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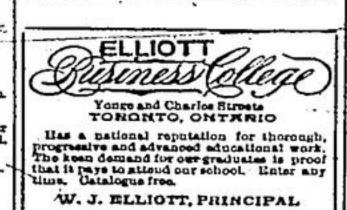
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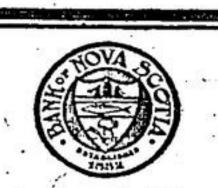
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A BARGAIN

BLANCHE GENTRUDE ROBBINS

TENNIE folded the sheet of exercises

mechanically laying it inside the music cabinet. With a sigh she losed the pland "That is the last-the very last of my ifteen pupils !" she exclaimed tremulously

at the sound of light retreating footsteps in the long hall of the spartment bouse. "Don't lose heart, dear," the mother said as abo cleared the breakfast dishes from the table, which made their living room a dining room also. "But mother," Jennie replied, "overy

one of those fifteen pupils goes on a three months' holiday. Not a lesson to teach in all that time and I have been all winter working up that clave" "You doar, it is hard to lote your scholars just as you get interested in their progress. But we'll be glad you have been

offered the position by Dyke and Willis. It's the leading music store in the city." said the mother. The little music teacher shrugged her shoulders. "Of course I am glad of the opportunity to earn enough | for living expenses for the summer, oven if it is by playing music for prospective buyers at the

music store, when I like to do the buying myself. Selling music does not hold joy of teaching it. And oh, mother, if the class had only held together all aummer, I intended we should have a couple of weeks' holiday-and we were going out into your beloved country. You have been so pations all the years I've been studying my "There, dearie. We have each other, Don't let us forget that," the mother inter-

runted. Then she added, "You're forgetting the bargain sale in wairtu at Grinby's. You know you thought it might be your chance to get the linen shirt-waists for wearing at the store." "You," said Jennie, "I'd better be

We do get some nice chances on waists a Grinby's Anything you want, mother ?" "This is Friday." The mother paused "The country-women's market will be open to-day. I'd like some fresh buttermilk. It makes me think of home so. Can you manage it? We could save enough for a johnnycake, too."

"Why, you Just put a quart scaler paper bag and I'll leave it on my way down to be filled." Jennie pulled the broad brim of

fluffy golden hair, the big red rose nestling prettily in the spray of foliage on its rim. Tying the ribbons of black velvet under her chin, she looked with dancing eyes to the "Johnny cake 'How many girls there

are down at the store I'm going to who he's right." would about go wild just at the small of their mother's johunycake. I guess I'll leave grumbling alone." "I would, dear. I gave up worrying for things not to be had quite a bit back." "Yes. And the smiles just can't keep from tugging at the corners of your eyes and lips in consequence," said the wearer

of the hat with the rose. "I'm a lucky "There, stop flattering a woman with gray hair showings But you gro a doar, Jennie." And the mother's lips were pressed against the russ-not on the hal brim but upon the girlish cheek.

A few minutes, walk brought Jennie to a long, low, rad building. In the winter it if those Peters girls ain't brainy as well as was used by the city as dakating rink and placky, I'll give up." during the summer as a market, Inside, she found women busily exhibiting their farm," responded Mrs. Lowis. "Pa says farm produce. The odor of country flowers their groce pearare up three inches higher and vegetables filled the building with than anybody's else, and there isn't a week delicious fregrance. 'A few hoyers, fader wat they couldn't being three wagous of with pails and paper bags, were bargaining produce to market." for milk, butter, eggs, bunches of Sweet

William, pinks, and garden truck. Jonnie eyed the women and girls who were at the different stalls, and then to one who seemed nearly as young as herself, but who was of serious miss, with eyes that hold a slumbering look of things unattained, she made her way with a smile and Baptist, Methodist, or Presbyterian." laughing eyes as usual. The sober young woman-turned as Jounte-stopped at her

"Have you any fresh buttermilk ?" ask "Yos'm," said the little woman with the dark eyes. She uncovered a pell of creamy butternilk with bits of yellow butter

ewimming temptingly through it." "Oh, that is simply delicious, I know," sald Jounta - The girl's serious face light. od at the praise. "Wouldn't you like a drink of it?" abu "Only a penny a mug, you know," and she turned and took from beside a organ."

bunch of panles a little Dutch mug holding a far Hills said Jennie putting out her hand for the mug whon it was filled. "There, it is just | Mrs. Flinch, as delicious as I thought it was, and it will keep me sweet all the morning ! . You fill out in the Valley," exclaimed Mrs. Weeks. this glass jar for me and put it in a paper . There are planes in lote of houses -- ours tion.

