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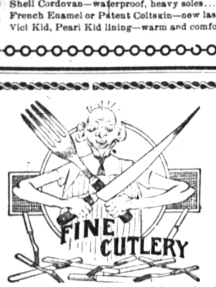

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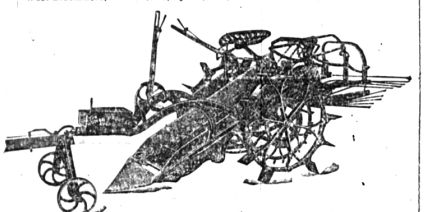

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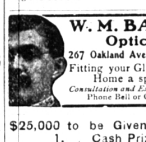

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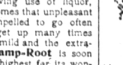

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Trains Run on Central Standard Time.

GOING NORTH		GOING SOUTH
Frgt Pass. Mxd	Stations.	Mxd Pass. Frgt
No. 5 No. 3 No. 1		No. 2 No. 4 No. 6
A.M. P. M. A.M. D. G. H & M. Mich Cent.		P.M. A.M. A.M 9 25 11 50
8 50 5 15 8 15	PONTIAC.	8 25 10 40 4 05
10 10 6 00 8 35	Oxford	7 10 10 05 1 0
10 50	Lake	7 45 10 50 1 0
7 00 9 25 12 35	Caseville	4 45 6 40 6 1
p. m. p. m. p. m.	Ar.	Lv p.m. a. m. a. m

Schedule of Trains between PONTIAC AND OXFORD

In Effect July 23, 1900.

GOING NORTH.			
Stations.	No. 7	No. 1	No. 3
Pontiac	5 30	8 15	5 15
Eames	5 45	8 30	5 30
Cole	5 55	8 35	5 40
Oxford	6 10	8 50	6 00
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
GOING SOUTH			
Stations.	No. 8	No. 4	No. 2
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Oxford	6 30	10 10	7 25
Cole	6 45	10 25	7 40
Eames	6 55	10 32	7 48
Pontiac	7 10	10 40	8 00
	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.

CONNECTIONS: Pontiac with Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Ry., and Michigan Air Line Division of Grand Trunk Ry. Oxford with Bay City Division Michigan Central Ry. Imlay City with Chicago & Grand Trunk Ry. Clifford with Flint & Pere Marquette Ry. Pigeon with Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron Ry.

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GOING NORTH					
Stations.	No. 7	No. 1	No. 9	No. 11	No. 13
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Pontiac	5 30	8 15	9 30	1 50	5 15
Eames	5 45	8 28	9 45	2 05	5 32
Cole	5 55	8 35	9 51	2 55	5 40
Oxford	6 10	8 50	10 10	2 10	6 00
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
GOING SOUTH					
Stations.	No. 8	No. 4	No. 10	No. 12	No. 14
	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Oxford	6 30	10 10	11 55	4 25	7 25
Cole	6 45	10 25	12 15	4 40	7 40
Eames	6 55	10 32	12 25	4 45	7 48
Pontiac	7 10	10 40	12 40	5 00	8 00
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Cars leave Birmingham for Pontiac at 6:30 a. m., and every half hour thereafter until 8:00 p. m., and hourly until 12 o'clock midnight.

First car leaves Detroit for Birmingham at 6:00 a. m., 7:00 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 7:00 p. m. and hourly until 11:00 p. m. Last car waits for the theaters.

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WOMEN HERE AND THERE

"Tom, dear," said Mrs. Newlywed the other evening just as they were about to leave the house for the theater, "I've left my fan on the dressing case in my room, and I can't go without it. Won't you run up and get it, that's a dear?"

Tom went up three steps at a time. A moment later his voice was heard awfully sharp for a man who has been married but three months.

"It isn't on the dresser."

"Why, yes, it must be, dear. Look in the upper drawer in that long blue box in the left-hand corner. Don't muss things all up. Is it there?"

"No, it isn't."

"Oh, it must be. Look good. Found it?"

"No, I haven't."

"Well, don't get cross about it. Maybe I left it on the bed. Is it there?"

"No, I'll be—"

"Tom! If you can't do a little favor for your wife without swearing about it, you needn't do it at all. Look in the second drawer of the dresser in that table box. Is it there?"

"No, it isn't, and I knew it wasn't before I looked!"

"You didn't know anything of the sort! Do find it some place. We're late now. Maybe it's on the mantel. I know I laid it down some place while I tied my bonnet. Is it on the mantel?"

"No, it is not on the mantel. I'll be eternally—"

"Tom! If you don't stop, I'll take off my things and stay at home! If you'd look for the fan instead of prancing around you'd find it. See if it is in my bonnet box. Sometimes I drop it in there. Found it?"

"Found it?" snarled Tom, jeeringly. "Talk about a needle in a haystack! It's nothing compared to a—"

"Tom Newlywed! Just as sure as you speak that way again I'll stay at home. Look on the chairs and the table and—what are you doing up there, Lighthaw? Upsetting chairs and kicking over things and growling like some wild animal. I'd be ashamed. I suppose I shall have to come up and hunt for the fan myself, tired as I am. Can't you find it?"

