

About the House

MEMORIES.

In the morning there shall be not a doubt,
But a song and glad laughter all about.
Let us think it; let us dream it, if you please;
Let us live it so 'twill be memories.
Memories! We make them now going on
Through the rich and radiant moments of the dawn.
Let's determine, then, to know every day
Happy moments that shall glow by our way.
Then, when gray and full of years, we can smile,
Living over happy days, afterwards.
And at evening there shall be not a doubt,
But eternal promises all about.
—Jay B. Iden.

AN APRON SHOWER.

When casting about for material for a shower to bless the engaged girl with, decide upon aprons and see what a prolific shower they will make. If the girl is likely to do a lot of her own work—and that's what most of our friends are happily planning for—we may as well begin at the bottom and tell about the aprons of our acquaintance, from the humblest to the highest.

First there are the lowly but necessary gingham. After making sure of her favorite color, buy the half-inch plaids instead of the old fine plaids; then embellish the border above the hem with cross-stitching on the white squares in the color of the dark squares. Repeat the design on the pockets and on the centre of the belt. Make the ties three inches wide and long enough to tie in a square bow in the back. Say three gingham will be enough.

Then buy enough organdie of her most becoming color to make, after a good pattern, two long-sleeved and high-necked aprons that button down the back, with white organdie collars, cuffs and pocket trimming. These are Sunday-supper aprons to slip right on over a pretty dress.

Next buy enough sheer India linen, or lawn, to make two long, straight aprons with a four-inch hem at the bottom and wide long ties. These aprons are to slip on at serving time or when getting a light supper, and are very useful and not quite as business-like looking as the friendly gingham. Crease the gathers in the old way and gather twice to make them lie well in at the belt. The aprons must be sheer but have no trimming.

SOMETHING FOR EVERY OCCASION.

The fancy-work apron is made of unbleached canvas, having three deep pockets at the bottom instead of a hem, made by turning the material up and putting a narrow hem at the top so that it is right side out and stitching down between the pockets with featherstitching. The apron may be embroidered with flower motifs in the centre of each pocket. Through a casing at the top a ribbon three inches wide may be run for ties in the color matching the embroidery.

An apron made of asbestos cloth to use when working around the stove is cut after the fashion of the butcher's apron and is bound with tape. It has a neck loop of tape and ties of the same. Rubber-lined material may be purchased by the yard, and an apron made on the same lines as an asbestos apron will keep the wearer dry when doing her laundry work. It is also good to wear when washing the dishes. The little ticking apron with pockets for clothespins is another handy possession.

Every girl who is to have a home in the country will need a garden apron made of pretty cretonne after the pattern of the Sunday organdie apron. There must be a sunbonnet and a kneeling pad to match to make the set complete.

For silver-cleaning days there is a newcomer that is convenient and a silent helper. Make a gingham apron long and wide, and cover it with a

thin flannel apron the same size. Then lay in the centre, after the two former materials are gathered, a large-sized chamois. The latter is fastened to a tape belt of its own, then tacked to the apron belt, from which it is easily detached when it must be washed and dried. In holding the silver pieces on the lap the flannel is soft and does not scratch, and any moisture is not likely to go through, and the chamois polisher is right at hand. A small white woolen glove is excellent to use for applying the paste.

Fudge and tea aprons are made of linen embroidered in any way liked, but if giving a tea the hostess will wear little silk or crepe de chine aprons or little butterfly things of lace and cambric.

A MOVABLE DRAINBOARD.

In kitchens without running water it is sometimes a problem to dispose of dishwater after every meal, without having to carry several heavy dishpanfuls out to some outdoor drain. A woman who was anxious to make her kitchen more convenient, solved the question by getting her husband to make her a movable drainboard with a hinged support at the lower end. This drainboard had a band about two inches high running around three sides to prevent water from being spilled about the kitchen. It hung by a large hook on the kitchen wall when not in use. When it was time to do the dishes this housekeeper set up the drainboard with one end on the table, the other end resting on the hinged leg, the whole sloping toward a tall tin coffee drum which received the water. When the dishwashing was over, the water was removed in one trip out of the kitchen, instead of the numerous journeys formerly required, and the drainboard was hung on the wall again.

