

RULES FOR RIGHT LIVING

Frederic Harrison, Who Is Alive at Eighty, Gives His Views on Subject.

Frederic Harrison, barrister, historian, philosopher, publicist, positivist and anti-woman's suffragette, celebrated his eightieth birthday recently in London. In spite of his great age, Mr. Harrison is still hale and hearty, and his intellectual activity is occasionally evidenced in acutely reasoned letters to the press.

CRAFTY PRELUDE OF SHOPPER

Preliminary Skirmish by Which She Insures Best Service When Real Campaign Begins.

Chicago people certainly have the knack of getting on, a shopper said. "In the suit department of a big store I met a Chicago woman who had been in Philadelphia less than a week. She said she wasn't buying anything; had just come to get the lay of the land. In the process of getting it she stopped a cash girl and said:

The Moral.

Prof. John Spencer Bassett, author of "A Life of Andrew Jackson," is accustomed to illustrate his lectures at Smith college with incidents in American history. On one occasion he repeated a well-known story in regard to Stephen A. Douglas, closing with a moral which aroused peculiar interest.

Water Elephants in Africa.

The scientific world is still discussing the reported discovery of a new mammal in the Congo state, a mammal known to the natives as the "water elephant." M. Le Petit of the Paris Museum of Natural History recently reported that he saw five of these animals plunging into the water on the northern shore of Lake Leopold the Second.

His Mistake.

"Say, there's a page of this China special stuff missing. Anybody seen it?" "Oh! What was it?" "Why, a fir of the leading insurance general!"

HIS SECURITY WAS ASSURED

Man With Wooden Leg Had No Fear of Slipping on Polished Floor.

One of New York's leading actors has an elegant country home out in Long Island, and he has spent a great deal of money in fitting it up with costly decorations and exquisite furnishings. The library was recently refurbished with a most expensive floor of beautiful parquetry, in which the owner felt a great degree of pride and of which he was scrupulously careful.

TO PUBLISH POET'S LETTERS

Interesting Collection of Correspondence of One of France's Greatest Poets Discovered.

An interesting literary discovery has been made, an immense collection of the correspondence of Marceline Desbordes-Valmore, the greatest of the women poets of nineteenth century France. The letters included in it were bought one by one from the autograph dealers by her son Hippolyte Valmore. He annotated them and meant to publish them; but when he died a bachelor of 72 about twenty years ago, there was no mention of his intentions in his will.

The Gloomy Poets.

In the course of a week a large number of poems reach this office, most of them written by persons with little experience in verse making, says the Kansas City Star. The striking thing about the output, however, is not that so many persons who have never written poetry should be experimenting with it, but that nine-tenths of them should be so melancholy. The great majority of poems submitted for publication reflect a spirit of gentle gloom.

More Used to Horses.

Here is a story that J. O. Chenovert tells on William Grafeman, the ice cream manufacturer: Grafeman had been having engine trouble with his motor car, and after each trip to the repair shop the same trouble recurred, only worse. Finally, in desperation, Grafeman called on his friend, Emil Gartner, who owns a machine of the same kind, and asked him to look at the car over and see if he could find out what was wrong. Gartner carefully inspected the engine and listened to its ca-chug, ca-chug. Then, turning to Grafeman, he announced that there was nothing wrong with the engine except that one of its cylinders was "missing."

Sensitive.

"You've lost him for good this time," said the master barber to one of his assistants as a customer went out and slammed the door behind him. "Yes, but I forgot."

AN EXCUSE FOR HUSBANDS

Discovery of Woman Who Has Spent Twenty Years in Studying Domestic Problems.

A heavy load of moral responsibility should never be foisted upon a man in the first flush of youth. If it is, he is almost sure to let it slide off when he arrives at years of maturity, and all sorts of complications are liable to follow. The library was recently refurbished with a most expensive floor of beautiful parquetry, in which the owner felt a great degree of pride and of which he was scrupulously careful.

GERMAN KNEW THE PIECE

Amusing Incident in Campaign to Encourage Respect for the National Anthem.

Mrs. William G. Boyd of Kingsbury place, an enthusiastic member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and former chairman of the Missouri state song committee, is directly responsible for the new order requiring all public concerts in this city to be concluded with "The Star Spangled Banner." During a talk with Park Commissioner Davis, in which the lack of respect shown the national air by St. Louisans in public places was deplored, Mrs. Boyd suggested a campaign of education as a remedy for the existing conditions.

Fashion Is Fashion.

"Why do all the women walk like ducks this year?" was the question put to a friend of mine, years since, by a younger brother.

He did not know that a quite new kind of corset had suddenly, during the summer months, "come in." To wear it meant change of gait and posture, eventually actual change of shape. Yet we all wore it—and doubtless went on praising the Venus of Melos as we did so.

