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ENGLAND RAISING GOLDEN RULE FUND
 The example of the American people in raising a fund of several million dollars annually for the Near East Relief is quoted by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and Viscount Gladstone in an appeal just issued for a similar British Golden Rule fund to assist Assyrian refugees in Iraq.

The American fund, this appeal points out, does not deal with the necessities of thousands of Christian refugees who have recently been expelled from Turkish territory into Iraq, where they have a special claim upon the British mandatories.
 Among the discontented people are the folks whose income has just been increased and who have discovered a lot of new wants.

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SOMEWHAT OF SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT
 "THUNDER ON THE LEFT"

By Christopher Morley
 Doubleday Page & Co.

It was part of the knowledge of ancient Rome that "When men heard thunder on the left the gods had somewhat of special advertisement to impart." And no one will doubt today that this is true. No one, that is, who reads Christopher Morley's book, the title of which is taken from this saying.

It is the sort of book that is as difficult to put a label on as it is to get the long struggled with salt on the bird's tail. It may be a fantasy of abject realism, a tragedy or a dream. We suspect it is one of those fairy tales more real than reality, which people who think that reality ends where unreality begins and do not know that they overlap as a stream overflowing and receding from its banks, will have a very puzzling time understanding.

In any case it is surely the best book that Morley has written. It is full of those sparkling drops that fall from his pen as naturally as water from a raised oar. "In a vague way she recognized a spirit not more happy but more finely unhappy; a spirit concerned with those impassioned curiosities of life which Ruth knew existed and yet knew not how to approach." Or, "The world shimmered like a pale jewel with a flame of uneasiness at its core."

It begins with the children's birthday party, Martin cutting the cake along the little white lines cook made with the icing. But suddenly Joyce slips over to the window to look out at the grownups drinking tea on the porch. The other children, as if drawn by a single impulse, follow her. "I wonder what it's like to be grown up." "I wonder if they're happy." "I don't believe they are." "Of course, they are! It's wonderful to be grown up." And then in the pages that follow they have a chance to know.

A LOVE STORY OF CHINA
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By Thomas Grant Springer
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In any case Wo Loie is a girl of China and not of Chicago. In a time of terrible famine when the Rain God is asleep, Wo Loie's father sells her to the highest bidder so that his son, the flower of his house, may have food. One of those bidding is a young mariner from a far country, the other the rich merchant of the town who holds her father deeply in his debt. So it is the merchant who wins the prize for his sickly son, but the mariner has already won the true prize of the maiden's heart.

Years later the mariner returns. The son of the merchant died on his wedding day. Wo Loie wishes to go with the mariner. But again he is overbid. Then comes the part of the "red cord," when Wo Loie claims her right to go to her husband rather than to another man. But as the moon is around her neck it is found that it will not tighten because of a knot mysteriously tied. The gods have intervened. Wo Loie is saved.

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MORE WATER, LESS COAL FOR HEATING
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 State Health Board Expert Says More Moisture Would Help Reduce Fuel Bill and Be Beneficial

Referring to the average American home in winter as the "human hot-house" and pointing out that people of the United States now demand indoor cold weather temperatures ranging from 15 to 20 degrees higher than was considered comfortable a century ago in this country, Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state health director, declares that we have our modern heating systems to thank not only for the fading natural color and the corresponding increase in cosmetic complexion but for many of our catarrhal and other respiratory ills as well.

Instead of 55 to 60 degrees temperature with a relative humidity of 35 to 40 per cent, the healthful, comfortable standard secured by our forebears from the open fire in 1820, we now require from 70 to 75 degrees with a 15 to 20 per cent humidity at the expense of extravagant fuel consumption and a lowered resistance to infections.

"While the human body can adjust itself fairly well to temperature ranging over a scale of 150 degrees," said Dr. Rawlings, "adjustment to a change of 75 or 80 degrees, the difference between indoor and outdoor heat on a cold day, cannot be made instantly nor will the body tolerate kindly the dry hot air that fills most of our homes, hotels, offices, school rooms and hospitals during the winter months. The hygienic standard for indoor living quarters in cold weather should be 65 degrees temperature with 35 to 40 per cent relative humidity, but this is difficult to secure with the average heating system, a 75 degree 15 per cent humidity ratio being much more common.

Poor Conductor
 "Dry air is a poor conductor of comfort heat; moist air is good. It requires about as much fuel to raise the temperature from 60 to 70 degrees as from 20 to 60. Dry air at 70 degrees may be chilly and it certainly causes the body to lose moisture rapidly from the lungs and skin, reducing the heat capacity, sapping the vigor, destroying complexion and lowering resistance to disease. A high temperature standard for living quarters is therefore severely extravagant on the one hand, and productive of a people hypersensitive to changes in weather and intolerant of climatic hardships on the other.

"We need more water and less coal in our household air supplies, and the sooner we get it the better off we shall be, economically and healthily."

MR. HAWKINS GIVES MORE DETAILS OF PLAT
 Former Mayor Supplements Report Made Last Week of Cleveland-French Plat Work

Mr. F. P. Hawkins, former mayor of Highland Park, in the following letter calls attention to further details regarding the survey, by Cleveland & French, report on which was printed in last week's issue of the Press:

My dear Mr. Udell:—
 I read your extracts from Cleveland & French report. It was all good except you got Mr. French's name "Hutch." Mr. French was an artist and manager of the Art Institute until his death. Cleveland & French plat and survey covered only the property lying south of Laurel ave. This was all a dense forest, there was not a house on the tract. The 8 miles of streets described was all in this territory.

The valuation given of \$200,000 also was on this tract alone.
 The improved part of Highland Park was north of Laurel ave. I enclose a valuation of the whole tract, north and south, showing a valuation of \$976,389.71. The original plat of Highland Park lay north of and included Central ave, and extended to Fort Sheridan. 1200 acres were included in the whole property. It was in the old plat where any fault was found and corrected by Cleveland & French.

As to the plats showing "taste" and appreciation of beauty in those who did the planning, I think the powers that be, of our present time, will have to do considerable to show superior taste and appreciation of this God made territory. The Highland Park Building Company did all that was done, in six years! Personally I am satisfied that at least we did not spoil its beauty or put any sewage or water plants in our part to defile both air and water, —deliberately taking for such use what did not belong to them, in return for unacknowledged generosity of Parks, worth a great sum!

So, as the representative of those who gave the Parks, I appeal to those holding the Trust to guard the interests of the generations to come.
 F. P. Hawkins
 Nov. 27, 1925

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