A COMFORTABLE SUIT FOR THE SMALL BOY.



Pattern 3711 is shown in this illustration. It is cut in 4 sizes: 3, 4, 5 and 6 years. A 6-year size requires 3 3/4 yards of 27-inch material. If made as illustrated trousers and collar will require 1 1/2 yards of material and blouse 1 1/2 yards.

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SPOTLESS MAHOGANY.

A neighbor of mine, noted for her spotless and shining mahogany, once told me her secret. In a bowl on her desk she keeps half a cream nut—Brazil nut—and when even a slight scratch or mark appears on the wood she rubs it away entirely with the cut end of the nut, polishing later with a soft cloth. The oil in the nut completely restores the finish.

OLD VELVET MADE NEW.

For those who still use wood or coal ranges or the hot plate over gas stoves, we can recommend an ideal way of renovating velvet. After brushing off the top of the stove, lay a large cloth wrung out of water on it and over this the velvet, right side up. As the steam rises brush the goods with a soft brush until all creases disappear. If necessary dampen the cloth more than once.

The human race is divided into two classes: those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit and inquire why it was not done the other way.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

A fish that is illuminated with phosphorescent lights, and can make distracting noises while pursuing its prey, has been found off the California coast.

There is no crime so great as ignorance.—Lord Leverhulme.

ST. VITUS DANCE

Shows Through a Twitching of the Muscles of Face and Limbs.

Chorea, or as it is more generally known, St. Vitus dance, is a trouble that usually attacks young children, though older people may be afflicted with it. Its most common symptoms are a twitching of the muscles of the face and limbs. As the disease progresses the twitching takes the form of spasms in which the jerking motion may be confined to the head, or all the limbs may be affected. Frequently the patient is unable to hold anything in the hands or to walk steadily. In severe cases the speech is often affected. The disease is due to debility of the nerves and relief comes through an enriched blood supply, which feeds and strengthens the nerves. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been most successful in reaching this trouble through their specific action on the blood, which it enriches and purifies. The following instance will show what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can do in this trouble. Mrs. S. E. Makins, Parry Harbor, Ont., says:— "As a young girl I was badly stricken with St. Vitus dance. My parents tried several medicines but without avail. I was steadily growing worse and could scarcely walk without falling. I had to quit school and had no control of my nerves or actions. Finally a neighbor advised the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and the use of these for a couple of months restored me, and I have had no attack of the trouble since. I have, however, taken the pills at different times since, when I felt out of sorts, and find them all you claim for them if given a fair trial."

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The Pup.

