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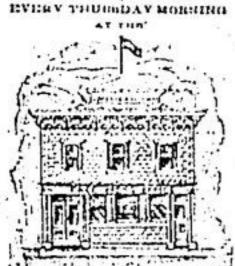
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Says old Hi Green : "Boys, I allow To stay right clost to this old plow And let the navy run the sea Without too much advice from ma. l calculate on stickin' to The kind of business I cart do-Parhaga my hundred bushels more Will sort o' help some in this war.

THE PATRIOT

"I know they make mistakes down there Ho long's I don't make none, and let ... This crop that's on th' ground get wet. ly doin' more and kickin' tess I'll help th' Clover ment, I guess, And troubles won't be quite so blg If I got right square down and dig. "I don't know how it seems to you; But I know what I'm goin' to do On this here farm, no olds if me And Bordon do not nuito agrea. 'm goin' to let him write the notes

'Cox that's my job-I know it is-"I'm goin' to lot him be the head While I'm a raisin' staff for broad-I'll run this farm and him th' state, And we'll both get along first-rate. This little job he's got to do Will keep me middlin' busy too; And I ain't really got th' time. To kick, although th' kickin's prime And I can run it, I allow, Almighty well if I don's get

While I'm a raisin'steers and shotes,

By praxy in th' grocery stores, natead of 'tendin' to my chores. I ain't a-frottin' 'bont what harm Th' big bags do-I'm goin' to farm !"

> A GC LISTENL

F. E. C. ROBBINS

Points stage was an old lady who had arrived at Bayport on the soon train. According to mental notes

made by Ansel Jones, the driver, as he halped her into his two-seated wagon, sho appeared to be seventy-five, or thereabouts, was drossed respectably, and by the looks of her baggage had come from a distance. "I am going as far as Griggsville," she bogan, as they started off, "and I want to

stop at John Pushaw's. I guess I shall surprise 'em some," she added, half to

if it I know who you are, too. You are synonym for "heme" and "England." that old-maid aunt of theirs, that I can

how glad they'll be to see you." driver said all this audibly. That would from the French word coucher. nob have been at all like Angel. Aloud, he is was often his good fortune to be intrustod with considerable information of human

strictly to himself. "I can't help wondarior how I shall woman comfortable. They don't lack for "gone away," as well. means, I suppose !"

"So you are poor, are you? Well, the ushaws are net the kind that want poor relations to take care of. They are closer than the bark to a tron."

Having thus expressed himself mentally.

be said, "No, ma'am." "I have been through a good deal," she went on, "and I feel as if I would like to be 'made of a little, as you might say. Is is thirty yours since I went to California, and I wasn't young then. Husband had fruit farm, and we worked hard. To be sure we accumulated money, but money irn't everything."

come back here with money. John will brothers, for that matter." To the old lady Ausol said, "That's true,

we got fairly well off, husband was laveighin mining stock. Instead of yielding great gives vastly more pleasure than it does if returns it kept dropping, until by the time | made weeks later, when the newness of her he passed away it wouldn't fetch a doi-

to himself, "So that brings you poor again, one. The book that is being widely road Woll, the Pushaws had enough sight rather and discussed, and which the owner intends see that money than bear how you lost it." to pass on to one who has few chances to old lady, "and I gathered up what little come if offered while the fresh interest was lost and went to a new place and set clings to its pages. with a sigh of painful romembranes. "Theo, when I was getting old, I was foolish enough to take in a partner, and he

made a mess of it, so that we failed up." "You jump around so, there's no keepin' to make or receive. up with you ?' complained Ansol to himsolf, while he was saying, "Do tall I" to her. "First you are well off, and then you continued, "that mine that husband had invested in began to pan out, and a few

settles It," his private commont ran. "Thirty thousand dollars will make you as welcome as blusbirds in the spring of the

amongst the Pushaw tribe about beiring that money, and they won't give you a mite of peace."

