











RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.

WHOM I LOVE BEST.

I love the man who takes delight in doing good because it is right. Whose sense of duty is not a mere act of duty, but a habit of duty.

I love the brother who pursues what common justice calls his duty. Who to the exact, fulfills his duty. Demands his rights, no more, no less; And with his neighbor is content.

I love that servant of the Lord Who serves in love and duty; Who ev'ning shuns that he may gain Devo'ution from fear and pain.

I love the people we call friends, On whom so much of life depends; Who would cheer us one day, that we The next should comforters in need.

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NEWSPAPER SLANG.

The Technical Phrases Used in the City Newspaper Offices.

The extraordinary growth in the press of this country has naturally brought in with it a multitude of new words to express its varying phases. Below will be found a number, many of which have never been placed in type before for the general reader.

SOARING RHETORIC.

A Faulty Habit Which May, and Ought to Be, Avoided.

It is a great temptation to many people to talk for the sake of hearing themselves. It besets Christians as it does others. Sometimes it is not a matter of serious consequence, and is an amiable weakness which hardly amounts to a fault.

Probably the very young and the very ignorant among their hearers are impressed for a time. But the true eloquence is the simplest, and they are few indeed who do not appreciate this fact before long.

Conscience and Immortality.

It is not presumptuous to say that man could have been better made if he is not to live after death. This one life of earth would be better if his moral nature were emptied of the greater part of its contents.

The possibilities of every human life are the measure of its responsibility. Let each of us resolve that the world shall be the better for our having lived in it—that if we can not do some great thing for God and man, we will do as many little things as possible.

White's false humility may restrain a soul from grievous blunders of egotism and greed, only a genuine humility can make any of us utterly safe.

GARDEN IRRIGATION.

Advantages to Be Derived from Irrigating Small Plots of Land.

In this country irrigation is hardly ever practiced except in regions where the rain-fall is generally insufficient to insure the production of most cultivated crops, or where it is restricted to a few weeks in the season.

On many farms there are streams or springs that afford water enough during the year to irrigate an acre of land during a season of protracted drought.

From this channel lateral drains can be opened from time to time with a hoe, as the condition of the land to be irrigated requires.

The caller, who had taken in the account of the preparation of kid skins with increasing interest, began to wonder at this point that one of the best make of gloves cost two dollars or more, but how they could be made so cheap.

Having been dyed and dried, went on the affable informant, "the skins are given a 'grounding,' the object being to remove all roughness. They are next sorted and cut up. This may seem an easy thing, but it is called the most difficult, and requires great care and good judgment.

MAKING PRESENTS.

Lack of Taste and Originality Displayed by a Majority of Persons.

"Is there much doing in the way of making presents?" was asked recently by a reporter of an up-town fancy store.

"One of the peculiarities of the giving of presents is the fact that very little originality is exhibited on the part of the giver. Few ever consider the taste of the receiver, and as a gift horse should never be examined in the mouth, the recipient expresses his or her thanks for the gift, and that is all there appears to be in it.

SOILING THE COWS.

A System Which Insures an Eventual Increase in Crops.

The question as to the advantages of soiling the stock comes up annually for discussion, and agitation has largely assisted us in arriving at a knowledge of all that may be lost or derived from such a system.

There is an economy in feeding, as will be easily made manifest when the grass is cut and fed to the cows, instead of allowing the animals to trample and destroy it.

INDIAN FILE.

An Asiatic Peculiarity Handed Upon a Strong Feeling of Cast.

Most readers are doubtless aware of the fact that when Indians are traveling together they never walk or ride two or more abreast, but follow one another in single file.

The true reason for journeying, as the Indians do, in single file seems to be a feeling of caste, which it is not easy for Europeans and their descendants to understand.

It is said that the Mohammedan husband does not like to have any one see him walking with his own wife. The children, too, look upon their father as a being far superior to themselves.

HE FELT HURT.

How an Indignant Countryman Made Forty Cents.

"See here," said a Wayne County farmer, as he entered a Griswold street restaurant the other day. "I don't like the way I have been used."

"What's wrong?" asked the restauranter. "Last March I bought a can of oysters here."

"Yes, I remember." "When I took it home my wife suggested that we put it away down cellar for Fourth of July. When we opened it on the glorious Fourth—"

LOCOMOTIVE WHISTLES.

A Reliable Guide for Sufferers from This Abominable Affliction.

From the great amount of whistling done by the engines which do the switching on the railroads of this city, and the tug-boats that traverse the dirty waters of the Chicago river, we are led to believe that they organized a union, and are about to strike for more steam in order to make more noise in the world.

A Profusely Ornamented Book.

A very interesting discovery was recently made in the neighborhood of Ravenna. Some peasants came upon the tomb of a Lombard Bishop, buried in his robes, with various sacred objects by his side.



