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Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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THE CRYSTAL CUP OF LIFE.

The poet calls life "crystal chalice." Which is a fine figure. You can fill a chalice or cup to the brim, and then if you want an overflow you must thrust or drop something into it.

The amount of the overflow will be determined by the size of that which you put into the cup. What you get out is of the same quantity as that which you put in.

So is human life. He who made our earthly vessels of mortal life filled them even to the brim. Your earthly chalice holds within it life. Whether you shall have that life "more abundantly" depends upon what you put into the vessel. What you get in overflow is measured by what you put in.

For instance— If you put love into the chalice of your life, your life will overflow in loveliness. If you put hatred into it, it will overflow in hatred. If you put sin into your cup or life, sinfulness will overflow.

In other words, YOU CANNOT GET ANY MORE OUT OF YOUR LIFE THAN YOU PUT INTO IT. You may get less; you cannot get more.

Do you say it is a harsh law? On the contrary, it is a most gracious provision. It puts the powers of the universe into your humble hands. It commissions you as captain of your destiny.

You get what you give. More than that— THE MORE YOU PUT INTO THE CUP THE MORE IS LEFT TO PUT IN.

That is to say, the more love you put in the more love you have left, to say nothing of the overflow of loveliness. The more hate you put in the more hatred you have left, to say nothing of the hideous overflow of hate.

But you ask, Why call life a CRYSTAL chalice? Because its operations are transparent to all. You can see the process every day in others—and in yourself. You can see men and women putting love or hatred or envy or revenge into their cups of life. You can see the overflow in kind, and you can see how they have more left than they put in.

And in the end—when the frail glass of the crystal chalice is shattered by the stroke of death? Why, "all you can hold in your dead, cold hand is what you have given away"—what you have steadily put into the chalice.

Here's the cup.
What will you put into it?

ASKS OPINION OF LOCAL CLUB

Juniata College Wants Parcels Post Information.

The Commercial club has been asked by a representative of the Juniata college, Huntington, Pa., for its stand in regard to domestic parcels post as material for an intercollegiate debate in which representatives of this school participate. As the club had several lengthy and exhaustive arguments on this subject last winter and took action in the matter, its information will be of much value, as showing the opinion of middle westerners on the subject. The club will accede to the college's request and mail them a detailed account of its opinion on the subject.

The Pit of Fire.
There were many forms of hell in early and mediaeval Christianity, each according to the character and superstitions of the various peoples of Europe. But, while varying in detail, the essential form was the same throughout. It was a nethermost pit filled with fire of an inconceivable heat, wherein subordinate devils, under supervision of the arch fiend himself, roasted and turned upon white hot griddles the souls of the damned, torturing them in many minor ways. It is in these latter methods that the authorities of the middle ages differ. Descriptions of hell abound in the oratory of the time. Accounts of "personal visits" to the infernal regions were common.

Glass mirrors, it is claimed, were known in 23 A. D., but the art of making them was then lost and not regained till 1300 A. D.

Thirty Tons of Coal For Poor of the City

Hundreds of Eager, Jostling, But Good Natured People Were Benefited Through This Charity.

All sexes and all classes were represented in the crowd of about five hundred people pushing baby carriages, wheel barrows, go-carts; carrying boxes, sacks and baskets, that assembled near the Mather Bros. coal yards early Christmas morning to secure part of the car load of coal which the firm advertised would be given away. The large car, holding thirty tons, was emptied by the good natured and thoroughly cosmopolitan crowd in little less than an hour.

Negroes, Italians, cripples and people representing all classes of labor began to assemble near the coal yard about six o'clock in the morning although the gates to the coal yards were not scheduled to open until after nine o'clock. From all directions people bearing all manner of queer conveyances came. It was part of the contract that the coal should not be hauled away in wagons to which

horses were attached, and therefore about everything that could be imagined, outside a spring or gravel wagon, was carried or pushed to the Mather Bros. switch.

When the gates were shoved open the crowd cheered and swept toward the car all elbowing, laughing, but still determined to get their share of the car's contents. Men and women alike struggled, but there was no ill feeling at any time. Big, strong men and women also stepped back and allowed the children to secure their share of the coal. This Christmas spirit was one of the features of the entire affair.

It is estimated by the firm that at least three hundred poor families of the city were benefited and the coal company is receiving much praise for its action. Those securing the fuel were all very thankful to the management. The affair was both unique and commendable.

SEE THREAT IN CLOSING MOVE

Ice Cream, Cigar and Grocery Dealers Expect to Be Hit.

MAY AFFECT DRUGGISTS

IT IS SAID CIGAR DEALERS WILL FIGHT AGAINST ANY EFFORT TO CLOSE THEIR PLACES ON SUNDAYS.

Ice cream dealers, cigar store proprietors and grocery men who keep open for a short time on Sunday think they see the hand writing on the wall. These men would not be surprised if the Ministerial association's next move would be the attempt at the enforcement of the Sunday closing laws against themselves. Tomorrow is asked to be the day for the first general closing of the meat shops, at least this request has been made by the ministers of the meat dealers and its general observance is assured.

The move of the association expected by the grocery men, ice cream merchants and cigar store proprietors, will they think, probably be made in the near future. The drug merchants believe that the move may be made against them, but this, it is thought, is not a probability. The other merchants referred to, especially the cigar store proprietors, will no doubt fight any attempt at Sunday closing.

