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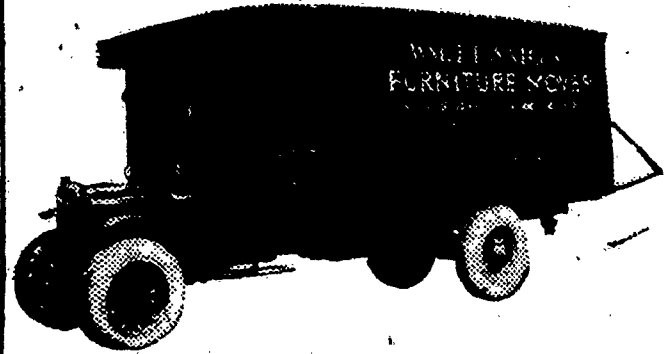
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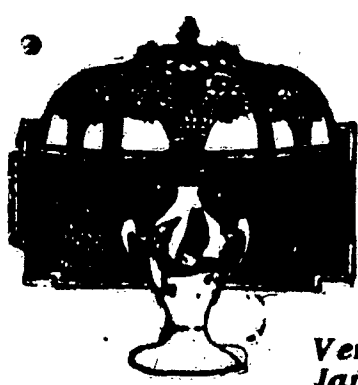
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### HOWE CAPTURE TO CURIOSITY

Simple Process by Which Natives Make Prisoners of Active Denizens of the Jungle.

The native method of capturing the howling monkeys of South America is by placing some sugar inside a nut shell which is very large and at the same time has a small opening left in one end when the meat is removed. These hunters watch the trees, and after spying one or more monkeys select a time when the little creatures are watching them and put the nut shells on the ground. Then they walk away, and are scarcely hidden when the monkeys cautiously descend from the trees and begin to examine the shells. Curiosity and the lump of sugar inside prompt them to slip their hands into the openings, and after grasping the sugar they endeavor to remove their hands, but while doubled up they are too large to come out. Of course, the monkeys could release the sugar and withdraw their hands easily, yet their inquisitive nature and love of sugar are so strongly developed that they refuse to do so. The hunters are peering through the undergrowth, and just as the animals get their hands into the shells they leap out and give chase to them, knowing that as long as their curiosity has not been satisfied they will cling to the lump of sugar. These howling monkeys are clumsy enough on a level surface, but when one hand is incased in a big shell glove as large as a coconut, it is a comical sight to see these active creatures trying to climb a tree. As a result, they are soon captured by the hunters and placed in large sacks to await the next visit of a purchasing agent for some menagerie. This inquisitive nature of the monkey tribe was well known by the ancients, one of the old fables describing how a monkey endeavored to secure a handful of some delicacy from a narrow-necked jar and then withdrew its hand white holding it.

### THINKING IN STRAIGHT LINES

That is Simple Formula That Comprises the Whole Secret of Thinking Successfully.

"A straight line is the shortest distance between two points." Every high-school boy learns to repeat this axiom. If more of them learned to think it would have a greater supply of executive ability. For in these short ten words, embodied in every geometry book, is concealed the big secret of success that most of us spend all our lives trying to find.

Thinking in straight lines is the secret to thinking successfully. After the plan is made the execution is easy. So in planning department systems or in passing judgment upon systems that others have planned the first and big step is to apply to every move that we make the philosophy that is involved in this often-repeated and often-forgotten axiom.

Let me call attention first to the fact that this axiom presupposes two points: Before you can draw your straight line you must know definitely and accurately where these two points are. You must know your starting point and the objective that you wish to reach. Many people attempt to draw their paths of progress without knowing definitely from where they start or to where they want to go. That is why so many personal and business progress lines are zigzag spirals and labyrinths that do not get anywhere.—John Van Deventer, in Industrial Management.

### A Poet and Poet.

W. H. Mallock, in a new book of memoirs, tells of a certain occasion when, being with Swinburne at a friend's house, Swinburne drank port wine, became talkative and told how he came to write three poems of which he was proud. In Mallock's words: "Then, like a man waking up from a dream, Swinburne turned to our host, and said nervously, 'Can you give me another glass of port?' His glass was filled, he emptied it at a single draught, and then lay back in his chair like a child who had gone to sleep, the actual fact being as his host soon recognized, he was drunk. He was not, I think, intoxicated in the sense that he drank too much. A very little intoxicated him."

### "The Colonel."

The reverence of the late Czar Nicholas for the memory of his father manifested itself occasionally in strange ways. For instance, he, the supreme chief of the Russian army, never consented to assume a higher rank in the army than that of colonel, to which he had attained under the preceding reign. This touching but somewhat puerile act of filial piety did not help his prestige in military circles, where he came to be referred to always as "the colonel," a sobriquet which in the end savored of mockery and certain disdain.—London Opinion.

