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TOBACCO SECRETS.

Turkish and Virginian Leafs Are Varieties of the Same Plant.

How many people even among the most confirmed smokers know what is the difference between Turkish and Virginia tobaccos?

The smoker, of course, can tell you which is which at the first whiff, but if you ask him what the original distinction is between the two he will tell you that one comes from Turkey and the other from the States.

He is wrong. You could grow Turkish and Virginia tobaccos in the same field, for they are merely two different varieties of the same plant. Turkish is the leaf of Nicotiana rustica, while Virginia is Nicotiana augustipolia. Of course the two are often blended by tobacconists.

Again, what constitutes the difference between "strong" and "mild" tobaccos? It is simple enough. The strong product is so manufactured that it burns slowly, the result being that the contained nicotine is distilled in an unaltered state. Mild tobaccos are those which burn well, and thus their contained nicotine is consumed or decomposed, with the result that a less narcotic smoke is formed.

We often hear cheap cigars spoken of as "cabbage leaves," and doubtless many people believe that these are actually adulterated with other substances than tobacco. Often in such a weed the outside wrapper is noticed to be patched with pale green, and this fact is held proof of the cabbage leaf libel. The piece of greenish leaf is real tobacco which has been plucked unripe or not properly cured. It is only to be found in thin, poor leaf.—London Express.

USE OF FRENCH WORDS.

A Practice That Does Not Help the English Language.

Why do people persist in using French words when there are good old English words to serve the purpose? It is a habit that is growing daily. For instance, at dinner people give you "menu" instead of "bill of fare," though the items are such English dishes as boiled cod, roast beef and apple tart. One is accommodated with a serviette instead of a napkin, an English word, but originally of French origin, as is the Scotch word napery, used for household linen. When you enter a shop you are served with corsets instead of stays, costumes by a costumiere instead of dresses by a dressmaker. "Blouses" take the place of shirts or waists, and hose are offered for stockings. The former word is, however, English. At the theater we have programmes instead of playbills and matinees in place of afternoon performances. Toques are adjusted with as much ease as hats, and we eat in a restaurant as cheerfully as in a dining room. There are, of course, untranslatable words which must be used, but our good old English language is rapidly becoming a hotchpotch of foreign words, while telegraphy is doing its best to oust all the crisp and racy Saxon speech. Whenever possible let us determine to use an English instead of a French word, both in literature and conversation.—London Graphic.

Fines For Church Shirkers.

After being dormant for some years the act (3 Jas. I. c. 4. 1606) which provided that any person absenting himself from his church on a Sunday without sufficient excuse should be fined twelvepence for each absence and imprisoned in default of distress on his goods until the fine was paid was revived in 1838. A report of the inspectors of prisons contains a list of eleven persons in Lancashire fined and imprisoned under the act between Feb. 12, 1839, and May 10, 1840. In one case a laborer was in prison for ten weeks (until released by order of the home secretary) after being convicted in a penalty of 1 shilling, with 14 shillings costs, for having been absent from church a single Sunday. This act was repealed, so far as regards Roman Catholics, in 1844, and wholly in 1846. —London Chronicle.

What We Get.

If I am asked the question, "Do we get our deserts?" I will boldly answer, "No, we don't, and we never shall, speaking of humanity as a whole and taking account of the preponderating multitudes to whom life is only another word for misery." But if I am asked, "Do we get what is best for us?" I say, "Yes, always and everywhere, taking our lives through and through, and having account not merely for our material, but also for our spiritual welfare."—Hall Caine.

Yankee Assurance.

Irritated Frenchman (to American who has mistaken him for a waiter)—Sir-r, you haf gr-r-rossly insulted me! There is my card! My seconds vill valt upon you, sir-r-r! American—Never mind your seconds, Frenchy. You can wait on me just as well. Pass me the worcestershire sauce, and be quick about it!

Had His Own Doubts.

"Say, ma," asked little Willie after he had been in conjunction with the paternal slipper, "did anybody besides pa ever ask you to be his wife?"

"Oh, yes; I had lots of proposals before your father came along."

"Well, do you think you gained anything by waiting?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Fine Drawn.

