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AFTER THE STORM

The rain has stopped, the sun shines bright, and rainbow sparks flash and gleam.

All now is calm and peaceful peace, The sunbeams gleam and shimmer.

Acton Fair, October 2 and 3

The prospects for the success of Acton Fall Fair of 1923 are most encouraging.

While the fall fairs each year are largely a repetition of the exhibition and program carried out the preceding year, there is something distinctly appealing about them that year after year draws both city and country people to them like a magnet.

The fall fair fills a niche in the yearly calendar that nothing else seems to touch, and which the most fastidious citizen that doesn't feel the urge to join the throng and surge along with the crowd among the exhibits, let alone being thrilled by the speed contest.

As an instructor of the farmer, the fair has lost a part of its early significance. Farmers' institutes, agricultural courses at colleges, and farmers' weeks wherein much scientific information is imparted, bearing directly on the culture of the soil and care of live stock, have superseded what was originally intended to be the mission of the fall fair.

The horse race is still a feature, but the farmer no longer goes to the fair because he has a horse to race, and it is hardly an up-to-date farmer who uses any other form of conveyance.

The automobile has proved a godsend in the car age. It has not only made it possible to travel long distances easily over good roads, but has also solved the problem of providing parking space for more numerous automobiles.

The fall fair has changed considerably in its features, but it is still popular to draw. No longer may it be of great benefit in an agricultural way, but it serves a public demand as such.

It is interesting to note that the fall fair continues to thrive and thousands of people will visit the fair here on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2 and 3.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM VANCOUVER. In renewing his Press subscription, D. W. H. Lowry writes from Vancouver, B. C., as follows: Dear Friends: I had thought of being nearer Acton here this fall, but am still in the Pacific Coast city.

LUMINOUS PLANTS. There are a number of plants and flowers which give out a phosphorescent light in the dark. Linnaeus first noticed this phenomenon in the common nasturtium, whose flowers appeared to him to have a faint luminescence at night.

The Old Man



CURING AND KEEPING ONIONS FOR HOME USE

Upon proper curing depends to a great extent the keeping qualities of onions, and it is safe to state that unless there is uniformity in the maturity of the crop all the bulbs cannot be properly cured to keep for any length of time.

Conclusion of Crews' Corners Recollections

Well, well! Here's another aspirant who wants to air his views and keep me on my mettle. The editor handed me the following effusion the other day: Dear Mr. Editor: I have read with a great deal of interest the column 'The Old Man' in your paper for the past three years or so.

I know it isn't good manners to talk back to your elders, but it has been a real nuisance to have some of the 'young fellows,' like myself, who hang around the 'Old Man,' and sometimes on his bank corner, across from the big clock tower, might feel as if I do, and occasionally like to say something back, and sometimes disagree with him.

So, Mr. Editor, I am writing you these lines to see if you think it would be all right if I could say a few words to the 'Old Man,' and if you don't intend to get away, and will try not to be impudent with the venerable writer from the 'Old Man,' and sometimes I would like to ask his wise advice on certain things.

Ding it all, anyway, what would you have me do? I would like to write and speak up to the 'Old Man,' or anybody else through your columns, and sign myself, 'THE YOUNG MAN ON THE BANK STEPS'.

Well, now, so far as I am concerned, I don't care what you do with my letter, but I would like to see it straight through your columns, and if you don't intend to get away, and will try not to be impudent with the venerable writer from the 'Old Man,' and sometimes I would like to ask his wise advice on certain things.

Adjoining the Plummer-Gray farm westward was the old Nickell place. If I recollect aright, it was previously the home of the late Mrs. Mackenzie, who moved on to the farm just below the brick church where the nice stone house is. Mr. Nickell's fraternal ties were more connected with other corners than the Corners. I believe that he was of Elmhouse stock, and that his wife was the daughter of a sister. I remember a good many years ago, somewhere near twenty-five, there was a rivalry in the Corners between Nickell over cattle trespass, leading even to county judge decision at Acton.

There was one household beyond that was recognized as a Corners home. The family of Mr. Joseph Cripps united in community affairs. Of course the Crippses originally were numerous out at the front; but their church and social interests tended that way. Mr. Cripps, like the other elders of the name, was a quiet, retiring man.

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AFFIRMATIONS

Life is an affirmation and death a negation. When we move and breathe we are affirming life and health.

The universe is an affirmation, a triumphant and glorious abolition of the dim, blank realm of chaos and old night. The heaven declares the glory of God, and the firmament shows His handiwork.

The affirmations are those who do the work of affirmation. It is their larger belief in the purpose they are serving, their constant, reiterated assurance of the vitality of effort and the efficacy of conscious existence in life.

To be sure, there are drawbacks. Persons who are weary affirming are likely to become wearisome. Moreover, the habit is treacherous; if you contract it, you are likely to affirm things that are not so, and then men get to mistrust your affirmations altogether.

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GETTING TO THE TOP

When you talk about getting to the top it makes quite a difference whether you mean the top of a mountain or the top of a stepladder.

It is a credit to head your class in school, to win in a game where you have worth-while opponents.

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The Importance of Being Pretty. Many a girl's future is determined by her face. A skin which is fresh, smooth and alluring with the radiance of health, predicts a happy future, because this is the greatest of all womanly charms.

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SAFETY FIRST FOR BOBBY. Bobby perished in driving nails into blocks and boards. He had arrived at the play-at-carpenter stage.

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