

THE CAKE POINTER.

By Earle Hooker Eaton
In the sideboard apprehension
Thrills the hidden gingerbread;

"And I never will be. I shall always have the very kindest thoughts of you."
"I don't want the very kindest thoughts."

100 yards or more from anything, and suddenly the fire would jump out and a few minutes later nothing would be left of the tree but the trunk and scorched and burned limbs.



For boys and girls
DOLLY.
Dolly, my Dolly, your sweet blue eyes
Look on the world with a glad surprise;

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Sermons of the Week
Getting Good.
The surest way to get good is to do good.—Rev. C. M. Conant, Episcopalian, Pittsburg.

BATTLE CRY OF FREEDOM
When the literary history of the nation's capital is written, writes Margaret B. Downing, one of the chapters will contain the story of Julia Ward Howe's great war song, 'The Battle Cry of Freedom.' It was written in the Willard Hotel in the dark days of December, 1861, and looking back to the dreary, seemingly hopeless times...

A RUSE.

He Forces the Issue by Announcing His Departure.

"How many times do you want me to say it?" demanded Miss Callonby. "I thought we had that all settled finally and forever."

"No, all the time. You won't change your mind?"
"Of course not."
The thoughtful frown on the young woman's face deepened and the clock ticked on.

THE MAN IN THE RAIN.
His Manner of Managing Fine Apparel As Compared With Woman's Way.
"Your would think, now, wouldn't you?" she said, "that lordly man would defy the weather and not permit himself to be disturbed by such a little thing as rain? But no! I think men are more particular about their fine clothes than women are."

HE USED HIS OPPORTUNITY.
"More than two hundred years ago a little dark-eyed Moorish boy rapped at the door of a stately house in Seville, Spain, and asked if the master was within."

WHY SUSIE WAITED.
"Let's say our prayers out loud," Susie said, as the two little sisters were getting ready for bed one night.

Life's Tableland.
Most people look upon middle age as upon an oasis. They call it a rich tableland, harvest-land, sloping backward toward a desert named infancy, sloping forward toward an unproductive desert named old age.

Immortal Conditions.
If in the future you find the grass growing in the streets of a beautiful place it won't be because that place is less ideal, but because of immortal conditions prevailing there.

BRUIN WITH A RECORD.

This One Has Distinguished Himself in Raiding Alaskan Hotels.

The chances are strong that within a couple of months there will be admitted into the animal colony at Washington Park a black bear from Circle City, Alaska, which according to the stories told about him by his recent owner Herbert C. Curry of Circle City, is likely to demoralize all of Keeper Bean's well behaved menagerie.

Teddy for that is the now commonplace name of this proposed addition to the zoo is only in his teens as regards his bear age. But he has ridden the best feed in Circle City, has cost much money by his dissolute habits, and has acquired a reputation known to all Alaska.

How Russian Farmers in Kansas Hid Their Wealth.
"Ellis County has more money hidden in tin cans and old boots than is deposited in the banks," said Val E. Gross, a banker and broker of Hays City, Kan.

JESSIE'S SEWING ACHES.
Jessie sat down by her mother to sew. She was making a pillow case for her own little pillow.

Florida's Tall Man.
Florida can lay claim to being the home of one of the tallest men in the south. The Fourth of July parade at West Palm Beach was headed by John C. King, of Fort Lauderdale, in Uncle Sam's make-up, who stands six feet eight and one-half inches in height.

Discipline Result of Thought.
There is a vast deal of suffering and disease in the world which is the product of men's thoughts. But if a discipline is caused by the mind it is certainly reasonable to believe that it can be cured by the mind; to give the sufferer a new outlook upon life, to inspire courage and hope and faith, to renew the mind from conditions which have caused nervous overwork will bring physical cure.

Congressional Bell Signals.
On the floor of the house the door-keeper has his desk, and it is here that the bells are struck that give notice of the needs of Congress. One bell calls for tellers when the house is in committee; a call for yeas and nays; three declare a recess; with four bells, the red light over the door goes out; five bells mean a "call of the house," under which the sergeant at arms is supposed to summonly arrest any member on sight or bring him in, whether on foot or horseback. Any member who is not present at a call of the house is subjected to a severe reprimand.

HOW FOREST FIRES START.

Responsibility of Timbermen—Strange Fires of the Flames.

"These forest fires are more often started by some one throwing down a match carelessly or spilling out a lit cigarette than by lightning," said D. Whitaker, "When we were building the extension from Champion to L'Anse years ago some of the boys thought they would go down to champion for a time. Coming back one of them lit his pipe and threw the match into the dry grass."

Pyramids.
The largest of the Mexican pyramids, that of Cholula, has a base-measurement of 1,488 feet and a height of 173 feet. The great pyramid of Egypt, sometimes called the pyramid of Cheops, stands on a base each side of which was originally 744 feet long; but, owing to the removal of the coating, it is now only 746 feet. Its height, according to Wilkinson, was originally 480 feet 9 inches. Its present height being 466 feet.—New York American.

Without Hands.
Steel is not made with hands. In the iron and steel industry of America, mechanism rules supreme, declares Prof. J. R. Smith, in 'The Story of Iron and Steel.' Man does little more than touch levers, while the balance is done by steam and electricity, hammering and pulling and lifting with a force unknown to the giants of mythology.

RIDDLES.
When are two people only half-witted?
When they have an understanding between them.

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