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Delinquent Children and Their Parents
The increase in juvenile delinquency in many
cities of the United States is viewed with alarm
by social workers and heads of reform societies.
Many causes have been assigned for the increase
in the number of youthful wrong doers, and for
the most part environment and conditions out-
side of the home are ascribed as factors leading
the youth astray.

The opinion of a number of social workers
that the parents themselves are largely to blame,
it seems, is unpopular in many quarters, but after
all that probably is the most adequate and sat-
isfying explanation. Parents either are indiffer-
ent about or ignorant of the activities of their
children.

Too many parents are so engrossed with their
own affairs, pleasures and diversions that they
are perfectly satisfied to let their children choose
their ways of life, as if the boys and girls pos-
sessed enough judgment and character to make
wise selections and judicious decisions.

All of which suggests that the home has lost
its alluring character as a center of juvenile
activity and impulse. None of us will admit that
the home has broken down so far as its vital
position in our social life is concerned, but all are
forced to confess that somehow and somewhere
in the course of our national development outside
forces have succeeded in fascinating the child to
such an extent that parental influences have
been neutralized.

This condition cannot be blamed entirely on
the parents, either. Many of the features of our

civilization—motor cars and varied forms of
amusements for the entertainment and relaxa-
tion of adult and child—which in themselves are
useful and innocent, have been seized by youth-
ful America as a means of satisfying its energy
and activity; and, because the parents unwit-
tingly and unknowingly have relaxed their super-
vision, they have helped to relegate the home
into the background as an influencing factor in
the development of the child's character.

If this is one reason for juvenile delinquency,
the remedy simply is to enhance the attractiv-
ness of the home and arouse the dormant par-
ental care and supervision. If parents will make
a center of activity out of their homes instead of
letting other things lure them away, the children
will soon realize the change that has taken place
and look to the home as the seat of helpful coun-
sel and mutual assistance.

After parents have re-established themselves
in their own homes, the next step must be a
friendly manifestation of interest in the affairs of
their children and of their companions. Fath-
ers and mothers must seek the level of their
children so that they can understand and sym-
pathize with them. If they believe that parental
influence consists only in setting up a list of
Dont's and of exercising dictatorial authority
over their offspring they are erring just as much
as do the parents who let their children pursue
their own way to ruin.

The average boy and girl who loses interest
in his home usually has parents who either have
many characteristics of household dictators or
do not care whether their children mature into
credible members of society.

Delinquency among boys and girls will dis-
appear in proportion to the genuine spiritual qual-
ities which parents manifest in their homes.
Education, music and art cannot supply that
quality for our home life. That is something we
must acquire and cultivate by contact with spiri-
tual sources; something that will keep our boys
and girls on the right road to happiness and
success.

Answers to Questions

(Any reader can get the answer to
any question by writing The Palladium
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for return postage. All replies are sent
direct to the inquirer.)

Q. How much does it cost to go
from Havana to Key West by airplane?
—H. R. B.

A. This flight is made in 85 min-
utes and the fare is \$50.

Q. How much sugar does the aver-
age person consume in a year.—J. H. B.

A. During the period 1906-1910 the
average yearly consumption of sugar
per capita in the United States was
78.27 pounds; 1911-1915, 84.48 pounds;
1916-1920, 83.10 pounds.

Q. Who said, "My country, be it
ever right, but right or wrong—my
country"—E. C. H.

A. This was a toast proposed by
Commodore Stephen Decatur.

Q. Is trade between Alaska and the
United States considered foreign or
domestic?—R. L.

A. Trade between the United States
and Alaska is considered domestic
commerce, as Alaska belongs to the
United States.

Q. How can I be sure that letters
I send are not tampered with or steam-
ed open?—A. N. E.

A. Moistens the top with the white
of an egg and dry thoroughly. So se-
cured it can not be pulled open and
steaming has no effect on it.

Q. Does a tree grow thicker from
the inside or outside?—C. A. M.

A. The Bureau of Forestry says
that trees grow around the outside.
Every year a ring of wood is added
on the tree.

Q. What is amber?—A. A.

A. Amber is a fossil resin of ve-
getable origin. It is usually of a pale
yellow color, sometimes reddish or
brownish; it is sometimes transparent,
sometimes almost opaque. It occurs in
round, irregular lumps, grains or
drops; has a perfectly conchoidal frac-
ture. It is slightly brittle, emits an
agreeable odor when rubbed, melts at
550 degrees Fahrenheit, and burns
with a bright flame and pleasant smell.

