

LES FEMMES DE FRANCE SACRIFIENT CEUX QUI LEUR SONT CHERS POUR LA GLOIRE DE LEUR PATRIE.

Le dernier effort pour sauver le foyer se fait connaître aujourd'hui en France.

Quand Alexandre Ribot, le ministre des Finances a déclaré qu'un emprunt de plus de trois cent mille dollars était nécessaire, il a dit: "Nous dépensons pour nos familles par mois, cent-cinquante millions de francs et il faudra que nous continuions à dépenser libéralement," avec cela il a mis son doigt sur le levier qui guide secrètement la vie nationale des Français.

Les plaisirs de la vie n'ont jamais été mieux compris que dans la France et l'amour et la préservation du Foyer n'existe chez nul peuple comme dans le cœur de la femme Française. Ainsi, aujourd'hui le plus grand nombre des femmes de cette nation est occupé à combattre cette lutte affreuse pour le maintien de ce foyer, malgré la pauvreté et la mort qui leur viennent tous les jours dans la veillée de la guerre. Ici en France où les malheurs de cette guerre n'échappent à personne, la dernière pensée d'un soldat mourant est pour sa famille. Il se demande ce que va devenir sa femme, de ses enfants; et la première pensée de la femme est celle d'essayer de préserver le foyer sans leurs soldats.

Dans le cœur de la Française existera toujours le soin de garder ce foyer et de le faire grandir. Pour elle un objet pour embellir le "chez soi" lui est bien plus cher qu'une toilette pour embellir sa personne—ce qu'elle veut, c'est us mari, des enfants, car sans les derniers on manque pour ainsi dire l'esprit de famille. Les Français ont peut-être la réputation de trop aimer l'argent et la coutume de dot est, beaucoup critiquée, ce système n'existe pas pour satisfaire l'égoïsme mais plutôt en prévoyance pour l'avenir. Ce qui indique le grand succès de la femme française, c'est qu'elle n'aime pas à émigrer, elle n'a pas l'esprit vagabond de l'Anglaise et de l'Américaine.

Le voyage est secondaire au foyer. Si vous voulez comprendre avec qu'elle tenacité la femme Française aime et respecte son foyer, consultez le compte rendu de la population civile dans le nord de la France, au sud des quatre Provinces prises par les Allemands, et la ligne de feu qui s'étend presque six cents milles entre la Manche de la Frontière Suisse et vous verrez que malgré les bombardements, malgré l'invasion des Allemands, la Française reste toujours a son devoir, et son devoir elle considère la adélite au foyer.

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"And at this time of the year there ain't a leaf left on the trees."

"Did anybody notice a mistake that Bessie made?" asked the teacher.

Thomas raised his hand very promptly. "Aw, there ain't any such word as ain't!" he announced scornfully.

A WISE SAYING.

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Canal Street is the dividing line between the French and American Quarters. The French is "downtown"—to the north. This is due to the fact that the Mississippi river, as it passes the head of Canal street, flows directly north. Hence the residents speak of "uptown" and "downtown" instead of North and South—a point well worth remembering in going about the city.

TWENTY PER CENT INCREASE IN CORN ACREAGE.

The crop report issued July 15 shows an increase in corn acreage of 5.6 per cent for the entire country over that of 1914; 13.25 per cent increase in twelve Southern States; and 20 per cent increase in Louisiana.

The corn club boys of Louisiana who produced an average of 55 bushels per acre in 1913 and 45 bushels in 1914 probably deserve some of the credit for this increase in corn acreage. They have demonstrated that by proper methods of seed selection, cultivation, and fertilization the yield dper acre can be increased and neighboring farmers are profiting by their example.

PROOF.

Tommy arrived home one day with a nice, new golf ball.

"Look at the lost ball I found on the links, pa," he said.

"But are you sure, Tommy," asked his father, "that it was a lost ball?"

"Oh, yes," said the boy, "I saw the man and his caddie looking for it."—Boston Transcript.

EASIER THAN HE THOUGHT.

"G-g-good evening," said the young man, who had come to speak to the girl's father.

"Good evening," said the father, "You look a little nervous. How do you feel?"

"Flattered," said the young man.

"I was afraid I looked scared to death."—Penn State Froth.

TAKING NO CHANCES.

"Johnnie!"

"Yes'm."

"Why are you sitting on that boy's face?"

"Why, I—"

"Didn't I tell you to always count one hundred before you gave way to passion and struck another boy?"

"Yes'm, and I'm just sittin' on his face so he'll be here when I'm done countin' one hundred."

ACCURATE CLOCK.

So accurate is an astronomical clock in France that after 18 years of use its error was only one second.



JOHN L. PORTER.

Mr. John L. Porter, engineer in charge of the Water Purification Stations, is a gentleman of modest and unassuming demeanor, but upon whose shoulders rests a heavy responsibility. The purity and quantity of our water supply depends entirely upon him and his able corps of assistants, and the fact that neither has ever fallen below the standard is evidence of the care and vigilance which is exercised in the operation of the water purification stations.

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