

**SMALL PEOPLE ARE POPULAR.**

Observant Operatic Star Has Reasoned Matter Out.

"I'm not very big, that's a fact, but I remember it is the little people that make the world go round."

Toby Claude said it. Toby is a little girl and she is proud of it.

"I'm not quite five feet tall in my high-heeled shoes and hat," she added, "but I know how much better it is to be small than large. There are many advantages, especially to a woman who follows the musical comedy or operatic line. If you will look over the list of names of those who have won distinction in these lines you will see that I am right in saying that it is the 'little girl' who always forgets to be from the first instance, there are Alice Nielsen, Edna Wallace Hopper, Madge Loring, Della Fox, and Kathie Barry. To go from the musical to the operatic lines, there is not a prominent actress playing to-day, with the possible exception of Mary Shaw, who is not a large woman, also Julia Marlowe, Clara Bloodgood, Amelia Bingham, Alice Fisher, Maxine Elliott, and, entering the grand opera field, Melba, Nordica, and Calve. But there is one notable exception to this array—Mrs. Fiske.

"The small persons find it easier to get through the world, especially if they have to squeeze through, as some of us do. From any and every standpoint of fact, standpoint, it pays to be small. The world admires small people and always did."

THE STOUT WOMAN'S REVENUE.

**ingenious Way of Using "Trixie" to Get Even.**

It was a rainy, sloppy day. In a Lexington, avenue car a man gave up his seat to an old woman who had just clambered aboard and could not reach the hanging strap. That is, he intended to give up the seat to her, but a stout woman sitting beside him grabbed a six-year-old girl who was standing at her knee and lifted her into the seat.

"I intended my seat for this lady," said the man, "helping the old woman to get further away from the crowd."

"My child has paid her fare," snapped the stout woman. "The seat is reserved to you when you give it up."

"Oh, never mind; I would as soon stand," said the old woman.

"It's selfish women like you that prevent men from giving up their seats in cars to others of your sex," said the man; who was evidently in the mood for a discussion, "and so that everybody in the car could bear him. The woman flushed and turned to the girl.

"Trixie," she said, "you may kneel on the seat if you want to, and look out of the window."

"Trixie," said the girl, "the next five blocks wiped her muddy shoes on the self-sacrificing man's trousers. The stout woman smiled. She was re-vengeful.—New York Press.

**Family Conversation.**

Make sure, in partaking of hospitalities, that you are able to discharge the obligations it imposes. It is a conversational coin from the crannies of your brain, suggests a writer in the Pittsburg Gazette. Be ready to give something when the conductor catches your way.

I know a family in which, from the youngest child to the son in college, each member is required to contribute something to general conversation at meal time. They have never been allowed to regard this as a mere stop for stoking the physical fire, but to be made as brief as possible. Each treasure up some incident of the day; no one forgets that he has met an old friend, or even watched the trail of the fire patrol and the excitement it aroused. They have become more observant, their sense of humor is sharpened in little street comedies because of the applause of the family circle. They are always sure of a friendly interest in their individual adventures and misadventures. They all keep in touch with each other's pursuits. Meal times are not dull in that family. The mind, as well as the body, is refreshed.

**The Initiated.**

All that I loved before was gone. Delight and laughter, song and flame; tender, friendly, and warm. The seasons ripening hour by hour; The morning glow of waving corn; The shimmering gold of waving corn; The blue and white of the blue. Are dearer now because of you.

As one who scans a wondrous scene, Faded in color, but that same strife, And lands the loveliness of life, And color back to its old-time life, I look on all the show of things. There the spirit's secret springs. Were touched by that which makes us With Nature's heart—with stars and sun.

And now sweet spring-time's messengers Find my life as warm as yours. I too, am thrilled with that same strife Whereby the seedling grows. And you shall gather in the world's early spring, The warm sun of life. And winds, and water, never dull. That speak of you.

—The Pall Mall Gazette.

**Prescott Was a "Motel's" Boy.**

Prescott was not only well born but happily born. His heredity was truly fitted to his problem of life. From his mother Governor Woodstock thought he derived his "unfailing spirits." In Pierce's Life of Sumner there is a record of a conversation at dinner, where Webster, Ticknor, Sumner and Prescott were present, among others. The talk turned on the question, what most vitally defined man's character and activities. Some said one thing, some another. "Mr. Prescott declared that a mother's influence was the most potent force in a living witness. All the accounts which Ticknor proudly gathered from Sumner contemporaries agreed that the boy William had his bright vivacity from his mother—Hollo Ogden, in the March Atlantic.

**French Statesman Averts to Pomp.**

Camille Pelletan, the French minister of war, is noted as a typical bohemian. He has spent a good portion of his life in the Latin quarter, and even now, though compelled to live in the magnificent place of marins, he frequents by observation his bohemian friends. Another noted bohemian in the French government is Theodor, president of the cabinet. Pelletan and Theodor were classmates at college and are close friends now.

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That in some cases it is better to give than to receive. For instance, in a fight.

That if tombstones were reliable the devil would very soon be wearing mourning.

That if one half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives it is not the fault of the female card parties.

That the latest definition of a jury is, "a body of men organized for the purpose of deciding which side has the smartest lawyer."—Liverpool (Eng.) Clergyman.

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Some men learn by experience; some men learn by the experience of other men.

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I don't like "eruption" in either men or women. It's about as useful and commendable as straightjacket in a horse.

Early in my boyhood career I saved my first dollar. Since then, friends of my boyhood days, who never saved a dollar, imagine that I still have that dollar.—New York Telegraph.

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