

**BOOKS**

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 the affections of young Gibbs Josse-lyn, the husband of the little country mouse, Ellen.  
 Then follows a time of secret meeting, and tete-a-tete suppers and parties between the stepmother and the stepson. The climax comes when the elder Mrs. Josselyn stabs away from home all night, and is found in the morning having breakfast in the studio of young Gibbs. By the use of a little deceit, matters are smoothed over, until the lies are found out. Then comes a quarrel between father and son; the finding of the father shot dead; the conviction and imprisonment of the son, and the final discovery that death was caused accidentally. But the strain of these incidents has had its effect on the young Gibbs, and the end of the story finds him in a dying condition, spending his last days in trying to atone for his mistakes to the wife who has always been his staunch and devoted lover.  
 This story is a tense study of the great difference between the simple lives of country people and the intrigues and falsity of the lives of people in high society in the New York whirlpool. The pure, devoted and innocent Ellen finds that she is helpless to battle against the wiles of the crafty stepmother, but in the end truth and purity triumph, and she wins again the love of her husband. It is a thrilling and pleasing story, a little far-fetched perhaps but without doubt one that makes delightful reading. Kathleen Norris has presented characters of entirely different types, and they form an interesting study. It is not to be wondered at that this book is one of the season's best sellers.

**AIRCRAFT IN WAR AND COMMERCE.**

By W. H. Berry. 292 pages. Price, \$1.50. George Doran Co., New York, publishers.  
 The world has awakened to the fact that the one great discovery of the war that has just ended is the unsuspected possibilities of aircraft. W. H. Berry, in this volume of technical, interesting and instructive facts regarding the problems of the future of flying, has peered into the future, and sees the day when the aeroplane shall be as important in commerce as it has been in wartime. He does not rush straight into a mass of statements for which there are no foundations, but traces the development from its very earliest days. He details the experiments of the Wright brothers in 1903, and shows how European inventors worked on the problem of flight, until, just before the war, men's mastery over the air was assured.

The next section of the book deals with the aeroplane in war. It is embellished by thrilling and interesting accounts of the exploits of airmen, and, as its main feature, shows the great influence that war has had on the construction of aeroplanes, and on the types of machines that have been used. So far the greatest amount of progress has been made in fitting the aeroplane for war work entirely. In the future, the improvement of aircraft will be along lines useful for commercial purposes.  
 A large part of the book is devoted to technical details of aeroplane construction, aeroplane engines and accessories. These chapters are very interesting to flying men, and to men of a mechanical turn of mind. The concluding chapter presents a vision of Great Britain, master of the air, as she has been mistress of the seas, not only in war but in commerce.  
 How the aeroplane is built, how it is flown, how best it can be fought, these are in brief the interesting things that are told in this book, in addition to what it means to the future. Thus it is a book well worth the study of anyone interested in the coming adaptation of the aeroplane to the needs of peace time conditions.

**Books For Christmas.**

Think of the ease with which even a long list of names to be remembered with Christmas gifts may be checked off as selected. Here are made from tables in the bookshops amply laden with books suitable for holiday giving.  
 Then why should people not "shop early" so as to make their purchases more leisurely than is possible in the rush and crush of shopping in the last few days before Christmas when book stores are at their busiest.

**Books For Children.**

Children are admitted to new worlds of delight through books, thus stimulating their imagination and storing up for them life-long, joyous memories. Thus, it will be appreciated that books contribute not only their immediate happiness, but give it permanence throughout their whole lives.  
 There are no better gifts for children than books. For the wee kiddies there are toy books, comprising a wide range in treatment. There are elaborately designed volumes, including the work of some of the most noted artists, but naturally the sale of these is restricted by reason of the necessarily high prices. There is, however, so much merit in the low-priced books, even the five-cent top book, that there is plenty of choice to adequately delight every child in the land.