After putting down the ellver, Jennie at the last institute meeting. Nobedy'to liquid. said, as she burled her near in a pot of play-Mildred is the only one of my girla . "That will be seventy-five cents," he | years of service. A trial will surely awoot alyseum, "That smolls just like old enough for music, but I'd like Joey and said.

housy. I can almost bear the bees hum." Again the two dark eyes brightened. "You like the country !" she asked. "Mother and I just love it. There.' . I must be off to the sale."

"Are you going to the Grinby waist sale ?" asked the girl, interest plainly showing now in her whole manner. His own face saw from morn till 'night. "Why, year, do you go to the hargain

"f can't you know, because it always comes on market day. When our stuff is sold out, it's too late for hargains, the best ones.are all snapped up. I can't spare morning from the market because Jed an' me's only been married a year an' it'litakin' every cont we can make on the farm to pay up'the mortgage. Seems like it must be just grand-that bargain salo-the hustle and the bustle to be there first. An' the bargains some folks do get ! Why, as we drove by, I am a whole window full of Ince waists, real pretty ones-at one dollar and ninoty-eight conts. Only fifty on sale, so they'll go to the first lifty women gettin'

The eagerpeas, the Junging of the young woman's heart touched Jennie. She pavaed moment reflectively, then with eyes al

"I'd just love to have you go and get one of those waists. I can tend the stall, if you will put your apron on me and tell me the pricon- will go another day." "But you won't get to do that," said the cunger woman, looking Jennie over won

"Why not ? You will have to take time off Friday if you over go, "lecause the bargains are always on Fridays."

"There's your chauce, 'Melia. better take it," urged her neighbor. Jonnie untied "'Melia's" white apron strings, and with a swift movement put them around her own alender waint. The she snipped a spray of nasturtium, and pinned it on her bodico, as she asked :

"How much is lottuce ?" "Lattuce is five conts a bunch, radish and green onions five an' rhubarh six for quarter -- eggs thirty a dozen -- butto thirty-five a pound an' cream forty a quart. Honoy is fifty cents a quart au' cheese twenty a pound," the woman explained carefully.

"Oh, this is simply tine," onthused Jan-"Run or thosale will to on." 'Molia ocoded no urging. A strange excitement lighted her eyes. Jennie know from the buoyant step, what the expendition meant to her.

Loft in charge, with an artistic ove also ro-arranged her produce, moving the flowers searer the front. Then she washed the dust from the radishes, which showed them up ravishingly attractive and appetizing among the green curly lettuce leaves. The other women gazed enviously at Molia Sparr's table. "It's sure pretty and I guess you'll go

the biggest trade this morning," advanced Mrs. Coldwell in neighborly fashion. "Its I'm glad 'Melia'n gone to the barrain sale Poor 'Melia I she's never had half a chance -oldest but one of twelve and married iemelf at seventeon." Buyers drifted in. Some had little idea of what they wanted. But they could no

resist the charm of 'Melia Sparr's table no: the charm of Jennie as she employed the necessity of precuring Irash produce, while it was available. It was like a tasto of the garden -this nearness to all this green. It was easy to

linsgine hay fields and running brooks outside the market. Occusionally she listoned to the to among the farmers' wives. It interested her because of its simplicity, its geogine neas, the .undercurrent of sympathy and

lack of paltry goasip. "Silas Forbes/ is going into market gardening altogether, I hear," remarked Mrs. Day, shining a jar of golden honey, "Yes," responded Mrs. Holmes, who was Silas Forbes' sister in law, "He's got growing boys and girls enough to help with the barvesting. Ro claims it's the healthi

est work for them, and I don't know but "Has any one board from Mrs. Potts i the last day or two?' inquired Mrs. Flinch - 'Well, I sout my Poarl over with some homemade bread last night," voluntoered Mrs. Weeks, "and she was having a spell of chills then. She's just worn herself out for her family. Abo l'otts is the kind that thinks his wife can do the work of three women. Ho's got all the latest newlangled labor saving reapers and other machinery that will save labor outdoors, but he won't provide even a vacuum cleaner nor a motor washing machine for his wife. Home day

she'll drudge out of his life." "They say women ain't got the brains of mon," remarked stout Mrs. Holland, "but

