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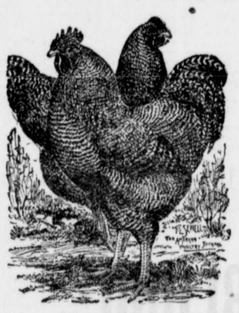
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My lady always smiled—not much to do,
But when the hours and days increase in care,
And dreariness and weariness pursue,
When youth and love grow dim in backward view,
And life is but to bear and still forbear,
Ah, then, her gentle sweetness, undefiled
By years of bitterness, shone forth. She smiled.

My lady always smiled, in life and death.
Some envied her a life that seemed all smiles,
And some cried out or caught a sobbing breath,
Self pitying, and God and man reviled,
But some, to sorrow's burden reconciled,
Were glad the gladness of her face to see
Through toil and care and heartless apathy.

But when they laid my lady with the flowers
To sleep, where wake a thousand smiling springs,
A solitary father, praying hours
Beneath grand arch and grave cathedral towers,
Thanked, for my lady's rest, the King of kings.
He knew her soul had yearned a weary while
To sleep and rest the burden of a smile!
—Pearson's Weekly.

"MC'S" IN PAST CABINETS.

McKinley the First "Mc" in the Presidential Chair.

Major McKinley was the first "Mc" to be president, but "Mc's" in the cabinet are no novelty. Washington had one in his second cabinet, he being James McHenry of Maryland, who was appointed secretary of war Jan. 27, 1796. McHenry was also secretary of war under President John Adams.

The next "Mc" to be chosen to a cabinet position was John McLean of Ohio, who was appointed postmaster general by President Monroe June 26, 1823. President John Quincy Adams continued McLean as postmaster general during his administration.

Andrew Jackson, remembering his ancestry, made a "Mc" secretary of the treasury. This was Louis McLane of Delaware. His appointment was made Aug. 18, 1831. Two years later (May 29, 1833) Jackson made McLane secretary of state, he succeeding Edward Livingston of Louisiana.

In 1841 President John Tyler went to Ohio for a "Mc" for secretary of war, choosing John McLean, who had been postmaster general in Monroe's cabinet.

President Millard Fillmore had a "Mc" for secretary of the interior. This was Robert McClelland of Michigan, who was appointed March 7, 1853.

March 7, 1865, President Lincoln appointed Hugh McCulloch of Indiana secretary of the treasury, which position he filled while Andrew Johnson was president.

The secretary of war under President Hayes was a "Mc." This was George W. McCrary of Iowa, who was appointed March 12, 1877, and was succeeded by Alexander Ramsey of Minnesota Dec. 12, 1879.

The next "Mc" to sit in the cabinet was Wayne MacVeagh of Pennsylvania, who was attorney general under President Garfield.

There have been four secretaries of war whose names begin with "Mc," two secretaries of the treasury, two postmasters general, one secretary of the interior and one attorney general.

Of the letters following the "Mc" three have been C's (three distinct persons, three different positions), two have been H's (the same person, same position), four L's (two persons, five positions), one V.—Salt Lake Herald.

A $20,000,000 FRAUD.

That Is What the Bridal Package In the Government Treasury Is Declared to Be.

"I hate to shatter a pet delusion by giving the facts in the case," said a former clerk in the treasury department at Washington, "but fraud ought to be exposed regardless of consequences, and the greatest fraud I know of is the famous 'bridal package' of the treasury vaults.

"I say famous, but it isn't famous in a general sense. It is famous only among bridal couples. I don't know how it is, but every bridal couple that go to Washington on their wedding tour—and it seems to me that about nine-tenths of the bridal couples of the country go to Washington—know all about that package, and the bride can't rest until she goes through the regular routine connected with it. No visit to Washington by a stranger is complete without an inspection of the treasury vaults, but if his or her visit is a non-bridal one the fraud of the package isn't played.