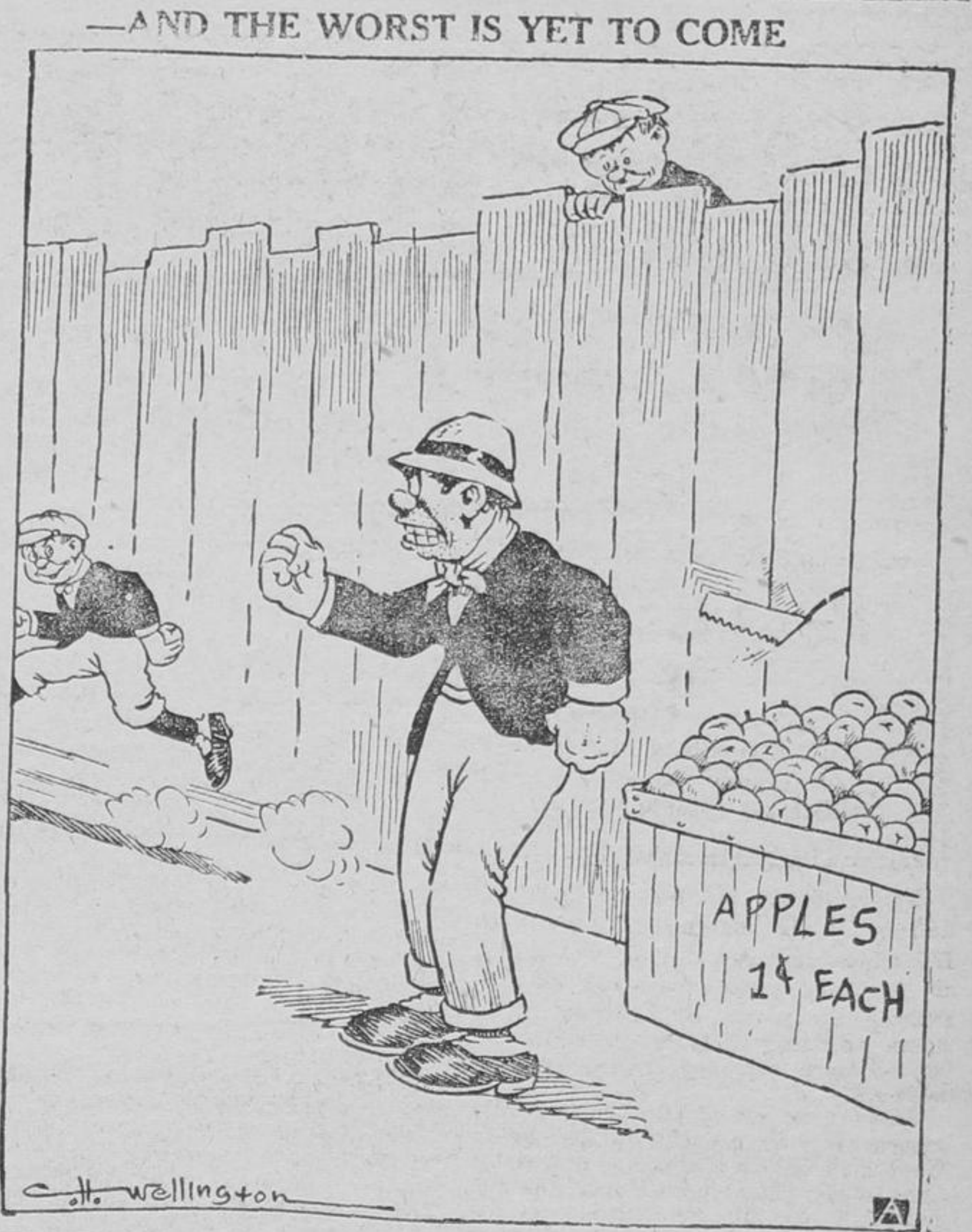
Shy on wisdom,
We confess;
Just a lump of
Foolishness.

Roll and tumble
All the day;
Full of friendly
Harmless play.

Just a clumsy
Yappy mutt;
Always getting
Under foot.

Hate to see him
Growing up;
Funny, awkward
Little pup!

Next to money the hardest thing to keep is a secret.



Oldest Dated Handwriting Discovered at Ur.

The authorities of the British Museum attach great importance to a report from C. L. Woolley, leader of the expedition sent jointly by the museum and the University of Pennsylvania, disclosing their discovery of Ur-of-the-Chaldees of an example of the oldest dated specimen of handwriting, says a London despatch.

The main body of workmen had been engaged in clearing the Ziggurat or staged tower, whose ruins dominate the plain of Ur. Describing the contents of a small temple excavated during the first month, the report says:

"Such finds would have been, indeed, noteworthy to whatever period they belonged, but these are the more surprising, in that they are the oldest works of art in metal yet known.

"A marble tablet was discovered inscribed in Sumerian which records that this was the temple of the Goddess Ninkhurag, built in her honor by the King of Ur, Aanipadda, son of King Mesonipadda. The latter is known to us, from king lists drawn up about 2,000 years before Christ, as a ruler of the first dynasty of Ur.

"Taken at its face value, the Su-

merian chronology would assign our statues and relics to a date somewhere about 4500 years before Christ; even of that chronology has to be modified we can yet say that our month's work has given us the oldest dated example of man's handwriting and the oldest known triumphs of the art of Tubal Cain."

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