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### EVILS OF EYE STRAIN.

Some of Them Are Headaches, Dizziness and Indigestion.  
When a child begins to screw up its eyes to elevate and depress its eyebrows, to wrinkle its forehead, to blink, to push forward its head when looking at things, then suspect eye strain. Among the many troubles caused by eye strain are headaches, dizziness, indigestion and so called bilious attacks.  
Eye strain is really a weariness of the many nerves that supply the small muscles of the eyes. If there be any abnormal optical conditions, such as errors of refraction, found in myopia, or shortsightedness and hyperopia, or long sightedness, imperfect balance of the ocular muscles and astigmatism or asymmetrical curvature of the cornea, these muscles try their best to correct the trouble, but soon tire of the effort and give it up, when the blurred images of irregular diffusion are left to irritate the retina. As one-fourth of all the cranial nerves are devoted to the eyes one can scarcely wonder that headaches are the result of eye strain. That backwardness in school work is often due to eye strain is well known to up to date educators.  
It is claimed by some medical men that the majority of children who are said to be mentally defective are not suffering from weakness of intellect, but from defective sight, that can be cured by glasses.—New York World.

### THE PLAIN OF MARATHON.

Modern Aspect of the Famous Old Greek Battlefield.  
Greece, though sparsely inhabited, is in the main a very cheerful looking country. The loneliness of much of it is not depressing, the bareness of much of it is not sad. I began to understand this on the day when I went to the plain of Marathon, which fortunately lies away from railroads. One must go there by carriage or motor or on horseback. The road is bad both for beasts and machinery, but it passes through country which is typical of Greece and through which it would be foolish to go in haste.  
Go quietly to Marathon, spend two hours there, or more, and when you return in the evening to Athens you will have tasted a new joy. You will have lived for a little while in an exquisite pastoral—a pastoral through which, it is true, no pipes of Pan have fluted to you; I heard little music in Greece—but which has been full of that lightness, brightness, simplicity and delicacy peculiar to Greece. The soil of the land is light, and I believe, though Helene has told me that in this I am wrong, that the heart of the people is light. Certainly the heart of one traveler was as he made his way to Marathon along a white road thickly powdered with dust.—Robert Hichens in Century Magazine

### A Fiery Speech.

William O'Brien in his "Recollections" gives this picture of Timothy Healy's first appearance in parliament: "A quarter of an hour after he took his seat as member for Wexford he started up to make his maiden speech—tiny of frame, sarabane of visage, his hands in his breeches pockets, as coolly insolent as a Parisian gamin, as entirely detestable as a small Dionysus, peering over the rims of his plumage as from his tub, through bilious eyes over his contemptible audience—and horrified the house of commons with the following exordium: 'Mr. Speaker, if the noble marquis (Hartington) thinks he is going to bully us with his high and mighty Cavendish ways, all I can tell him is he will find himself knocked into a cocked hat in a jiffy, and we will have to put him to the necessity of wiping the blood of all the Cavendishes from his noble nose a good many times before he disposes of us.'"

### Ways of the Japanese.

The thick straw mats are the only furniture needed in a Japanese house. They are three by six feet in size and take the place of tables, beds and chairs. The house is never heated. In winter the people put on thick, wadded kimonos, sit on their feet and hold their hands over a little charcoal brazier. For recreation they go out to the family burying ground to worship the spirits of their ancestors or to a shrine to see the cherry blossoms. If earthquakes, which are as common there as thunderstorms here, shake down the little houses or they are swept away by the fires that a proverb says sweep Tokyo every seven years, the little brown folks only smile and murmur "Shikata ga nai" (There is no help for it).—New York Sun

### They Didn't Like Razors.

Said Daniel Webster: "—the razor! It has taught me to curse. It has cost me more time and more trouble than all my speeches."  
Rufus Choate, the lawyer, called the razor an instrument invented by Lucifer to fill up hell with barbers.  
Edward Everett never used profane language, but before shaving he would invariably give vent to all sorts of French barbarisms.

