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on day at a time! That's all it can liegin them too early and stretch them late. One day at a time!

It's a wholesome thyme A good one to live by : A day at a time. One day at a time! Every

Knows only too well how But it's never to-day which the spiri breaker It's darkened future gleate.

One day at a time!

It's a wholesome thyme-A good one to live by: A day at a time har day at a time! A burden to To be borne for two, can

Who knows what may While yet we are speaki; g all may One day at a time

It's a wholesome thymn-A good one to live by: A day at a time! " One day at a time! When I'v is at Such joy as the heart can never for

And pulses are throubing with wild How hard to remember that sun must set I One day at a time It's a wholesome thyms-A day at a Hour.

Ope day at a tluss—but a single day. Whatever its load, whatever its longth; And there's a bit of precious Scripture tossy That according to each shall be strength.

One day at a time! It's a wholesome rhyme-A good one to live by : A day at a time. -Helen Hunt Jackson.

and the second

THE ARROW THAT

MISSED ITS MARK

"len't it a shame about Mr. Parkin

Herbert had been off the train five

minutes. Clem was waiting for bim

at the station, and the two boys had

greeted each other nonchalantly as if

the months of separation had meant

nothing to either, though underneath

the elaborate indifference of their

manner something was evident which

in girls of the same age would have

found yent in kiners and tours. Clem

relieved his feelings by carrying Her-

bert's grip and calling him names

when he protested. The half-dozen

changed, "How is everybody?" "Has

it been bot bere I' etc., etc. Then the

"What about blm?" Herbert de-

manded, glancing up quickly. Mr.

Parkinson was principal of the bigh

whose sim for his students went be-

yond scholarship and comprehended

"Haven's you beard?" exclaimed

Clem, surprised. "There basn't been

week. Mr. Parkinson is going to loss

much else talked of in this town for

ness demanded a larger field.

Clem continued wrathfully.

this was not Clem's way of putting it.

"Lose his place?" That was different

"It all comes of the new mayor,

about Mr. Parkinson ?"

obaracter.

his place."

inevitable questions had been ex-

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> women here. Ask anybody who knows anything about it." will be done by that time." Herbert had stopped short,

> > siderable fun planned out. as you it. What do you say to letting all petition, and give the people a chance to be heard. We'll make the politiclans afreid to put this thing through."

you," he exclaimed, and the two shock hands. The war was on.

Acton, young fellow who thought to kery

undertaking in which he was interested a tremendous fund of enthusiasm father's home, of some of the leading graduates of the town high-school, who know by personal experience hom lose the services of a man like Mr. Parkinson. Preparations were made

which promised results were enthus asleep. lastically adopted, while the others were cast askle. Though Herbert was one of the younger set, he was un- it was impossible to ignore, animously elected commander-in-chief

without protest. The editor of the daily paper was demanding their rights. The governvisited, and after reflection agreed to ing body; the people, spoke to its serpublish each day a half-column article | vant in accents of authority. The list from prominent men in the commun- of names stood for the intelligence, ity, emphasizing the value of Mr. the morality, the progressiveness and Parkinson's services to the town. The prosperity of the town. The scho aforesaid prominent men, to whom this situation was explained, readily The petition was being circulated, and alguatures were piling up. Herbert tice on the school system was someworked all day and late into the evening, and if his vacation was not proving restful, it at least could not be called uninteresting.

eroes. He came in rather late one night, tired but enthusiastic, to find some one walting to see him. "Mr. Murray has been here since eight n'clock, Bert," his mother said, glanoing .at. the clock .-- "It is half past

Herbert apologized laughingly. These are busy days, Mr. Murray, be exclaimed, and instantly became aware of a peculiar constraint in the manner of his old friend. Mrs. Dean slipped out of the room and left the two alone. Mr. Murray crossed his foot and cleared his throat. spoke of being busy. You are refer-

"Cortainly, certainly. The petition was presented to me to-day and gladly signed it. At the same time, Bert." smended Mr. Murray, pulling his bandkerchief from his pocket and polishing his bald tread nervously," "at the same time, I regret that you are taking so active a part in this matter." The young man stared. "But i

people who are interested are satisfied with lukewarm method-" "Just a moment. I am referring to your case specifically. Has it not occurred to you that your position is a rather delicate one?"

