

**WINNETKA SECTION OF NEW SEWER COMPLETED.**

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and runs through Glencoe. It gradually grows smaller in dimension until at the corner of Hazel avenue and Longwood avenue it measures but 12 inches. The total cost of the laying of the big sewer on contract No. 1 is \$250,000, and the total cost of the three contracts comes close to \$586,000.

The work has progressed without any serious difficulty. Italians and Austrians, to the number of 250, have made up the gang of laborers. On contract No. 1, where 100 men have been at work, an advance was made at the average rate of 100 feet a day. The extreme cold during the months of January, February and March caused a slacking up in this onward march, but work on the tunnel, in contract No. 3, has kept on steadily through the winter. Such work as the laying of a big sewer calls for an intelligent class of men. The bottom men, those who prepare the bed, get \$4.60 a day; the concreters get \$3.20 a day, and the diggers \$2 a day.

The laying of a linear foot on contract No. 1 of the intercepting sewer has made about 2½ cubic yards of waste earth. When taken from Sheridan road and vicinity it has been used to fill in a stretch 600 feet long along the lake front, north of the North Shore Health Resort, but when dug out of the section west of the railroad tracks on Winnetka avenue it has gone for bunkers on the Indian Hill golf grounds.

Difficulty has been found when working on the 66-foot width of Sheridan road, in not encroaching on the land of property owners. To make the line more direct in its course across the Skokie easements were obtained. When this village took out an injunction to stop the work on Sheridan road near Cherry street, because the branches of the trees were liable to be damaged by the tall steam shovel, the line which had been run along the east side of the road to avoid a water main and small village sewer, was curved towards the center from Ash street to Cherry street. These have been the principal obstacles met in the laying of the big pipe.

But the work on contract No. 1 is finished. The portable steel office is to be taken apart in readiness for shipment to South Chicago, where a big sewer is to be laid to Blue Island, Wilmette, Kenilworth and Winnetka will not have to worry further as to suitable transmission of waste matter. The storm sewers will take rain water to Lake Michigan, where it can do no damage, and the completed intercepting sewer will carry off all sanitary sewage.

**The Telephone.**

Many a woman housed by a cold amuses herself and attends to necessary business over the telephone. But when all the rest of the family come down with like colds she wonders how they caught it, because she has "not kissed anybody."

Nobody thinks of the mouthpiece of the telephone, and yet where is there a more convenient harbor than that for germs breathed into it from throat and nose?

The average household does not even think of dusting out the transmitter and it is cleaned only upon the occasional visits of the repair man from the telephone company. As a matter of fact, it should be washed out frequently with a disinfectant. Even the earpiece is benefited by an occasional "wipe," as it rests against the hair and ear of everybody in the house, to say nothing of visiting workmen who want to call up headquarters.

**ASKED MORE MONEY, ANYWAY**

**Servant Hadn't Exact Idea of What He Was to Purchase, But It Had to Be Good.**

A rich baron had a servant who was generally commissioned to make the family purchases, and was very proud of his position. One day the baron sent for his servant and asked him to purchase a jabot for the baroness, that afternoon, on his way back from town. He allowed him to spend five dollars on the article. Observing that the servant hesitated, he asked him the reason.

"I beg your pardon, sir," replied the servant, "but it seems to me that an elegant lady like the baroness ought not to buy such a cheap jabot. She should have one for at least \$100."

The baron would not hear of such a thing; but as the servant was obstinate and insistent, he finally added a few dollars to the amount allowed. The servant, however, was still unsatisfied. He persisted in the argument that the baroness' elegance required a much more expensive jabot. After long wrangling, his employer yielded to the extent of allowing \$20, but would not grant a penny more.

And still the servant lingered. "What are you waiting for now?" asked the baron.

"I beg your pardon, sir," stammered the servant. "Will you please tell me what a jabot is?"—New York World.

**How Wife Can Please Hubby.**

The wise woman is she who keeps neat and trim in dress, dainty in person, and alert and poised in mind, that in so doing she may favorably stand comparison with the business women with whom her husband comes in contact.

Most men, even those well past middle age, place high value upon externals, and the woman who assumes that she can hold a man's love indefinitely, regardless of her personal appearance, is, to my mind, making a grave mistake.

More than one wife, serene in the knowledge of her husband's loyalty, fails to realize that that same loyalty is due more to the man's sense of duty and conscientious self-control than to the fact that his wife possesses the qualities which actually hold him true to her in spirit as well as in deed.—Woman's Home Companion.

