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THE HEALTH TRAIN.

The value of the health train, now being employed in some states to educate the people on the value of better hygiene and sanitation, is undoubted. It gives direct instruction in personal and community hygiene principles, and the printed reports of the inspectors accompanying the train concerning the towns and villages through which the train passes have become a strong stimulus to sanitary improvement. This is accomplished both through appeals to local pride and through light thrown on specific defects. The state board of health of Michigan during the summer ran a health train through the state, touching at many points. Great interest was manifested in the lectures and in exhibits connected with the train. In the report of the inspectors, the sanitary shortcomings of many villages are set forth in plain terms. For instance, of one town it is said: "Health sentiment is at a low ebb here. The health officer was attending a picnic, but the files were attending to business in the unscrubbed, filthy privies and garbage heaps around the town."

JOURNAL ENTRIES

As a usual thing, the fiercer the argument the less excuse there is for it.

It's next to impossible to convince an inconstant fellow by that way.

Not a few women are anxious for spring to come merely because it is house-cleaning time.

A reformer should give more attention to himself and less to the other fellow. But he never does.

Poverty may not be a crime, but it generally carries with it some pretty severe punishment.

JAYRAKER JOTS

Don't let your chickens run the streets, advises the American Greeting.

Crowded, of the Galesburg Republican, quotes Bill Simpkins as saying: "If you can't control your kids, get out of the kid business."

It is pointed out by the Ottawa Republic that the boycott usually results in the boycotter securing a large chunk of deprivation.

The sequel to the do your Christmas shopping early story, declares the Holton Signal, is to pay your New Year's bills early.

From the Mackaville Enterprise: We legalize what we want to do; penalize what we don't want other people to do, and call it justice. Is it?

Luddy Betts starts a hunt via the Shawnee Chief for the old-fashioned fellow who used to give his girl a plumb button with celluloid trimmings on it for a birthday present.

Things are not always what they seem, quotes the Cedar Enterprise, and it explains. Most of the "quail" served on toast at the city hotel tables are just common barnyard quails.

A Cheney farmer gave an automobile to each of his three children the other day. But these will be gifts with a big kick in them unless he intends to provide the funds for their gasoline bills.

According to the Houch's Landing correspondent of the Hoxie Sentinel, some genius has figured it out that political economy is getting the most votes for the least money and getting away with it.

When Miss Ruth Mitten, who happens to be county superintendent of Harvey county, says "yes" the paradoxical situation will be developed of the lucky fellow getting the mitten while she, as a matter of fact, he doesn't.

Taking a peek at the silver lining, the Formosa, New Era says: It is a good thing that the hens are not laying. The roads are so rough the eggs would be broken in getting them to town, and the poor hen would get no credit for her cackles.

A bulldog killed twenty-one chickens belonging to South Hill grocer one night last week, and the grocer killed the dog, reports the Leavenworth Labor Chronicle and Resubmitter. A bulldog, however, is a bulldog for if it isn't to kill something.

This right arm swing of much power comes from Miss Anna Carlson of the Lindsay News: When men reach the stage of mental development where real wit and a cheerful disposition in a woman attracts them more than beauty and accomplishments, divorce lawyers will have to look for other means of earning a livelihood.

GLOBE SIGHTS

BY THE ATCHISON GLOBE.

It's a disease to meditate too much.

No doubt the installment plan is quite a help to Cupid.

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ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT

BY BOY E. MOULDER.

A regular call to my house, I did not see a word, I did not see a word, I did not see a word.

But let him think a dead, I knew what he was after, I knew what he was after, I knew what he was after.

He would, I knew, I would, I knew, I would, I knew, I would, I knew.

Out of the door I got quickly, I followed him that far, I followed him that far, I followed him that far.

Survived the ground, And then he stole my car, I smiled and laughed and cackled, Until I thought I'd creak, To see a bold.

For my old-old-old, I was a delicious joke, I went back to my slumbers, I went back to my slumbers, I went back to my slumbers.

But soon I was awakened, Familiar with the sound, The same old clang, The same old clang, The same old clang.

That you give me a pain, It made such a fuss, It made such a fuss, It made such a fuss.

Had brought it back again, Answered, An insurance company has received the following letter from a man in Wisconsin:

"Gentlemen—Your letter asking me to become a member of your organization has been received. I take pleasure in replying to about one tenth of the letters you write to me.

"I have never died before, so far as I know, if I am a reincarnation, I was a goat.

"I have all of the symptoms that you mention, but I make a reservation for myself, although I feel all right, outside of my great grandfather did not die of croup. I think it was spavin. I am sure it is not spavin. They did not have appendicitis then.

"I have a full set of teeth. They don't fit but the small order house sent me the wrong set and promises to rectify the mistake.

"I do not drive an automobile, work in a dynamite factory or go out gathering poison ivy.

"I do not spray potato bugs with Paris green. We have no gas heater in our house.

"My wife does not do the cooking. We have an excellent cook.

"As I have never died before, I cannot answer questions as to how to live. I have died and whether it is an acquired or a hereditary habit.

"I do not play cards, check or dice or life and limb from those sources is eliminated in the previous existence I was a goat.

"I have no desire to travel in Mexico, monkey with gasoline stoves, go over Niagara Falls in a barrel, live in Kentucky, do we think I am a fair risk. My wife does not spray flies with a barrel of kerosene.

"Sincerely yours, In This Paper Forty Years Hence.

There is some talk that the troubles in Mexico, which started with the exile of Huerta, will soon be over and peace restored.

Mr. Lee Perkins, the eminent aeronaut, announces that he will sail over the Atlantic in his dirigible, being the first to accomplish this great feat.

Mr. Bryan is strongly mentioned for the presidency. He is still a great power in his party.

The Standard Oil Company, which was dissolved away back in 1812, is still doing business and their advances in the price of gasoline were unannounced last week.

Signs of the Times.

It is said Andrew Carnegie has given away all his money. He will sell out and go to the beach.

It is said that the price of gasoline will be raised to a point where it will be impossible to have gas for breakfast.

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THE EVENING STORY

BY JANE OSBORN.

The Overtones of Genevieve.

Miss Genevieve Vandevere eyed the young saleswoman narrowly. She didn't say a word for the kitchen, she didn't say a word for the kitchen, she didn't say a word for the kitchen.