Bad Breath and Sour Stomach

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A little charcoal lozenge dissolved on the tongue after meals will also keep the stomach fresh and clean. Charcoal is justly called the scrubbing brush for the stomach. The old monks of medieval times cured bad cases of stomach trouble, cast out devils from the system of man by feeding such a man charcoal.

Scientific men of today believe in the great strength of charcoal for the cure of human ills. Too much of it cannot harm one. The system craves it just like an animal needs and craves salt every so often. Charcoal goes into the stomach gently and is welcome, it settles down through the action of the stomach, and filters through all the food, absorbing gas, aiding digestion and giving tone to the juices, so that when the food goes into the intestines, and there meets other digestive fluids, the charcoal holds the impurities and thus keeps them from the blood.

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PEOPLE CONTENT IN IGNORANCE

Mulai Hafid Cannot Realize Dreams Because of His Own People.

OBJECT TO FOREIGN IDEAS

CARE NOT FOR EUROPEAN EDUCATION IN THEIR COUNTRY AND SCORN THINGS DELIGHTED IN BY OTHER NATIONS.

Tangier, Dec. 26.—Mulai Hafid is at present sultan of Morocco; but without money, without an efficient army, his heart set on hopes which he is most unlikely to fulfill, his lot is truly a hard one.

If he begins at once to conciliate the Europeans, to adopt their ways, to open up his country to them, he will incur the displeasure of his own people. For the majority of the Moorish people are not yet ripe for reform; they will have none of it, nor of reform mongers. They will see no difference between the attempts of Mulai Hafid to extract the benefits of European civilization and the unworthy devotion of Abdul Aziz to European toys and frivolities.

People Chief Danger.

That is his first danger. To avoid that he must fly to a greater. Let him act as his people would have him act, eschewing the infidel and all their ways, ordering all his doings upon Islam-rigorous, narrow, the unyielding foe of progress—thus he may be sure of the subjection and the loyalty of his people. And thus he will ruin the country and the people whom he hopes to save.

To make his people adopt anything of western civilization, Mulai Hafid must have them in his power. He must have money and men at his back. He has neither and can get neither. The huge debt to France presses upon him, and he has not the money to pay his troops. He never had; but the men who fought unpaid to put him on the throne did so because they thought he could drive out the foreigner. They who put him on the throne can throw him from it.

There is one thing that remains to be said in common fairness to the Moors. Their objection is not to individual foreigners, not even to foreigners as a body, but to foreign methods.

Religious antipathy, in Morocco, does not seem by any means so strong as one would expect.

Opposed to European Ideas.

What the Moors hate and dread is the introduction of European civilization. To a foreigner whom they believe to be merely a traveler from another land and not a person who comes to force a distasteful mode of life upon them, they behave with the greatest kindness.

They like to talk to you, to expound their own customs and to hear of yours. But they do not want to adopt your customs. They do not want to wear trousers, to work in factories, to see railways, music halls, intoxication, and European education in their country.

They are happy as they are.

LODGE HOLDS ITS ELECTION

Officers Chosen by Cambridge Odd Fellows.

Cambridge City, Ind., Dec. 26.—The members of Hiram Encampment, No. 11, I. O. O. F., met this week and elected officers for the coming term: M. L. Bowman, C. P., Frank Rummel, H. P., J. E. Copeland, S. W., Theodore Munger, J. W., Chas. P. Marples, Scribe, John Fair, treasurer, and Abraham Rummel, trustee.

CHANGE FOR WORSE.

Rev. C. B. Wilcox, formerly pastor of the Fifth Street M. E. church, but now at Decatur, Ind., will retire from the ministry. He will engage in the newspaper business in Michigan.

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DID NOT ARRIVE

Old Style Stamps Sent Instead of the New Varieties.

A LARGE CONSIGNMENT

The month's consignment of stamps for the local postoffice has arrived, but they are the old style in each and every instance. The postal employees and postmaster J. A. Spekenhier had been expecting to receive the new varieties, especially of the two cent variety. The consignment is very large consisting of 200,000 two cent stamps, 100,000 one cent stamps and 40,000 postal cards.

There is a rumor among the postal employees that the new two cent stamp is to be changed. They explain the receipt of the old style stamps instead of the new kind because of this fact. To the postal employees the change in the profile of George Washington, which graced all two cent stamps, from a front view to that of a left side view was like taking "In God We Trust" off the currency. The change was made however, because it is estimated that the government will save thousands of dollars each year because the dyes for the front profile view of George Washington wear out for some reason much quicker than those of the profile. Post-

master Spekenhier has on hand a few of these new style stamps, sent to him as samples.

There is but a slight difference in the one cent stamps. The new style included a half front view of the profile of Benjamin Franklin as in the old style variety.

MRS. McRANEY'S EXPERIENCE

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." A. G. Luken & Co.

HIBBERD BEATS BURR.

In the city billiard championship which is in a tetter between Burr, Braffett and Hibberd, Burr was put out of the running, at least temporarily, by being defeated by Hibberd 110 to 83. Burr lacked two points of having enough to win. Braffett and Hibberd have to play off the existing tie between them and if Braffett wins, this will result in the three being tie again. Otherwise Hibberd wins the championship.

Explorer (relating tiger story)—There was the great beast right in front of me. I was unarmed, and it was necessary to terrify him into submission. What did I do?—
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