

BITS OF HUMOR.

"Pa!"
"Well?"
"What's women's rights?"
"Everything they want. Run away."

Towne—She says you're an impatient cad. What have you said or done?

Brown—Nothing; that's the trouble. When we were out walking yesterday the wind blew her hair about her face most becomingly and she said, "I know I'm a perfect fright," I didn't say a word.

A number of railway men were once discussing the question of accidents.

"The roads in Scotland," said one official, "used to have a bad name, indeed, in respect to accidents. No one thought of embarking on a railway journey unless he had provided himself with an accident policy of insurance."

"The famous Dr. Norman Macleod was once about to set off on a long journey through the Scotch country. Just as the train was pulling out the clergyman hurriedly put his head in through the window and said:

"Have ye ta'en an insurance tucker, sir?"

"I have," replied the doctor.
"Then," replied the servant, "write ye'er name on it and tie it to me. They have an awful habit of robbing the corpses on this line."

Attentive waiter—Feel like a cup of tea, sir?
Irascible Customer—Do I look like a cup of tea?

"They told me the story of a well known gentleman of San Francisco, who, charging through all the smoke and flames and litter on the first day of terror, came upon a fashionable lady of his acquaintance trudging along the middle of the street in her bedroom slippers and a window curtain thrown over her shoulders. He stopped his automobile to offer her his assistance and, planning at the same time that the auto was all that he had saved out

of the wreck, and even that had been commandeered by the soldiers.
"I too, have lost all," she sighed.
"All but your beauty," said he, with a courtly bow.
"And you all but your gallantry," she retorted smiling.

"Yes, ma'am," said Bridget, "I'll be layin' it. I don't like that snip of a dude that does be callin' on Miss Mabel."

"The idea!" exclaimed her mistress. "He doesn't call to see you, so what?"

"I know he don't, ma'am, but I'm afraid some o' the neighbors might think he does."

First Boy—Expect to get much for Christmas?

Second Boy—Yes, but I expect I won't get nothing like vot I expect.

"Dear, I wish you could lay down your novel and come and button my shirt for me."

"Dear me! I never saw such a helpless man! I'd like to know how you buttoned your shirts before you were married?"

"My shirts had buttons on them in those days."

"Well, sir?" said the great lawyer. The visitor spoke tremulously.

"I am a defaulter," he said, "and I want you to defend me."

"Certainly I will defend you, my friend," he murmured kindly. "And how many hundred thousand did you say?"

"Hundred thousand," the client interrupted. "Oh sir, don't think me worse than I am. It is only \$490 in all, and I expect to pay back every cent before I die."

"George," he said to the office boy, "show this dishonest rascal out."

Wedderly—Can the girl you are engaged to swim?

Singleton—I don't know. But why do you ask?

Wedderly—Because if she can you ought to be happy. A girl who can swim can keep her mouth shut.

UPPER DURHAM.

Dec. 21.—We are having real winter weather now. The recent storms have left the roads in a bad condition for travelling.

Mr. H. E. Clarkson, piano and organ agent, passed through this place today.

Misses Gertrude and Bessie McElwain and Miss Nellie Swan, spent Saturday and Sunday in Marysville, and returned home on the early train Monday morning.

The many friends of Miss Eva Pond are glad to see her out again, after a severe attack of pleurisy.

Mrs. Arch Henderson was calling on friends in this place yesterday.

Miss Sadie Pond, who has been in Marysville for the past three months has returned home for Christmas.

Miss Gertrude McElwain entertained her Sunday school class at her home last evening. Music and games were indulged in and after refreshments were served Santa Claus appeared, much to the pleasure and surprise of the little ones, who were with candy. All the little ones declare Gertrude a charming hostess.

Mrs. James Johnston was calling on friends in this place today.

Mr. Charles Baxter who has been very ill, is slowly improving.

Our school closed today for the Christmas holidays. The teacher, Miss Nellie Croan presented each scholar with star boxes filled with candy, after which the scholars presented her with a very handsome ink-stand.

IT RINGS IN YOUR EARS.

That same cough is everywhere you go, deep and hollow because consumptive. First it was catarrh which could have been cured by Catarrhazone. Moral, never neglect a cold, never trifle with catarrh, go to your druggist and get Catarrhazone. It's instant death to colds, cures them in a few minutes. Throat trouble and catarrh disappear as by magic. Catarrhazone is the great throat and bronchial remedy today. Thousands use it, doctors prescribe it why, because it does relieve quickly and cure thoroughly. Two sizes, 25c and \$1.00 at all dealers.

FIFTH TRAGEDY IN FAMILY.

Accidental Shooting of Boy Culmination of Gloomy Series.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 24.—A long series of tragic accidents in the family was continued when Walter Larkin, the 14-year-old son of John Larkin, a wealthy farmer, accidentally shot and killed himself. This had been preparing to start for school when a revolver, which the family did not know he carried, fell from his pocket and exploded, the bullet entering his left breast.