### The Retort.

Here is a retort which a "dull student" once made: "Professor—You seem to be very dull. When Alexander the Great was your age he had already conquered the world. Student—Well, you see, he had Aristotle for a teacher.—Chambers' Journal.

### Missed Vocation.

Client—Didn't you make a mistake in going into law instead of the army? Lawyer—Why? Client—By the way you charge there would be little left of the enemy.—London Tit-Bits

### GENERAL NEWS.

NEW YORK—The appellate division of the state supreme court unanimously ordered the dismissal of the indictment against Charles H. Hyde, ex-city chamberlain, whose conviction of bribery in the affairs of the Carnegie Trust company, was set aside on May 16. Mr. Hyde is now released from \$25,000 bail and his conviction having been reversed, he is free to apply for reinstatement as a lawyer. The original charge against Hyde was that he forced Joseph G. Robin of the Northern Bank to loan William J. Cummings of the Carnegie Trust company \$130,000 by threatening to withdraw city deposits from the bank if the loan were not made, and by promising to double the city deposits if the loan was made.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—About forty persons were injured when five coaches of an excursion train on the Western New York and Pennsylvania road, from this city to Bradford, Pa., left the track and rolled down an embankment near Caylerville Station, thirty-three miles west of here. One of the injured passengers is expected to die and four others are reported to be in a dangerous condition. As the train was proceeding at the rate of thirty miles an hour, a bolt on the tender broke, thus putting on the air brakes with such force that the first car jumped the track. This in turn carried off the four following coaches.

WASHINGTON—Senator Francis Newlands of Nevada before the Overman lobby investigating committee indignantly denied affiliation with the anti-free sugar lobby, as intimated in the correspondence of Henry T. Oxnard, leading spirit of the beet sugar campaign against free sugar, and Truman F. Palmer, the Washington agents of the beet sugar interests. Senator Newlands said the sugar lobby was divided into the cane sugar interests on one side and the beet sugar interests on the other.

NEW YORK—Mrs. Crawford W. Hill, wife of the owner of the Denver Republican, was fined \$300 in the federal court in Newark on a charge of smuggling gowns on the Imperator. Mrs. Hill, with her maid and her husband, a capitalist of Denver, arrived on the Imperator's maiden trip. Customs inspector Cole found gowns and other clothing, specially two silk dresses and a coat valued at \$75. In which the foreign labels had been removed and the names of American makers substituted.

WASHINGTON—Two dramatic appointments went a-berrying when Meredith Nicholson, a novelist of Indiana, declined the post of minister to Portugal, and with a short grace the White House received the destination of James D. Phelan, former mayor of San Francisco, to accept the position of ambassador to Austria-Hungary. The two declinations were a fiasco for the administration, which is still experiencing some hitches in filling foreign posts.

WASHINGTON—When Justice Stafford, of criminal court No. 1, district supreme court, refused to parole Ray M. Stewart, eighteen, convicted of highway robbery, Stewart ripped out a revolver and began shooting at St. McHawkins, the prosecuting attorney. Stewart fired three shots, none of which took effect. He then swung around toward Justice Stafford, but before he had time to fire he was overpowered by court attendants.

WASHINGTON—The administration forces won in the election of a chairman for the Democratic congressional campaign committee. Representative Doramus of Michigan was chosen chairman by a vote of 30 to 24 votes cast for Representative Cline of Indiana. Mr. Doramus is the expressed choice of President Wilson. He is serving his second term in congress.

NEW YORK—Arthur Ingersoll, Hoe, one of the seven children of the late Robert Hoe, printing press manufacturer, who left more than \$2,000,000 to his family, was sued in the supreme court for \$225,000 by Miss Mae Sullivan, a graduate of St. Bridget's academy, the daughter of the late Patrick H. Sullivan, at one time registrar of deeds of this county.

CHICAGO—The village officials of Park Ridge, Ill., went before the grand jury and gave testimony which is expected to result in indictments against Chester McNally, village collector, who disappeared Saturday, following the discovery of an alleged shortage of nearly \$5,000 in his accounts.