"I don't know who it was in the department that first imposed it on a bridal pair, but it went, and it grows in popularity every year. When the couple enter the vault, the man in charge, after a few preliminary and perfunctory remarks, reaches up on a shelf, takes down a package of notes, and tells the bride to take it in her hand, if she hasn't asked for it the very first thing. He then tells her that the package contains $20,000,000 in treasury notes, all in denomination of $10,000 each. The bride is delighted, of course, and when she goes back home she talks for weeks about having held $20,000,000 in her hand all at one time. The bridegroom can't resist enjoying that same pleasure, and he fondles the package awhile, and the pair go away blissful over the experience, while the treasury vault man tosses the package back on the shelf and chuckles.

"Now this is all simply a gigantic fraud on the young people. The treasury at Washington does not hold that amount of money. The bulk of the government money is at the subtreasury in this city. That 'bridal package' is a gay deceiver. It does contain notes to the amount of $20,000,000, of the denomination of $10,000 each, but they're not money, because they're not signed. So instead of having held in their hands $20,000,000 the happy couple have fondled simply a package that represented no more value than the price of the paper and the printing on it. It may be cruel to shatter this pretty delusion, but my conscience forbids me to carry the burden of its concealment any longer; hence these facts."—New York Sun.

Fishy.

A man who resides on the east side relates an incident which may be true, but it sounds fishy.

His boy caught a large sucker a couple of years ago, and since that time he has been experimenting with his finny pet somewhat. The fish has been kept out of the water so much that it gradually became accustomed to it, and frequently flopped out of the water itself and followed the boy around. Finally the boy placed it in a pen and gradually reduced its bathing periods until it became acclimatized, abandoning entirely its native element. It would follow the boy around like a dog, and one day he started over to town across the swinging bridge with the pet fish flopping along after him. But alas for boyish hopes! The fish made a slight misstep and flopped overboard into the creek and drowned before the boy could rescue him.—Punxsutawney Spirit.

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THE ADVANCE AGENT TELLS HOW HIS FRIENDS OBSERVED THIS RULE.

A Manager of a Pyrotechnic Show Who Didn't Want to Disappoint His Audience—A Monument Which Proves That His Efforts Were Appreciated.

"I always strive to please," remarked the dramatic editor, as he scratched the words "big thing" out of the advance notice he was writing and substituted "megatherian aggregation."

"Thanks, I am sure," said the advance agent, as he read over the ten lines the dramatic critic was giving to him, and carefully put back into his pocket the half column notice he had first drawn on the d. c.

"I presume," smiled the d. c., "that you always strive to please, too, don't you?"

"Not always"—in a semidisappointed tone—"but I used to have a friend who did. He really was the most self denying chap I ever saw, and what he wouldn't do to please an audience wasn't worth doing."

"Where is he now?"

"Dead."

"Dead?"

"Yes, it killed him. It was this way: He was in the pyrotechnic branch of the dramatic art and used to give shows at one of those imitation Coney Islands to be found on nearly every sand bar in nearly every river tributary to the Mississippi. He had been the originator of the fireworks feature at this place, and his phenomenal success had made him so proud that he would sooner have died than had a failure. One Fourth of July he was going to give the grandest display of his life, and the feature in the biggest letters on the bill was a set piece, 100 feet high, with an enormous balloon loaded with fireworks to go up from the top as a grand finale. There were ten times as many people there that night as there had ever been, and my friend was feeling so good you could see it in his walk.

"Everybody was on edge, too, for the grand blaze of glory the management had been advertising for weeks, and when, promptly at the hour of 10 o'clock, my friend stepped forth like a peacock to set off the great display with his own hand there was a round of applause, followed by a dead silence as the audience sat breathless watching for the burst of blazing glory. But somehow it didn't burst. The professor fired the train and retreated to a safe place, but the powder wouldn't burn. It fizzled and went out instead. Once, twice, thrice, it fizzled, sputtered and went out, and then the crowd began to growl and guy, as crowds always will, and the professor began to get wild.