The accident was witnessed by his two younger brothers.

The boy was a grandson of Rankin Clemmons, the wealthiest man in the county, whose family has suffered many tragedies during the past five years. Several years ago Robert Clemmons, brother of Mrs. Larkin, committed suicide by shooting; two years ago young Rankin Clemmons committed suicide; three years ago Mrs. Sheppard, daughter of Rankin Clemmons, committed suicide; three months ago Ernest Clemmons, cousin of young Larkin, was killed in a saw-mill, while several years ago Rankin Clemmons the elder was called to his door in the night and assaulted by robbers.

UPPER MAUGERVILLE.

Dec. 24.—Mr. C. L. Gent of Plaster Rock, is home spending Christmas with his sister, Miss Bertie.

Miss Hattie Brown, who has been teaching school at Central Blissville, came home Saturday to spend Christmas.

Miss Mary Perley of Central Blissville, returned to her home at Maugerville.

Mr. Charles Moore of Alberta, is here spending his holidays with friends who are glad to see him back.

LIKE A NEW DISEASE.

New to the man who never had corns is the pain relieved by Putnam's Corn Extractor. Old corns and new ones cured quickly by "Putnam's." Sold everywhere.

SHIP EVOLUTION.

Maine as a Place of Launching Wooden Vessels Shows a Great Decline.

Portland, Me., Dec. 24.—While nearly every great industry throughout the country reports great prosperity, ship building, which once held the premier position in this state, has declined to a mere shadow.

Where formerly 70,000 tons of wooden shipping were launched in a single year from Maine yards, barks, brigs and schooners, the total amount of all craft of all classes for the past year amounts to only 10,045 tons.

Of the vessels of all classes launched in the state this year, only 10 are of more than 300 tons register.

Even in the great business depression at the close of the civil war the Maine ship building industry showed a greater vitality when from 35,000 to 40,000 tons were built.

Many reasons are given for the decline. Foreign tramp steamers have taken away the former profitable business of the stately square-riggers from "Down East," the West India trade, once the mecca of Maine-built craft, is now largely carried in foreign steamers or sailing vessels from the maritime provinces of Canada.

Barges and powerful tugs also have contributed toward reducing the coal-carrying traffic once so profitable for the sailing vessels.

That the roots of many native plants, growing wild in our American forests, possess remarkable properties for the cure of human maladies is well proven. Even the untutored Indian has learned the curative value of some of these and taught the early settlers their uses. The Indian never liked to work, so he wanted his squaw to get well as soon as possible that she might work and help him hunt. Therefore he dug "papoose root" for her, for that was their great remedy for female weakness.

Dr. Pierce used the same root—called Blue Cohosh—in his "Favorite Prescription," skillfully combined with other agents that make it more effective than any other medicine in curing all the various weaknesses and painful derangements peculiar to women.

Many afflicted women have been saved from the operating table and the surgeon's knife by the timely use of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Tenderness all over the lower region, with backache, spells of dizziness, faintness, bearing down pains or distress should not go unheeded. A course of "Favorite Prescription," will work marvelous benefits in all such cases, and generally effect a permanent cure if persisted in for a reasonable length of time.

For constipation, the true, scientific cure is Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Mild, harmless, yet sure.

MAILS CLOSING

In effect, October 1, 1906.

6 a.m.—For St. John, etc., St. Stephen and Charlotte Co., Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska Counties, and United States.

7.00 a.m.—Woodstock and Gibson Branch Stations, daily.

WAY MAILS—East Side St. John River.

7.00 a.m.—For Keswick Ridge, Southampton, etc., Mondays and Thursdays.

West Side St. John River.

7.00 a.m.—For Springhill, Kingsclear, Prince William, etc., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

6.30 a.m.—St. John River via Steamer, For Oromocto, Sheffield, Gagetown, etc.

9.15 a.m.—St. John, etc., C. P. Railway stations, East, Nova Scotia and P. E. Island.

10 a.m.—For St. Mary's Ferry, Gibson and Marysville.

WAY MAILS.

2 p.m.—For Nashwaak and St. Mary's Ferry, daily, Nasownorth, New Maryland, Hanwell, Lower St. Marys and Royal Road. Wednesdays and Saturdays.

4.15 p.m.—For Gibson, Marysville, Boiestown, Doaktown, Blackville, etc., Chatham, and I. C. Railway Stations, north and south.

4.45 p.m.—For St. Stephen, W. J. Stock, United States, Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and North West West Provinces.

8.15 p.m.—For St. John, etc., Nova Scotia and P. E. Island.

4.30 p.m.—British mails via New York, Mondays and Thursdays.

MAILS RECEIVED.

Nov. 20.—From St. John, etc., Nova Scotia.

From Hamtown, Royal Road, etc.

11.00 a.m.—From Nasonworth and New Maryland, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

12.00 noon.—From Montreal, Ottawa, Northwest Provinces, etc., and United States.

1.20 p.m.—From I. C. Railway Stations, North Shore and Quebec.