"You will observe that this is a very fine point."

"It ought to be. You've strained it enough."—Cleveland Leader.

I will chide no brother in the world but myself, against whom I know most faults.—Shakespeare.

THE FIRST PRINTING.

Some of the Earliest Examples of the Art Preservative.

The following are the earliest known examples of printing—two indulgences, printed usually on one side only of a single piece of vellum and two magnificent Bibles. Of these one is known to be the first complete book that ever was printed by the wonderful new invention, which, as the early printers so often proudly state in their colophons, produced "letters without the aid of any sort of pen, whether of quill, of reed or of metal."

The first piece of printing which is actually dated is the famous indulgence of Nicholas V. to such as should contribute money to aid the king of Cyprus against the Turks. This indulgence has the printed year date 1454, and a copy in The Hague museum has the date "Nov. 15" filled in with a pen. Mr. Duff tells us that "in the years 1454 and 1455 there was a large demand for these indulgences, and seven editions were issued. These may be divided into two sets, the one containing thirty-one lines, the other thirty lines, the first dated example belonging to the former."

This thirty line edition is shown to have been printed by Peter Schoeffer de Gernsheim by the fact that some of the initial letters which occur in it appear in another later indulgence of 1489, which is known to have come from his press.—Saturday Review.

TREATING A SPRAIN.

Perfect Rest and Hot Fomentations the First Requisites.

The question of how to treat a sprain is often raised. Everybody understands the nature of a sprain; that wrenching of a joint whereby some of the ligaments (those very useful bands which unite the bones forming the joint) are violently stretched or perhaps even ruptured. This kind of injury is rarely, except through unusual complications, dangerous in its nature, but it is certainly very painful and when of a serious nature may result in the permanent impairment of the joint. Such an injury, if at all severe, is immediately followed by marked swelling of the parts, and prompt attention should be given anticipating the surgeon's coming. The very first item in the treatment of a sprain is perfect rest of the limb until a doctor can be summoned. Reduce the swelling by applications of hot fomentations as hot as can be endured, changing about once in every three hours. If a piece of oilskin be not at hand use common newspaper. Wind it carefully outside the hot cloth. This will prevent the escape of the steam and prevent the cloth from cooling. A good way to save the hands from being scalded is to place the hot, dripping flannel in a towel, then, taking hold of each end of the towel, to wring it until the flannel is dry enough to apply.

THE WHITE CZAR.

Russia's Ruler Owes This Title to the Slip of a Pen.

The czar of Russia owes one of his titles to a slip of the pen. The Chinese character pronounced Hwang, meaning emperor, was originally compounded of two elements, meaning "oneself" and "ruler," by which it was intimated that an emperor or ruler of men should, before all things, be master of himself.

In after ages, however, by the omission of a single stroke, this character assumed its present corrupted form, in which the component elements signify "white" and "ruler," white having taken the place of the original "oneself."

Some years ago it was pointed out by a St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Times that this had been literally translated by the Mongols into tchagan khan, and then by the Russians into biely czar, or the "white czar," by which name the emperor of Russia is now known throughout the whole of Asia.—London Telegraph.

A Thoughtful Beggar.

J. Stanley Todd, the portrait painter, was talking about the beggars of different lands. "I have met," said Mr. Todd, "beggars of every description—shy beggars, blustering ones, old beggars, robust ones—but the most remarkable beggar of the lot was a man whom I never met, yet whom I never assuredly will forget. All I saw of this beggar was his hat and his chair. The chair stood on a corner of the Rue St. Lazare in Paris. The hat lay on the chair, with a few coppers in it, and behind the hat was a placard reading, 'Please don't forget the beggar, who is now taking his luncheon.'"

A Humble Apology.

Conversation overheard in a London street; scene, laborer working on a scaffold, contemplating surrounding view, when his foreman comes along down below and, looking up and seeing him idle, calls out to him: "So yer 'aving a look round! What do yer think of the weather?" Workman (looking down with contempt)—Noa; I'm a-working! Foreman—Oh, I beg yer pardon! I'm sorry I stopped yer!—London Globe.

What Tact Is.

