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#### ARM IN ARM.

The St. Louis Spectator's "Town Talker" says: "It is a curious fact, but nevertheless true, that you never see a lady and gentleman walking arm-in-arm in this city, except in coming from the theatre or late in the evening. In the daytime, if a lady should promenade, having hold of her escort's arm, most people would turn their heads to look at the couple. In the Eastern cities such a sight is by no means so rare; yet even there the custom is very far from general. In European cities, on the contrary, it is the universal habit. Why is it that American damsels are so shy of clinging to a gentleman's arm? Probably it arises from her naturally self-reliant and independent nature. American girls do things which would shock the sensibilities of their European sisters. More latitude is allowed them in their actions; their independence is fostered. To be hyper-metaphorical, it may be the vine clinging to the oak; but our American belle needs no support, and as the act of taking the arm implies *per se* the necessity of protection, it is averse to her ideas. Perhaps, too, it is thought to be a sign of 'spooniness.' Whatever it is, the fact remains that our girls object to perambulating the streets in the glare of the sun with their arm through those of their escorts." Now-a-days one involuntarily takes a couple arm-in-arm in the daytime to be provincial.

#### The Purpose of Reading.

Every reader should know the purpose for which he reads. Usually this purpose is either rest, amusement, or what may be called improvement. A boy or girl, tired by work in the shop or house, takes up Hawthorne's "Wonder Book,"—that is reading for rest. Fretted by low marks at school, one becomes absorbed in "Swiss Family Robinson"—that is reading for amusement. Eager to instruct the mind, you read Bancroft's "History of the United States"—that is reading for improvement.

The three purposes are frequently combined. One may find in reading Macaulay's "Essay on Bacon," rest, amusement, and improvement.

Of these purposes that of improvement of mind and heart is most important. In all reading whose immediate aim is either recreation or pleasure, the remote aim should be the formation of a noble character. No one should read a book without resolving to be aided by it in every right endeavor.

The purpose for which one reads determines the choice of the book. If you are in doubt what to read, form a clear idea of the reason of your reading, and the selection of a proper book is made easy.—*Morgantown Press*.

#### To Forget Misery.

Some great writer has written, "The way to forget our miseries is to remember our mercies." That is splendid in theory, but it is the hardest thing in the world to practice. When a person is perfectly miserable, it is impossible to forget it, and to go to work and try to think of some mercy that has been enjoyed at another time, is simply impossible. The misery of the present knocks all thoughts of the mercy of the past out of the mind of the miserable person, and misery gets in its work. It is well to try and cultivate that idea of forgetting miseries, by remembering mercies, and may be it will work a little, but most people who try it will score a failure, and be more miserable than ever. The best way to forget misery is to go fishing. If you get a bite you can forget the misery till you land the fish, and if you don't get a bite you can't be any more miserable unless you fall out of the boat. If you get lots of bites it will be nip and tuck between misery and fun.—*George Peck*.

#### Still Larger.

An enterprising tobacconist in London, whose name was Far, advertised himself and his wares simultaneously by writing up in conspicuous lettering over his store, "The best tobacco by Far." A rival on the opposite side of the way not to be outdone, at once proclaimed the superiority of his stock by advertising, "Far better tobacco than the best tobacco by Far." This reminds the New York *Mail* of the story of the miner who, returning from the far West to civilization, saw a sign up outside a show, "The largest bear in the world." After paying his twenty-five cents and enjoying the sight, he noticed another sign across the street, "Lager beer," and at once returned and demanded his money back, on the ground that it had been extorted under false pretences, as there was a larger bear over the way.

#### The Watcher in Church.

His neck is fitted on a globe socket that turns clear around. He sees everything that goes on. The man that comes in late does not escape him and it is in vain for the tenor to think he got that little note to the alto conveyed between the leaves of the hymn-book unobserved. The watcher saw it. He sees the hole in the quarter that Elder Skinner dropped on the plate. He sees that Deacon Slowboy has but one cuff. If the door swings he looks around; if the window moves noiselessly he looks up. He sees the stranger in his neighbor's pew, and he sees Brother Badman, sitting away back under the gallery, furtively take a chew of the inhibited fine out. All things that nobody wants him to see the watcher sees. He sees so much that he has no time to listen.—*R. J. Burdette*.

#### AGRICULTURAL.

One school district in Maine, containing eighteen farms, received over \$10,000 for apples last year.

INVESTIGATION shows that of the fiber in hay and straw, from 40 to 60 per cent. is generally digested by ruminant animals.

CORN is thought to grow better if the rows run north and south, so that the sun will shine equally on each side of the stalk.

THERE are more than 200 breeders of Short-horn cattle in Michigan, owning at least 4,000 cattle that are worth \$1,000,000.

MR. H. C. PEARSON, of Pitcairn, N. Y., grows eight bushels of seed from three-fourths of a pound of seed, having only twenty-nine eyes.