"Several other attempts to set the piece off were no more successful, and at last, with a smothered scream of crazy rage, he shot up the ladder of the tower to its very top, where he had a platform stored with all sorts of inflammable and explosive things arranged to go off at the proper time. He stood there a moment silhouetted against the sky, the crowd indulging in gibes and jeers, with now and then a threat as to what he might expect if he would only come down to the ground. This was his time to show what he could do to please his audience, and in a minute, and before anybody had any idea what he would do next, he caught up an armful of the explosives about him, fastened them to his clothes and hung wreaths and rings over his neck and shoulders, and, setting the whole thing afire, he swung out into the air in the balloon, which was already tugging at its anchor.

"As the balloon shot up it was a terrific sight, and the poor devil's shrieks added to the intensity of the scene, already lurid with red and blue lights, while the air was filled with all manner of bursting bombs and crashing explosives. Women fainted, men ran helplessly about shouting, and still the balloon swept upward with its fiery freight and passenger, until, when it had reached a point 1,000 feet above the earth, it caught fire and the whole burning mass shot like a blazing ball straight to the ground.

"You will be safe in betting those people never saw such an exhibition as that before, nor will ever again in all probability, and when it was over," concluded the agent, "the audience seemed to realize what the professor had done to please them, and they chipped in and built him a monument where he fell, having on it, besides his name and the proper dates, no other inscription except 'He strived to please.'"

The dramatic critic was at least half a minute in recovering his speech after the recital of this remarkable tale, and before he could ask any questions the advance agent had folded his tent like a circus and stolen away to the office of the next dramatic critic he had to call upon.—Washington Star.

Du Maurier Heroines.

When Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett was first presented to Du Maurier, who was, in point of fact, rather an undersized man, she exclaimed:

"Oh, I am so glad that you are not six feet tall!"

"But why?" asked Du Maurier.

"Because for these many months," replied Mrs. Burnett, who is considerably below medium height, "you have simply denied us the right to live. You have made us feel that a woman who is not six feet tall has not the right to exist."

"Oh, that is only a trick of mine!" laughed Du Maurier. "I have started again and again to make my heroine a little woman, but before I know it she has somehow grown way beyond my own recognition."—American Queen.

He Had Failed.

"My friend," solemnly remarked the man in black, "you don't know how hard it is to lose your wife."

"Hard?" he echoed. "My dear sir, it is simply impossible."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Toad as a Talisman.

The Western Morning News reports a remarkable case of superstition. A young woman in Penzance had suffered from fits, and she adopted a remedy which would be to most people almost as repulsive as the disease itself. She procured a live toad, placed it in a bag, hung it around her neck and carried it next her body. The woman was cured of her fits, but she was being medically attended at the Pensance infirmary at the same time. The woman believes, however, that this was a coincidence and that her strange talisman was the instrument of her cure.—South Wales News.

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TIME'S CREASES.

The Origin and Progress of the Wrinkles on the Face.

We all become interested sooner or later in the subject of wrinkles. They are the "irreparable outrage" of Racine, but although they are so universal few have endeavored to explain their origin and progress. Wrinkles are produced in the first instance by the frequent repetition of some muscular contraction or by sickness. They are not merely superficial, but appear when the epidermis is removed, and are found not only in the face, but all over the body. They do not run in any regular direction, and no law has been found including all their directions. It has been said that the life history of a man can be written from his wrinkles, but physiology hardly agrees in this instance, for it has still to be proved that a general's wrinkles differ from those of a physician's, or a laborer's from a lawyer's. A man does not always or even generally carry about a faithful autobiography in his face. Although no part of the body is free from them they visit chiefly the face, particularly round the eyes and lips. They run in all directions — horizontal, vertical and oblique, straight, curved and crossed. Going in the sun with the face insufficiently covered brings them on prematurely, but they are in every case normal at 40 or even earlier.

Vertical wrinkles between the eyes come quickly to men who study or worry themselves. This can readily be imagined. The eyebrows contract naturally when in deep thought. Grief or worry produces the same action, which, when repeated frequently, produces a fold in the skin, marking emotion undergone many times. Between these and the straight lines on the forehead, already mentioned, come the arched wrinkles of the forehead, found above the root of the nose. These often tell of long and painful mental torture. They arise from a cruel physical suffering or of still more great development of the vertical wrinkles and the resistance of the skin above.