"They sure make good at managing

_ "How did you like the new minister ? questioned Mrs. Fox. "Not bad at all for a student -kind of apt. too, preaching as he is in a Union Church," replied Mrs. Towle. "If we hadn't known he was liaptint, he would have had us all guasting as to whether, he was

"Wasn't it terrible, though, no music, and the first Hunday he was here ?" offered timid little Mrs. Silver in a whisper. "Yos," agreed Mrs. Towle, "it does seem a teal pity there's no one to take the

"What's the matter with Abbie Dunn ? asked Mrs. Holland. "Oh, she just plays by car," volunteered "Colia Carson took lessons last year. when she was to the city at Collegiate,"

suggested Mrs. Day, "that she says she's so used to a piano, she can't manage an "There's my two girls. I'd like them to be taking leasons, but it's hard sending "How tempting you have everything ?" | them into the city. It means a whole day unit the trains are so uncertain," sighed | could produce (which is going some).

"Too bad there's nobody to teach music

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Arnold to take a few lessons, they are that

"I know the Lowis and Deane girls are planning to take music when they go to Normal at North Bay," remarked Mrs.

"Nobody to play! Nobody to teach! he words dinged themselves into Jennie's Could this be her opportunity ! Music

-the teaching of it to girla hangering for the accomplishment of playing-and the roon country all around ? She disposed of the last radish and poured out the last drop of yellow crossn.

Mrs. Weeks opened a bag of deliciously rown doughnuts. "Try one," she suggested, offering them Jennio. Munching it hungrily, Jennie asked

"Did you make these ?" "Oh, yes, though they're not as good o

"They are just nice and homey," Jennic saured bor, "I don't suppose you would care to take any hearders this summer, would you ?" she questioned carerly. "Well, you soo, summer's kind of busy time with us," half apologized Mrs.

Wooks. "I was thinking of what you good worser have been talking about-nebody to play," continued Jonnie. "I touch music for a living ; but all my pupils have gone off on a holiday, so my class is broken up. Now my mother and I just adore the country and if you would board us for the summer. I'd gladly organize a music class in the Valley. I would play that church organ Sundays and I'd try to make your Instituto rogrammes worth while, with interesting

"Really that sounds something like doesn't it ?" exclaimed Mrs. Day. "You think you'd find a hig enough class to keep you from getting lonesome? questioned Mrs. Towle anxionaly.

Carson and Mrs. Flinch's two girls, Mrs. Weeks' Mildred and the two boys, besides the Lowis and Dean girls-all musically nelined. That makes too at least, and possibly we can scare up a few more pupils," answered Jonnie with admiration. "I don't soo how we can refuse an offer like that," replied practical Mrs. Wooks, 'I should be glad to board you cheep, just to have a music teacher in the Valley for the summer. If your mother is anything like you-kind hearted and thoughtful for other people-perhaps she wouldn't mind belging with dinner, the days I come into market. Then there are often days that the men need help in the garden, picking peas and beans and pulling radiahes. It's always desporate hard leaving the house with no one in it to look after the dinner. "Oh, mother would be in her glory

helping," enthused Jennie, "only some times, you will have to lot hur have her turn going into the garden to pick pear "Shall we call it a bargain, then ?" ask ed Mrn. Weaks. "I think it is a lucky thing we can across you," exclaimed Mrs. Holland. 'Molia Sparr came for her eyes alight with excitement, the joy of conquest and smile so radient that it gloritied her plain

irregular features. A bundle lay in the bollow of her arm, with something of the sacred familiarity that 'Molia Sparr's first haby might claim. "It was the bluggest jamb - women just falling over each other to get there first We was all squashed to felly, getting is those doors -and the people that thick

around the waist counter, you couldn't beq nothin' but hands grabbin' -an' I got one of those lace waists, marked down to one dollar and ninety cight." "Toaring off the paper prapper, 'Molia Sparr exhibited the simple lace pattern, exquisitely beautiful to her over. Turning to Jonnio, also said :

"An' I can't never tell you how good you've been - all along of atayin' here an' to house." selling my groon stuff while I went bargain "That's all right," sho said. "It rather looks as though I got the biggest bengain right hard in the market. At least, we are

going to give it a trial." And at this the others gave node of assent. THOUGHT IT A PRESCRIPTION The narrator swears thin actually has

