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JASPER, . . . . . INDIANA.

Strangely enough the bandit of the Yellowstone is not engaged in keeping a hotel there.

The man who just loaf around is never in any danger of being run down by prosperity.

Once at the top of the ladder and everyone will give you a boost; but it's a mighty different matter half way up.

The Kaiser says that peace is assured. He adds incidentally in an off-hand sort of way that he is keeping his powder dry.

The mayor of a Porto Rican town is in jail charged with arson, showing that this country has not quite reached the limit in mayors yet.

In order to keep up the supply of billiard balls several hundred elephants have to be killed every year. Billiards is an expensive game.

Alaska is still a rather neglected region. But wait a few centuries hence it becomes the center of the continent's coal supply.

Two policemen and a soldier exchanged shots at Kansas City without hurting anybody. Is western marksmanship a myth?

Now the summer girl checks up her accounts, striving to strike a balance between her damaged complexion and her conquered young man.

Oysters are reported to be unusually fat this year. Evidently their feeding grounds were not much damaged owing to the drought.

A professional swindler of lawyers has been caught and not a single one of the profession has volunteered to build him a case of craziness.

In Denver a divorced woman millionaire married a detective set upon her track by her former husband. Detective work is full of hazards.

Chicago may have a fourteen-story school building. Perhaps it will be superfluous to add that the intention is to make it a high school.

A hotel for the accommodation of chorus girls only is to be built in New York. It is perhaps not fair to suspect that Pittsburgh capital is behind it.

There is in Ohio a man who has written 21,000 words on a postcard. Now let him round out his useful career by trying to swim the English channel.

A Wisconsin man has by fasting cured himself of appendicitis. It is not likely that this treatment will be generally recommended by the doctors.

Harriman explains that he is trying to save the railroads. The trouble, as a great many people understand it, is that he is trying to save them for Harriman.

A woman of 108 attributes her long age to the fact that she never has worn corsets. Most members of her sex will consider a corsetless life a waste of time.

A treasury official says there is only one bad dollar in every 150,000 in circulation. And generally it lands in the pocket of a man who hasn't the other 149,999.

Somebody has made the interesting discovery that blonde criminals outnumber the brunettes who go wrong. It may be, however, that the brunettes who bleach are counted as blondes.

"The touch of a friend," remarks a Missouri contemporary, "may hurt more than the cut of an enemy." No doubt about it. Especially if the friend forgets the amount he touched you for.

Within a month after the proclamation of the new constitution, two hundred and sixty-five newspapers were established in Turkey. Now the experiment in free government will not lack editors ready to tell how it should be carried on.

Idle and inconsiderate persons take pleasure in putting freak addresses on letters, to test the ingenuity of the clerks in deciphering puzzles. The British postmaster-general has very properly given orders that government employees must not hereafter waste their time, which is public money, in trying to decipher intentional cryptograms.

A third of our total population is urban; the rest is more or less rural. What the country dwellers need to make them happy, says Harper's Weekly, are religion, education and material prosperity. The farms cannot employ as many laborers per acre as they did before the coming of agricultural machinery. Therefore they must either raise fewer children or export some of their population to the cities.

# "HOOSIERISMS"

Little Items of Interest  
All Over the Length and  
Breadth of Indiana.

**Some Evidence of "Ginger."**  
Cecil Marshall, 16, was stabbed by Ralph McKay, 8, while in a political argument at Shelbyville.

**Freeman's Little Pick-up.**  
Freeman Smith, a Hancock county farmer, picked up a \$1,500 pear along Blue River.

**Prisoners Make a Get-Away.**  
In a jail delivery at Terre Haute seven prisoners made good their escape.

**Prisoners Get a Work-out.**  
Muncie workhouse inmates have been put to work on the streets. Hoboes will avoid Muncie.

**Big Collection of Pumpkins.**  
An Indianapolis canning concern has disposed of 600,000 pumpkins this season. This means a job for every man, woman and child in Indiana and Illinois.