"And now," the old lady was saying, 'after all those years I've come back Eans to spend the rest of my days, I suppose. Well, I hadn't a chick or a child to loave behind. And I've got no property left to worry about, oither." At that, poor Ansal admitted to himself

that he did not know what to think. "Havon't you ma'am ?" he said helplessly. "No. I wasn't going to take any more risks lavesting, and perhaps losing it all. I've gone and put the whole of it into an annuity for life. I shall got a good his of money from it every quarter-all that I can possibly want to spond, , and some to give away. And it will keep coming just as long as I live. What more do I want ?" "A good ides," said Ansol. "A grand good idea," he repeated to bimself. "Won't the Pushawa just coddle you slong when they find that you've got a good income to scatter about, and that it will stop as soon as you are gone ? They'll want you to live

to be a hundred; and by the looks of you, I guess you will." In such manner was the journey beguiled with convariation until at last Annel. pointing with his whip toward a house that had just come into view, announced, "That's your nophow's place, ma'am."

"My nophow !" repeated the old lady. inquiringly. "Oh, you mean Mr. Pushaw Bless you, he isn't my nephow! I never know there was such a man until I read his advertisement offering board in a sice, nomelike place near the sea. An ideal place be said it was, for an olderly person wanting rost and careful attention. I'd been staying with some cousins in Boston; but I'd got uncasy, so I wrote for his terms and decided to try it. They wouldn't be looking for me till to morrow, though. "I den't knew why I have told you so

much about my affairs," she said a little er, as they neared her destination, "ex-& that you seemed to be such a friendly, riable man, and yet not inquisitive.

shouldn't have run on so with everybody. "Thank you, ma'am," responded Ansol humbly: "She never told me how much ohn was asking bor a week," he said, as ne started off after leaving his passenger. 'lt's no great consequence, but still I should kind of like to know."

But oven that Ansel said to him All that the horses heard was, "Old dap !" -Youth's Companion.

### WAR-MADE WORDS

Not loog age Capt. Ian Hay, who came to the United States from the British front herself. "You know John Pushaw, don't in Flanders, explained to a representative be that an enterprising "movie man" of the New York Times the derivation of going to show "Scenes in our city." "Know him ? I gnoss I do, and all the the word "blighty," so familiar in the rost of the tribe. And now, come to think | mouths of British soldiers as an affectionate | won't I ? I've made my debut as a movi It is said to come from a Hindustani myself go by."

just barely remember, as a boy. Finally word, thilatl, which means "over the went out to Californy to marry an old flame | sees." The word is widely used and stands | "Give you a chance to see yourself as others of yours that was living there. Husband for any number of things. For example, a see you, all that cort o' thing, y' know." died a spell ago, I recollect hearing. "blighty" wound is a severe wound that Wonder if he left any property? Seems involves sending the victim home to recov- is add diligently. When the "Plaza" an as if I'd heard it both ways. So you've or. A "couchy" wound is another matter | neuncod its "Specially Propared Films ceme on, unexpected, to stay with your |- comfortable wound that means a short | Shewing Scenes in Our City and Poople We relations? Depends on circumstances, lay-eff in the hospital, with good living, no All Know," he was one of the first to pass work and no inconvenience to speak of. Into the darkened room where a circle of You must not suppose that the stage The soldiers prebably coined "couchy" light showed brilliantly white upon the

The Tommies have built up a new merely said, "You ma'am." -It was a well- language of intercourse with the inhabiknown fact that Ansel was "no great of a | tante-a sort of lingua franca. It consists talker." But he was a good listener, and of their own speech, with occasional French words and phrases interlarded. One most remarkable is "nafloo," which, apparinterest. Assel had his own thoughts, too, ently, comes from the French phrase, if my even if for the most part be did keep them a plus. . At first it meant "enough," "no moro." It was the remark with which a things," the old lady continued. "I do rose from the table. But now it has been bope they will be able to make a poer old considerably extended, and means, "dead,"

Not long ago a soldier brought another soldier up before his commanding efficer en

the officer asked. "He threatened me, sir," replied

"Threatened you ? What did he sa

"He said he'd napeo me, air."

THE VIRTUE OF BEING PROMPT Many an act that would give a great deal of pleasure if done in season, losce half its grace by a tardinass of performance. The reason for this habit of being behind

eyes," said Ansal to himself. "If you have hand-for it is a babit-is hard to find Boldom is saything gained by it, and time is actually tost in the apology-making and explanations that have to follow. The letter seat on time has a fragrance that the long-delayed one, half-filled with "And then," abe resumed, "as soon as explanations, cannot possibly have. The call on the new neighbor while she is ed into investing most everything we had ing strange and perhaps a little homesick

position has worn off, and when any apology for the delay is and to make the "Too bad?" said Ausel; and be added visit seem a perfunctory and long-dreaded "But I had some spunk," declared the dip into new books, will be far more wel-