MONTICELLO, N. Y.—Mrs. B. Wolfe, of Ferrisale, Sullivan county, near here, tried to spank her young son and in so doing upset an olive-oil. In the fire that followed twelve business houses and three dwellings, including the Wolfe home, were destroyed. The loss is about \$100,000.

MADRID, SPAIN—Queen Victoria of Spain has given birth to a son. The infant is the sixth born to King Alfonso and his Queen. Five of the six are living. King Alfonso and Ena, Princess of Battenberg, were married May 31, 1906.

### WATER FOR HEALTH.

Drink at Least Three Pints a Day to Keep in Good Condition.  
"It's queer," said a medical man to the writer, "how few people drink the amount of water they should to insure good health. You should take at least three pints daily."  
"In the first place, you lose by perspiration and evaporation in the breath about two pints a day of the water you take into the system, and about another pint goes to help keep the blood in order and the skin glands and joints, etc., sufficiently moist. Milk is not of much use to replace this, as it is mainly a food. Tea and coffee are not advisable drinks, because they contain a nerve destroying drug (caffeine). Cocoa, again, is more of a food than a drink, and alcohol—well, the less said about that the better."  
"The only drinks we have left, then, are mineral waters and plain water. Too much mineral water is not good; but plain water contains no harmful drugs or minerals and, moreover, is nature's own product. If you drink sufficient of it the skin will be kept clear of pimples, rashes and sores, the blood will be purer and nature will see to it that sufficient water is mingled with it so that it circulates normally and not sluggishly because it is thick with impurities."  
"Take a half pint glass of water at a time. One in the morning on rising, one after breakfast, one after dinner, one during the afternoon, one after tea and one before retiring—total, three pints."—London Answers.

### RAILWAY TRAVEL IN SYRIA.

They Have a Free and Easy System on Some of the Roads.  
They have a curious way of managing some railways in Syria. Weary of such riding, a party of travelers on their way to Beirut resolved one day to go by train. They arrived at a primitive station, but could find no station master.  
Presently, however, one of the camp followers arrived, looked about and, spying a small red flag lying on the platform, made off with it along the line. When a train came in the man waved his flag, the engine driver pulled up, and the travelers got in.  
Later, while the train was puffing on its way, the guard came along the footboard and issued the tickets, carefully noting down the names, nationality and occupations of the passengers. Two stations farther on they got out, and here there was not only a station-master, but a porter, and the latter stayed with them all day in an orchard till the camp arrived, meanwhile feeding them with honey from the comb.  
Where else, one wonders, could such a charming railway system be found?—Wide World Magazine.

### Sunday Theatricals.

Sunday theatricals had a rough time of it at one period of England's history. On Sunday, Sept. 27, 1631, Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream" was privately performed in the bishop of Lincoln's house in London. The Puritans had the affair inquired into, and there is a suspicion of humor in the punishment awarded to the performer of Bottom, the weaver—"We do order that Mr. Wilson, as he was a special plottor and contriver of this business and did in such a brutish manner at the same, with an ass' head, shall upon Tuesday next from 4 o'clock in the morning till 10 o'clock at night sit in the porter's lodge at my lord bishop's house with his feet in the stocks and attired with an ass' head and a bottle of hay before him and this subscription on his breast:  
"Good people, I have played the beast and brought ill things to pass. I was a man, but thus have made myself a silly ass."

### Borneo's Tobacco Fields.

Tobacco is the chief product in North Borneo, and its land produces but one crop of tobacco in seven to nine years new fields must be cleared every year. After the jungle is cut and burned and any of Chinese coolies is turned on the land with axes to dig it and prepare it for planting. No plows are used. The young tobacco plants are set out by hand and kept clean with hoes. It is necessary for a tobacco planter to possess thousands of acres of uncultivated land in reserve and to employ 500 to 1,000 coolies.

### The Book He Liked.

The late Joannin Miller, says a writer in the Christian Register, was indifferent to books, but was fond of newspapers. "He scanned the newspapers with avidity and made copious clippings. He preferred communing with nature to books. The only volume in his den was a Bible."