**His "Sea Serpent."**

A member of the Big Stove club of Bath, Me., told the following experience with a sea serpent. He was at the wheel of his little fishing schooner in Long Island sound when he heard a wishing sound behind his vessel. Peering behind he could just make out the long, sinuous body of a sea serpent with an enormous head and a pair of flashing eyes. The serpent, however, kept his distance. The next morning the sailor found that a rope from the schooner had become entangled in a lobster trap and had towed it up the sound.

**Laboratory Gems.**

Jewelers say that the statements of the chemists as to laboratory gems have been exaggerated in various ways and as a result dishonest dealers often take advantage of the situation. Such dealers may try occasionally to sell an imitation for a real gem, but more common frauds are in making extravagant claims for the imitations.

Rubies and sapphires are declared by the jewelers to be the only gems that are really reproduced in the laboratories with the same chemical composition as the natural stones. Both are gems of the corundum group.

**CREDIT THIS TO "DRUMMERS"**

**Knights of the Road Put Up Shrewd Scheme to Aid Widow in Dire Situation.**

"That the drummer is the right sort of chap was demonstrated to me today," said a Pittsburger. "Coming in on the train was a widow woman with three kids. From the amount of her drapery she had on I guess her husband had just died and left her a gum tree. You could tell she had seen good, easy times, but maybe there was some neglect about insurance. What with the kids and other reasons you could see she was nervous about this traveling. Anyhow, we hadn't gone far before the conductor found out that she was on the wrong train. Then she broke down, but she was as proud as a well-bred woman could be. It didn't take the drummers—there were six of them—long to find out that she was so badly fixed that she had spent her last dollar on tickets and was like to be stranded with the kids in a place where she didn't want to land. The drummers wanted to help her, but they didn't know how to go about it; she was so darned reserved that no one had the nerve to offer to pull her out. But finally they got in the smoke room and figured out the thing on a time table. They all chipped in and then called in the conductor. He was the right sort of a fellow. The way he done it was fine. He walked back to the lady with a thoughtful air and said he had telegraphed to New York and had had the tickets changed. To see that woman's face would have done you good."

**Valuable Discovery.**

Another German scientist has done the world a good turn. He has discovered that this good old world which all love so well that no man is anxious to leave it, will exist for many hundreds of years and then get an extension. We feel better.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

**Passing of Youth.**

To me the passing of youth was escaping from torment of passion, strife and trouble into a placid content. My griefs and joys grew less violent. I ceased hunting those who had wronged me, and, in lesser degree, grew calmer in my attachments. Undisturbed by passions, I found I could think more clearly, be more liberal and understand better.—American Magazine.

**BEST TO SIDE WITH OPTIMIST**

**With Things Understood, Why Not Join With the One Calculated to Make Things Happy?**

Optimism is a virtue which every one should cultivate. It not only makes us happier and brighter, but also more popular, for every one loves to be with an optimist. Even pessimists are stirred out of their constant gloom if surrounded for a time by a number of persons who persistently look on the sunny side of life, no matter how dark the outlook.

After all, optimism or pessimism is all a frame of mind. Both words simply describe conditions, and, since this is so, why not choose the one which will make us happy.

Optimism means looking on the sunny side of life, seeing only the good in all things. We can easily cultivate this viewpoint if we will only try, and it makes such a difference in what we see. We can look at the same persons and see quite different traits. We also see other more beautiful things in whatever direction we look.

Is it not much better to see only the good, the beautiful in everything around us, than to see only the evil? We can fill all our lives with happiness by searching for good, just as we can fill our lives with misery by looking for evil. "Seek and ye misery find," whatever be the object of your search. So let us make our life search one for the best things of life and keep our eyes away from the mud of scandal, malice and criticism.

Of course, we could probably find plenty of such evil if, like the pig, we spent our time rooting around in the mud, but who wants to emulate the example of this gross animal?

**Capacity of Love.**

So immense is the capacity of love in the human heart that nothing can satisfy it fully, adequately, and permanently except God, who is unchangeable, infinitely lovely, and perfect. Show me a man who, without forfeiting any just privilege of human affection, really loves God, and I will point him out to you as one who is essentially happy. For another who fixes his affections upon human things, no matter how excellent they may or seem to be, but who does not love God, real happiness is utterly impossible. And it is for this reason that St. Augustine exclaimed: "Thou hast made us for thyself, O God! and our hearts cannot rest until they rest in thee."—John Hughes.

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