

Big Whiskey Distribution.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27.—As a distributing point for the entire South, as well as for many States of the Middle West, Richmond at this season has been shipping probably more whiskey to dry sections than ever sent out in the same length of time from any other city in the country, not excepting New York and Chicago.

This declaration is based on statements made by leading whiskey dealers and on estimates furnished by representatives of the express companies. The bulk of these big shipments have been consigned to individuals in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and the various dry sections of Virginia. The express companies have rented a warehouse especially for the handling of these shipments.

Indications are that at least 40,000 gallons of whiskey are shipped from this city daily.

Mending a Broken Heart.

An Atchison Young Thing had a heart that ached, her Honey Boy having taken his affections elsewhere, and her father recently shut him off up with her. "That Honey Boy averaged spending fifty cents a week on you," he said. Here's a dollar a week to take his place. Every time he called he cleaned out the refrigerator; your mother will see that your brothers do this in future. He kept you up late at night. Your baby sister is cross, and hereafter you will let the baby do this for you. He took possession of the most comfortable rocker on the porch; when you look at that rocker in future it will not be empty, bringing the pang to your heart that our silly novels tell about; it will be occupied by the man who paid for it, and that's me. Your mother and I stayed by you through colic and teething, and are going to get you though this if we have to take turns spanking you. Now take your eyes off the moon and look at the dust around you."

Improving Humanity.

The Department of Agriculture at Washington deserves the thanks of every intelligent American citizen. It is reported that, through its efforts, the breeding of cattle which will be proof against tuberculous infection will soon become possible to even an experienced farmer, and that we already produce plants which are immune to disease. But how about human stock? Are we not of more importance than plant life, or of more value than a steer? If the Government cannot have department which is to devote its entire attention to human stock, then the Department might well include the human species in its various investigations.

We heard a great deal of talk during last Presidential campaign about the possibility of a Department of Health. Would it not be far better to have a department in which the science of race improvement would be presented to the general public in a form that would be popular and easily understood? I believe that it is entirely possible to breed human beings that would be immune from disease.

The human species can be made strong, it can develop such forceful vitality, that disease no matter what may be its character, could not possibly gain a foothold.

The human species badly needs improving. From the standpoint of health and strength and our ability to resist disease, we are in a far worse condition than any of the lower animals.—Bernarr Macfadden, in January Physical Culture.

Asking Too Much.

The mother of little six-year-old Mary had told her a number of times not to hitch her sled to passing sleighs, feeling that it was a dangerous practice. It was such a fascinating sport, however, that Mary could not resist it, and one day her mother saw her go skimming past the house behind a farmer's "hobs."

When she came in from play she was taken to task, her mother saying severely, "Mary, haven't I told you that you must not hitch onto hobs? Besides, you know it is against the law."

Mary tossed her head. "Oh!" she said, "I won't talk to me about the law. It's all I can do to keep the Ter Commandments!"—From Woman's Home Companion for January.

An Absentminded Bishop.

London Tit-Bits.

When the Bishop of Truro, Dr. Gott, was dean of Worcester, his absentmindedness was so notorious that he earned for himself the subriquet of "Dean Forcott." On one occasion he had invited some friends to dine with him; on their arrival a short time before the dinner hour, he suggested that in the interval of waiting his friends would perhaps like to walk through the grounds. After spending about a quarter of an hour in admiring the flowers, shrubs and greenhouses, they suddenly came upon a door in the garden wall.

"Ah!" said the dean to his astonished guests, "this will be a much nearer way for to go home, than by going back to the front." And, all unconscious of his invitation, he opened the door and bowed them out.

Per Capita Wealth.

Ohio State Journal.

In 1850 the wealth of the United States was \$7,000,000,000, or about \$307 to the person. In 1904 these figures had increased respectively to \$107,000,000,000 and \$1,310. Or in other words, the per capita wealth is over four times greater than it was 50 years ago. But it is not possible that contentment has increased a particle. This is because the more one has the more he wants to have. Possessions increase one's desire.