### "Single-Speech Hamilton."

Now that women have come into their own in politics, we cannot but wonder if we will ever have a woman orator who can equal the record of one William Gerard Hamilton, chancellor of the exchequer in Ireland in 1775.

We are told that he received the sobriquet of "Single-Speech Hamilton," because he delivered on the 13th of November, 1775, a speech which electrified the house, but after that memorable first effort he never spoke again, or rather, he should say, he never "speaked" again.—E. E. R.

### SIMPLICITY IN THIS GOWN



Blue cloth, and embroidery and belt with bow carefully tied are the appealing features of this winsome creation.

### TRICKS OF THE NEEDLE TRADE

When the crown of your hat wears out cover it with a piece of satin or some material of which you have a dress. With a little patience and time you will have one of the latest models. The material should be cut in a round piece much larger than the crown of the hat and shirred along the edge. The shirring is then sewed down to the edge of the crown, and the raw edge is hidden by a strip of the material cut on the bias and folded, or by a ribbon. Pull the top to one side and fasten it down to the brim to form a ram crown.

Cut the tops from the children's white stockings that are worn out and crochet an edge in color. The result will be an attractive pair of socks.

When you are putting tucks in soft material and want to get them the same distance apart sew a piece of cardboard fast to the sewing machine with the thumb screw that is near the foot. Cut the end of this off where the first tuck is to be and cut a notch where the next tuck is to be.

When you are sewing pockets on the children's clothes remember to place them low enough for the fingertips barely to reach the bottom. The hands cannot then be rammed down so far and the pockets will be protected.

### BACK TO DAYS OF CRINOLINE

Show of Winter Models Displayed Short Skirts and Silk Stockings Visible Through Them.

There was a little gasping from the audience at a show of winter models, says the London Graphic when a mannequin glided in wearing a velvet gown with a corselet bodice laced up the back in the manner of the '90s.

But this does not indicate that corselet gowns are to be general wear. Miss Elsie Phelps, in whose show the "throw-back" appeared, has borrowed from other periods, and though one model might have been made for Scheherazade or the Queen of Sheba, the next might be an affair of tulle and lace flounces which remind one of the Winterhalter portraits of Queen Victoria.

There were even crinolines—not the modified farthingale of last year, which merely stuck out on the hips—but all round, almost-touching-the-floor affairs of soft flounces. But a Victorian lady would have swooned away at the sight of them, for they were all transparent, and a very narrow, very short sash and a good deal of silk stocking could be seen beneath them.

### STYLE RULES ARE ELASTIC

Milady May Choose Almost Any Type of Garment and Still Be in Fashion.

"Never have style rules been so elastic. A few very general rules are given out, such as straight lines, a low waistline, etc., but these are so variously interpreted that they are all but lost sight of. Certainly the home dressmaker is given every possible encouragement. She may, if she has artistic sensibilities and the knack of putting fabrics together with good workmanship, turn out a veritable masterpiece. Very few bizarre or freakish styles are approved by Dame Fashion this season. The widespread effort appears to be to develop clothes that are good looking and smart—but inconspicuous.

In the line-up of tailored dresses wool jersey is again well up in front. Tans and browns are popular colors. Some of the best looking frocks yet seen combine wool jersey in two shades—tan and brown, navy and French blue, and so on.

### Gladys George



This charming "movie" star is a native of Maine and has been on the stage practically all her life. She played her first role at the age of three with a stock company at Waterbury, Conn., and since that time has appeared with many notable stage stars.



OTHER day I go veesit Pat Stock I show een one place but I no lika ver much. Ever sence one time when I losa tree hundred dolla I no gotta any use for da stock. Dat time I buy da fake stock and deesa kind egs fat stock—mebbe na deefraese only liddle bit, I dunnu.

Anywa ees plenty cows and sheeps and bulls een dat show when I go veesit. Some da time you could see da bull but mosta time you heara da bull. Seema like eese more bull een dat place as een congress or da but-shavelki.

Dat place where I go ees calla Union Stock Yards. Mebbe all da cattle be-long weeth da union, I dunnu. I feegure eef union cattle gotta eema wages like a union broock layers ees no taka ver moocha time gotta fat and rich same time.

But I dunnu somating heata cattle. I aska one guy wot good een da peeg for. He say peeg maka pork chop, cow maka beefsteak and da sheep maka lamb stew. I aska heem eef da bull maka bullion and he says I was crase een da head.

I no say somating, but ees one ting I no feegure out. Jusa betwene you and me and na for sprints round. I walka all day een dat place looks for somathing. I wanta see wot da ani, mal looka like whoosa maka da buzz and eggs.

Wot you thak?

### A LINE O' CHEER

John Kendrick Bangs.

