

WILLIE DIDN'T KEEP HIS COLD ALL TO HIMSELF

Unselfishness Was Willie's Strong Point, All Right.

(California Health Bulletin.)
Willie, Willie! Come right into the house. Don't you know you've got a bad cold? Bring the children in here where it's warm.

Oh, Mrs. Jones, so glad to see you! The house looks dreadful, but do come in. All the children in the neighborhood are playing here today. Willie has a bad cold and I wouldn't let him stay out. He's sneezing all the time! I'll be glad when Monday comes and he can go back to school! Now Willie, shake hands with Mrs. Jones.

Willie, did you lose your handkerchief again? Go, let Auntie wipe your nose with hers.

Willie, there's the doorbell again. It is Mrs. Smith and her baby. You let them in and talk to them till I get dressed. Kiss the baby nicely.

Hello! Hello! Yes, I can hear, daddy. You want to bring Mr. Black home to dinner. Yes, indeed. Come early so he can have a romp with Willie. I can manage. But don't forget that medicine for Willie's cold. His nose is running awfully tonight. Good-bye.

Don't play in that cold water, Willie, when you have such a cold. Now, go wipe your hands on the kitchen towel.

Willie, let Howard blow that whistle just once if he wants to. You've played with it all afternoon.

Willie don't put those cards in your mouth. You'll get them dirty. Those are for Auntie's card club tonight. You mustn't spoil them.

Yes, Mrs. Green, Willie's gone back to school again. His ears are still aching somewhat, but the doctor thinks that the drums won't burst. Pretty bad, though. Every one of us has been sick, but Willie was the worst. How's Howard's cold? Did you hear about poor Mrs. Smith? Her children all have dreadful colds and the baby almost died of pneumonia. She was here the first day Willie was sick, with the baby, and not a thing on its head! My house was nice and warm, and I told her when she went out to cover up that baby's head, but you can't teach some people. Willie just loves the baby. It was too cute the way he hugged and kissed her that day.

Did you hear what that woman who's just moved in next door said? I've been so mad ever since I can scarcely look at her house. She had the impudence to say the reason her precious boy had a cold was that he came over and caught it from Willie. I'll see that they don't play together again, I can tell you. I know well enough where he got his cold. Didn't I hear her say that she made him take a bath every day? In this cold weather, too! Next she'll be saying Mrs. Smith's baby caught pneumonia from Willie.

STARTED THE FIRE WITH OIL.
Small Boy Dead and Mother Not Expected to Live.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 27.—Sachitoe Cormian, aged 6 years, is dead, his mother is not expected to live and a younger brother was seriously burned as the result of pouring coal oil on the kitchen fire.

IF YOU WOULD LIVE LONG LEARN TO EAT

Men Shortening Their Lives With Indulgence in Liquor—Women Take Too Much Tea, Candy, etc.

New York, Dec. 27.—Twentieth century living and strains are killing off men in the Prime of life.

Modern man does not live as long as his forefathers did, in spite of the great increase in knowledge about life and its preservation, in spite of the great advance in medical knowledge and its dissemination by publication.

Men and women of today must be taught to live if they would live the full span of life which rightfully is theirs.

The wasteful, ease demanding tendencies of the American people are shortening the lives of the race.

Where their forebears lived to a ripe old age modern men die comparatively young.

Men and women must be taught how to eat and what to avoid.

So says Dr. Eugene Lyman Fisk, the medical director of the Life Extension Institute in this city, who says men and women now eat thirty per cent. more food than they should. He says that many men are shortening their lives with indulgence in liquors and cigars, and that women have indulgences of tea, coffee and candy which make their lives miserable and cut down their days.

Dr. Fisk prefaced his analysis of the modern man by commending the recent decision of the association of life insurance presidents to add the preservation of the life of policy holders to the original function of paying death benefits.

TO INCREASE CARRYING CAPACITY OF SHIPS

London, Dec. 27.—It is understood that Sir Joseph MacLay, shipping controller, has made a proposal to owners which should effect a considerable increase in carrying capacity of the British mercantile marine. It is said that the closing of what is known as tonnage openings in shelter deck steamers and the strengthening of certain portions of the structures would allow the load line to be raised to some extent with safety. The main result of this plan would be, it is estimated, that the carrying capacity of the mercantile marine would be raised 250,000 tons.

AN ELECTRIC FAN IN WINTER.

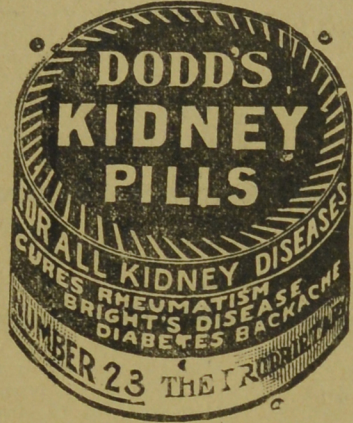
(Scientific American.)
Why is it that with the first signs of cool weather the electric fan is relegated to the cellar, the attic or the storeroom, as the case may be? Simply because the mission of the electric fan is misunderstood. It is looked upon as a device for cooling the air during warm weather, when as a matter of fact it merely stirs the air.

If ever there was an efficient way of warming a room during the coldest winter day it is to place an electric fan near a radiator so that its breeze passed through the heating coils. This results in creating a current of warm air throughout the room, instead of the heat of the room being confined to the immediate neighborhood of the radiator it is distributed to the farthest corners of the room.

COULD NOT FIND STEAMER MARYLAND

Coastguard Cutters Which Answered Her Calls of Distress, Could Find No Trace.

Nantucket, Mass., Dec. 27.—The steamer Maryland, which reported by wireless on Christmas night that she was sinking, had not been found today. The coastguard cutters Acushnet and Gresham, which had proceeded from Wood's Hole and Boston respectively to the position approximately 200 miles southeast of this island, where the Maryland sounded her distress calls, sent word this morning that they had found no trace of the steamer. The cutters had cruised in those waters for several hours after it became known that the vessel's wireless had been put out of commission, evidently by a flood of water which swept into the engine room.



ARE BABIES PEOPLE?

Law to Decide if Baby is Freight or Human Being.

New York, Dec. 26.—Are babies people? Or are they bundles?

Should they be allowed to travel on apartment-house elevators along with stock-brokers and pet poodles, or should they go via the freight lift, or be hoisted up the front wall with derricks?

It's up to Justice Greenbaum to decide this question in Supreme Court.

Al Reese and his wife contend that babies are people and that their four-months old daughter has elevator rights.

The apartment-house management says the child must travel the bundle route as her carriage climbs up people's shins on the elevator. Hence the law suit.

Mr. Samuel H. McKee, a well known citizen, has been in poor health for some time at his home on King street.

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R. B. BENNETT,
Director General.

Ottawa, 15th December, 1916.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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