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The Young Folks.

HOLDING THE TRAIN.

"Madam, you make the train a bit." "But can't you make it air?" he gasped. "Impossible, it leaves at three." "Then you can't?" Oh, tell me, then. "Are you Christian?" I am not. "And are there none among us men who run the train?" "No—forget I took the fellow over here, either, or the one who comes to be." She turned upon the girl again. "A fair face while with agony." "Are you a Christian?" "Yes, I am." "Then, O sir, won't you pray with me. All the long way, that God will stay." "That's all right, I'll stay the train." "I'd do it now, if I could, but I'm three. And—" "Yes." But God can hold the train; my dying child is calling me. And I must see him again." "I am a Christian, as he takes his stand. When Christian grasps the arm of God, they grasp the power that rules the rod. Out from the station swept the train; On time, swept past wood and sea; The passing train was adored. Prayed. "O Lord, hold the train a bit." Then flung the throngs wide, and like Some giant monster of the plain, While panting side and mighty strides, Past hill and valley swept the train.

A few more miles were gained; A few more miles were gained. His glasses leap, each nerve strained, And will fly with fervent coal. Heart, hand, and brain, with one accord, Worked to bring the train to heaven. Just half the time eight miles to heaven. "Just half the time eight miles to heaven. And I'll take up the other seven."

With rush and roar through meadow lands, Past Cottage home and green hillside, The passing train obeyed his hand; And sped along with giant strides; They say an accident delayed That fatal train, but he, who lists the names of the world's lost children, prayed. In answer held the train at D—

TRAITS OF THE TRUE MERCANT.

A little boy once defined "sail" as "the stuff that makes potatoe taste bad when you don't put any of it on." This definition suggests that what not to do is as important a question as deriving success as the question of what to do. It suggests also, that the negative qualities of a merchant's equipment may be as necessary to his success as his positive acquirements.

Let us name, then, some of these valuable negative methods of the proper merchant, confounding ourselves to mortal characteristics, and ignoring, for the present practical details:

He does not pretend to know everything, he conveys the impression to his customer that he absorbs wisdom from that customer for he knows that "to win the argument is to lose the sale."

He is not burgrave to strangers. He cannot fathom the stranger's business in advance, and may possibly close the door to a good buyer.

He does not dream of his extravagances. There are more signs of economical habits in the world than egomaniacal fools, and it is always well to "tip" the good opinion of the good housekeeper.

He does not interrupt; does not look bored.

He does not call people "cranks" who disagree with him; for he knows that every body, including himself, is a crank to some degree.

He is not fussy and demonstrative in his forms of politeness; and therein shows that he is well-bred.

He is not ungenerous in his comments on competitors. He recognizes the wit of "dancing with faint praise" to the point that carries a conviction to the mind of the listener that such generous mention of a man could only issue from assured prosperity.

He is not insensible to the advantage of "keeping in" with society leaders, especially of the gentler sex. He knows the value of this potent medium of advertising.

He is not—many things that it, would be safe to state, comprehensively, in describing the true merchant; he is not unlike the true man.—*Ergoone.*

WHAT GOOD ROADS MEAN.

They would make it possible for the farmer to take advantage promptly of the highest market, no matter what season of the year.

They would save him days and weeks of time which he wastes every year wallowing through the disgusting mire of dirt roads.

They would lessen the expense in keeping horses in working order, and vastly less horses would be required in the country to perform the farmer's work.

They would require less expense to keep them in repair than the dirt roads.

They would afford ready communication with the outside world at all times of the year.

They would spare the farmer many vexatious and nervous straits.

They would be free from dirt in summer, and mud and snow in fall, winter, and spring.

They would bring every farming community into closer social relations.

They would make an evening drive a pleasure instead of a veritable, as it is now.

They would do away with the absurd poll tax and supervisor system so placed where it is still in use.

They would be, in the best possible investment to the taxpayer, if built and cared for by the national government and paid for by a national tax.

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For periodical complaints and other dispositions, headache and fits, and female complaints generally, it is as effective that it can be used. It does not benefit or cure, you have money better spent, anything that isn't sold in this way likely to be as good."

NOTES HERE AND THERE.  
Items of General Interest to Free Press Readers.

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Upon the weather is accepted by some as real, by others it is disputed. The moon never affects clouds from the tender aching spot. Palman's Palms Corp Extractor removes the most painful colic in three days. This great remedy makes one spot, doesn't go fooling around a man's foot, doesn't go to business at once, and effects a cure. Don't be imposed upon by imitations and imitations. Get "Patent" and no other.