After Dinner Stories

The negro parson was soliciting
funds.

"Breddern, dis church hab got to
walk."

Deacon (in amen corner): "Amen,
brudder, let her walk."

"Breddern, dis church hab got to
run."

Deacon: "Amen, brudder, let 'er
run."

"Breddern, dis church hab got ter
fly."

"Amen, brudder, let 'er fly."

"Breddern, it's gwineer take money
to make dis church fly."

"Let 'er walk, brudder; let 'er walk!"

A popular Oklahoma City salesman
recently married, was accompanied by
his wife as he entered the dining room
of a Texas hotel famed for its excel-
lent cuisine. His order was served
promptly, but the fried chicken he
had been telling his wife about was
not in evidence.

"Where is my chicken?" he asked,
somewhat irritably.

The dusky waiter, leaning over and
bringing his mouth in close proximity
to the salesman's ear, replied:

"El youse mean de it gal with
blue eyes and fluffy hair, she doan
wo'k here no mo'."

Lessons in Correct English

Don't say:

I dare TO say they will come.

WHO shall we choose as our chair-
man?

Let HE who is the most deserving
be chosen.

Let you and I be the first ones to
congratulate him.

Say:

I dare say they will come.

WHOM shall we choose as our
chairman?

Let HIM who is the most deserving
be chosen.

Let you and ME be the first ones to
congratulate him.

TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can," "Take It," "Up"

"PIPPA"—WHO PASSED

Robert Browning once wrote a wonderful dramatic poem. He
called it "Pippa Passes."

The story is of a little girl who wound silk in a silk-mill "the
whole year round, to earn just bread and milk."

It was New Year's day at Asolo in the Trevisan. And this was
to be Pippa's sole holiday of the year, in which she was to imagine
herself melted into the four happiest personages of the town.

She springs out of her bed, goes to the window and watches—
"Till the whole sunrise, not to be suppressed,
Rose, reddened, and its seething breast
Plickered in bounds, grew gold, then overflowed the world."

Said Pippa:

"Thou art my single day, God lends to heaven
What were all earth else, with a feel of heaven—
Sole light that helps me through the year, thy sun's!"

And so the poem continues, with Pippa flitting here and there
throughout the town, passing each of its various folk and seeing their
happiness, envying none and "being just as great, no doubt," as they.
But from her pure eyes lust and vice were veiled, while deceit and
trickery seemed only echoed smiles to her.

And as she passed and sang her songs, each life she touched with
her presence at once became transformed!

The disolute Sebald is conscience-struck as he hears the ragged
little girl's voice:

"God's in his Heaven—
All's right with the world!"

Pippa passes on—not knowing—and straightway finds the cottage
where a soon-to-be Bride is being borne, and there sings one of her
sweetest songs. Then passes on to where a Mother is walking with
her son—and to them she sings, and again passes on till she comes
to a tower in which the Monsignor is housed. And although within
are curses and threats, her song beautifies the air without.

She returns to her simple, airy room.

Pippa has had a happy day. The evil and darkness within the
lives of others she has not learned. Her dreams were filtered things.
She undresses, and lies down to sleep with these lines upon her lips:

"All service ranks the same with God—
With God, whose puppets, best and worst,
Are we: there is no last nor first."

mony in 1906. Mrs. Nugent was Hel-
en MacMahon Field of New York. He
is a Catholic.

Musings for the Evening

"MARRIED LIFE."

It's being done by seven hundred now
And they exaggerate each family row.
They glorify the breakfast table tiffs
And make the husbands seem a bunch
of stiffs.

But matrimony still is quite a fad,
There must be some good mixed in
with the bad.

So long as there are women wed to
men

There'll be some family squabbles now
and then.

It is said that a new line of Euro-
pean politics will be put up in Cannes.
THE CHILDREN'S DICTIONARY.

"The King of a government which
does everything he says is an absolute
monkey."

