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## The Fifty Dollar Bill

BY WILSON CLAY MISSIMER.

Her trip had been planned hurriedly and her packing had been done in haste and confusion, and when she entered the Pullman and the porter had found her berth for her she was all in a flutter. It had been one of those last-minute trips to New York to do some shopping, decided because her husband had made her a present of a \$50 bill, which with the money she had already laid aside was sufficient for her to make the journey now instead of later, as she had intended. The matter of the money which her husband had given her was merely one of the odd little surprises he was generally lavishing upon her, and she had struck the bill with a pin into the pin cushion and decided then and there not to postpone her trip any longer and had begun packing immediately.

Settled at last, the hurry and excitement of the last hour seemed to fade to a mere nothing and changed for a bit of annoyance to a rather pleasant memory. Reminiscently she rehearsed the scenes in her mind. She remembered how flustered she had been, how she had ordered the maid outside to do her bidding, how she had literally thrown a few clothes into her traveling bag, how she had taken a most hurried leave of her husband. She could remember distinctly having at the last minute snatched up the \$50 bill from the pin cushion and thrusting it loose into her handbag. And now, after all the confusion and excitement and worry, here she was safe aboard the train and apparently none the worse for the rush.

There were not many people in the car. Two middle-aged gentlemen sat three or four seats in front of her, heatedly discussing some topic which she could not overhear. Opposite was a rather young woman, oddly dressed, whose eyes seemed to wander restlessly through the car. Behind her a mother and two small children were conversing tirelessly, the mother endeavoring to answer patiently the questions of a very talkative son.

When the train started and passed an hour or two in its perusal. Then becoming thirsty, she started down the aisle for the water cooler; and it was while drinking a glass of water that she remembered, having left the handbag in the seat, and she realized that this was a most careless thing to do, as it contained all her money. Hurrying back, she saw with some relief that the bag was still there and, sitting down, Mrs. Rockwell, obeying some strange, sudden impulse, opened the bag and looked in. The \$50 bill was not there!

She sat up rigid and stiff, gazing straight ahead of her. She had been robbed in that marvellously short time! She could scarcely believe her senses. She searched the side compartments of the bag, found her other money, which she had packed away carefully, but there was no sign of the \$50 bill. She did not know what to do. She glanced about her cautiously and found the eyes of the oddly dressed woman upon her; when Mrs. Rockwell looked at her she immediately glanced away.

Mrs. Rockwell was not a woman of very decided character and was rather easily excited. She lacked the acumen which enables one to act quickly, and she lost much time sitting rather dazedly gazing ahead of her. She was at a loss what to do. There was nothing particularly suspicious in the attitudes of those near her, yet the only person who could possibly have had the time and the chance to look into her handbag was the woman across the aisle.

When the woman returned to her seat she rather carelessly pushed her bag to one side and picked up a book which she had with her and began to read, leaving Mrs. Rockwell to wonder what kind of a criminal she was. As she studied her Mrs. Rockwell thought the woman had a hard face. There was nothing about her by which one could judge her age. The lack of the faintest trace of wrinkles might lead one to think she was young, but the lips were too thin and the eyes seemed astounded. She could readily appreciate that it was merely because the time was so limited that the woman did not ransack the whole bag and strip it of its moneyed contents.

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# About the House

Good Healing Lotions. There are certain healing lotions that every housewife should have in the medicine chest, as the ingredients for some of the best lotions are found in nearly every home and take but little time to prepare.

An excellent lotion for sore or chaffed skin is made by mixing to a paste a heaping teaspoonful of borax powder, a little camphor and a cupful of melted mutton tallow. Allow to stand until cold, and when wanted for use, heat a small amount and rub well into the skin. To keep the hands in good condition, rub a little of this mixture over them before retiring, covering the hands with old loose kid gloves. Use a little cornmeal with the soap when washing the hands during the day.

A weak solution of borax powder and warm water is excellent to apply to slight cuts and wounds, and if used at once is all that is needed, as it is a fine antiseptic and cleanser. It is a good plan to keep a bottle of the solution ready for use.

For burns, bind scraped raw potato onto the burn, renewing when dry. The potato pulp furnishes the moisture which the burn has taken out and relieves the burning sensation.

For a sprain, bathe well with hot vinegar and salt solution, or with one pint of hot water in which one tablespoonful of epsom salts has been dissolved.

For sore or inflamed eyes there is nothing better than a boric acid solution. In fact, it is the very thing which a doctor will prescribe for sore eyes. Take two-thirds of a cupful of warm water and dissolve it in one-fourth teaspoonful of boric acid powder. Wash the eyes with the solution, using either an eye cup or a soft cloth.

If a child's mouth is washed out twice daily with a weak boric solution it will be less susceptible to infant diseases. If the child's eyes are weak or sore, this same solution will be found beneficial.

An excellent healing liniment for bad cuts and wounds of all kinds is made with one part liquid carbolic acid, four parts glycerine and six parts sweet oil. It is just as valuable among the stock as in the home.