But there is another consideration that renders useless this explanation. It is quite probable that a great proportion of this increase from \$7,000,000,000 to \$107,000,000,000 has got into the hands of a few, and while the average might figure up \$1,310, the actual possessions may not have changed from what they were in 1850. They have no doubt increased some, but the millionaires and multi-millionaires have increased faster. The increase of wealth in the hands of a few is not a sign of health and hope.

Clothes and Character.

Long ago the wise woman learned that clothes often tell tales as to character. And of all the tale-bearing clothes none can equal the dresses a woman wears about the house in the morning.

Do you take pride in your home and are you willing to work yourself to always keep it its shining best? Then, let your clothes, which you wear the morning when you are busy about the home duties, indicate these characteristics of yours most plainly. Today there is no excuse for a woman not to look neatly and tastefully dressed in the morning. There are so many materials for her to choose from which launder to perfection and wear well, too. And there are so many designs specially created for clothes for morning wear that she need have no difficulty suiting her own individual preference.

Two-piece dresses for morning wear are quite as much the vogue as the one-piece dress. Many of them, however, have the princess effect, though they consist of a separate waist and skirt, for the belt which is made of the same fabric is joined to the skirt, thus giving the costume effect. The separate belt made of ribbon or elastic belting in a contrasting shade from the dress is not as good style as it used to be, though with the snirt-waist suit the black belt will never be wholly discarded.—Grace Margaret Gould in Woman's Home Companion for January.

Sees Mother Grow Young.

"It would be hard to overstate the wonderful change in my mother since she began to use Electric Bitters," writes Mrs. W. L. Gilpatrick of Danforth, Me. "Although past 70 she seems really to be growing young again. She suffered untold misery from dyspepsia for 20 years. At last she could neither eat, drink nor sleep. Doctors gave her up and all remedies failed till Electric Bitters worked such wonders for her health." They invigorate all vital organs, cure Liver and Kidney troubles, induce sleep, impart strength and appetit. Only 50c at Freeman Drug Co.

Thomas A. Daly, of Philadelphia, has accepted an appointment as an honorary vice president in the forthcoming pilgrimage of the Knights of Columbus to Egypt. The knights will also make a call on Pope Pius X at the the Vatican in Rome.

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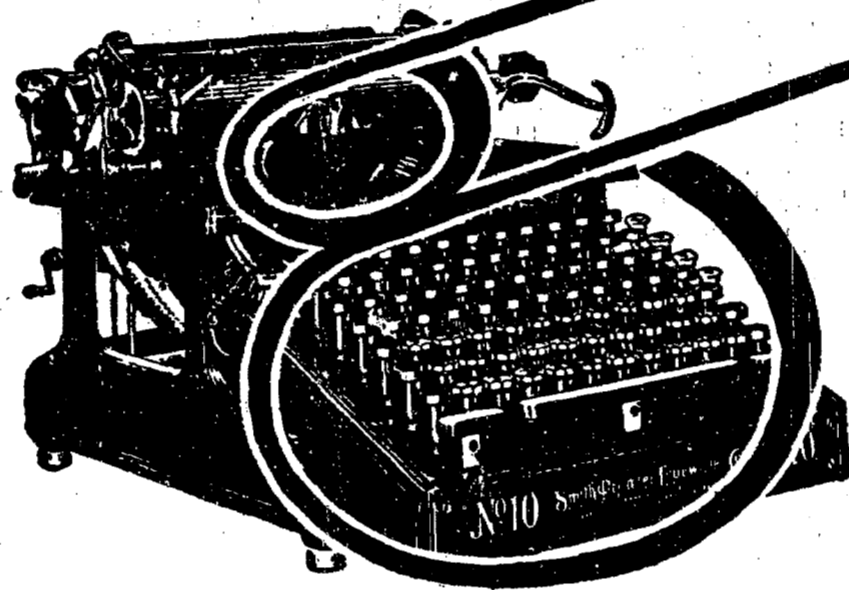
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