"Polygamy is having more wives
than you can support."

"There are three kinds of races,
black, white, and the shades in be-
tween."

"There are three vowels, I O U.
A sextant is a man who buries you
at sea."

"People used to write with pens
made of feathers which were called
non de plumes."

"Julia Caesar was one of the brides
of March."

"Savages are people who don't know
at sea."

SULPHUR CLEARS

ROUGH, RED SKIN

Face, Neck and Arms Easily
Made Smooth, Special-
ist Says.

Any breaking out of the skin, even
fiery, itching, eczema, can be quickly
overcome by applying a little Mentho-
Sulphur, declares a noted skin special-
ist. Because of its germ destroying
properties, this sulphur preparation
begins at once to soothe irritated skin
and heal eruptions such as rashes, pim-
ples and ring worm.

It seldom fails to remove the tor-
ment and disfigurement, and you do
not have to wait for relief from em-
barassment. Improvement quickly
shows. Sufferers from skin trouble
should obtain a small jar of Mentho-
Sulphur from any good druggist and
use it like cold cream.—Advertisement.

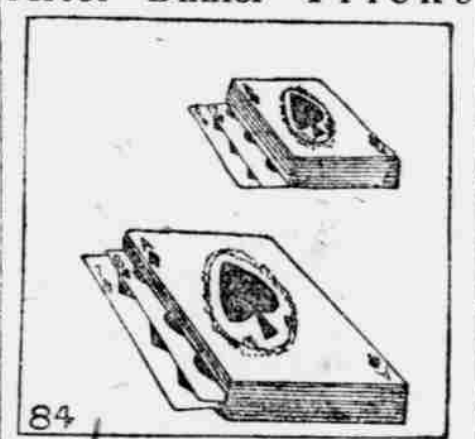
POLEY'S HAS NEVER FAILED

January is a bad month for influenza,
la grippe and bronchial troubles. It is
unwise to neglect the slightest cough
or cold. Poley's Honey and Tar gives
prompt relief, gets right at the trouble,
cures raw inflamed surfaces with a
healing coating, clears the air passages,
stuffy breathing and permits sound
resting, healthy sleep. Write for
brochure, health-hate-alone. Mrs.
P. A. Gibson, 1547 College Ave., Racine,
Wis., writes: "Poley's has never fail-
ed to give me relief and I can never
without it." A. G. Luken Drug
Co., 625-23 Main St.—Advertisement.

Ain't it a Grand and Glorious Feeling!



After Dinner Tricks



No. 84—Separated Cards—Joined

Secretly place the seven of hearts and the eight of diamonds at the bottom of a pack of cards. Openly remove the seven of diamonds and the eight of hearts, show them, and push them into the pack. Give the pack a few flips, and show the two cards on the bottom. Everyone will think they are the same cards you just pushed into the pack. This is a very puzzling little mystery, and not one person in a hundred will note that the two cards at the bottom are opposite in suits to those first shown.

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what wrong is until missionaries show them.

"A prehistoric animal is a funny kind of animal that is dead."

"A nomad is a person who never gets mad."

"Columbus knew the world was round because he made an egg stand up."

"Ghosts which you see are no such thing."

"The study of geography is impor-
tant, because if it wasn't for geog-
raphy we wouldn't know where we
lived."

Memories of Old Days

In This Paper Ten Years
Ago Today

A Richmond chapter of the Square
Deal club was being organized at the
Odd Fellows' hall, 1 O. O. F., on Feb.
7, 1912. The hall, which was at Eighth
and Main streets, was the scene of
two meetings, one in the afternoon
and one in the evening.

"A Y. W. C. A. for Richmond," was
the latest slogan of a band of public
spirited local citizens. Agitation of
the matter was opened at the closing
dinner of the Y. M. C. A. financial
campaign. The opinion was being ex-
pressed by many prominent residents
that Richmond's first need was an in-
stitution for young women, and that
such a place would without doubt be
secured within a very few years.

The one thing we don't recommend
Blue Devil for is cleaning teeth, yet
some say they like it.—Advertisement.

The Best Cough Syrup

is Home-made

Here's an easy way to save \$2. and
get the best cough remedy
you ever tried.

