

SWEET LOVE IS DEAD.

Sweet love is dead: Where shall we bury him? In a grave, or in a vault? With no stone at his head, No tears nor prayer to worry him.

THE LAW OF KINDNESS.—The law of kindness is that which brings blessings to him who richly observes it. The gentle word, the placid smile, the considerate act, these are the keys of heaven in hearts that are sore and the ministers of peace in places of strife.

HELP EACH OTHER.—A father was walking one day in the field with his two children. The wind was blowing over a fine field of ripe corn and making the beautiful golden ears wave like waves of the sea.

THE MAN OR WOMAN WHO HAS NOTHING TO DO is most miserable. It is hard to be over-worked, but to have no employment is supreme wretchedness. Do something. Work will relieve sorrow, and help to drive away care.

A poem of six stanzas entitled, from "Fannie," "Where has our snow gone?" is received, and respectfully, but firmly, declined. We don't know where your beautiful snow has gone, and we don't care. We haven't it.

How much better it is to study good books than to compose bad ones. A parrot is said to live to be two hundred years old. Never help a distressed woman to take care of her baby in the absence of her husband.

He said he was only punctual at one of his visits, and that was the last one. Try not to ask your wife to wash a handkerchief with a pretty widow's initials on it.

The Chinese adage is "Chin-chin." And so is a good share of the American adage.

A Pittsburg man bought a horse by photograph. This is getting the cure before the horse.

It is easier to open a burglar-proof safe than to get a fashionable education in a boarding school.

Mr. Moody says if you cannot be a light-house be a candle. But, Mr. Moody, a candle is wick-ed.

In olden times dogs were valuably employed as turn-spits; but let a dog turn Spitz now and his doom is sealed.

It is said that the Spring style of the common hand organ has only one stop. It begins in the morning and stops at night.

We heard of a man the other day who had so many diseases, he didn't know which to die of, and so, still undecided, he lives yet.

When is the oldest fellow, the one who asks the questions, or the one who answers? The one who asks, because he is the querist.

It is a refreshing illustration of economy in these hard times to see a man sifting four quarts of ashes with a ten-cent cigar in his mouth.

"Madam, did you ever lift a dog by the tail?" "Why, no, you cruel thing, you." "I didn't know, because I just saw you carry your little child across a gutter by one arm. A dog's tail is a good deal stronger than the ligaments of a baby's shoulder."

An experienced lady observes that a good way to pick out a husband is to see how patiently the man waits for dinner when he is behind time. Her husband remarks that a good way to pick out a wife is to see whether the woman has dinner ready in time.

The doctor who hasn't invented a cough medicine of his own is some indolent man who would rather whistle and struggle than wait on customers.

A country girl wrote to her lover: "Now George, don't you fail to be at the singing school to-night." George wrote back that "in the bright lexicon of youth—Webster's Unabridged—there's no such word as fail."

A Texas paper, seeing a couple of young men going along in a very inebricated condition, said they were going home by the "Grand Drunk Line," and he thought there would be "some abolition" when they reached their destination.

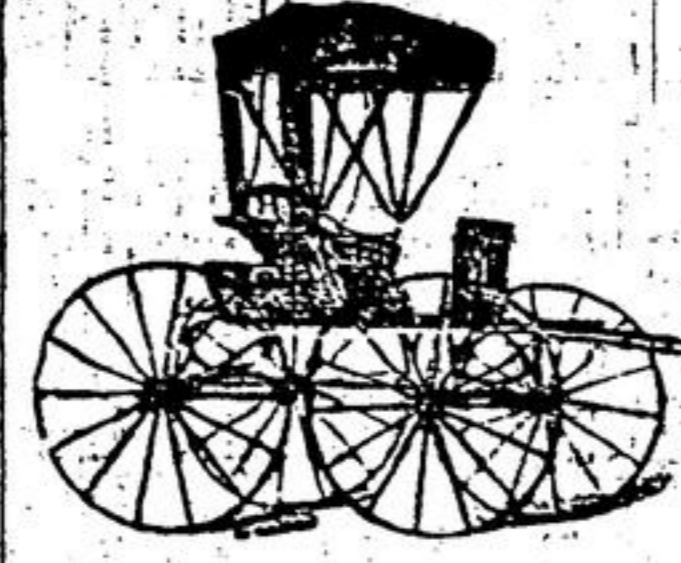
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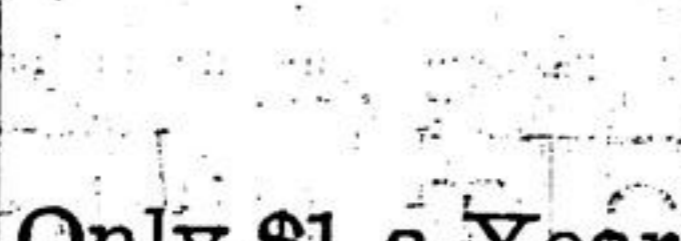
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