**Paragraphs From New Books.**

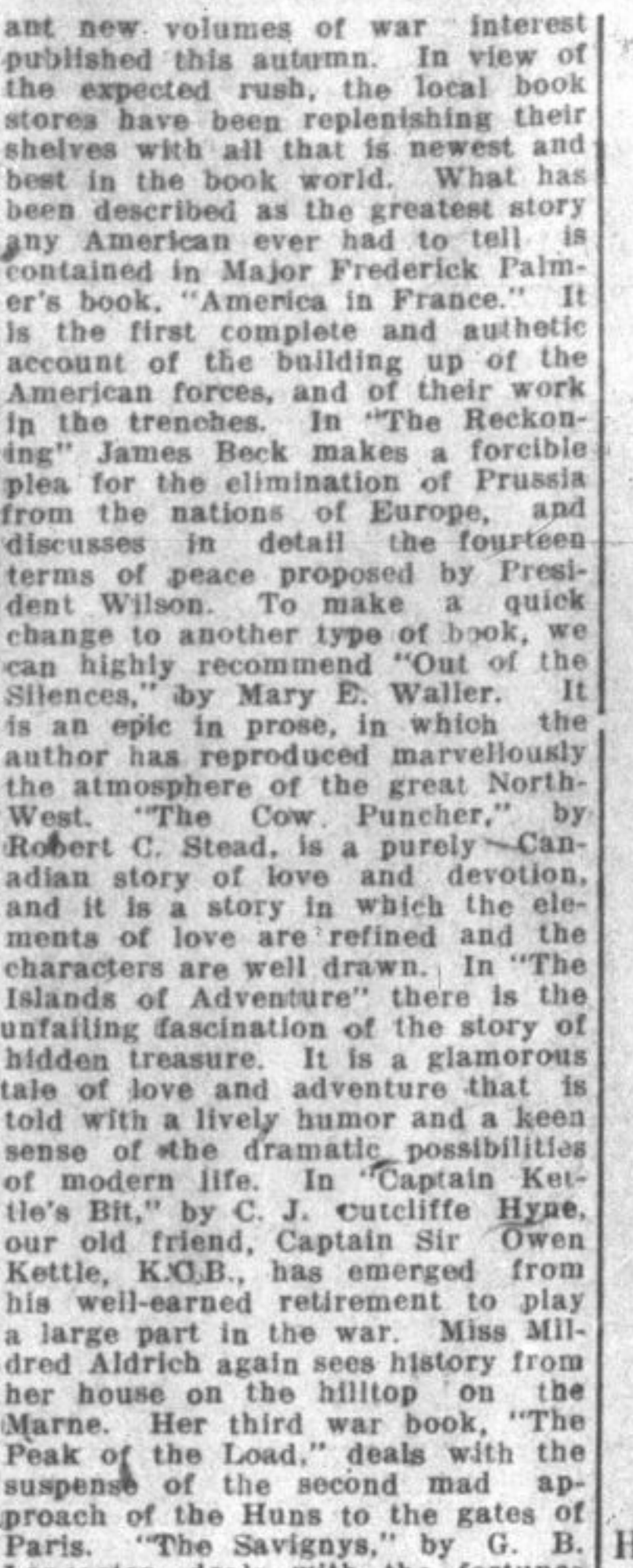
After all, you can have a house without a man in it if you are quite sure you want to, but you cannot have a home without one.  
 Intimately analyzed, the details of the temptation redound entirely to Eve's credit. Woman, rather than man, is selected as the one more open to argument, more capable of initiative, the one bolder to act, as well as braver to accept consequences of action.  
 The most devoted wives are often those frankest in their abhorrence of a "Wifed Kirkland" in "The Joys of Being a Woman."

What the bagpipes is to the Scotsman, the steel riveter is to the American—the instrument which best expresses his soul to the world.—Colingsby Dawson in "Out to Win."

Our lines were often so thin that, had they been pierced at a single point, we should have been crumpled up like paper.—Scott, Joe Cassels, in "The Black Watch."

Whether we all be of British origin or not, it is the mind that makes the true patriot, and there is no American so dead as not to feel a thrill when he first sets foot on British soil.—Winston Churchill in "A Traveller in War-Time."