### Circumstantial Evidence.

"I guess she will marry Noodle after all."  
"Did she say so?"  
"Not in so many words, but she asked me if I knew anything about the most effective method of training a puppy."—Youkers Statesman.

### Her Sympathy.

Adolphus—"It's an awful shame. My little nephew got hold of that poem I wrote to you and tore it to shreds. Augusta—So the little fellow can read already!—London Opinion.

### Another Mouth to Feed.

Father—And did he give you any encouragement, dear? Daughter—Yes, father, he asked me if you and mother were pleasant to live with.—Yonkers Statesman.

The world knows nothing of its greatest men.—Van Artevelde.

### SUNDRY CIVIL BILL

President Attaches Protest to Objectionable Item.

### "I COULD NOT SEPARATE IT"

Taft Vetoes Same—Wilson Says "Unjustifiable in Character and Principle" is Part Exempting Labor and Farmer Organizations from Prosecution Under \$300,000 Grant.

President Wilson signed the sundry civil appropriation bill, but made public a memo of protest against the section of the bill which prohibits the expenditure of any part of a \$300,000 department of justice item contained in the measure in the prosecution of labor unions and farmers' organizations for Sherman anti-trust law violations.

### Taft Vetoes Same.

On March 4, when the sundry civil bill in the same form came to President Taft for his signature, Mr. Taft declared the provision amounted to "class legislation of the most vicious sort," and vetoed it on the ground that he could not "be a party to writing such a provision into the laws of the republic."

In the memorandum which accompanied his signature, President Wilson said:

"I have signed this bill because I can do so without in fact limiting the operation of the power of the department of justice to prosecute violations of the law by whomsoever committed.

### Could Not Separate It.

"If I could have separated from the rest of the bill that item which authorized the expenditures by the department of justice of a special sum of \$300,000 for the prosecution of violations of the anti-trust law, I would have vetoed that item because it places upon the expenditures a limitation which is, in my opinion, unjustifiable in character and principle. But I could not separate it.

"I can assure the country that this item will neither limit nor in any way embarrass the actions of the department of justice. Other appropriations supply the department with abundant funds to enforce the law. The law will be interpreted in the determination of what the department should do, by independent, and I hope, impartial judgments as to the true and just meaning of substantive statutes of the United States."

### Pleading to Neither Side.

The opinion expressed in political circles here on the president's actions was that it would result in making an unfavorable impression on both the republicans and the supporters of the exemption clause. It was pointed out that the president has certainly not endeared himself to the labor sympathizers or of those among the farmers, who are seeking support favors, for he has gone on record as against the "character and principle" of the provision.

### TWO ARE CRUSHED IN AUTO; BURN TO DEATH

Tank Explodes after Machine Is Wrecked at Crossing.

At Chicago two persons, if not more, were crushed and burned to death, an automobile was ground to bits and a Metropolitan Elevated train was set on fire and badly damaged at the surface crossing at Oak Park.

The wrecked auto bore the license No. 11,543, belonging to George M. Scott of Riverside, and, as Mr. Scott was out in his car at the time, he is thought to be one of the victims.

The other is thought to be Mrs. W. E. Smith, a piece of Scott, also of Riverside, who had gone for a ride with him.

When they left the Smith residence they had with them a Mr. Johnson, an iron and steel man, living on the south side and Johnston's wife and little niece; but the guests are said to have left the auto before the accident.

Eye witnesses say there were only two persons in the auto when the train struck it; others declare that there were four or five, and that one was a child.

### MASTERPIECE IS FOUND

Carlo Dolci's Painting, Lost Abroad for Centuries, in Philadelphia

Carlo Dolci's "Salome" with the head of John the Baptist, missing for centuries from the galleries of the old world, is hanging in Memorial Hall here.

The discovery has just been made through the restoration of the painting by Pasquale Farina. For nine years this painting of the greatest artist of his period, depicting one of the famous scenes of sacred history, has hung a dim and dingy, paint covered nondescript entitled "Youth and Love," by Carlo Dolci.