, under his spell, the luxury of believing that he kept and treasured—in every case, and as a rule—the old tin soldiers and broken toys received by him, in acknowment of favors, from impulsive infant hands.

"Beautiful the queer image of the great benafactor moving about Europe with his accumulations of these precious relics! Wonderful, itoo, a certain occasion, that of a children's party, when after he had read through 'The Ugly Duckling,' Browning strck up with the 'Pied Piper,' which led to the formation of a graud march through the spacious Barberini apartment, with Story doing his best on a flute in default of bagpipes.

"But the tenderest reccollection is of Thackeray reading 'The Rose and the Ring,' as yet upublished, to the little convalescent girl who was always so happily tore member that in the old Roman days, between daylight and dark, the great author had sat on the edge of her bed and read the immortal work to her, chapter by chapter."

Happy little convalescent, indeed! And think how proud when, later, in the first volume of the first edition published, she found a drawing of an obsequious little flunky

Mr. Bircham tiptoed away from his side of the fence as soon as his neighbors went away from their side, but he took with him a new idea. It had been borne in upon him that this is a world of give and take, that his approval was not needful to its continuance, and that persons he was churlishly anxious to avoid might have good reasons for wishing to avoid him.

She-I was a fool to marry you. He-I suppose so, but I'm not willing that you should bear all the blame. I asked you to.

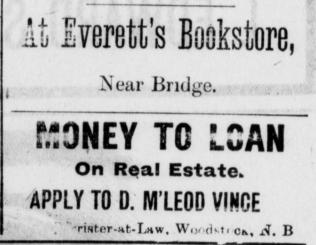
Crawford-Is that a new dress for your dolly? Little Lil-No, pa; that's sister's new bathing suit.

Hewitt—Do you think long hair makes a man intellectual? Jewett—Not when his wife finds it on his coat; it makes him look foolish.

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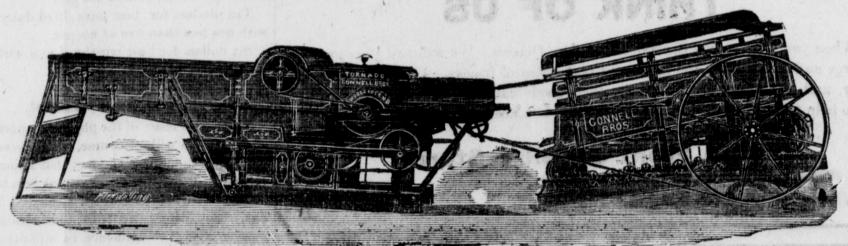
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