Friend of Dumas.

There lives at St. Die, France, in a little commune near Rebaupal an old woman of good figure and undimmed eye, notwithstanding the fact that she was borne 111 years ago. Centenarians are not at all uncommon about the Vosges. Her name is Mme. Viry and for a long period she was in the service of Alexandre Dumas pere.

She has many recollections of the time spent at the house of the author of the "Trois Mousquetaires," and she describes Dumas as an excellent man but very fond of a good dinner, fowl being his speciality.

Grape Pickers.

Picking grapes is a temporary but popular occupation in the vineyard district of New York and Pennsylvania. Many girls and women from the villages in the grape belt pick in the vineyards year after year. For out door work, this is especially strengthening, coming, as it does, in the perfect days of September and October. Moreover, it is an employment to which considerable dignity attaches, due to the class of persons who have for a generation associated themselves with it. It is not taxing. It serves the purpose of an outing, there is no watchful taskmaster and it is good for cash for a fall and winter outfit.

JOKE OF ENGLISH JUDGE

Found Scotsman's Case so Exceptional That He Excused Him From Jury Duty.

Summoned to serve upon a special jury in the king's bench division, Sir George Douglas of Springwood Park, Kelso, who has a town house in Ennismore gardens, asked Mr. Justice Darling to excuse him from service on the ground that he had not occupied the latter place for a year and a half. He said he had come from Scotland in answer to the summons and wished to return at once.

WHAT CHICKENS MUST SUFFER

Astonishing What They Pass Through Before Reaching the Real and Ultimate Consumer.

"If this poor chicken knew how much I was enjoying him," remarked a bright woman at a country inn not so long ago, "he would have been glad to die." That remark might have been good for that particular chicken. He did not have far to travel until he reached his ultimate destination. His first owner brought him to the inn via his own automobile and collected for him. Then it was but a step to the frying pan.

Chicago's Way.

"I haven't tried it in New York, so I don't know how obliging they are here," remarked a Chicago man, "but in Chicago they used to take pains to reimburse patrons of gum and chocolate vending machines if the deposited cent failed to deliver. It had been defrauded of several pennies, and finally reported one loss to the ticket agent of the elevated road at the station the cent had been lost. He took my name and address. A few days later I received a letter, saying:

"We regret to learn that you lost one cent on account of one of our machines being out of order. We are sending you herewith gum to make good your loss, and wish to assure you that we use every effort to keep the machines in perfect working order, but we cannot prevent attempts at robbing them, which occasionally damage them or put them out of order."

Heroic Dream Came True.

Patrolman William Noble of Dorchester, Mass., dreamed that he was standing in Peabody square when runaway fire horses rounded the corner. In his dream he saw five little children in the path of the mad animals. He seized the horses by the bits and brought them to a stop within three feet of the children—and then he woke up.

Still pondering over the dream Noble went off duty, walked to Peabody square and told another "cop" about the dream. Just as he had finished two fire horses dashed around the corner, running wild toward a group of children in the square. At the risk of his own life Noble seized the bits and stopped the pair within a yard of the nearest child. Then he counted the children and was astonished to find there were just five.

Chinese Complexions.

A French writer has given in La Presse Medicale the results of his observations on massage in China. He remarks that the exquisite complexion of the young Chinese women is due not to enameling, as has been suspected, but to careful manipulation of the face done by expert masseuses. They begin by a gentle pinching of the cheeks between the tips of their fingers, which lasts fully ten minutes; then apply lotions on absorbent cotton, then an unguent, and finish by kneading the cheeks with an extreme delicacy of touch, always proceeding from the nose and commissures of the lips toward the ears.

MIKADO IS A POLYGAMIST

Japanese Royal Palace Is Separated From Other Places in Tokio by Triple Moat.

The mikado, earth-born son of heaven, and his court of demigods dwell in a forest solitude in the midst of the great city of Tokio. The palace world is separated from the world of the people by a triple moat of dead water and a double wall of granite crowned by twisted pine trees and mottled with the moss of ages. Except upon stated occasions, the mikado is as invisible and well-nigh as inaccessible as the sun goddess amid the hereditary treasures of the Ise shrine.

CAUSE OF CANCER IN CHINA

Eating of Steaming Hot Food Responsible for Prevalence of Disease Among Men.

In China, when a native family sits down to dine, the men of the household and the male guests, if there be any, are served first. Their food comes to them steaming hot. The women must wait until later to be served, and by that time the food has grown cooler. The men commence to eat immediately the dishes of steaming hot food are set before them. Rice, cow peas and other things are boiled hot. The women have to be satisfied with only lukewarm dishes.

Big Buck Shot in the Adirondacks.