up a little notions store. It was a growing ! No one but would give a cerdial assent place, and I prospered beyond my expects. to all of those propositions, but probably tions." She paused for a moment, during the most of us have at the present memore which Ausol inwardly revised his conclu- a number of such intended but postpo ted sions; and whon she spake again it was kindnesses on our consciences, which will scarcely morit the name of kindness if the darkness "That young loader ""A much longer deferred. Apologica necessitated by our own care-

ionsuses or tardiness are unpleasant things

### YOUR OWN RIVAL

There is small advantage in getting ahead of other people compared with getting ahead of yourself. Be your own rival Make a record only to beat it. One who months ago I sold out my stock for thirty fools that his bost work is behind him is at the end of his usefuluess. Bygone achieve-"I guess so !" axelalmed Ansol. "That | menta should serve as a vantage ground he had everheard his mind recognized the for what you have to do to-day.

year. And yet, I kind of pity you. There girl has who litts him until another girl jaw set in lines of determination.

LOYE PUT INTO WORDS under our feet, yet life would lose beauty and meaning if that love were never expressed in a tender craving to have tenderness put inte words is not

WATCHING HIMSELF GO BY It was the busiest corner of the downtown district, and Len Disbrow usually found somothing interesting going on as he sauntared to and from his lunch at the soon hour. Les almost always ragutared. How else could be take in the sights in the vicinity of Main and State Streets ? The windows of "sporting goods" were very stractive. He liked to read the news post ed at noen on the "Press" bullstin boards And then there were the people-always the people! Len wondered sometimes why they were invariably in such a tearlo

Lon never hurried. It did not trouble always plenty of time left. Len's work wasn't very interesting, anyway. He had-'t been promoted at the first of the year, bough he thought he ought to have been. He wasn's very well paid either, and had no intention of doing more than

was paid for. Therefore-1 Therefore be sanntered down the stre that particular day, his hat on the back is boad and his hands thrust deep in his pockets. He stopped a moment and leaned against the sunny side of the Elliott Build ing watching the crowd go burrying by with a little amused smile. And thee, the street and a little to one side he saw man busily turning a crank attached to

black box mounted on a triped. "Hello," he said in some surprise 'Somebody's making a film. Wonder

the position of Toucher of the Fourth De The thing "up" proved, on inquiry, "Why I" langhed Lon, "I'll be in star. Rockon I'll just be on hand to watch

"Good ides," said the man at the crank A., Ph. D. of Hamilton. The contributions From that day on, Lon watched the mov

CARYAS SCEPCE. He had not long to walk

flashed out in big letters on the screen. moment they were gone. Then a long train from the Pacific drew into the Union Station. Porters placed their little stools, passengers alighted and hurried away to waiting carriages, street cars and automofind man pushed back his plate at dinner and biles. The finest hotel loomed into view. with people passing in and out of its apaclous entrance. The mayor of the city stepped out of his machine and walked laisurely up to his own door. The scenes were all all familiar and the audience was decidedly interested. Parks, million dis-"What is the charge against this man ?" trict, schools and churches-Len watched them father indifferently. He was waiting to catch the first glimpes of that busy corper of Main and State. Truth to tell, he was just a little impatient of the time speed on the mayor and other colebrities of the city. It was going to be a novel experience

-watching bimself go by. "The Noon Hour, Main and State treets," flashed the appouncement. Len losped forward in his seat as the familian corner appeared on the screen. 'How true to life it was in every detail ! There were the "Press" bulleting the football outfits in the "sporting goods" window, the ever hurrying crowd. And-ours enough !there was Lan Dishrow walking toward

him from away up the street. Hab on the back of his boad and hands thrust down in his peckets, Leu-of-thecreen samptered toward bimself seated in the darkened auditorium of the "Plaza" He wasn's in any burry. He stopped bere and there on his way to the ogreer. loaned against the Elliott Building and smiled indulgently at the busy crowd as though be considered bimself a little superor to the rank and file which passed him

"Hemph !"-a half-supprossed anort of diagust behind him brought the real Lon upright in his seat with a jark-"Look at that young loafer, will you? Typical case -caught in the act It takes those taken as-they-come street scenes to show people up for what they are really worth. Can't

Leu Disbrow's face urimeoned hotly in typical case." "Shown up for what he was worth I' 'His engry eyes glared at the screen. Was that indolone follow roal-

ly Lou Dishrow ! No, they "couldn's fool the owners." The fellow was a slouch-a sloven. shoes ran over at the heel. His suckets raiged with the weight of his idle hands. Did be think the Elliots building would topple over if he didn't support it ? In all that cager, energetic crowd, why did Lau Dishrow cut such a pour figure ?

