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When a man falls in love his acquaintances soon tumble to the fact. Though Rudyard Kipling gets his nose from a lake, it is not wit in water.
It isn't working for a living that hampers the average man, but the kind of living that he gets for his work.

Mr. Fry of South Carolina may be right in calling Ben. Tillman a rattlesnake. Thousands of persons think they have heard him rattle.
A wealthy scoundrel giving some final directions to a patient, frowned as he saw her tie a finely dotted veil over her face. "Always buy that kind, and wear it habitually," he remarked ironically, "every dot in it is worth five dollars to me, and it will accustom you to floating black spots. Good morning." Through his private office he watched the lady go out weeping.

The triple century run is the term for the latest form of athletic folly, and those who finish the distance are called "admirers," though they are unfrequently do themselves mortal injury in the long strain. A woman who achieved her three hundred miles a few days ago was carried in the arms of another cyclist to a gallery and photo graphed, the result showing a most fearful physical state she had reached her unenviable fame.

Race animosities between the German and Czech or Bohemian elements in the Austrian Reichsrath became so violent last June as to compel the emperor to close the Reichsrath. The reopening of the Reichsrath the other day was a resumption of the turbulent proceedings in the lower house, which made the orderly transaction of business impossible. The Hon. Wolf, leader of the German Nationalist party, was so violent in his assaults to Count Hadeni, the Austrian premier, that the latter, with the emperor's approval, challenged him to a duel. In the encounter which followed, Count Hadeni was slightly wounded.

The Dingley tariff act re-enacted, in its twenty-second section, the provisions in previous acts imposing a discriminating duty of ten per cent. on goods imported in foreign vessels. But the working was so changed that the exemption from this duty applied to vessels entitled to equal privileges with our own by "treaty or convention" instead of by "treaty or any act of congress." A clause was also added which laid the discriminating duty on goods produced in a country not contiguous to the United States, but coming in to the United States from a contiguous country. These changes have the effect of constraining the United States to levy the additional duty on foreign goods brought in British or French vessels, hitherto exempt under acts of congress, and also on goods imported by way of Canada or Mexico. The attorney-general holds that congress did not intend to effect either of these results. He finds no evidence that congress meant to repeal the law under which British vessels have been exempt, and argues that the passage of a bill amendatory of that law, on the same day the tariff law was passed, shows an intention to keep it alive. The clause relating to contiguous countries he regards as an amendment to that law, not as a new discrimination.

This is an age in which cheap substitutes abound. Every one who is a shopping is constantly pressed to take something cheaper than is "just as good." And the strangeness of it is that the cheap article has all the external appearances of the costlier one. How soon the cheap suit of clothes gets out of shape, loses its color and becomes threadbare. How soon the cheap carriage begins to rattle and its joints loose at every bolt. Lucky is the owner if it does not spill him out on the ground. How soon the cheap nail will loosen or break in a carriage wheel of four horsehoes and he returns the same old answer—"The sheared nail is just as good as the hammered one." From the nature of the case, it cannot be. The suit of clothes, made of the best material and by good workmanship, will outlast three or four cheap suits, and look better at the end. The carriage, where every part is selected and the ironwork first class, will last almost a lifetime. The horse shod with a good nail will never be lamed with a split nail, or wear his shoes in time of greatest need. Nothing is more irritating than to have a horse thrown his shoes just as one has calculated on a pleasant ride or a drive. But the horsehoes told you the cheap nail was just as good. Cheap things are not just as good except to the seller, who always makes the money on such articles than on good, straight, honest goods.

Long service in any capacity in which fidelity and efficiency are essential is properly a matter of pride. There is no branch of the public service in which these virtues are more nearly universal than in that of the letter carrier. The proposal which has been made by the postoffice department—to permit letter carriers to wear service stripes—is a deserved compliment to one of the most efficient bodies in the service of the public. For every five years of service the letter carrier is to be permitted to add a stripe of black silk braid to his coat sleeve.