**Fell Dead in School.**  
Lydia Kramer, an Evansville school girl, over-exerted herself at play and fell dead in school.

**Organizing the Farmers—Maybe.**  
The Farmers' Society of Equity was organized at Indianapolis last week. J. A. Everett, who used to boss a similar organization, is at the head.

**Good Roads in Tipton.**  
Of the 112 gravel roads which have been under way in Tipton county the past year, forty-two have been completed.

**Coal Trade Looking Up.**  
The cooler weather, especially in the Northwest, has stimulated the Indiana mining industry, which has been duller than in any October since coal was first mined in Indiana.

**Father and Son Killed.**  
W. S. Cunningham and his 16-year-old son were struck and killed by a train at a crossing near Delphi.

**Quite a Change.**  
Dr. C. S. Mack, coroner of Laporte county, who became known over the country through the Guinness case, has accepted a call to the Swedeborgian Church in Toledo.

**Spring Violets in Fall.**  
While Mrs. Cornelius Means, of Shelbyville, was raking part of the rear yard at her home she uncovered a number of spring violets which were in full bloom.

**Points a Moral.**  
John Raymer, of Elkhart, died of heart disease due to over-exertion in carrying a banner and shouting in a Democratic parade.

**What it Cost Us.**  
The recent special session of the Legislature cost a little more than \$2,000 a day, or a total of \$26,000, besides the cost of the seven special elections, the printing, etc., which will make the total larger.

**Women's Clubs Name Mrs. Major.**  
Mrs. W. S. Major, of Shelbyville, was elected President of the Indiana State Federation of Women's Clubs at the closing session of the annual convention at Indianapolis.

**One of the First.**  
While feeding a corn shredder George Fain, of Petersburg, caught his arm in the feeder and the arm was cut off near the elbow.

**Rev. Samuel Gay for 70.**  
Miss Ella Fisher filed suit at Waterloo against the Rev. Samuel P. Klotz for breach of promise and \$5,000 damages. Miss Fisher is the daughter of Mrs. Solomon Fisher. She is 40 years of age and the Rev. Mr. Klotz is nearly 70.

**Touched Their Hubbies.**  
A check for \$100 was sent by the Sullivan Women's Thirty-Cent Club to the Democratic national committee—the first amount of that size sent in by a woman's organization during the late campaign.

**Second Trial for Murder.**  
Frank Landers, of Dugger, charged with the murder of Charles Stewart December 2, 1906, is on trial in the Circuit Court at Sullivan. Landers was tried once before, the jury disagreeing after being out ninety-seven hours.

**A Damning Co-incidence.**  
William Clark, a South Bend grocer, missing for five days, was found dead in a bed in rooms above his store. The day before Clark's disappearance his son, aged 22, is said to have left for parts unknown.

**Queered Their Wedding Plans.**  
The wedding plans of George Allen and Miss Frances McVey were spoiled at Ft. Wayne when the priest who was to marry them received a letter saying Allen was a divorced man and that his former wife is living in Conneaut, O. Allen denies he was married before.

**Fatality in Photo Gallery.**  
By the explosion of chemicals in an Evansville photograph gallery, Mrs. Adolph Weiss, an assistant in the office, was so badly burned that she died.

**Two Asphyxiated in Bed.**  
Michael Futrell, a wealthy farmer, and his wife, Martha Futrell, were asphyxiated by coal gas while they slept at their home near Marion.

**To Push Big Interurban Project.**  
The directors of the Winona Interurban Railway Company at their annual meeting at Winona Lake subscribed \$300,000 to rush the completion of the Warsaw-Perrin division, giving a through service from Benton Harbor, Mich., to Indianapolis and Louisville, Ky.