D. P. Webster, Ernest Hendricks and Clarence Lapp returned Monday from the Adirondacks with the largest buck brought from the north in many years. It was shot by Mr. Lapp and weighed 310 pounds, measured nearly nine feet from tip of nose to tail and had a most perfect head, each antler having five uniform and nicely formed prongs. The buck must have been trodding the Adirondacks for years, as it was without teeth and the Antlers indicated that he was well along in years.

Regular Habits.

It is a good plan to have a regular time for reading. One accomplishes so much more in this way, and besides establishes a kind of intellectual habit that is a good thing in itself. In an hour, or even half an hour given regularly each day to reading, a great deal may be accomplished. Do not confine your self to serious books. Alternate light with heavy reading and do not attempt heavy reading when you are tired. Do not read merely to be amused. Treat your books as friends. Do not follow blindly the teachings of any book.

Indian Relics Found in Massachusetts.

Moses B. Phillips of the Log Plain road has found and left in the town clerk's office two attractive specimens of Indian implements. One of these is a spear head, apparently unfinished, of native stone and of unusual size, and the other, an ax or tomahawk, is somewhat unusual in being made of a native stone of rather coarse grain. Both specimens were found by Mr. Phillips on his farm—Greenfield correspondence Springfield Republican.

THEN THEY WERE MARRIED

Millionaire Produces Morocco Case That Has Startling Effect on Chorus Girl's Hearing.

"It isn't true that every beautiful chorus girl is mercenary," said George M. Colan, the brilliant young actor-playwright of New York; "but it is certainly true that some chorus girls are." "I know an actress, a millionaire who laid his heart at the feet of one of the most beautiful chorus girls who ever trod the Great White Way. But the girl received those protestations of devotion coldly."

MOTHERCRAFT TO BE TAUGHT

School in New York Will Give Prenatal and Postnatal Instruction to Mothers.

Miss Mary L. Read has been chosen as director of the mothercraft school which is soon to be opened in New York city. The name of the institution is the New York School of Mothercraft. It is to be on the West Side. Besides classes and lectures at the school there will be prenatal and postnatal instruction for mothers in their homes. There will be a selected library and public reading room and a public information bureau for problems relating to the family marriage and eugenic as well as the care and training of children in the home. The school is to be worked in cooperation with well-known physicians, educators, sociologists, club women and mothers. Miss Read is a graduate of Teachers college, Columbia university, and spent some time as a special student in Clark university and the University of Chicago. She was the organizer of the home committee's exhibit in the New York Child Welfare exhibit, held last winter.

Famous Bride's Petticoat.

A cambric petticoat, yellow with age and trimmed in fine crocheted evening and insertion, holds the record of having been worn by one family and of having served 18 brides as the "something old" which every maid must wear to the nuptial altar. This petticoat was made 56 years ago by Nancy Emma Stroud of Atlanta, Ga., who wore it to the altar when she became the bride of Aaron Nunnally of the same city. Even before forming part of her nuptial attire it was famous, for Mrs. Nunnally made it when she was a pupil of the Baptist college in Madison, Ga., and it took the prize not only for the exquisite needlework, but also for the fine and excellent quality of the hand-made lace. Less than a year afterward a younger sister was married and the petticoat was loaned. Fifteen other brides have worn the Stroud petticoat and it has been sent recently to form part of the bridal dower of Mrs. Stroud's granddaughter, Miss Rose Belle Hines of McKinney, Tex.

Knighthood for Women.

It is not at all well known that knighthood has constantly been conferred upon women. Many English ladies received the accolade and many more were members of such knightly orders as the Garter and St. John. When Mary Cholmondeley, the bold lady of Cheshire, was knighted by Elizabeth for her valiant address on the queen taking the command at the threatened invasion by Spain, did she know that a whole city of Spanish women, the gallant women of Tortosa, had been knighted for saving that city from the Moors? Mary and Elizabeth had both been knighted at their coronation; but by the time Anne, the second Mary, and Victoria ascended the throne it had been quite forgotten that according to English law and use a woman who filled a man's office acquired all its privileges and was immune from none of its duties.

Partridge Berries.

"One of the most satisfactory ornaments for the center of your dinner table is a glass jar or bowl filled with the growing plant of the partridge berry," said a New Yorker who just has returned from a visit to her former Vermont home. "The bright red of the berry against the green moss and the green foliage of the plant is always attractive and looks cheerful. A bowl of these berries on their delicate vines, carefully planted in well moistened moss and kept covered, will last all winter and need no further attention. The partridge berry is native to both Vermont and New York. Keep this in mind during your next ramble in the woods."

Why They Killed the Calf.

The prodigal son was coming up the road. "Hurry and killed the fatted calf!" said his father. "You remember that the boy always was fond of chicken poppie."—Judge.