(loaded to action by the sharp criticis

traits which hindered blm from keeping stop with his more alort associator. Instinctively his shoulders squared.

YELIKE to be told the things we already know. We may be as sure of our word or a carees. "I like not only to be leved, but to be told I am loved," wrote George Eliot. That poculiar to a few. It is a universal characteristic. Never assume that your friends will understand that you love them without being told. Do not leave your affection to be taken for granted.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, Nov. 18th, 1897

If you think you know what the weather s going to do to-morrow, guess again. Mr. James McLennan, who for twent our years has had charge of the O. T. I comping station here, is retiring. It

ogretted that Mr. McLennan and his fan y are removing from our midat. Upon invitation the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Know Church attended the monthly meeting of the Missionary Auxiliary of the Methodist Church last Thursday afternoon. Mrs Thos. Easton, president, presided. The procoodings concluded with a social ten which

all present cnioyed. The roads have been sloppy the par

The agitation for a Public Library Acton is very favorably regarded by citi zons generally. The grain bayers continue to be busy Acton is a popular market this fall. Farm ers have marketed grain here the past week

The Milton Reformer reports that Tom

my Morton, the barber, fermerly of Acton

who live ten miles away.

has a black and tan dog, three months' old which weighs but a pound and a half. Sir Oliver Mowat will be aworn in Lieutenant Covernor of Ontario pert Tues day in succession to Sir George Kirkpattime. Peace will be obtained about Christ The application of filteen candidates for

partment was presented to The Board of Education by the Secretary on Menday evening. A ballot being taken Miss Eliza McQueen was selected. The annual meeting of Acton branch the Upper Canada Bible Society, mes on Tuesday evening in Knox Church. The ed dress was given by Rov. J. T. Gilmour, M.

of the year amounted to \$53.66. MAURIED DAMS SWACKHAMMER-At Sunnydalo Cot tage, Esquesieg, on Nov. 17th, by Bev. O. G. Langford, R. D., Mr. George Adams, merchant, Acton, to Minnie, daughter of David Sweckhammer.

HITEMAN-MOUTON-At Walls Walls Washington, on October 27th, Mr. Harvoy Whiteman, to Mrs. Mary M. Morton, late of Acton.

### ber, Catherine Dalton, wife of Charles

RYAN-At Georgetown, on 17th Novem

HANG OUT YOUR LIGHTS Before the lamp-poss became an impor tant feature in every town and city, the throw it away? After you have grasped inhabitants of English communities were the lesson taught by a blunder, forget it. expected to lead aid to podestrians by placing lanterns in front of their bouses. And in order that there should be no for getfulness of this obligation, the town crier was accustomed to go through the town as darkness settled down, crying, "Hang out

The old-time custom has significance for They are so determined to please that they us of to-day. For the ways of the world are still dark and many a one stumbles because he door not see his path. Each us is responsible for doing his share toward illuminating the dark road. If each of s careful of his example, watchful of words in carmont actions, no one will

forced to walk in the dark. Hang out your lights ! Hang out you ights! The days of electricity, turning It become the one who is true to his convicnight into day, have not come into the spiritual world. Everything depends your little lantern, and the lanterns of your | pleasing. Like some other of life's prizes, neighbors. Hang out your lights !

ROOT THEM OUT Prejudices are frequently bairlooms. We win it. have a prejudice against cortain races, corain forms of religion, certain customs, besauso our great grandfathers did. And as rule, the people who inherit these projulioce seem in a way to be proud of them. and insist on displaying them on every

ocasion, opportune or otherwise. Whether we have inherited our peb preudioos, or whother we have faithfully oulivated them, the fact remains that they are n our way. They hamper our growth. They hinder our best development. They keep us from doing our share in the world. The sooner they are up-rooted, and cast salde to wither and die, the better for

### ENDARUAR

A train was rushing through some wampe to Northern Indiana. The track was was fringed on each side with cat's. talls, literally thousands of their brown heads bebling around to the broom. A small boy, evidently city bred, presently exclaimed t. "Mother, I didn't know that sausages grow in that way."-Girla' World.