Herbert's puzzled ellence answered this question in the negative. are in the employ of Rice and Company," Mr. Murray continued, "publishers of school books. I believe one of your books was introduced into the schools here only last year."

"Why, yes, our new algebra. made a tremendous success, that book, It's protty generally admitted that for beginners it's the best thing that has Mr. Murray ignored the young man's

outburst. "It is being stated generally that Mr. Parkinson gave your firm that order on condition of just such homb exploded, "lan't it a shame support from you as he is now receiving. I have heard from several sources that you are here at the expense of Rice and Company, and that in case Mr. Parkinson is retained, a school in the town, and also superinnumber of your firm's publications will tendent of schools. Both boys had be introduced into the schools next graduated under him, and both were couping to a fuller realisation, year by

"Well, of all abourd stories !" Angry year, how much they owed to this man as he was Bort was able to laugh. "Rice and Company have as much as the emperor of China to do with my action and no more. I came home for my vacation, and went into this be cause I'm devoted to Mr. Parkinson. and because I believe his remova would be a public calamity."

"I'm glad to hear you say so." As a "What!" Herbert's gasp showed matter of fact Mr. Murray seemed incredulity. He had frequently said decidedly relieved. "Of course your to himself that some day the town statement settles the questlog as would lose Mr. Parkinson, that the far as I'm concerned. But the general man's fine abilities and conscientiouspublic, my dear boy, may look at the matter in another light. You are young, Hert, and perhaps you do not realize how carefully a reputation needs to be safeguarded. While you are not accused of anything illegal, it hasn't the intellect to appreciate what is sharp practice, to say the least. The Mr. Parkidson has done for the schools people who are interested in you, are bere, and he's a cheep politician into made upcomfortable when such reports the bargain. He wants the place for a are circulated. I hope you will see friend, and the school board are under your way to dropping out of the limehis thumb, and are going to do as he light in this matter. Sign the petition, of course, and use your influence with "But it's un outrage," Herbert proa few of your intimates, who will tested. "and what is more, the people not misunderstand your attitude, but know it: Why this town is full of Mr. don't appear publicly as Mr. Parkin-Parkinson's friends. Some "of his son's champion. You can't afford to. graduates are the leading men and You have your own reputation to

think of If it had seemed a little difficult for | able weaklings would we be if every-

there'll probably be a new mayor, but, at last he rose to go, he said good. God? All this outward commotion remedy for many and grievous ills. When greate is spilled on the floor that's three years off, and the mischief night to a very dejected young man. | does not affect him. I have seen a By its gradual and judicious use the pour cold water on it at once. The Tired as he was, Herberts found it shadow pass over the meadow, caused frailest systems are led into convales water, will harden it, so that it can be His impossible to go to sleep. The prepos- by a cloud coming between it and the cence and strength by the influence casily scraped off with a knife. blue eyes were affame, his sensitive tecous story that Mr. Murray had re- sun, but the meadow was not changed, which Quinine exerts on Nature's own lips set in a straight decided line. peated out to the quick. He fancied mor did it lose anything by the cloud, restoratives. It relieves those to bright parts of the range, Dip a well "Look bern - Clem," he exclaimed, that perhaps some of the mon he Lot every man of clouded life look whom a chronic state of morbid reg into the fine ash, and rub well, and "I'm here for a vacation, and I'd cop- had seen that day, and had urged to up and hear what God has to say. The despondency and lack of interest in a fine polish will be the result. sign the petition, had smiled contemp. Lord of all the earth will certainly do life is a disease, and by tranquillaing Lace curtains should soak for two know, for you're in preity near all of tuously after he had left them, setting right. Suppose be doss take your the nerves disposes to sound and hours before washing in cold water to down all his display of enthusiasm as property, is not the entire uni- refreshing sleep-imparts vigor to the which a little borax has been added that go and putting in our time trying a clever counterfelt, due solely to solf- verse his? Suppose he does take your setion of the blood, which being They are much easier to wash after, to stop this thing? We'll circulate a interest. The young man was very health or friends, is he not able to stimulated, courses through the veins, and it rids them of the smell of sensitive, valuing highly the good compensate you? He is doing every. Strengthening the healthy, animal smoke, opinion of his little world. He felt a thing to make your life a happy one, functions of the system, thereby A cut onlon will absorb all impurisudden distants for the work he had and you should go through the years | making activity a necessary result ties; therefore if you want a small Clem did not hesitate. .. If for an in- been doing. It seemed to him almost with a song on your lips. stant his thoughts turned regretfully impossible to start out on the camlowerd the projected camping expedi- paign next day with the energy and interest he had brought to it bitberto.