THE only paying sugar-beet manufactory in the country now is in California. It has done a paying business for three years, and shows no signs of giving out.

IN Ireland the sod cut on boggy ground is piled up in heaps until dry, then burned into a species of charcoal. This is then pulverized and mixed with well-rotted stable or hen-house manure or night soil in equal proportions. Placed in drills where turnips or carrots are to be planted, it is said to make them attain a monstrous size. The experiment is worthy of a trial by farmers who can get the bog mold without too much labor or expense.

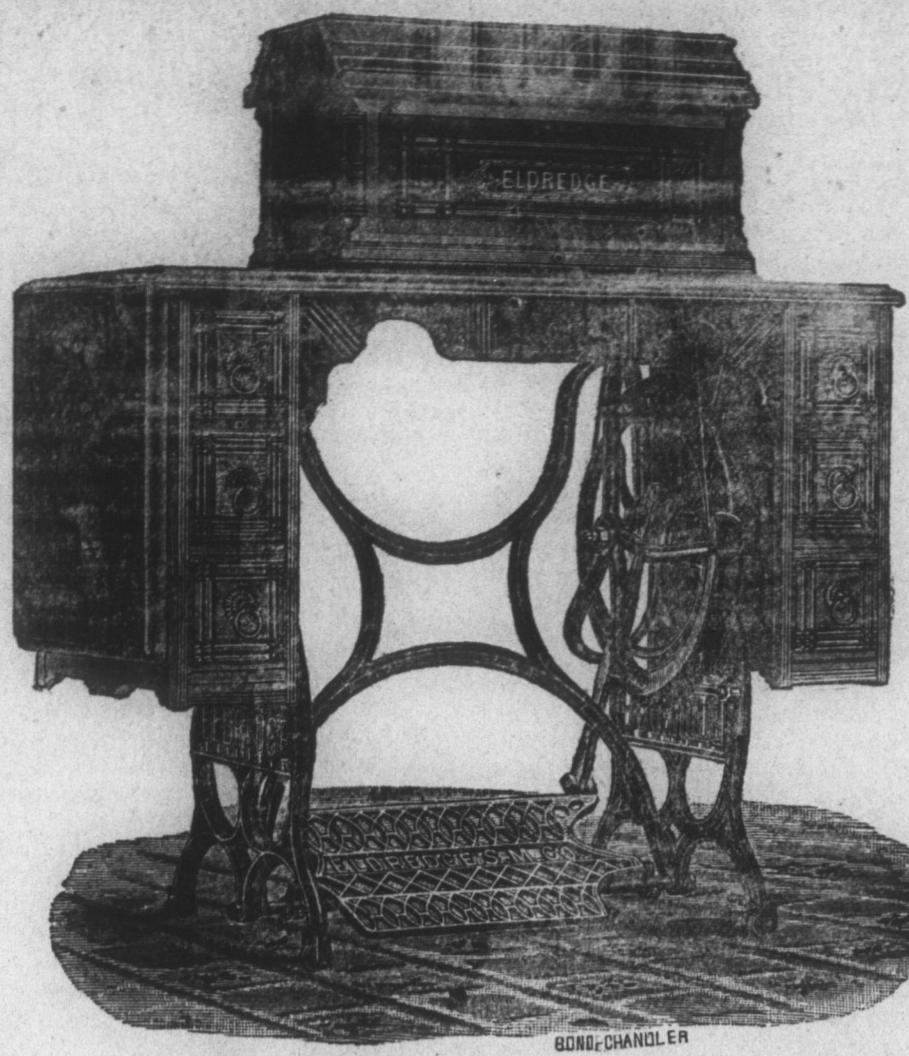
DR. JOHNSON, of Indiana, says: "In dairy products we in the West, with our method of using five acres of high-priced land to keep one dairy animal a year, can not compete with the intensified farming of the East, where they keep one animal a year on one acre of land, and that, too, of a natural fertility much inferior to ours, and, more than that, where by means of silos and ensilage now they are keeping two animals to a single acre."

PROF. ARNOLD says the points in favor of dairying are: First, a dairy farm costs 10 per cent. less to operate than grain-growing or mixed agriculture. Second, the annual returns average a little more than other branches. Third, prices are nearer uniform and more reliable. Fourth, dairying exhausts the soil less. Fifth, it is more secure against changes in the season, since the dairyman does not suffer so much from wet, frost and varying seasons, and he can, if prudent, protect against drought.

THE hog, like the horse, has no extra stomach to store away food, therefore if fed but twice a day and what he will eat, he overloads his stomach, and if the food is not pushed beyond the point where it will digest, the stomach is filled so full that a considerable portion of the food fails to come in contact with the lining of the stomach, and thus a very large proportion of the nutrient in the food is lost. Experiments prove that a hog thus fed wastes more than one-half of the meal given him. We have no doubt the same is true of the horse, when fed large quantities of hay and grain, and fed but twice a day.—*Massachusetts Plowman*.

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