The crow's feet mark the passing of the fortieth year and are characterized by furrows which diverge from the external angles of the eyes in all directions, like the claws of a bird, from which they are named. The wrinkles of the nose, which descend from the nostrils down each side of the mouth, are, perhaps, the first to appear. These furrows are created in laughing and mastication. A simple smile is sufficient to produce them, so it is not surprising that the repetition of the commonest acts should soon be graven on the face. They are also hereditary. The wrinkles of the cheeks and chin follow the oval of the face and are caused by a diminution of the fatty substance under the skin, which then falls into folds. The small wrinkles which form a network in the lower parts of the cheeks near the ears have the same origin and only appear in old age. Those found in the upper eyelids and sometimes in the lower, which give the eyes an air of fatigue, are the results of hard living, grief or worry.—New York Ledger.

KNOW THEIR POWERS.

The Eternal Womanly In the Rough Girls of New York.

In the girls of the rougher tenement house districts the eternal womanly wears such a disguise of the eternal gamin that it cannot always be recognized. Their pertness and sauciness are only sharpened by their precocity and their tomboy habits of street Arabia. A reporter recently had occasion to visit lower Washington street to ascertain the facts regarding the murder of a boy down there. He was obtaining his information from the boys of the neighborhood, who might have been playmates of the dead youth. A circle of them, together with three or four girls of 15 or 16 years, was gathered around him.

A big, hulking youth about 20 years old arrogated to himself the place of spokesman. He was evidently the tyrant, the bully of the street, a young "Bill the Brute," who had not yet acquired a wife to beat and was consequently an object of great interest to these misses, whose skirts had not yet grown down to their ankles. With his big, harsh voice he silenced every interruption of his tale, saying:

"Shut up there! I'm tellin this yarn."

Of course this adjuration, which forms a part of the ordinary courtesy of the neighborhood, did not quiet the girls. They chaffed him and the reporter and giggled until at last the speaker said to the reporter:

"Don't mind them. They're no 'count. They're nothin but girls."

"Of course he'll mind us, smarty," instantly retorted one of the girls. "We's the makin's of ladies."

It was the eternal womanly of street Arabia.—New York Tribune.

WAGES IN CHINA.

In Spite of Their Lowness the Celestials Wax Fat.

How a Chinese workman manages to support his family and remain sleek and fat on the wages he receives is an everlasting mystery to the European and American. The Chinese are a people of marvelous economy. They will support a family, furnishing food, clothes, shelter, from a small garden which they call a farm, but which in America would not more than furnish an American family with early vegetables.

In cities the laboring men receive the merest pittance. In Canton, where laborers are better paid than in other parts of China, skilled workmen live on these wages: Shoemaker, $4 per month; blacksmith, $5 per month; fine ivory carver, $12 per month; tailor, $5 per month; fine embroiderer, $4 per month; designer, $6 per month; silversmith, $8 per month.

The Chinese are superstitious, and the workmen support, in addition to their temples and pagodas and priests, which receive more in proportion than the churches of Europe and America, idol makers, geomancers, fortune tellers, physiognomists, soothsayers, astrologers and interpreters of dreams, who exist by thousands and coin all the money they want. Another thing which makes money for a certain class is the Chinese custom of burning great quantities of "spirit money," imitation coins, which are supposed to be legal tender for dead relatives. One city alone employs 100,000 people in making this cash for ghosts.

Peculiar superstitions embarrass the workman. For instance, carpenters and builders have to exercise great care in selecting a ridgepole for a house. It must have neither cracks nor knots, and in it a small hole must be made and filled with gold leaf and the whole beam painted red. This insures good luck for the owner of the house.

The tea trade employs thousands of persons. The laborers receive from $2 to $10 per month, according to their grade of work.—Chicago News.

IT IS ALWAYS gratifying to receive testimonials for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, and when the endorsement is from a physician it is especially so. "There is no more satisfactory or effective remedy than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy," writes Dr. R. E. Robey, physician and pharmacist, of Olney, Mo.; and as he has used the Remedy in his own family and sold it in his drug store for six years, he should certainly know. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist, Chestertown, Md.

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