You've probably heard of this well-
known plan of making cough syrup at
home. But have you ever used it? When
you do, you will understand why
thousands of families, the world over,
feel that they could hardly keep house
without it. It's simple and cheap, but
the way it takes hold of a cough will
quickly earn it a permanent place in
your home.

Into a pint bottle, pour 2½ ounces of
Pinex; then add plain granulated sugar
syrup to fill up the pint. Or, if desired,
use clarified molasses, honey, or corn
syrup instead of sugar syrup. Either
way, it tastes good, never spoils, and
gives you a full pint of better cough
remedy than you could buy ready-made
for three times its cost.

It is really wonderful how quickly
this home-made remedy conquers a
cough—usually in 24 hours or less. It
seems to penetrate through every air
passage, loosens a dry, hoarse or tight
cough, lifts the phlegm, heals the mem-
branes, and gives almost immediate re-
lief. Splendid for throat tickle, hoar-
ness, croup, bronchitis and bronchial
asthma.

Pinex is a highly concentrated com-
pound of genuine Norway pine extract
and has been used for generations for
throat and chest ailments.

To avoid disappointment ask your
druggist for "2½ ounces of Pinex" with
directions, and don't accept anything
else. Guaranteed to give absolute sat-
isfaction or money refunded. The Pinex
Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

IN A HURRY

Well-framed statutes little heeding,
laughing all the laws to scorn, still
the fathead fan goes speeding, honk-
ing blithely on his horn. Through the
streets of thronging traffic, he goes
like the bolt of doom; and the epitaph
is graphic that we place upon his
tomb. Lives of speed fiends should
remind him death awaits, in many
styles; but the cloud of dust behind
him shows he's hitting 60 miles; "let
no speed law halt or stay me," all his
actions seem to rave; and the choir
sings "Now I lay me," when we gather
round his grave. When he reads the
daily papers, with their lists of auto
wrecks, he must see such bonehead
capers lead at last to broken necks;
through the crowds we see him slip-
ping, throwing up the dust and rocks;
and our tears are sadly dripping
when we lay him in his box. He is
same in other matters, he is wise in
many things, but he rips the road to
tatters and the landscape into strings;
all in vain our admonition, vain our
protests and appeals, and the sad and
stern mortician sorts his fragments
from the wheels. In the boneyard he
is sleeping, far from all the traffic's
roar, and his maiden aunts are weeping
for he nu who speeds no more.

TUBERCULOSIS AND CIVILIZATION

Tuberculosis came with civilization.
And it will stay with civilization until
civilization defeats it, according to
Prof. Chalmette, of the Pasteur insti-
tute, in Paris. A striking feature of
this disease is its rarity among un-
civilized and nomadic peoples, like iso-
lated African tribes. On the other
hand, he insisted that in the modern
cities of Europe and the United States
practically no adult escapes tubercu-
lar infection. He estimated that 20
per cent of city populations are infected
at the age of 2 years, 55 per cent at
15 years, and about 97 per cent of all
those above that age.

King, George's life insurance poli-
cies total something like \$10,000,000.

PAINS ACROSS

SMALL OF BACK

Husband Helped in Housework.—

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable
Compound Made Her Strong

Foster, Oregon.—"I used Lydia E.
Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for
pains across the small of my back.
They bothered me so badly that I could do
my work only with the help of my hus-
band. One day he saw the 'ad.' in our
paper, telling what Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound was doing for
women, so I began to take it. It has
helped me wonderfully. I am feeling
fine, do all my housework and washing
for seven in the family. I have been ir-
regular too, and now am all right. I am
telling my friends what it has done for
me and am sure it will do good for
others. You can use this letter as a tes-
timonial. I will stand up for Lydia E.
Pinkham's Vegetable Compound any
time."—Mrs. Wm. J. HUNKE, Foster,
Oregon.

Doing the housework for a family of
seven is some task. If you, as a house-
wife, are troubled with backache, ir-
regularities, are easily tired out, are
irritable, or have other disagreeable ail-
ments caused by some weakness, give
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Com-
pound a trial. Let it help you.

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Viscountess Windsor.

Viscountess Windsor, just past
twenty and a bride of a year, has
just been elected to the British par-
liament without opposition as a
Conservative member for the Lud-
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