A triend of his had received a short not from a clerical friend who was a notestonal had writer. He could not make head or tail of it .. Finally he decide to take it over to the druggist, who had a reputation for being

able to decipher the very worst a doctor . "Can you read thin?" he asked. "Just one moment," answered the dipensor as he disappeared behind the parti-

Listen, son I. The band is playing The National Anthem. They have let loose the Union Jack yonder. Stand up ! Some people over there are smiling at us. Stand up, bare your head, life up your eyes and thank

> TWENTY YEARS AGO From the Issue of the Free Press Thursday, May 6th, 1897

Officer Graham sustained an ugly cut over the left eye from a falling street lamp globe yesterday morning. A test of the new electric fire alarm gon;

will be made probably to-day or to-morrow. The firemen are not expected to turn ou at first alarm. The dredging of the Themes from Chat bam to the lake is ordered by the Domin-

ion Government to mears forthwith. At the meeting of the officials of the Mothodist Church on Monday evening is was decided to change the hours for public service to 11. a. m and 7. p. m. commen cing on Sunday, Ifith May.

The angler's tipgers were benumbed with

the cold on Monday morning, as they per ticipated in the opening of the treuting Woon-At Rockwood, on Friday, 16th April, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wood, r

Mooni-At 52 Wright Ave. Toronto, or Thursday, 29th April to Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Moore, a daughter. Saypen -- At lot 32, con. 3 Esquesing. c Wednesday April 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Snyder, a daughter.

ALL.-At her home in Toronto, on Wed nosday, 28th April, Minnie Austin, be loved will of James B. Hall. A BOY'S RULES FOR LEADERSHIP II

LIFE "You are a good ball, lacrosse, or bockey player. But how did you become proficient in these games? By learning the game according to the rules. Isn't it worth your

while to learn the rules of the greatest game of all -the game of life? "You know that it takes training, solf donial, practice; it takes defeat, beartache, "Well, you say there's Abbie Dunn, Celis jabuff; it takes success, applause, victory all those and more, to play the game of

> This is of Edward Earlo Purinton's talk to Canadian boys in this month's "Every woman's World." Out of the rules leadership that he sets down at worth felthe watchword of our Canadian women in fow ... They merit any Canadian toy's doep contideration. "He a leader now. Den't wait for mature manhood. You can never reach the top of anything by walting.

Find the study, and the recreation, which you were born to excel. Be the best in something. You can if you will Don't be satisfied sill you are. "Select a hero, and study him. Wha great man of history da you admire most Who has achieved the lighest success of the men you know personally ! Which leader in the trade or profession of your choice stands out prominent ! Locate these first three mon of might. Obtain their photo

graphs if passible. Read all available literature about them. " Learn just what they have done, and how and why they did it "Learn what you are good for. Don' begin a life work by chance-that mean adure. Get three or four of the new books on vocational guidance-you can club to gother with a half-dozen boys and rende the cost for each very little . Avoid the perils of the "blind allay" occupation ; ask an expert in vocational or industrial educa tion what those perils are, and discuss the matter fully with your parents and your

favorito teacher. "Earn your own spending money. How ? By solling papers, running orrands, wooding lawns, cutting grass, collecting garbage, copying addressed, operating office machines, raising vegetables, doing odd jobs at home, helping the neighbors in various ways, building a subscription list, acting as clock, solling things from house when they were sent out of Eden!

The stalk of corn that grows the tallest and appear - the most conspicuous, nearly always lmars a blasted par.

A Cure for Rheumatism .-- A painful and parsistant torm of theumatism is caused by impurition in the blood, the result of defective action of the liver and kidgeys, The blood become a Cainted by the introduction of uric sent, "theh causes" much pain in the transce and in the foints. Parmelee's | shut. Vegetable Pills are known to have effected many tomarkable cures, and their use to strongly recommended. A trial of them will convince suyone of their value.