This is the simple religion of the trenches as I have learnt it—a religion not without glory, to carry on as bravely as you know how, and to trust God without worrying him.—Colingsby Dawson in "The Glory of the Trenches."



**MARGURITE MCNULTY,**  
 With "The Very Idea," which plays at the Grand Opera House to-night.

**Notes Of Interest to Booklovers.**

A new book by Viscount Bryce, comprising eight papers on a variety of topics is announced for publication. One of the articles is especially timely, as it deals with the League of Nations. Two other essays were written during the first two years of the war, and set forth the aims and justify the action of Britain. The others are of a more general nature, treating the causes, phenomena, and social effects of war, and its relation to human progress.

Louis V. Ledoux, already known to lovers of literature by his several volumes of poetry, has written a critical estimate and sympathetic study of the poetry of George Edward Woodberry, of whom he says that he is Shelleyan in his insistence upon love as a means of human salvation, and upon the complete realization of democracy as the essential step in social progress.

All profits from the book of poems "Courage," by Richard Mansfield, will be devoted to the "Wings of the U. S. A." The author, only son of Richard Mansfield, the actor, died in camp at San Antonio, Texas, at the age of nineteen.

Frank M. Chapman, Curator of Birds at the American Museum of Natural History, has written a little book on "Our Winter Birds." The author believes that the best time to take up the study of birds is in winter, when they are fewer, and being hungry, more approachable. The volume will be illustrated with pictures in natural colours of the species described.

In "Ambassador Morgenthau's Story," which has just been published there is an account of the terms which a victorious Germany was to impose upon a beaten France. These are not the imagined terms of a good prophet, but are the terms actually projected by those in supreme authority, and told the American ambassador in a burst of confidence by the German ambassador, Baron von Wangenheim. Among other things, France was to be forced to surrender all her art treasures and pay an indemnity of twenty billion dollars. These terms might prove helpful in a suggestive way in the forthcoming peace conference.

When Louis Andrea learned that an editor had turned in vain to her book "Home Caning, Preserving, and Drying" for a recipe on how to can the kaiser, she was filled with regret at the oversight, and immediately addressed the editor as follows: "I regret that my book did not give this particular information, but herewith are practical directions and recipe:

"First, pick up Liberty Bonds, then place in a democracy canner with equal parts of reparations and restitution salts. Seal, test for leaks, and set away." Mrs. Andrea's recipe has been faithfully followed, and the kaiser has been set away.

Kipling's "Jungle Book," says its publishers, has passed its fiftieth edition, and long ago settled down to the steady sale of a classic.  
 The third volume of Frank Simonds' "History of the War" will be published next month. The work is not a compilation of Mr. Simonds' newspaper articles, but comprises newly written matter giving more matured interpretations and judgments of the developments of the war.

"Common Cause" is a title of a new novel by Samuel Hopkins Adams. It is the tale of the middle west, dealing with love, patriotism, and insidious German propaganda.

The average woman lives two years longer than the average man because the man does not eat what is good for him, according to Dean Olin Templein of the University of Kansas, now at the head of the collegiate section of the United States food administration staff in Washington.  
 Mrs. Frank C. Henderson, of Roslyn, L.I., is a crack shot with the shotgun as well as with the rifle, and in her many journeys through the mountains in the west she has never yet failed to bag some of the biggest game found in those parts.

**IN HOSPITAL.**  
 Hushed and happy whiteness,  
 Miles on miles of cots,  
 The glad, contented brightness  
 Where sunlight falls in spots.  
 Sisters swift and saintly,  
 Seem to tread on grass;  
 Like flowers stirring faintly,  
 Heads turn to watch them pass.  
 Beauty, blood and sorrow,  
 Blending in a trance—  
 Eternity to-morrow  
 In this half-way house of France.  
 Sounds of whispered talking,  
 Labored, indrawn breath,  
 Then, like a young girl walking,  
 The dear familiar Death,  
 Lieut. Coningsby Dawson in "Glory of the Trenches."

Small women make the best forewomen, according to superintendents of munition and other wartime factories where women are largely employed. The small woman is selected to have the more important work done.

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