It has suddenly occurred to somebody that Du Maurier's last story is immoral because of the kind of life it hero led before he was married, and which confessed with surprising frankness; but we guess Mr. Crilly can be accepted by a discriminating public party can see through by a light glimpse.

The chief executives of Germany recently got together and celebrated themselves, but not a word of them could show a testimonial from a customer in behalf of the skill and effectiveness of their regular work.

Claire Aldrich Gugdayed in Pontiac.
Miss Maude Gates spent Saturday and Sunday in Holly and Flint.
House to rent, partly furnished. Enquire of Mitchell at postoffice.

WANTED—Dining room girl at the National House. \$2.00 per week.
Miss Ethol Parkinson, of Port Huron, has been the guest of Miss Belle Ward this week.
Miss Eva Banghart, of Goodison, spent a few days last week with her cousin, Mrs. Theron Smith.

Money to loan on farm property to \$5000 up, three to five years. J. R. Corson. 17-12
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lanning, of Brighton, Mich., are the welcome guests of John Wilkinson and wife.
Special to Farmers—Tomlinson, the photographer, will exchange photos for farm produce for a few days.

The L. L. Club will meet with Mrs. Robt. Hanna, Jr., next Monday evening. Current events for roll call.
A cook stove with reservoir and warming closet for sale for \$5. Also a heating stove. Apply to E. P. Waldo. 2474
All members of the B. V. R. C. are requested to meet with Mrs. Hattenway Tuesday, November 2, at 7 p. m.
Claude Harris and wife, of Troy, made a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. Linabury, of Alexandrine Ave., Detroit, recently.

Regular communication of Birmingham Lodge No. 44 F. & A. M., will be Thursday evening, Nov. 4th, J. B. Hant, Secy.
Five hundred dollars reward is offered for the arrest and conviction of the parties who are setting buildings on fire in Holly.

Chas. Sloan, of Detroit, and Miss Hazel Connors, of the same city, were guests of Mrs. Jennie Sloan at her Troy farm last week.
Visitors at Fairholm this week: Miss Morrison and Mrs. Smith, of Utica; Mrs. M. Smith, of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Howland, Flint.

I have a number of small Catalpa trees from one to two feet high that I will gladly give to any one who will care for them. Call on Saturday. M. Baldwin.
Hard wood for sale—I have for sale stove wood, hard and dry at a bargain. 200 cords for sale cheap. Call on or address Joe Brooks, Southfield, Mich. 2633
Guests at Mrs. Fuller's, Maple Avenue, during the past week: Miss Hattie Waters and V. H. Lee, of Detroit; Henry Lee, wife and child; and Miss Mary Lee, of Farmington.

Lost, a light weight light colored horse blanket between Adams Bros., and Stephan's corner on the town line one night last week. Finder please leave at P. O. and oblige the owner.
Alford H. Ewing, of our village, and Miss Grace M. Weston, of Southfield, were married one day last week. The young couple have our best wishes for a long and happy life.

We hope our marshal will protect the property of our citizens, Halloween. No one has the right to damage or destroy property and the loss is just as great if it is done "only for fun."
Nickel in the slot machines and pool and billiard tables in connection are having a war waged against them by Marshal Davis, of Pontiac, who says he will now and ever after enforce the law.

To the L. O. F. M's—The Belle Isle Hike of Detroit will be with us Saturday evening, Oct. 30. All our members are requested to be present and are expected to bring refreshments. R. K.
Notice changes of ad for R. H. Frayer and the J. L. Hudson Co., of Detroit; C. H. Going and John Pound, of Pontiac, and the "Crack" ad for Jay Moore, of the U. S. Wafer Cracker Co.
FOR RENT—The J. E. Quick homestead on Woodward Ave. Large and convenient house, good barn, fine lawn, furnace, bath, closet, etc., \$20 per month. Inquire at Exchange Bank. 2647

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in the M. E. church parlors on Tuesday, Nov. 2, at 3 p. m. The county president, Mrs. Rice, of Pontiac, will be present, and will address the union. After the exercises light refreshments will be served free. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Sec.

