

Turning Over a New Leaf



OW listen to me, Heppie," said Happy Brown, who will draw you and ink sketches of Franklin as it was 25 years ago, when he was a boy attending our village school.

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After having performed its mission as a producer of electricity, the motor is pumped to the monster storage tank, which may be seen crowding "The People's Power Plant," an industry owned and operated by the Birmingham Bros., Arnold and Howard, sons of old Mr. Birmingham, who, at one time, owned the only store in Franklin.

On our way up the Main street I shall expect to hear the remark, "Why there's the only building which looks natural, the old Van Every hotel." Yes, it does look natural.

Beautiful New Theater. This evening we are to have a wonderful treat. The management of our largest theater, "The Stadium" has thrown open its doors to the public, that we may witness the trial performance of the newest invention of the day, "The Radio-Photoplay."

For one hour before the radio-photoplay we will be entertained by the famous Adams Symphony orchestra, Carleton Adams, director, and Eugene Adams, soloist, and a company of 40 artists. They have just completed a tour of the United States and Mr. Adams kindly consented to bring them here for the home-coming.

Immediately after the performance we go to the site of the old M. E. church, a beautiful structure, and listen to the farewell address given by Rev. Stringer, the good old man who preached for us 25 years ago and who, in spite of his gray hairs, is still imbued with the spirit of youth.

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Most of the things an unsophisticated person doesn't know are not worth knowing. So many women are asking money for breach of promise, as they see so shall they reap.

You never can understand women. One has had a man arrested for cruelty to a rat. A lark is the only song bird that sings as it flies. Others, and humans, sing and then fly.

When someone else in the house has the same size head your hat is not a one-man top. For Golfing Friend. For one's golfing friend, a nice gift would be a small score card and a wrist strap. It provides a space for keeping one's own score, that of his opponent, and the number of holes played.

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Christmas Eve Bread. According to an old superstition, bread baked on Christmas Eve will never become mouldy.

Tobacco-Stained Teeth. To remove stains from the teeth place a small amount of fluoride of ammonia on a piece of absorbent cotton and allow it to remain on the teeth for about a minute. Care should be taken not to let this touch the gums or get into the throat. After the cotton is taken off, the mouth should be rinsed with cold water.

Grandmother Compares Present With Long Ago

JENNY and her great-grandmother were having a "little chat" while they waited for the announcement from the maid that Christmas dinner was ready. Grandma Smith had been born and reared in the South. She was spending the holidays with her daughter in the North. Grandmother was in her early nineties, but a remarkable woman for her age.

"Jenny, as I looked around the house just now, I could help but realize what a difference a generation or two has made in our mode of living. I couldn't keep from comparing this day and home with a Christmas Day and home I knew long ago. You know, Jenny, Andrew and I were married on one Christmas, years ago. Andrew built a little cabin on a plot of ground he owned. It was perched up on a hill. I thought it was the loveliest, most beautiful cabin ever built in the whole world. And it was. It was the last word in cozy, home architecture of the times. Inside it had a dirt floor and a few pieces of hickory furniture which Andrew had made. I love all the linens and other cloth which we used. We were so happy. We had a big wedding. One of my wedding presents was a tin cup. That cup was a prized possession, much talked about and envied by my neighbors. Sometimes I wonder, we lived so simply—and happily—and now how complex are—"

The dinner gong boomed forth a welcome sound. The family gathered and with joyful chattering hurried in to the festively arranged Christmas dinner table. —E. King. (© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

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LETTER GOT THERE. SHE didn't have Santa Claus address, but she knew that Aunt Mary must have it, so she wrote the following letter to him and sent it in care of "Aunt Mary, New York," having first read it to her mother: "Dear Santa Claus: I hope you are well. Are you won't you have to come this year in your airplane, or your automobile? Here is my list: "Too teddy bears in dresses, a doll's writing desk, a doll, not a girl doll, a doll's bookshop (that is kept by Miss Sinclair), one bear brown and the other white, I think that is all. Your loving friend."

The letter must have arrived. For the presents did. C. G. Hazard. (© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

Christmas Card That Ended His Loneliness. FOR several years circumstances had made James Wingall move from town to town so that he seemed to lose almost the entire connection with his past. He was an accomplished tradesman and a dino's worth of powder, he did not note the passing years, nor realize that almost all his schoolmates were married and he a bachelor of thirty-five.

One Christmas Eve, however, when he returned to an empty hotel room, it was with feelings that in spite of his business success, something vital was lacking in his life. Perhaps that was why he disliked Christmas so. When business ceased, nothing else remained. In the solitude of his room, he opened the few Christmas cards which still sought him out. Every one he scanned he tossed aside, except one from the Big girl he had kissed. He held it tenderly and read it many times. "You faithful dear," he murmured, and going to the telephone, inquired when he could catch a train. He had decided to go home and see his friends again, and find a partner. If he could, to make life really a success. —I. Lucius Cook. (© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

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Maple Popcorn Balls. Pop three quarts of corn and discard hard kernels. Melt one table-spoonful of butter in a saucepan, add one cupful of maple sirup and one-half cupful of sugar. Bring to boiling point and let boil until mixture will become brittle when tried in cold water. Pour mixture gradually, stirring all the while, over corn which has been sprinkled with salt. Shape into balls, using very little pressure.

Then and Now. The old-fashioned boy who used to get an apple, an orange, a handful of mixed nuts, a dime's worth of powder, and shot or a new pair of home-knit socks for Christmas now has a grand, round ring, and a check. Times change.

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