### THE BANK OF CHEER.

I'd start a Bank if so I could  
Where I could store the things of  
good

That come into my days;  
The wealth of Love and Joyous  
Cheer  
The Good Will of my fellows here  
That drives away all sense of fear  
That lurks along my ways.

And when the coffers all were full  
Of Balances Delectable  
I'd take my Check-Book out,  
And send a good Sight-Draft to all  
Who labored dully in the thrall  
And lay beneath the grimy pall  
Of Hopelessness and Doubt.  
(Copyright.)

### How It Started

HIGH HEELS.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S reign started the fashion of high heels for women's shoes. The pair of her shoes which is preserved to the present day must have made her three inches taller when she wore them. The heels were added to increase the height of the wearer to so make her more stately and impressive.  
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### Some Artist.

Teacher—That's the best drawing you have ever made.  
Student—Glad you like it.  
Teacher—I don't.—Boys' Life.

### MAN—THE QUARTER

in West China, He is the...  
Honors of...  
of All Nations.

Not a wheeled vehicle is seen in west China except the...  
near Chengtu. Thousands of...  
commerce pass over these...  
annually, all on the backs of...  
and as we approach the...  
population we find the...  
water of the city are of their...  
also.

The "Back of Man" is the...  
ten epic of this land for...  
it bears the world upon it. The...  
and other minerals from the...  
towers and all that they...  
wood on the hills and the...  
the plain—all, together with...  
the way to market and the...  
can afford it—all have...  
upon the back of man.

The reason is not far to seek. It is...  
surely economic. Man is the...  
efficient machine and the...  
animal, and so it comes to pass that...  
is the universal animal, the...  
of commerce and the pack...  
of the race.

It is cheaper to wear men...  
than keep roads up. When...  
few care and still fewer...  
others are eager to fill his...  
we offer to take the burden...  
his shoulder, he would regard...  
the rice from his bowl.—Dr. Joseph...  
Beech in the National Geographic...  
Magazine.

### TELL OF LENGTH OF LIFE

Age Secrets of Animals, Trees, Plants,  
and Even Birds, Easily...  
treated by the Initiated.

As most people are aware, it is...  
possible to tell the age of a horse by...  
examining its teeth, remarks a...  
writer in London Answers.

The age of a sheep may be known...  
in a similar manner—that is, by...  
teeth. The number of years a...  
has lived is found by a...  
The horns are examined, and...  
number of rings on these horns...  
almost exactly the age of the...  
cow.

Just as the horns indicate the...  
of the cow, so the development...  
of the antlers helps to calculate...  
of animals belonging to the...  
and the length of life of other...  
animals is arrived at in the...  
The age of many birds can be...  
covered by examining the...  
feathers.

Trees often live to a very...  
and while they are standing...  
difficult matter to arrive at...  
of these; but when they have...  
cut down the age of the tree...  
reckoned by counting the...  
rings visible in the section.

It is a comparatively easy...  
to learn the age of growing...  
as each shoot sends off...  
shoots each year, and by...  
the joints from the root to...  
branch the number of years...  
the tree has lived may be...  
computed.

### Where Some Names Originated

Christenings in the...  
sometimes lead to curious...  
New species of plants and...  
usually given a form of the...  
of the discoverer, and the...  
instance, hidden quite...  
applied pronunciation...  
it was christened after a...  
of the name of Fuchs. The...  
who named the family of...  
followed an original plan, having...  
names to his own. His...  
was Caroline. He took the...  
that name, put them in a...  
them out again in every...  
that would yield a...  
for the shrubs and their...  
other naturalist received...  
He had a boundless...  
the sea worms, on which...  
had been bestowed, and he...  
seven daughters. So each...  
as the christened...  
one of the worms.—Chicago Journal.

### Hot Springs Old National Park

Many Americans are not aware that...  
Hot Springs is a government...  
tion. As a matter of fact it is...  
the oldest of the great system...  
parks, monuments, reservations...  
forests which the American...  
now own. Hot Springs was...  
reservation by the government...  
in order that the healing...  
waters might be accessible...  
and not exploited by...  
Unfortunately the reservation...  
only large enough to take...  
springs themselves and the...  
crowds all about them, when...  
should be in the center of...  
park. There is a free...  
maintained by the government...  
other more elaborate ones...  
for profit by concessionaires.

### Born "Dunce" Made Good

Robert Olive started life with...  
sobriquet of "born dunce." His...  
ers pronounced him "impossible."  
requested his parents to remove...  
from school. At thirty-two he...  
barely read or write. Yet Olive...  
that some day he would...  
everybody." He left home in...  
joined the army. During a...  
agement; and while...  
ed, he was called upon...  
8,000 men. Untrained...  
by them, he...  
men...  
order to...  
Platoon...  
of the...  
Laf.

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