There is a contagion of apathy as well as of enthusiasm. For him to stand and energy. That very evening an back now night mean the fallure of informal meeting was held at his the cause for which he had been work-

All at once he reached a decision Iliy doubts and vascillation were at a little the community could sfired to end. His mind was made up to

"When a fellow's working for wha for the speedy preparation of a big is right, he can't afford to be called off petition, and the town was districted, to look after his reputation. It's each of these present being assigned a good thing to have people think well specified territory. Ideas more or less, of you, but you can't sacrifice too practical Lant augresting themselves much for that." He turned on his pilas the authorit was discussed and those low and in two minutes he was

At the next meeting of the school

weather was very inclement, and n board a patition was presented which people of the town were not humbly of the campaign, and he accepted craving a favor, the retention of their school superintendent. They were for it. Members had been button-hol-

> rentlemen," said the president of the board, speaking in a low voice, as if apprehensive that some one might be listening, "would it not be as well to postpone the action in regard to change of superintendent? In als Mabel Rac, Clara Cobban, Nellie Lowpublic will be interested in something else, and we shall be at liberty to act

Ille follow members agreed with him as far as the advisability of mostpon ing the removal of Mr. Parkinson though some were less optimistic than be of the future success of their plan. Tiless apprehensions were justified there never came a time during their term of office when they could with safety make the public schools the means of paying political debts Their places are now filled by mer who look upon their post as one grave responsibilities, and put the terest of the rising generation before

everything else. Herbert Dean is older than be when he led the campaign that mean so much to ble native town, but the years have only strengthened the con clusion he reached in the thick of that momorable fight, that if a young man gives himself unreservedly and conscientiously to doing the right, he can safely leave bis reputation to the care of a Power greater than bimself.

NOT THE SCRAP PILE

A blacksmith about eight years after he had given his heart to God was approached by an intelligent unbeliever with the question : "Why is it you have so much trouble? I have been watching you. Since you joined the church and began to 'walk square, and seem to love everybody, you have had twice as many trials and accidents as you had before. I thought that whou a man gave his beart to God his troubles were over. Isn't that what the parson tells us?"~

With a thoughtful, but glowing face, the blacksmith replied: "Do you see this piece of Iron? been 'tempering' it for some time. plunge it into a tub of los-cold water. This I do many times. If I find it taking 'temper,' I heat and hammer piece of iron I found several that were | Edward Nicklin, to Miss Sadie, daughtoo brittle. So I threw them over ter of Hobert Duxbury, of Manitoulin in the scrap-pile. Those scrape are Island.

riago spring is very valuable." He paused and his listener nodded. The blacksmith continued. "God saves us for something more than to have a good time-that's the way I see it. We have the good time alright, for God's smile means heaven. But he wants us for service just as I want this piece of iron. Ever since I saw this I have been saying to bim: Test me in any way you choose.

worth about a cent a pound; this car-

ecrap-pile."-Sabbath Heading. THROUGH LIFE WITH A BONG

WHAT WE SPEND

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Thursday, Jan. 7th, 1802 Lorne school has now a fairly good Mr. Alex. Lasby was the truste

clammation. Sunderland Vills, Mr. Storey's beau iful residence, narrowly escaped serious injury on Sunday morning. From some reason the boiler was found to be without water, and a strong fire going. The fire was at once drawn, but it was seen that the flues were badly burned. It took about twentyfour hours for repairs, and as the

Mr. Robert Holmes, editor of the Clinton New-Kra, preached in the Methodist Church at both services on Sunday. He is a good preacher.