**Duck Season, But No Ducks.**  
The duck-eating season is here, but there are no ducks. This is an unusual situation. The drought is responsible for it. Dealers would fain sell ducks, but can not get a duck to sell—not one. Their supply usually comes from the Kankakee marshes and the White River bottoms. But "nary a duck" is seen in these feeding grounds. Not enough water there.

**He Spanked a President.**  
Joshua Parker, aged 95, who served as a pallbearer at the funeral of President William Henry Harrison, died at Rockport last week. He claimed to have spanked the late President Benjamin Harrison when the latter was a boy.

**Tippencanoe Shaft Complete.**  
The last stone of the Tippencanoe Battle Field Monument was laid last week. The monument will be completed in detail several days before the date set for its dedication, Nov. 7, the ninety-seventh anniversary of the battle. The last stone raised was 11 feet 8 inches long and weighed six tons.

**Indiana Militia Gets \$41,442.**  
The War Department has made appropriation among the States of the \$2,000,000 appropriated by the last Congress for the use of the militia. The share of Indiana is \$41,442.05, which is about an average received by other States of the size of Indiana. The enlisted strength of Indiana is stated as 2,121. Of the total appropriation for the Hoosier State, about \$28,881 is for supplies.

**Sues Night-Riders for \$100,000.**  
In the Federal Court at Louisville, Henry B. Bennett, of Jeffersonville, formerly a Kentucky tobacco grower, of Dyersburg, filed a suit against 87 Kentuckians, charging them with being night riders and co-conspirators with night riders. He seeks to recover damages from them in the sum of \$100,000.

**Signs Point to Hard Winter.**  
C. J. Jeffries, of Morocco, asserts that there is no longer any doubt about the coming winter being a severe one. Recently he chopped down a tree, in a large hollow of which a squirrel had laid up its winter store. He took from the hollow more than a peck of corn and almost a peck of nuts of various kinds. Jeffries, who is an old hunter and a close observer of wild animals, says that squirrels are storing more food this fall than at any time within his recollection. He regards it as a sure sign of a long and extremely cold winter.

**Got His Just Deserts.**  
"The dog that adopted a man" never got his master into more trouble than did Wesley Buchanan's dog at Bloomington. Buchanan took his pet to the slaughter-house north of the city to end its life. He tied a stick of dynamite to the dog's neck and fastened the animal to a tree. He ignited the fuse and fled, but the dog broke loose and pursued him. It became a race for life with Buchanan, the dog over at his heels. After a hundred-yard sprint, with the dog almost up with him, the dynamite exploded, killing the dog, knocking Buchanan down and injuring him severely.

**Father and Son Charged with Murder.**  
Stephen Cole and his son Charles, 22 years old, as they stood at the open grave of George W. Cole, the father's cousin, who was shot to death last Wednesday, were arrested by Sheriff Colbert and are held at jail, charged with murder. The arrest was following affidavits filed by the dead man's father-in-law. The murdered man was in a field on his farm husking corn. He was shot down, the bullet entering his back and penetrating his heart. Neighbors heard the shot, but did not investigate, thinking it had been fired by hunters.

**Something New in Ballooning.**  
Something new in aeronautics was attempted at Indianapolis when a monster balloon, with a capacity of 100,000 cubic feet of gas, shot up into the air with a 1,500-pound automobile in the place of a basket. The idea of the aeronauts in using an automobile instead of the usual basket is to be able to roll up the balloon immediately, load it in the automobile and return to the place of starting or other destination. A safe landing was effected at Southport.

**Trips Fantastic Toe at 87.**  
Mrs. Catherine Belois, 87 years old, went to a dance last week at New Albany. Sixty years ago Mrs. Belois was said to be one of the best dancers in the county and at her birthday party she again tripped three two-steps and two waltzes and yet was not fatigued.

**Wonder If He Did?**  
The Palaski county Democratic central committee, charges that they have proof that a man arrived there from Indianapolis and planted \$2,000 with leaders of the Republican party.

