

**EVERY YEAR**

There comes now care and sorrows,  
Every year;  
Dark days and dark mornings;  
The ghosts of dead loves haunt us,  
The ghosts of changed friends taunt us,  
Every year;  
And disappointments wait us,  
Every year;  
You are growing old, they tell us,  
Every year;  
You can with pleasure let go,  
Every year;  
You have only recollection,  
Deeper sorrow and despair,  
Every year;  
Too true! Life's shores are shifting,  
Every year;  
And we are growing old,  
Every year;  
old places, changing fast us,  
The living more repulsive;  
There are fewer joys to taste,  
Every year;  
But the true life draws nigher,  
Every year;  
Earth's gold, its glow brighter,  
And the heavy burden lighter,  
And the draw of death easier,  
Every year.

**AN EXPERT**

In one of the interior towns their lives a farmer who brings butter, eggs, and produce to market, and his little store, also brings with him a herd of cattle, sheep, and hogs.

The other day the son was ill and the old man had to venture alone. For awhile he did pretty well by letting his customers do the figuring, but presently he sold two rolls of butter to a woman who could not figure any better than he.

The farmer was much puzzled, but being resolved that she should not know that his early education had been neglected, he took a scrap of paper from his pocket and began. He put down a lot of marks on the paper and then said:

"Let's see: dot-a-dot, figure-a-figure, two from one and none remains, with three to carry—81.50, medium plow."

She paid over the \$81.50, took the butter home, but it weighed and "figured up" by her daughter, who discovered that the price should have been \$82.10 instead of \$81.50—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**CASTORIA.**  
The Kind You Have Always Bought  
*Cast H. Fletcher*  
AIN'T NO PROFESSION

A politician who is a great walker was out enjoying his favorite recreation. After going a few miles he sat down to rest. "Want a lift, master?" asked a good-natured farmer, driving that way. "Thank you," responded the politician, "I will avail myself of your kind offer." The two rode on in silence for a while. Presently the farmer asked: "Professional man?" "Yes," answered the politician, who was thinking of a bill he had pending before the House. After another long pause the farmer observed: "Say, ain't a lot of you people here talkin' you ain't a doctor, 'cause you ain't got a bag and you ain't a preacher, from the looks of you. What is your profession?" "I am a politician," moaned the farmer. The farmer gave a short laugh. "Politics ain't no profession; politics is a disease," said he.

**A QUESTION OF SHARPNESS**

"Good value in the world—2s. 6d. post free from Stepan, Steele & Co."—thus ran the advertisement. "Gentlemen," wrote Mr. S. Ponter, "I have pleasure in enclosing postal order for 2s. 6d. Please send me one of your razors by return." P. S.—As I don't possess 2s. 6d. at the present moment, I cannot send it. However, I have no doubt you will send the razor. In a large concern like yours one postal order more or less will not count."

"Dear sir," replied Messrs. S. & Co., "we beg to forward the razor and thank you for your esteemed patronage. P. S.—Our packer has carelessly forgotten to include the razor. To one with such a choice as yours, however, one razor more or less will not count."

**DRIFFS.**

A reasonable probability is the only certainty. The best thing going is an unwelcome guest. Home travels at the rate of 1,112 feet per second.

There is a little wolf and a little rabbit.

A whale's greatest speed is from ten to twelve miles an hour.

Snow flies faster for money and some women for alimony.

The older a man grows, the surer he feels that he won't be found out.

Oil and water won't mix, but fortunately for the milkman, milk and water will.

When he falls in love every man thinks that he has discovered something new.

There never was and never will be a universal panacea in one remedy for all ills to which flesh is heir. What would relieve one ill in turn would aggravate the others. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, which is contained in a small, undiluted state, especially for many and grievous ills. By its gradual and judicious use the feverish symptoms led into convalescence and strength by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It is known to those to whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and by tranquillizing the nerves disposed to sound and refreshing sleep—imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which being stimulated, courses through the veins, strengthening the healthy, and the functions of the system, thereby making activity a necessary result; strengthening the frame and giving life to the digestive organs which naturally demand increased substance—result, improved appetite. Northrop & Lyman of Toronto have given to the public their superior Quinine. By the opinion of scientists, the wine approaches nearest perfection of any on the market. All druggists sell it.

**THE AUTHOR'S COMPLIMENTS**

A little boy wanted to give his mother birthday present, and he did not know what to give her. So last he decided to give her a book. After he had bought it he did not know what to put on the front page, after looking through some of the books in the library, he decided to put the following on:

"To dear mother, with the author's compliments."

A Standard Medicine—Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, compounded of extracts by vegetable substances known to have a reviving and salutary effect upon the digestive organs, have through years of use attained an eminent position that they rank among the best. Slipped into the composition they may be assimilated by the weak-stomach and are certain to have a healthful and agreeable effect on the whole digestive organs.

Grand downy awning and storm-trees.

It keeps the bakers busy—to many people take the cake!

The Oil of Peppermint Oil that it will cure every ill, but its uses are so various that it may be looked upon as a general pain killer. It possesses that greatness for itself and all attempts to surpass it have failed. It is believed to be known to all who have tested its virtues and boast by experience.