St. John River via Steamer.

5 p.m.—From Oromocto, Sheffield, Gagetown, etc.

9.05 p.m.—From Woodstock and Gibson Branch Stations, daily.

8.20 p.m.—From Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and St. John.

WAY MAILS.

7.00 p.m.—West Side River, St. John—From Meductic, and Way Offices, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

St. John—From Woodstock and Way Offices, Tuesdays and Fridays.

AN IDEAL.

Takin' things easy—that's the trick. That's the hardest of all to learn; This world keeps steady along so quick.

An' doggin' at every turn. That we close our ears to the lazy song.

That Summer is singin' the whole day long.

An' we get to thinkin' its wholly wrong.

To be takin' things easy.

Takin' things easy, with duty done, An' never a thought of fear.

When the shadows close at the set of sun.

An' the moon and stars draw near— The real reward that a man kin claim.

In the search for wisdom an' wealth an' fame, Is the chance, some time, without risk of blame,

To be takin' things easy.



A SMART GIRLISH WAIST.

When girls are in their teens and especially under sixteen, it is quite a problem to select styles for their gowns which will be smart and graceful and yet neither too youthful nor causing them to look older than they are. Nowadays when a girl must dip into society, no matter how young, not one dress for nice, but several are needed to complete her wardrobe. A very pleasing blouse is shown developed in a moss green henrietta with tiny ruffles of tulle broadening the plates on the shoulder and providing a most pleasing finish to the sleeve. The graceful yoke is of fanciful shape and constructed of ecru lace showing here and there a thread of gold. A narrow band of dark green velvet outlines this and sets it off to advantage. A blouse of this kind may serve for afternoon teas, the matinee or concert and be exceedingly graceful and becoming. The blouse may be made very simple and have long sleeves with the yoke of the material of the waist and its trimming bands of the same stitched. For the medium size the waist needs 2½ yards of 36 inch material. 4002—sizes, 12 to 16 years.

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The Oldest Religions.

Judaism is the oldest existing religion. Brahmanism is second, Buddhism third and Mohammedanism fourth. Buddha was born in the sixth century B. C. at Kapilavastu, in India, near the Himalayas. He was named Siddhartha and Gautama and was the son of a wealthy Sakya chieftain, called a king in modern poetry. Buddha lived to be very old. Brahma is the all pervading soul of the universe, the creator of the universe, his brother gods being Vishnu and Shiva. Mohammed was born at Mecca, in Arabia, in 570 A. D., and died in Medina, Arabia, June 8, 632. No one can say when the worship of God began. It is probable that the very earliest man worshipped some unknown power, who was his God. The religion of the Chaldeans antedated the Jewish religion. Noah worshipped God; so did Abraham. Judaism did not begin until late in Abraham's life.



Why Not Give a Pipe for Christmas?

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Odd Proposal of Marriage.
That celebrated painter of flower and figure subjects, William Hunt, was on one occasion commissioned by a gentleman to paint his portrait in the attitude of kneeling and holding in his hand an open scroll whereon were written a declaration of love and an offer of marriage. The lady to whom this unusual proposal of marriage was sent replied with a chalk drawing of herself with a sheet of paper in her hand, on which was inscribed a laconic "No."

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Will sell Round Trip Tickets between all stations on the Railway.

LOCAL ISSUE AT FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE.

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Good for Return January 3rd, 1907.

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TO THE

LIBERALS

OF

NEW BRUNSWICK.

It is my desire to meet the Liberals of New Brunswick in convention.

Nearly three years have elapsed since the last general meeting, it is also the judgment of many friends that such a gathering should take place for the purpose of perfecting party organization in all the counties of the province.

To that end, I would invite all Liberals who can make it convenient to do so, to attend at Berryman's hall, in the city of St. John, on Thursday evening, 27th December next, at 7.30 o'clock.

This invitation is extended to all Liberals in New Brunswick who are interested in the success of the party and the good government of the country; but I would especially ask the Liberal Associations and Liberal Clubs of the various counties through out the province to select delegates who shall be authorized to represent them at the convention.

There are many matters of importance to be considered, and it is therefore my earnest wish to have at the convention as many as possible of those who take a real interest in the advancement of Liberalism.

Thursday evening will be devoted to the selection of a nominating committee and the arranging of preliminaries. It is probable that an opportunity will also be afforded for short addresses from representatives of the different counties.

The convention will re-assemble on Friday at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the transaction of the real business of the gathering. The day will be given up wholly in the work of organization, which it is hoped will be completed in time to permit the delegates to return to their homes in the evening.

H. R. Emmerson.

Ottawa, Nov. 21st, 1906.

Nov. 25—d2awk,&wtf.



OTTAWA, Ont

Architectural Competition for Departmental and Justice Buildings.

Competitive drawings are invited for Departmental and Justice Buildings to be erected for the Dominion Government at Ottawa, Ont.

The author of the best design will be awarded a premium of \$8,000 the second