## PARIS FASHION HINTS.



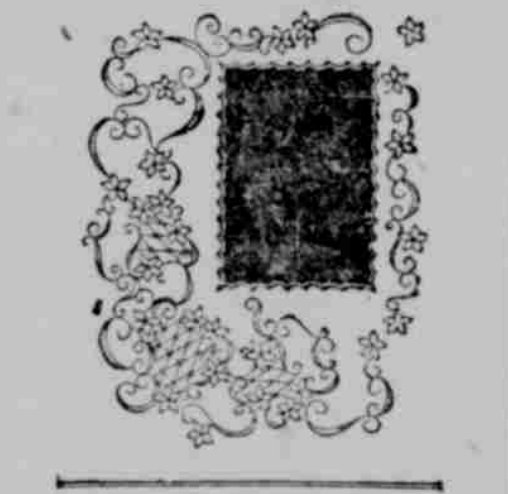
1618—Misses' and Girls' Kimono Wrapper and Sack. This may be developed to advantage in plain challis, Henrietta, French flannel, dannalette or Eldersdown flannel. 5 sizes: 9 to 17 years.

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## ADJUSTED HIS CANE.

Then the Man From Berlin Explained Why He Did It.

A man stood before a shop window with his cane sticking out from under his arm. A stout, blond gentleman in passing struck the cane smartly with his own, restoring it from its oblique horizontal position to the proper vertical one.

"Say, what's the matter with you? You're the freshest guy I ever saw. Are you looking for trouble?"

Thus said the man whose cane had been tapped. But he who had tapped it, speaking with a German accent, answered gently:

"Why, sir, I did nothing but restore your cane to its right inclination. Absently you were holding it under your arm. It was jabbing people in the breast, the back, even the eye, and yet you meant no harm."

"Well, I stopped that nuisance which you were unconsciously committing. In Berlin it is the custom always to stop it so. And no one takes offense. On the contrary, in Berlin, the correction is received with a smile and a word of thanks. Isn't it so here?"

"No, it isn't," said the other, "but it should be. I thank you, sir, myself, and I apologize."—New York Press.

**The Statesmen.**  
They are coming with precept and story.

Their motives are simple and plain. Some want office, some merely want glory.

And others just want to raise Cain.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

**The Spanish Navy.**  
Only once in their history as a nation have the Spanish achieved a naval victory. That was at the battle of Lepanto, in 1571, when, with the aid of Venetians and Genoese, they annihilated the Turkish fleet.

**The Eolian Harp.**  
The aeolian harp was the invention. It is believed, of Athanasius Kircher, who lived in the seventeenth century.

**The Letter Q.**  
Q is the letter O with a tail; hence its name, which comes from the French queue, a tail.

**Up in a Balloon.**  
The occupants of a balloon a mile high command a radius of ninety-six miles.

## ON A PARTY LINE.

Gossip of the Neighborhood at the Disposal of All.

"Oh, Sam, Johnny Smith is threatened with the measles, and the Jones' cook is leaving because Mr. Jones doesn't give her enough to eat, and Emily Brown is engaged to young Wheeler, although she has denied it up and down."

Johnson paused in the act of removing his mackintosh, with one arm in and one out. He held his dripping umbrella over the new hall rug, whence it poured rivulets unheeded.

"And," continued Mrs. Johnson breathlessly, "the Hitchcocks have mortgaged their house—I knew they couldn't afford the automobile—and Mr. Perkins is going to sue the Whites for building their bay window out over his property."

"You don't mean to say you have been out in this weather gathering all that gossip!" exclaimed Johnson as he divested himself of his mud laden overshoes.

"No."

"Has any one called?"

Mrs. Johnson shook her head, and the stream of neighborhood happenings which suburbanites love to discuss continued to pour forth from her eager lips. But still she did not reveal the source of her information, and the news kept leaking out at intervals throughout the dinner.

"I know," said Johnson at last. "You have had that by the day seamstress."

"No, but the man came today and installed the telephone."