**CONSTIPATION**  
IRREGULARITY  
OF THE BOWELS

Any irregularity of the bowels is always dangerous, and should be at once attended to and corrected.

**MILBURN'S**  
LAXA-LIVER PILLS

work on the bowels gently and naturally without weakening the body, but, on the contrary, it does, and they will if pursued in relieve and cure the worst cases of constipation.

For Dr. Thomas' Electro Oil that it will cure every ill, but its uses are so various that it may be looked upon as a general pain killer. It possesses that greatness for itself and all attempts to surpass it have failed. It is believed to be known to all who have tested its virtues and boast by experience.

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Disconnected sentences—wireless telegrams.

When a man begins to burn his money look out for a hot time.

Small but Potent—Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are small, but they are effective in action. Their fine qualities as a corrector of stomach troubles are known to thousands and they are in constant demand everywhere by those who know what a safe and simple remedy they are. They need no introduction to those acquainted with them, but to those who may not know them they are presented as the best preparation on the market for disorders of the stomach.

Fort Nelson, on Hudson Bay, is now Liverpool as Montreal.

Some people wouldn't want to be happy if everybody else was.

**SALT RHEUM CURED.**

Mr. John O'Connor, Buffalo, N.Y., writes: "For years I suffered with Salt Rheum. I tried a dozen different medicines, but most of them only made it worse. I was about to give up hope when I met a doctor, and before I had taken a dozen doses I could see a change so I continued its use and now I am completely well. I owe you a debt of gratitude for your wonderful medicine."

**MORAL OF THE GARDEN.**

Nothing teaches patience like a garden. You may go round and watch the opening bud from day to day, but it takes its own time, and you cannot urge it on faster than it will. It forced itself only to please. All the best results of a garden, those of life, are slowly but regularly progressive—Exchange.

**SPARKLES.**

Hootoo (to little Johnny, who is just leaving the party)—"Won't you have an orange, Johnny?"

Johnny—"No, thank you. I couldn't eat any more."

Hootoo—"Well, put one in your pocket."

Johnny (much embarrassed, and with considerable hesitation)—"I can't."

"They're full already."

A lady was looking at a flat and was delighted with it, when the janitor asked her:

"Have you any children?"

"Oh, yes," she proudly, "two."

"Then I'm sorry, missus, but you can't have it. No children are allowed."

"Oh, but my children are grown up. One is in China and one in South Africa."

"It don't matter much, ma'am. My orders is not to let it to anyone with children."

Aunt Amanda—"Aint you ashamed to come around here looking like that?"

One Way—"Well, didn't it a werry ticklish neighborhood, for a fact, but we mustn't be too particular."

Zam-Buk is a great skin-cure.

Little Edna, who was taught to be strictly honest in the smallest details, was a family of gipsy "movers" rugged and unkempt, housed in one canvas-covered wagon and drawn by the honest horses, remarked: "If I went as poor as they, I'd borrow a gun, go put it into the woods and shoot myself—but what's bring the gun back?"—The January Dollinator.

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We have special facilities for collecting these. We will cash them at once if desired; at a low rate of interest.

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**SKIN DISEASES**

These troublesome afflictions are caused wholly by bad blood and an unhealthy state of the system, and can easily be cured by the wonderful blood cleansing properties of the oil.

**Burdock Blood Bitters**

Many remarkable cures have been made thus far, and not only has the ugly skin disease been removed, and a clear complexion produced, but the eyes have been restored to health again.

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Plot: When we undertake to fill your subscriptions, we give them our undivided attention and best care. The patient's welfare is our first consideration.

Second: We guarantee our drugs to be of full strength as well as pure and from reliable sources.

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**PAINE'S CRUELTY COMPOUND.**

If you are a sufferer from kidney disease, liver complaint, blood troubles, rheumatism, neuralgia, or nervous prostration, we confidently recommend the use of Paine's Celery Compound. This reliable and never disappointing medicine is a true disease balsamer and system builder. We supply the genuine Paine's Celery Compound. A. T. Brown, Acton, Ont.

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# Chapped Hands

Read M.R. YELLEN'S  
Explanation.

I consider it only my duty to tell you of the great benefit I have derived from Zam-Buk. My hands were sore and cracked, and it agony to put them into water.

When I tried to do so they would burn and burn until I could not stand it.

I closed the big cracks, made a poultice and applied it overnight.

Zam-Buk's rich healing essences will sink into the wounds, end the smarting, and will quickly heal.

wonderful healer and should be in every home.

Father and Daughter both Cured.

Miss Hattie Hartigan, Galesburg, Ill., was cured of Zam-Buk's chapped hands and arms, and so was her father. Every American housewife who has ever had to wash clothes in cold water has heard of Zam-Buk's chapped hands and arms, and how quickly this balm has healed up the sore cracks. My father has used it for several ailments and injuries and thinks them nothing to equal it.

Zam-Buk is excellent for chaps, children, babies, and adults. Use it to keep hands and feet soft and supple.

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