

The Unreason-ablest Man

He sat by the door of the blacksmith shop basking in the September sun. His eyes were turned to the meadow across the road where the man with the plough was having trouble with a team of mules. When the man with the plough wanted to go...

A FAMOUS SEA FIGHT.

How the Boxer and Enterise Had It Out in 1813. Wiscasset, Me. had a big day in 1813, when the American brig Enterprise met the English brig Boxer...

HUNTING ALLIGATORS.

A Florida Sport With an Element of Uncertainty in It. Hunting alligators at night with a bullseye lantern and shotgun is tame sport compared with what is called gator hunting in Florida...

The Hopeless Case

"My dear," said Mrs. Hanson, sighing. "I am afraid you are quite hopeless, but I am going to make one last effort." The girl addressed swung around in her chair and eyed her hostess...

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WISDOM OF LITTLE VALUE. "Superior Wisdom," said Uncle Eben, "don't 'pear to do much for some people, 'cept to keep 'em worried 'bout do mistake dey is esmabed to notice in lothers."

THE CLOTHESLINE TEST. "Let me see her clothes on the line," said an old-fashioned woman recently, "and I can tell you if she is a good housekeeper." The test lies in the way the garments are hung. If the skirts are scattered around promiscuously the women lets garbage stand on her kitchen table over night. The skirts, like we men, should always hang together, shoulder to shoulder, and everything of its kind should hang in a row -- Atchison Globe.

FUNCTIONS OF THE HAPPY. A happy man or woman is a better thing to find than a five-pound note. He or she is a radiating focus of good will, and their entrance into a room is as though another candle had been lighted. We need not care whether they could prove the forty-seventh proposition; they do a better thing than that, they practically demonstrate the great theorem of the Livability of Life. Robert Louis Stevenson

MOTHER'S DAY IN ENGLAND. Provincial England is smiling in a superior way at America's belated discovery that the country ought to celebrate mother's day. In the villages of Cornwall, Devonshire and Lancashire mothers' day has been a recognized institution for generations. It is celebrated on mid-Lent Sunday.

WHY THEY'RE DISAPPOINTED. "Some men sit with folded hands waiting for their ships to come in," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "who never made a single move toward even raising a sail."

THE USEFUL PIG. The man of good genius is supposed to value the qualities of the negro writer in the Philadelphia Public Ledger. However, there is a study of a colored woman who should be an example to her race. She was an ex-slave, a back African and was being reared at a conference at Turke. For the people in your own country, I think they are fixing to own em. But do they own them? A heap of times you can't just tell 'em if they are hooding em down. Yes, sah! I do proudly. And I can tell you just how I got it. I swapped a puppy for it. Well, it was this way. When I started I didn't have anything at all but just a little vaser puppy dog. I took the dog over to my brother in-law. He had eight little bits of commission form of government, piggy bank, and one of the Gasston and Lee Molines. It was such a little pig that it didn't look like it would live but it nursed it good, and I prayed to the Lord to make that pig come forward to do me good and the pig lived and grew. The first year I turned her out and when she came back in the fall she brought me seven little pigs with her. That was my start. I never had to buy any more since. This winter she had three more and I got another at home last year. I've got forty acres of land now all paid for and a hog and it all come from that one little piggy. Do you hear that, my brother? Washington you men! Some of you'd better go back home and swap your dogs for pigs!

HE DELAYED THE GAME. An Eastern college graduate applied for work in a Michigan lumber camp. He was told to occupy himself with one end of a cross saw the other end being in charge of an old and experienced lumberman. At the end of the second day the young man's strength began to wane. Suddenly the old man stopped the saw. "Sonny," he said, "I don't think you'd mind yer riding on this saw, but if it's jest the same to you I wish you'd keep yer feet off the ground."

CUMULATIVE DANGERS. "When you have made a statement for which you are sorry, you should own up to it," said the dealer. "No," answered Senator Sargham. "It is bad enough to say something you regret, without following it up with an expression of self-distrust you are sure to regret still more."

DELICATE COMPLIMENT. Modiste. To wear a fashionable hat with grace you must have a head like this wooden model. That is the reason why madame looks so charming in the hat I made for her. Simplicity-simus.

HUSBANDS AND BABIES. After the baby comes, a woman realizes that the lesson in patience she had to learn to get along with her husband, was only the a b c of what she had to learn later -- Atchison Globe.

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WHERE THE WORK CAME IN. Mrs. Bacon: "I understand your husband is at work on a new poem." Mrs. Egbert: "He is. He's trying to get some magazine to accept it."

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