"Well, but—"

"And it's a party wire, you know, so all I have to do when I'm lonely is to go and pick up the receiver. I can always hear someone or other unbosoming herself to her most particular friend at some telephone that's on the line, you know."—New York Press.

## HIS CORRECTION.

The American Knew a Little About Shakespeare and English.

An English literary man who visited this country some years ago to lecture frankly declared that he came not expecting to find accurate scholarship among Americans, especially on purely literary subjects, adding affably:

"You have been to busy and useful a nation in practical matters to give much time to the arts and graces of learning."

During the dinner at which he made this remark he criticised Shakespeare, sharply declaring that his metaphors often were absurd, "as, for example," he said, "Sleep that knits up the raveled sleeve of care." How ridiculous to figure sleep as knitting up a torn sleeve of a coat!

A young American sitting near him said modestly: "I think the word is not sleeve, but sleave, the thin stuff of a damaged web. It is a technical expression among weavers."

"In the United States probably!" retorted the critic irritably. "Shakespeare never could have heard it. He meant sleave."

"I believe," persisted the American gently, "the word is printed sleave in all the old editions. It is not an American word, but has been used for centuries by weavers in Scotland and the north of England."

The visitor frowned and then, with English frankness, said, laughing: "Thank you. I was mistaken. Perhaps I am mistaken about other things and will be corrected before I leave your shores."

## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Copenhagen has the largest enclosed deep park of any city in the world. Its area is about 4,200 acres.

Twenty years ago a German taught the Japanese how to shell buttons. Now Japan is exporting shell buttons to Germany, France and other countries.

Francis Murtha, a San Francisco boy, is so handy with a cobblestone that he can hit a Chinaman, around the corner, nineteen times out of twenty. On this account most San Francisco boys wear medals.

Some of the Parisian physicians prescribe broiled horse-steak for their convalescing patients. The doctors assert that it contains more nourishment than beefsteak, and is far more palatable to weak stomachs.

Two lizards, one black and white and the other yellow, full grown and alive, were found in the heart of an oak log split by Joseph McCluskey, near Bellwood, Pa. The log had been cut from a tree more than fifty years old.

Wilbur Meady of Randolph, Me., has a live rat in a beer bottle. The bottle has a small neck, and the rat must have crawled into it when he was very young, for although he is only three inches long now, he cannot get out again.

During the past twenty-two years Japan has advanced from fourteenth to the sixth place among maritime nations. In 1885 she owned only nine-tenths of one per cent. of the world's tonnage; now she controls three and one-third per cent.

A stout policeman in Philadelphia, just at nightfall, was invited to drink a cup of coffee, by a restaurant keeper. "No, thank you," he replied; "coffee keeps me awake." Then he saw his blunder and tried to explain it, but the effort was a failure.

An inspector of bookkeeping on the Siberian Railway has invented an apparatus which registers automatically the time of arrival and departure of trains, the number of trains and of cars, as also the number of cars in a station at any given time. It is said that this apparatus is of very simple construction.

Pekin is erecting a large factory to make window-glass, which is largely used in China and forms one of its principal imports from foreign countries. The capital is Chinese, the machinery British and Germans will manage the factory. The glass-works at Poshan, province of Shantung, are an encouraging success.—N. Y. Weekly.

**The Razor Edge.**  
The thickness of a razor edge has been reckoned at about one-millionth of an inch.

## Coquelin's Wish.

Coquelin, the great actor, was melancholy in the midst of his most famous successes. One day he confided his trouble to Schumann. "I am tired," he said, "of playing parts where my wife runs away from me. I want to play a part where I am much loved by the little woman, even if she runs away from another man."

## Expert Criticism.

"I don't like that Judge," said the smooth crook; "his speech is so jerky."