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Her ladyship.

Is good enough for Hood's Sarsaparilla—there is no need of embellishment or sensationalism. Simply what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, that tells the story of its merit. If you have never realized its benefits a single bottle will convince you it is a good medicine.

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Persons of high rank in England are patrons of a green remedy. Bridgefoot House, Iver, Bucks, Eng. "Lady Edwards suffered from rheumatism for several years, especially in the knee. She was persuaded to take St. Jacobs Oil, and after a fortnight's use of it, all the rheumatic pains have left her. The relief is such that Lady Edwards will never be without a bottle."

Mrs. Trolley—Do tell me, Mr. Kannan, what is the greatest work of art?

Mr. Kannan—Selling the paintings, madam.

With his thumb a boy is said to have saved the Newlands from inundation. Many people have been saved from the invasion of disease by a bottle of Ayer's Sarsaparilla? This medicine imports tone to the system and strengthens every organ and fibre of the body.

When an American heiress presents herself abroad foreigners follow the example of the prize ring and put up their dukes.

Ostrivals All Others.

In crazing coughs, colds, rheumatism, asthma, bronchitis, sore throat, and all diseases of the throat and lungs, there is one remedy which is unequalled by any other. We refer to Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup which has effected many remarkable cures this season.

"What has become of Timmon lately?"

"I don't know. He placed himself in the hands of his friends just before his death and he hasn't been seen since."

Provide yourself with a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and so have the means at hand for contending successfully with a sudden cold. As an energetic medicine, it has an equal, and lasting physician everywhere recommended.

Wancy Luck—Wancy Watkins—I've got sich a pain in my stomach. Hungry Higgins—You're in luck. I hasn't even got that in mine.

How to Cure Headache.—Some people suffer under misery day after day, with the nerves are all outstretched. Headache. There is rest neither day, nor night.

The head is generally a disordered stomach, and can easily be effected by using Parmentier's Vegetable Pills, containing Mandrake and Dandelion. Mr. Finken Wark, Lyndsay, P. Q., writes, that Parmentier's Pills a first-class article for Bilious Headache.

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A Cure for Dyspepsia.

In investigating this present complaint it is found to rest principally in wrong action of the stomach and impurity of the blood. These exciting causes are easily removed by the regulating, purifying tonic and digestive effects of Burdock Blood Bitter, hence the success of B. & B. in curing dyspepsia in any form no matter of how long standing or how severe it may be.

The Dowdway Path—The one with a piece of orange peal on it.

Fruit and easy expectation immediately relieves the nose, the throat and lungs from viscid phlegm, and a medicine that promises this is the best medicine to use for coughs, colds, inflammation of the lungs and all the effects of the throat and chest.

It is precisely what Bieler's Anti-Consumptive Syrup is for. For the cure of consumption and all the effects of the throat and chest.

Now you want to buy or sell a farm, and every time the nerves are all outstretched.

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Sold out.

Take care that your drafts on your physical endurance don't come back to you some day marked "no funds." Take

SCOTT'S EMULSION

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CONSUMPTION, SCROFULA,

BRONCHITIS, COUGH, COLD,

AND ALL FORMS OF WASTING DISEASE.

ABOUT EQUALLY AS MILK. BE SURELY PREPARED.

Price 50c. per bottle.

By J. H. Scott & Son, Ltd., 10 King Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Very Pleasant.

Sina—I am very much pleased with the effects of Hayard's Pectoral. I am

now free from colds, pains in the chest, etc., and have been promptly relieved by this valuable medicine which we will highly recommend.

Cana M. McKenzie, Glendon Station, N. B.

Mother: Why aren't you George? You're a good son.

George: I guess it's 'cause you don't have experience bringing up boys when you're young.

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Different men have different mottos. That of George W. Childs, for instance, is "Forgive." That of most other men is "Forget." Get "Get.

The singers on the front seats are the hardest to hit.

Lewis S. Butler, Durbin, N. D., Rhenish.

Thomas Watson, Sheffield, N. B., Lock-jaw.

By McMullin, Chatham, Ont., Goitre.

Mrs. W. W. Johnson, Walsh, Ont., Inflammation.

James H. Bailey, Parkdale, Ont., Neuralgia.

C. I. Lague, Sydney, C. B., L. Grippe.

In every case, especially in children, it is a good idea to remove the cause.

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