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lawyer abbreviates perhaps than any writer in his attempt to pace with the redundant terminology of legal documents. And in books of precedents, such as indispensable Key and Elphinstone teach him the recognized conventions. For instance, "exs," "ads," and "ass" do duty for executors, administrators, trustees and assignees. A daughter is written as a solicitor is referred to as "solicitor." In fact, every word on the page is cut down to the utmost only, of course, to be extended the document itself is engrossed.

dog that carried in smuggled across the Mexican boundary been spared to be shown in a dog show. If he had been taken to a dog show he would probably have brought a fabulous price for the ultra rich.

Illinois man who wants a divorce on the ground that his wife refuses to dress in keeping with the latest fashions because, she says, it is costly, apparently doesn't know he is well off.

population of Iowa has decreased during the past ten years. The people of France might be pacified by worrying a little about suicide in this country.

The government is going to issue \$10,000,000 worth of \$1 bills to replace the higher denominations. This is to increase the chance of getting some.

shortage is reported in the olive oil but consumers of olive oil need worry until the shortage is remedied in the crop of cottonseed.

that man 107 years old who sold whisky to the Indians only had liquor as he was, the offense should be treated lightly.

of the Chicago rules for the school children not to run to the street. What a remarkable city that be!

is short of flour and, in fact, most everything except trouble.

entist says babies should not be allowed to cry. "Allowed" is good!

away matches have been known to burn out ideally, but not often. The average course is toward wreck and wretchedness. The very need for safety and flight is generally in the line of a fault in the scheme somewhere, and young girls who are trying to defy parental love and care marry by stealth need feel no surprise when their idols' feet turn out to be clay, and a poor variety of that.

of the joksmiths, the cartoonists and the waggish poets, marriage is the most serious step in the lives of men and women, says the Boston Globe. Even the mature ought to give at least as respectable consideration as they would any other investment. Boys and girls need to take care on the matter, not railroad it to a quick-service city clerk's desk somewhere "across the line."

the many exposures of smuggling which women shows a curious cast to the feminine mind. In nearly every instance the culprit was aware of the law and that she was violating it, but few, if any, regarded the matter seriously and doubted even in the face of detection that it would be imposable to her own individual independence. Most women of this class never come in contact with the law, having lived in a realm in which their own will was sovereign. That law is no respecter of persons, however, and those who have had to learn, and those who take to themselves the lesson should be better citizens and certainly more familiar with the institutions of their country.

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When a mischievous boy takes snuff sometimes a great many others sneeze. At least this is what happened on a New York subway train. The boy, a youth of seventeen, asserts that he had a cold, for which he took the snuff, and that in doing so some of the stuff was spilled, and thus others were set to sneezing. But irate passengers assert that the lad deliberately threw the snuff about the car, creating such a paroxysm of sneezing that the train was almost shaken from the rails. At any rate the boy was arrested and taken before a police magistrate, who lectured the prisoner as "one of the worst rowdies brought here" and gave him five days in the workhouse. Which shows that New York laws are not to be sneezed at.

The Pennsylvania state board of health reports that the expenditure of \$3,000,000 in four years in the interest of the public health has resulted in saving \$23,000,000 to the commonwealth. This is conservation of a most desirable quality. It goes toward maintaining those greatest resources of a state which lie in a people rich in physical and mental well-being. The Pennsylvania board has fought diphtheria effectively with antitoxin. It has reduced the death rate from consumption, "the white plague," from 134 to 120 per thousand, and is about to do better by adding two new tuberculosis colonies to the one now in operation.

When a man's wife sticks hatpins into him, and tries to suffocate him as he sleeps, the New York courts have decided that he has a right to leave home. The ruling, however, was confirmatory merely, the man having decided first.

That skipper who stuck to his ship when the crew deserted it and was finally towed to port proves that there is something more than sentiment in the tradition of sticking to one's ship.

An airship is to ply regularly between Cleveland and Detroit. Lake Erie is the shallowest of the great lakes, but it contains enough water to make it comparatively safe to fall into.

The extravagance of American women is reported as shocking European observers. It has also occasionally administered fatal shocks to American husbands' bank accounts.

Modern inventions are causing trouble. The long distance phone interferes with the work of the Minnesota coeds, and it has been taken away from them.

New York's city budget for 1911 amounts to \$174,000,000, and there are doubts as to whether the kind of government New York gets is worth it.

A distinguished Britisher, now traveling in this country, says he does not like our jails. All he has to do in that case is to keep out of them.

From half a mile up, a field of corn shocks looks like a clover patch. Does that help you to the point of view?

It is not always the size of the population that makes a city really great.

The reports of that Spanish revolution continue to be premature.

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There is no immediate danger of the space above the earth being overcrowded with airships. But apparently there are those who believe the time is at hand when "rules of the road" will be necessary in order to assure safety to aerial travelers. The first international congress on aerial navigation in session in Paris, began deliberations in the foreign office and was opened by no less a dignitary than the French minister of public works, who commended the purpose of the gathering, which is to promote international legislation looking to the outlining of rights in the air. No doubt it will be well to have rules and regulations, so that when men actually begin to fly for business, pleasure or war there will be no misunderstanding.