Knox Church Sunday School entertainment in the Town Hall was very interesting and successful, A large number of choruses were given by the board had been in a measure prepared school and a duett by Misses Annie long enough for those who are ready Hynds and Jennie Smith. There were to get aboard. But the loafer on the agreed to contribute such articles, ed by indiguant voters who warned ten recitations: "A Christman Pray. station platform sees train after train them that the approachment of poll- er," Risis Quittner; "A Little Girl's pull in and pull out again, without Trouble," May Prentice: "Jesus Loves getting any nearer taking a journey. thing which the public would not Me," Mand Ryder; "The Little The opportunity for a waiting passon-Mouse," Jennie Cameron: "The Pive ger is not an opportunity for him. "In view of the prevalent excitment | Peaches," Nettle Cobban; "If I Were a Rose," May Ryder: "The Telephone," Flore Murray; "A Little Hird | the time comes. . Opportunity runs on Tells," Jennie Smith ; 'The Stocking no fixed schedule. It is due to arrive for Somebody Rise," Nallie Holmes and 'The Ship on Fire," In concert. months," he added hopefully, "the ry and May Prentice, Bix girls and three boys gave a dialogue in concert.

"Christianity in History, or Skepticism" Convinced." Miss Wetherald, elocutionist, Toronto, gave a large number of readings. Hehool attendance average, 121; total collections, \$112.47, all to missions; the church paye the running expenses of the school. Rev. J. W. Rae, presided, and Rev. R. R. Cook, offered prayer. In the municipal elections the large set vote ever given at any municipal election here was polled, resulting in the election of John Harvey, Alex.

Secord. A. O. Beardmore, and J. B. Pearson. Dr. Lowry had been elected by acclamation. For School Trustees. Robt. Holmes, George Hynds and Rev. G. R. Cooks. These with T. H. Harding, James McLam and Robt. Wallace will constitute the Board ..

visiting at Owen Sound. Mr. Arthur Laing loaves this week o take a term in the Military School. Mr. James Wilson, who has been

spending the holidays with his family returned to his duties at Strokes' Bay Put them first and let other matters on Monday. Mrs. P. Thurston spont several days

his week with friends at Auburn. AGNEW-In Acton, on New Year's lay, to Mr. and Mrs. John Agnew,

McGrecon-In Namagaweya, or December Mth. to Mr. and Mrs. Duncan MoGregor, a son. BELL-STOREY-At the Manee, on

January 4th, by Rev. J. W. Rac. Mr. James Bell, Cleveland, Ohlo, to Jennie. daughter of James Storey, Namaga-McINTYRE-GAMBLE-At the resid- Francis Train is kicking up a good is for the springs of a carriage. I have sence of Mr. Edward Cleave, Brin, on deal of a row over in England. Do

To do this I heat it red-hot, and theh Rockwood, John McIntyre, to Ruma tile?" Jane Gamble, all of Brin. NICKLIN-DUXBURY-In Georgetown, Train?" said Artemus, solumnly. " on New Year's eve. by Rav. D. M. Buit unmercifully. In getting the right change, Warner Nicklin, son of Mr.

> Broky-In Acton, on January Sth. blm P the locant daughter of Mr. Thomas Storey, aged 3 years.

RULES FOR WAKING BURSHINE

When you ties in the morning, form a resolution to make the day a happy one to a fellow creature. It is easily done; a left off garment to a man who needs it, a kind word to the sorrowful an encouraging expression to the Lord | but don't throw me in the atriving triffee in themselves light as air, will do it at least for twenty-four hours. You send one person, only one, happy through the day-that is three doors when the clothes are dry. Dry Our moments of gloom are largely bundred and sixty-five during the them and put away till required be creation of our own imagination. course of the year; and suppose you again. t is true we all have times of depres- live only forty years after you comsion, but there is no reason why any mence that practice, you have made where the direct rays of the sun can man should go mourning through this fourteen thousand six hundred human fair world. If there is gloom within beings happy, at all events for a time. spotted. our bearts, it is because we are so far Now is not this simple? It is too short from Him who giveth songs in the for a sermin, too homely for ethics, slightly moistened with multiplated