No Rest With Asthma. -- Asthma usually attacks at might, the one time when rest is opeded must. Honovaho loss of strength, the nervous debility, the less of fleel and other evils which must be expected unless bag, and I will call for it whom I come only gets touched when it's dusted. I was In a few minutes he came back and relief is secured. Fortunately relief is anhamed that there was no music propared handed the antoulahed man a bettle of possible. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Althina

Just Keep A-Grinnin

If troubles come and sorrows too An life's nilk throad you're spionih

Just throw 'om off, an' don't got blue, And keep right on a gringin'. There ain't no good in bein' glum When other folks are winnin';

Got up and push, and you'll win too, So keep right on a grinnin'. The Lord ain't been no worst to you Than others who've been slunin' ! You've got stack foods to thank Him for

Bo keep right on a grinnin'. Don't let the troubles of last year "Hpoll this from Its boginnin'; A little leaven speils the lump, So keep tight on a-grinnin'. Make every season of this year . Purp white with charity's linen,

Raiph Gordon

"I will norvo-mosle to just forty-on prisoners to-night," remarked the steward of the Spokano (Wash.) county jail. "It begins to look as if prully soon they will not need any one to feed the prisoners, for there won't be any," This prediction was called forth by the fact that there are at present in the county fail only forty-one prisoners, as compared with an average of 220 last March. The Spekane Review, under date of March 11, in reporting the

mituation, mays: "A year ago to-day there were twentyfive women confined at the county jail, the majority of whom were drug- and whiskey victims. To-night there will be but one

woman to be cared for. "Last year at this time there were nearly 100 prisoners at the jail who were drunkards and drug flends. When a reporter visited the fail yesterday not one such case

Stuht, filed yesterday with the county commissioners, shows that he has not troated a patient for delirium tremens the past menth. Last year Dr. Sells, the county physician, treated many drink "At this time there are but two cases on

twenty cases per month."

ones, but all pressing onward; jubilantfootfalls which seem to ring out with solemn sweetness-'How beautiful upon the moun tains carry tidings -great fov. Marches in the night, the dawn, the day; broken flaming banners and martial music, clang-"Progress -a word big enough and great enough to stand for all that the strong of

marches of might, marches of weariness.

Hark to the footfalls, heavy and worn ..

strong footfalls, light ones, quick ones, alow

the day of high endeavor and splendid

"WHAT DO I GET OUT OF IT? The people whose aim in life is to "get common variety. They live in fear of

In friendship some people are equally putting themselves out for those who can

naver make them any return. "What do I get out of him?" That is a question which shows a small pature. The people whose actions are regulated by the topo of pornonal gain are worth very little to their fellow men, or to themselves. The worker who gots to the tou is the one who becomes so interested in his work that he forgets all about whother his calary is large or small, and the only friend worth having is the one who is disinterested. ho question, what is there in it for me. should be aradicated from our smeech, and the attitude of mind which it reveals should be erased from the heart.

Teacher: What trade did little Jack Horner work at !

Why did the man call his rouster Robin-Bocauso it Crusoo (crow so). What is the plural of child ?

Tot : They raised Cain. !

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the evente f ...

It is a hiding of the son Why is an oyster like a man with com

high in the middle ? When a boy falls through a door, what doos be fall sgainst ?

Life though short is a working day. Activity may lead to svil, but insotivity cannot be led to good.

And everyone will love you more,

For keepin' on a grinnin'. HOW DO YOU ACCOUNT FOR THE

EMPTY JAILS

was in ovidence. "The report of County Physician A. E.

the criminal docket of the superior court for trial during March. The criminal docket usually averages from twelve to

"PROGRESS" IS THE WATCHWARD "Progress is the watchword of Canadian women for the year of grace 1017," proclaims Jean Blowett, in the current issue "Everywoman's World." "Progress is power, the power which, refusing to be subjugated, coerced, or turnad aside, comes in time to the goal-of-it desires. Progress! Close your eyes and you can see the first untried believer in better things taking his first stumbling stop forward. Cover your cars to shut out the clameur of the world about you and you can hear the marches of the conturies,

marches; glad and glerious marches silent, obscure marches; marches with ing straight to Heaven's gato-and beyond. earth, the saints, the martyrs, the fearless fighters of earth have accomplished or will accomplish, yet not too hig or great to be

You must think, plan, work. Start now. all that is coming to them" are a very being undervalued and underpaid. No sooner do they secure a position than they begin to think about a raise in salary. If they are asked to work ofertime, they immediately want to know what there is in calculating. They cannot see the use of

RIDDLES Tot : Ho was a plum-mor. Teacher: What did Adam and Evo de

Why is a solar collins like a mother whipping her boy ?

What State is round at both ouds and

first thing she does?

When a girl falls into a pond what is the