That the south is making extraordinary progress industrially is no secret. And the census shows that some states down that way are expanding in population at a corresponding rate. Alabama reports a total of 2,138,093, a gain of 16.9 per cent., and Florida a total of 751,139, an increase of 42.1 per cent., during the ten years from 1900 to 1910. The number of inhabitants is not large compared with that in some of the greater states, but the growth is exceptional. And Alabama and Florida typify the remarkable material development in the south.

Among the fashion notes of the day is one to the effect that there is war between the large and the small bonnets. In such a strife, no doubt the principal weapon of offense and defense wielded by the ladies will be the hatpin.

With regard to that wedding at which the bride was attended by a train of poodle dogs, an enterprising bridegroom would have ensured a lively and sensational celebration by introducing a brace of vigorous tomcats as best men.

When the czar and the kaiser met they kissed; but the salutation of the governor of North Carolina and the governor of South Carolina had far more spirit to it.

China has long been referred to as an arrested civilization. But China is to have a parliament and can no longer expect to be stationary or voiceless.

Alexander the Great's route to India has been discovered, but the road is so badly in need of repairs that other conquerors will not use it for some time yet.

Latest foreign nobleman to arrive announces that he is not seeking a wife. After inspection of the noble photograph his determination must be applauded.

A New York waitress has fallen heir to a pittance of \$150,000. This mite added to what she has received from tips should make her a millionaire.

When his motor stops 6,000 feet up in the air the intelligent aeroplane operator knows that it is time to come back to earth.

Aviation will not stop, even if the toll of human life becomes greater than it is today.

Cheer up—picture postcards are cheaper.


Exchanging professors with American institutions of learning is an increasing practice among educators abroad. For several years the interchange has been going on between this country and Germany, and some of the ablest of our teachers have served in Berlin and elsewhere, while German professors have done similar work in American universities and colleges, says the Troy Times. Now a prominent business man of Copenhagen has given \$100,000 to the Scandinavian-American Society to promote the interchange of professors between American and Danish universities. The Rhodes scholarships, through which American students receive the benefit of advanced courses at England's great university of Oxford, furnish another illustration of the solidarity of learning which incidentally must tend to draw nations nearer to one another.

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California is buying mules for China. Look out! Those Chinks are likely to send over some trick mules and get a little revenge.

One bears tales of a lake "much larger than Superior" in the Canadian northwest. Stock in that story is too much watered.

The birth rate is increasing in France, but not enough to scare Germany.

Archimedes, the famous ancient physicist and mathematician, is credited with the declaration that if he could be given a place to stand he would move the earth, that statement illustrating his conception of the possibilities of the lever principle. But according to an announcement from New York an investigator connected with the physics department of the city college has performed a feat rivaling if not excelling the imaginary one of Archimedes. The New York investigator has completed a series of experiments by which he has ascertained the actual weight of the earth, which he places at 7,000,000,000,000 tons. Anyone inclined to dispute the correctness of these calculations has full liberty to figure out the matter for himself.

Another proof that agriculture is not "played out" in New England. At the corn exposition in Worcester, Mass., a resident of that state was awarded the prize of \$500 for raising 103 1/2 bushels of "crib dry, yellow flint corn" on one acre of land. This is a world's record, having never been beaten even on the fertile soil of the west or south. With such results possible, "abandoned farms" should be unheard of in New England.

When his engine went back on him, the other day, Aviator Hoxsey picked out a plowed field in which to fall from a height of 3,000 feet. The fact that he was merely stunned indicates an immediate need of more plowed fields.

Fletcher says you should "hold your face down" when you are eating, so that your tongue will hang perpendicularly in your mouth." To do this most comfortably get down on your hands and knees when you eat.

The Washington Post alleges in a headline, "American Aviators Falling Behind," which is not quite so damaging to them as their other performances in the line of falling down.

If you think it would do you good to be a vegetarian, there's no time like the present for experimenting.

**ART OF DRESSING.**

The way to be artistically gowned is to discover one's best feature and then dress up to it. This law has been laid down to the class in artistic costuming which was recently added to the fine arts department of the New York Teachers' college, and the instructor, who formerly designed for a Fifth avenue dressmaker, applies it to emphasize the importance of developing one's individuality, says the Boston Transcript. "If you have attractive eyes," says the expert, "make the most of them by your style of dress. If your hair is your sole claim to beauty, the tone of the dress should be such as to make the hair seem to beautify the entire face. If the pink of your cheeks is alluring in its delicacy choose some complementary shade for your dress." Conversely, unattractive features—a prominent nose, eyes that squint or a too ample mouth—should be "dressed down," and the expert affirms that such features may be subdued and better features given prominence if one knows the secret of the new art of beauty. These secrets are to be imparted, it is understood, before the winter is over. "Any woman," whether a member or not, may pose before the class, which will frankly discuss her good points and poor ones and plan an artistic costume of the proper fabric and the most becoming color, on the lines best suited to her figure.

In this age of man birds automobiles are fast becoming archaic.

Is a trust of aviators the next big monopoly?