creen sauntered on and his place was taken by a boyy of protty girls out shopping, his July "the moon when choke cherries are bester self wont swiftly down the center ripe," August "the harvest meen." Sepaisle of the "Place" and out into the crisp. | tember "the moon when rice is laid up to starlit night. He was made anow. "Never sgalu will I be found lounging November "the deer killing moon," and on the street corner." That was the vow | December "the deer moon. - Philadelphia

glow of a resolute purpose. As Lan-of-the-

QUEER BABIES Little cricket in the grans, As I pass, Loud you chirp your cheerful cry : Tell me why? Have you bables billing there. Bluvering in the autumn air? Do you sing to thom at night, Toll mo, cricket, am I right? Little katydid so green, Do you moun Winter time will soon be bere That frost is poar? Are your babies cradled high, On a loaf boneath the aky, Listening to your endloss song, "Katy-Katty," all night long ! Little frog down in the brook; May I look At your babies, fat and round ! Will they drown?

Bir-The following is my translation of newspaper. I think your readers will find

5' Wolveleigh Terraco, Gosforth. At the breaking down of a wall in a Monastory at Vismar, in the north of Germany, a 200-years-old prophecy of the war has been found. The prophecy, which was written on parchment by a monk in the year 1701, is now kept in the Town Hall of Viscuar. The manuscript reads as follows : " Europe will some day, when the seat of the Pope is vacant, meet with a fearful punishment. Seven nations will turn

The bird will defeed itself with wings and tallons. A monarch, who always mounts his horse from the wrong the wrong side, shall be surrounded by a wall of fees. Il will be a tough struggle against East and West, and the lives of many men shall be lost. War chariots shall roll forward without borses, and firedragons shall fly through the sky and spew fire and sniphur and destroy towns. Mankind will not listen to the ferobeding of God, and Ho shall turn away from them. The war shall last three years and five months. Starvation and discase will follow. Broad will be controllad and distributed among the people. Men will be lurching at the bottom of the see for their proy. The war will start when the corn is ripening on the fields

### OUR PAST BLUNDERS

Very little is gained by dwelling upon our past blunders. A shy, reserved woman occupied a room at a summer resort with a friend, and one night the latter was wakened by hearing ber eigh and turn restlessly. Foaring that ahe was ill, the friend spoke. It took a little questioning to get at the secret of her restlessness, but at length the truth came out. The poor woman was lying awake, frotting over a taction speech she had made some twenty years earlier, a speech which had alienated a friend long dead. "I never thought Mary would take it that way," explained the woman almost in tears. "You see what I meant don't you?" It was no wonder that she was a shy, somber soul when she bore through the days the burden of every mistake of her past life.

Young people are sometimes accused of taking their blunders too lightly, but that very fact being to explain the splendid onthusiasm and hopefulness with which the yeang most each new problem. After you Act as far as possible on Emerson's advice to finish every day and be done with it.

### THE SECRET OF POPULARITY

People who make it their aim to be pope lar, seldom succeed in their ambition, less night of the need of candor and sincerity. They agree with every one in turn, instead of standing up for a principle. They cultivate susvity rather than straightforwardness, and sacrifice truth to policy. But when they have done their best they fail. The world puts one who has a mind of his own far shoul of those who are animated echoes of other people's opinions. tions at any cost, and despises those who will trade off a principle for the sake of popularity is more likely to come to the one who has thought little about it, then to him who has pacrificed higher things to

Several young mon were recently saked w a writer in the Woman's Home Companon why they refused to be married. Their answers throw considerable light on what is becoming a national problem. One said that girls are too clever for the man nowsdays that he wanted "just a wife," and the girl he had been engaged to marry was making more meney than he was and refused to give up her work. Another complained of the expensive tester of the modern young woman, another that he had set out to accomplish certain things before marrying. Still another refused to be sentenced to hard labor for life, and one complained that the local girls were "a lift

### INDIAN MOONS

Time is calculated among the Red

adians by noons iustoad of months. Janary is called the "hard moon," February "the raccoon moon." March "here eye moon," April "the moon in which geese lay ogys," May "the planting moon," June "the moon when the strawberries are red." dry," October "the rice drying moon,"

Yours are water babies true ; They can swim as well as you. Do you sing them all to sleep With your creakings loud and deep? -Clara M. Goodchild, in Child Garden

### A WAR PROPHESY

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