Well Planned Meals. Have you ever wondered why certain families are always complaining and employing a doctor? Why some mothers are up every night with crying children? Why some folks can't travel and eat en route, without having a sick spell?

Barring accidents, in nine cases out of ten, the afflicted parties habitually eat wrongly. For the greater part of the ill to which flesh is heir are traceable to wrong habits of diet.

Yet feeding the family correctly is a very simple matter, once you stop trying to make it difficult and scientific, forget calories and vitamins and proteins, and deal in terms of meat and potatoes, lettuce and apple sauce, turnips and cabbages, and eggs and bacon.

Here is a classification of the different sorts of foods. Cut it out, paste it over your table, and every day feed your family something from every one of the classes. That does not mean that every meal must be made up of foods from all five classes, but every day if we are to be kept in the best physical trim we should have something of every sort of food, vegetable or fruit, animal foods, cereals, sweets and fats.

The Five Food Groups: 1. Vegetables or fruits. 2. Milk or cheese, or eggs, or fish, or meat, or beans. 3. Cereal: Corn, rice, oats, rye or wheat. 4. Sweet: Sugar, honey, syrup. 5. Butter, cream, meat fat, butter substitute, oil.

The most common mistake of cooks is to leave out fresh vegetables or fruits, or give them in insufficient amounts, and to substitute too much of one or the other sorts of food. Next to vegetables and fruit, most families use too little milk and eggs. In the city the middle class cook substitutes meat in quantities out of proportion to the rest of the food, with the result that the family grows irritable and quarrelsome, with a tendency towards disease of the kidney.

The country housewife omits the vegetables or fruit, and gives too much baked stuffs, cakes, cookies and pies, with the result that everyone suffers from constipation. One can see a reason for the city cook, who must buy everything, to omit vegetables. But in the country where vegetables

said suddenly. "You didn't do much, did you?" "Indeed I did," Mrs. Rockwell replied. "You did!" her husband exclaimed rather wonderingly. "Why, what on?" "Why, on the money I had saved, but principally on the \$50 you gave me, dear."

Rockwell stared aghast at her. "The \$50 I gave you! Why, my dear, don't you know that you forgot that \$50 and left the bill pinned to your pin cushion, where I found it the morning after you had gone?" (The End.)

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## TAKING PHOTOS BY CLOCKWORK

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Wonders of the Universe Made Known by Astronomical Photography

"Skyscapes" are rapidly becoming one of the most remarkable features of the autumn exhibitions of photographs. They furnish a striking indication of the stride being made in astronomical photography.

Some of the most interesting of such pictures are those of the moon. It is now usually taken in sections, and the results seem to upset many theories. Some astronomers hold, for instance, that there is still volcanic action in its moon, and that it is, therefore, inaccurate to call it a dead world. One authority indeed believes that there is vegetation on it.

Photographs of the sun are more remarkable for scientific value than for general interest. Those of eclipses are so important that a few years ago no fewer than five English expeditions went to various countries round the Mediterranean specially to photograph one. Still, the view of the sun that are taken daily—and this is routine work at some observatories—prove that it is continuously changing.

Why the Heavens are Photographed. Stellar photographs, however, are both valuable and interesting. They may be taken direct or through a telescope. By either method the apparatus must be driven by clockwork to counteract the apparent motion of the stars, or, as a long exposure is necessary, those bodies are represented on the plate by streaks, and not dots. Actually, of course, it is we who are whirling through space.

Within limits, the number of stars which can be photographed on a plate is in proportion to the length of the exposure. If plate after plate is exposed gradually increasing periods, the time soon comes when every star visible in the most powerful telescope is recorded; but if the exposure be still further increased, more and more stars will be added to those already photographed on the earlier plates.

There are stars of extraordinary interest. Never has the eye of man seen them. Perhaps the light from them has been travelling towards the earth for thousands of years, and, though still moving in our direction with a velocity of 156,000 miles a second, will not be visible from this planet in our life-time.

There is a still stranger probability. It is not at all unlikely that by means of a long exposure we may photograph a star which vanished before Man began to inhabit the earth.

Amazing is the number of stars which thus indicate their presence in the heavens. In a certain part of the stellar regions only 200,000 could be charted by telescope, whereas photographs discovered and recorded in exactly the same area more than two millions.

Photography has in this way alone added enormously to our knowledge of the stars. It has perhaps been most valuable in other directions.

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Tuberculosis in Chickens, roosters, geese, turkeys, ducks, etc. is a particular symptom suggesting paralysis. During the infantile paralysis which red at intervals since affected fowl were sent to laboratories or described as perhaps suffering from infantile paralysis, but it is the cause of the disease.

There are three tubercles to be found in the avian, just as in the human. The tubercle in the avian produces tuberculosis of the bovine germ, which produces tuberculosis in hogs, and also in the human germ, which produces tuberculosis in the human germ but it cannot cause human tuberculosis.

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