The administrator of the estate of Edward Stevens, who was killed at Drayton Plains June 21, '95, have begun suit for \$10000 against the D. G. H. & M. By Davis & Bromley have the prosecution.
Rochester has no use for a gang of Pontiac young men who chase themselves over to that city, mash their girls, drink whiskey, get drunk and make themselves "odorous" to the entire community. Bro. Fox, of the Era, expressed himself very decidedly on the subject, and we'll bet he has good grounds for his healthy kick.
Mrs. E. F. Peabody is thoroughly overhauling her Woodward avenue home. Then, Bookham will change it around so that the good lady will have a reception hall, open stairway, bath room and all modern up-to-date conveniences. With new papering, painting, etc., she will have one of the very finest houses in Birmingham.

The first home party was given at residence of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Smith last Friday evening. Cards and dancing were the order of the evening. Tinetti's orchestra of Detroit furnished the music. The out of town guests were Misses Mamie Cox and Ella Lonsdale, of Rochester; Miss Eva Banghart of Goodison, Misses Lizzie Althouse and Dora Weatherston of Pontiac. Everyone reported an excellent time.

Miss Edith Hamlin, of the City Bakery, wishes to inform her patrons that she can supply them with City bread at 50, (instead of 60) a loaf, as of old, also that she has renewed the old price of six loaves for 25c. We can all recommend the products of this bakery and the reduced prices will be good news to all who "earn their bread by the sweat of their brow."

The Ladies' Guild of St. James church will give an oyster supper and social in the basement of the church this (Friday) evening. A special entertainment will be provided for the children. The new choir will sing at eight o'clock. All are cordially invited to come and have a good time. Adults 25c., children 10c. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock. Mrs. Wilson, Secretary.

The auditor general has completed the apportionment of state tax to the several counties. Oakland's share is \$53,097.02, which is equalled by Lenawee. The six counties that exceed Oakland's valuation are Wayne, \$414,481.95; Kent, \$113,962.28; Houghton, \$91,526.61; Saginaw, \$77,528.42; Washtenaw, \$65,683; Roscommon and Oscoda are the lowest, with a levy of \$1,276.78 each.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. James Shain Friday afternoon, Nov. 5th. Table committee: Mrs. Corey and Mrs. Frank Allen, each; Mrs. B. Shain and Mrs. Wooster, biscuit Mrs. Stevens, butter; Mrs. Simpson, sauce. Business meeting to commence promptly at 3 instead of 4 o'clock, as formerly. All members are requested to come early so the meeting can commence promptly on time. Mrs. Fannie J. Shain, Sec'y.

The proposed electric railway, which will reach from Detroit to Bay City, ultimately is in a fair state of beginning. Jos. E. Sawyer, one of the chief promoters is securing franchises with very good luck and these franchises provide for the carrying of light freight, mail and express. The new road is estimated to cost \$400,000 from Pontiac to Flint, and it is a sure thing that it will as easily be extended to Saginaw. Then you will see a trolley car run from Detroit to Bay City.

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Here are we and we take it all back and start over. Last week Joe Brooks, one of Southfield's finest, called on us, like a sensible business man, to advertise wood for sale, paid for his advt in advance, and we didn't do a thing but put Henry Miller's name to the notice. Did you see it? We have already fixed it up with Henry and have been dodging Joe for two weeks and hope soon to hear that he has cooled down. The advt is o.k., this week and the wood is dryer and better than ever, by some.

If parents, both mothers and fathers could hear, see and know what their darlings between the ages of 8 and 18, boys and girls are doing, seeing and acting while old nights hazing around (and the last night of October should be no exception) we venture to say they would keep them off the streets nights. Bad language, noisy, boisterous pranks, tricks, and lots of annoying acts are practiced that the doers would not think of during daylight on the rule. A fifteen year old girl of Rochester committed suicide by taking strychnine last week the direct result of being out nights.

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