"Find nothing! A man might as well hunt for the north pole or Capt. Kidd's treasure or some particular grain of sand in the bottom of the sea, as to look for—"

"There, there! Stop making such a pitiful spectacle of yourself. If I were a man, I'd be a man! Look in the closet—oh, here's the fan. I declare if it hasn't been lying here on the hall rack all the time. I remember now that I laid it down when—Tom Newlywed! I'd be serving you right if I didn't go a step with you. Using such language! Come on. I suppose you'll snarl and sulk all the way down town."

And he did.—New York Times.

That Wonderful Baby.

"One is never too young to learn," thought a certain mother of a precocious baby, and so forthwith she began to look upon her two-year-old prodigy as susceptible of the highest culture if properly developed. The first practical demonstration of her theory was when she undertook to teach the baby an object lesson, using bright-colored illustrations of impossible animals to accompany and elucidate the text.

"And now," she said, turning the leaves of the picture book, "this is a chicken. See the pretty chickie? What does chickie do for baby? Chickie lays a nice fresh egg for baby's breakfast every morning."

And baby gurgled and cooed and worked her arms and legs ecstatically over the information.

"Then here is the doggie," said mamma. "Nice doggie barks bow-wow-wow for baby," whereupon baby exhibited a few ide-apart white teeth in appreciation of doggie's accomplishments.

"And the horsie takes baby for a ride," and the cow goes moo-moo, and gives baby a nice glass of fresh milk to drink," and so on through the whole category of animals, domestic and wild, several times, until from the really wise and intelligent expression in baby's face the mother felt sure all the intricacies of the animal kingdom had been mastered.

That evening a visitor called—a rival mamma—and baby was brought in and properly exhibited and exclaimed over by both fond parents.

"Isn't she lovely?" said the visitor, thinking of her own baby's charms.

"Oh, not lovely," explained the proprietor of the baby, modestly, "but she is cunning. I want you to hear her tell you about the animals. She knows them all. It is really wonderful what a memory that child has. Look, darling, see the pretty picture!" and she opened the book confidingly at the chicken. "What is it, darling? Tell the lady what it does for baby."

Baby gurgled joyously. "Horsie," cooed baby; "lay nice fresh egg for baby's bre'fus."

"Oh, isn't she smart?" said the polite visitor, but the fond mamma said not a word.

Not the Smallest.

In a certain Pennsylvania village where there is but one trolley car, and that a novelty, the handsome young citizen who is its conductor is regarded as common property by his friends the passengers. Men, women and children are as neighbors to him, and this sometimes gives rise to a picturesque confusion of his public and private functions.

He is asked for the loan of fares as often as a country postmaster is asked to advance stamps, and although he is expected to run his car by schedule, he is also expected to hold it quite ten or fifteen minutes on those frantic occasions when a belle is behindhand with her toilet for a soiree at the other end of town. Tender infants are put into his arms to be delivered at their destination, and trustful old ladies board his vehicle with requests to be taken to regions where no track has ever been surveyed.

But it was a lady riding with three children who took him the most deeply into her confidence. Receiving from her a dollar bill for fares he asked:

"Is this the smallest you have?"

"No," she replied, with a mother's smile, "I have one six months old at home."

He Used Diplomacy.

A certain gushing lady took her four-year-old daughter to a photographer. The little one could not be made to sit still. The camera-man was as nice and suave as he could be, called the child all the sweet, endearing names he could think of, while using every device of gentle persuasion to make the little wriggler keep still. Finally he turned to the despairing mother and said:

"Madam, if you will leave your darling alone with me a few minutes, I think I can succeed in taking her lovely face to perfection."

The mother withdrew for a short time. Soon the photographer summoned her back and exhibited a highly satisfactory negative. When they reached home, the mother asked:

"Nellie, what did that nice gentleman say to you when I left you alone with him?"

"Well, he thaid," lisped Nellie, "'If you don't sit sthill, you ugly, squint-eyed monkey, I'll thake the life out of your trembling carcath.' Tho' I that very sthill, mamma!"

What It Might Be.

One hot afternoon in July a traveler stopped at a farmhouse and asked for a drink. A country girl, bare-footed and sun-bonneted, passed him out a dipper and said: "There's the well."

He was evidently inclined to indulge in a little rural flirtation, and after making all the known varieties of "sheep's eyes" at her over the edge of the dipper he made bold to inquire:—

"What might your name be, miss?"

"Well," she said, in a matter-of-fact tone, "ef I can convince young Smiler that it's about time to come down to business, it might be Mrs. Mary Jane Smiler before next winter. At present it ain't nothing but Mary Jane Simpkins."

Is This True, Girls?

A young man fell in love with a certain young lady. She was the first on whom he had ever turned his affection, and he was not quite certain how to act while in her company. He wrote to a valued friend, explaining everything, and asking for a few hints on etiquette, particularly as to when to stand and when to sit down in her presence. Among the advice which he received was the following:

"It is considered bad form for a gentleman to sit down first while calling on a young lady, but under certain circumstances he has to."

Askal Chin, in Tibet, is the lake which lies at a greater height than any other in the world. Its level is 16,600 feet. The lowest is the Dead Sea, 1,299 feet below sea level.