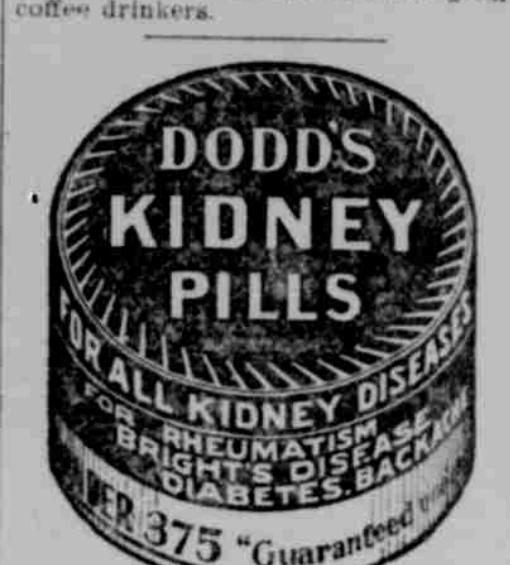
"I would say," remarked the Boston burglar, "that, though they are un-rhetorical, I rather like his short sentences."—Baltimore American.

## Cornering a Candidate.

"I shall insist on being under no obligations," said the candidate. "I shall make no promises whatever."

"That is all we desire," said the reform representative genially. "We want you to promise not to make any promises."—Washington Star.

**Turks and Coffee.**  
The Turks have a theory that coffee makes muscle, and are therefore great coffee drinkers.



## The Reason.

Mr. Prairie Dog—You look pretty cross this morning.

Rattler—Humph! Had to keep my rattle going all night to keep the baby quiet.—Bohemian Magazine.

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A powder to shake into your shoes. It cures the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Scalds, Sore, Hot, Chafed, Aching, Swollen Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores. 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

## THE TARDY GUEST.

He Didn't Tell His Hostess the Truth About the Delay.

Dinner had been ready and waiting twenty minutes. The wife of the tardy guest was very much embarrassed. Just to think that her husband was so rude as to be late at a dinner engagement and keep all the guests waiting! After awhile the belated one arrived, red faced and perspiring.

"So sorry to keep you waiting," he said. "But I was detained at the office with an out of town customer. Just couldn't get away."

The excuse sounded all right and was accepted by the hostess, but it was a myth.

The truth was: Preoccupied, he had gone home from the office at the usual time and found the house locked, much to his surprise. Where in the mischief were his wife and children? he wondered. Why didn't they tell him they were going away? He went all around the house and tried the doors, but they were locked. Then he found a piece of iron in the back yard and broke open a window and crowded in. He crowded out through the window for the evening paper and crowded back again. He read the paper, and still the wife and children didn't return. At 6:30 he remembered the dinner engagement. While he dressed and rode twenty blocks the guests waited. But others have made the same blunder.—Kansas City Star.

## A Little Shy.

"Money talks."

"But it's still hard to get into conversation with it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## PUZZLE SOLVED.

### Coffee at Bottom of Trouble.

It takes some people a long time to find out that coffee is hurting them.

But when once the fact is clear, most people try to keep away from the thing which is followed by ever-increasing detriment to the heart, stomach and nerves.

"Until two years ago I was a heavy coffee drinker," writes an Ill. stockman, "and had been all my life. I am now 56 years old."

"About three years ago I began to have nervous spells and could not sleep nights, was bothered by indigestion, bloating, and gas on stomach affected my heart."

"I spent lots of money doctoring—one doctor told me I had chronic catarrh of the stomach; another that I had heart disease and was liable to die at any time. They all dieted me until I was nearly starved, but I seemed to get worse instead of better."

"Having heard of the good Postum had done for nervous people, I discarded coffee altogether and began to use Postum regularly. I soon got better and now, after nearly two years, I can truthfully say I am sound and well."

"I sleep well at night, do not have the nervous spells and am not bothered with indigestion or palpitation. I weigh 32 pounds more than when I began Postum, and am better every way than I ever was while drinking coffee. I can't say too much in praise of Postum, as I am sure it saved my life."—"There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pages.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.