The fact that we have opposition is "I would if I could."-Sydney Smith, the result. not a cause for dejection. Poor, miser-"Yes, you're right as far as that is Mr. Murray to get started, it was thing in life were to flow on assemonth- universal panaces in one remedy for be in them. Shake again before hangconcerned." Clem's tone was gloomy, equally hard for him to stop. He talk- ly as a summer sea. Trials have their all lile to which flesh is helr. What ing out to dry. "But what difference does it make, as ed on for an hour, dwelling on the re- uses. Storms clear the atmosphere, would relieve one ill in turn would A nourishing dish may be mad long as the people don't get any eay? ports be had heard and emphasizing and so the tempests that beat about aggravate the others. We have, how- from cooked ment by stewing it very What chance have you and I, for in- the obligation resting on every youth our souls help to strengthen them. ever, in Quinice Wine, when obtained slowly in good gravy for an hour of stance, to protest? Next election of protecting his reputation. When Why need anyone fear who trusts in in a sound, unadulterated state a an bour and a half. strengthening the frame and giving plees, cut one end off, and put the end life to the digestive organs which downwards on a plate or saucer, so naturally demand ingressed substance

BING A SONO OF WHITE Sing a song of whiskey.
A pocket without a pence,

A purse that's always ouply, A bead that has no sour. Four-and-twenty jail birds, Under look and key. Curse the drink that cost them elected to Lorus School Board-so-The birthright of the free.

When their cells are opened Drinking more and more; A drunkard's life behind blue A drinker's life before. le counting out ble money ;

The Brewer in his countinghous The Har-man in his parlour Is eating other's honey. While starving little children And women lean and poor, In rage and broken-hearted,

Heg from door to door. fire but in the grates, the situation Bing a song of whiskey-Bound It all the time: The horrid song of whiskey-

Horrow, sin and crime. OPPORTUNITY DUE AT ANY TIME

BE READY! Opportunity is the fast express, whizing into the station and stopping

Know where you want, to go, get your ticket, be ready to start when at almost any time. He ready.

EMPHASIZE THE ESSENTIALS A boy, his wan face pinched with

hunger, was given a bickel by a char-Itable woman, and at once made a beeline for a bake-shop. He emerged half a minute later, with one small frosted cake, which he quickly disposed of, after which He looked bungrier than ever. And no wonder. The nickel invested in a sandwich, or a bowl of soup, would have helped to supply a real need. Sometimes you see a girl poing to ber work on a rainy morning with an elaborate lace collar and no rubbers. Many a working girl chooses a new dress in preference to

The boy with the frosted cake is not" un exception. Thousands on thousands of young people are giving to the non-essentials the attention they should bestow on the fundamentals. Recreation is important, but recreation ex-Mr. Henry Smith and Miss Mary aggerated into the prime object of life, becomes a monstrosity. The boy who picks out his college by the prowess of its football team, is a good example of the sort of thing we are seeing every day. There are some things that are essential. Give them your attention. take their chance. Don't try to satisfy the craving of hunger with a frost-

COLOBBAL IGNORANCE

Artemus Ward was once making a railroad journey, dreading to be bored and feeling miserable, when a man approached him, sat down, and said; "Did you hear the last thing on Hor-

ace Greely Y' "Greely? Greely?" said Attenuts "Hornce Greely? who is be?" The man was quiet about five minutes. Pretty soon he said : "George

December 30th, by Rev. John Hart, you think they will put him in a bas-"Train? Train? George Francis

> never beard of blm." This ignorance kept The man quie for about fifteen minutes. Then be mid: "What do you think about General Grant's chances for the prosidency? Do you think they will run

said Artemus, "you appear to know more strangers than any man I over The man was furious. He walked up the car, but at last came back and said: "You confounded ignoramous!

"Grant? Grant? Hang It, man."

Artemus looked up and said ; "what was his other name ? - Selected

Did you ever bear of Adam ?"

HINTS FOR THE HOME Clothes lines should be brought in

too easily accomplished for you to say, spirits, and you will be surprised with Before washing flannels shake them There never was and never will be a | well to get rid of any dust that may

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cate from white paint. Try rubbing with India rubber; if that fails rub

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