What we call tact is the ability to find before it is too late what it is that our friends do not desire to learn from us. It is the art of withholding on proper occasions information which we are quite sure would be good for them. —S. M. Crothers.

Etiquette.

Anxious writes, "What are the duties of a father at his daughter's 'coming out' party?" To put up and shut up.—New York Herald.

What is celebrity? The advantage of being known to people who don't know you.—Chamfort.

BE ACCURATE.

One of the Best Mottoes For a Young Man Entering Business.

The head of one of the largest dry goods commission houses in this city was asked the other day how it happened that his partner, upon whom the principal responsibility of the business rests, came to attain that position while not yet thirty years of age.

"Purely and simply on his own merit," he replied. "He came into my office one morning some ten or twelve years ago and told me that he had just finished school and was looking for a position. I happened to have a position open at the time for an office boy and started him in at $5 a week. His rise from that position to the one that he now occupies was steady and rapid and was due entirely to the fact that after having received an order or instructions he could be relied upon to carry them out, and do it correctly too. He never started off on anything 'half cocked,' so to speak. He was not afraid to ask questions and thus get his instructions straight before undertaking the work in hand. In fact, I might say that he owes everything to the fact that he was always accurate in all that he did. You may think that I am preaching a sort of sermon, but if young men entering business positions, whether high or low, would take for their motto the two words, 'Be accurate,' and would live up to it there need be no fear of the ultimate outcome of their undertakings."—New York Commercial.

A VERSATILE WOMAN.

Some of the Things For Which Phoebe Bown Was Famed.

Phoebe Bown died something over half a century ago, aged eighty. This extraordinary woman, who lived with her mother in a cottage nearly opposite the High Tor, at Matlock Bath, England, could walk nearly forty miles a day when young, could lift a hundredweight in each hand and carry fourteen stone. She undertook any kind of manual labor, as holding the plow, driving the team, thrashing wheat with the flail and thatching the stacks. Her chief avocation was breaking horses at a guinea a week. She always rode without saddles and was considered the best judge of horses and cows in the peak.

But Phoebe had also a liking for sport and for art. She was a good shot and carried her gun on her shoulder. She was fond of Milton, Pope and Shakespeare and performed on several instruments, including the flute, violin and harpsichord, and played the bass viol in Matlock church. She was a carpenter, mason and smith and mainly by her own hand labor built another room to the cottage for the reception of a harpsichord which a lady presented to her. At her own request a local clergyman wrote her epitaph, and here it is:

Here lies romantic Phoebe,
Half Gannymede, half Hebe;
A maid of mutable condition,
A jockey, cowherd and musician.

Muscles That Shut Out Cold.

"The muscles of the skin need training to educate them to contract vigorously on the slightest cold," says a medical writer, "to shut the blood out of the skin so quickly that the precious body heat will not be lost. You notice that when the skin is cold there is a 'goose skin' appearance. This is due to the contraction of the little muscles of the skin. The contraction of the muscles compresses the external blood vessels and drives away the blood from the surface, hardening and thickening the skin, which thereby becomes a better nonconductor. Thus the body temperature is maintained.

"It is because of the constant exposure to cold that the Indian's body is 'all face.' The skin of his whole body, not only that of the face, has learned to take care of itself."

A Tarpon Scarecrow.

Times and places there are where the tarpon have been so numerous and so free in their antics as to be a pest to the small fishermen, who in a certain bay once harpooned a lordly fish, lashed him to a keg and pointed him to the open sea.

Drawing the floating barrel, he went, splashing terror to his kindred, an aquatic scarecrow. And as the militant hogshead, ferried by a leaping twelve stone fish, went marching down the bay all tarpon, great and small, took warning that they must keep their performances within the bounds of decency.—Country Life In America.

Using a Coat Hanger.

Many years of hard work on the farm had made the old man round shouldered, and his coat fitted badly. His son in the city sent him a coat stretcher on which to hang the coat at night. On his next visit to the farm the young man asked how the coat stretcher worked. His father looked a little embarrassed and then confessed. "I can't stand it on," said he. "It was real good of you to send it. Your mother fastened it to my coat with tape, but I wasn't comfortable in it, and I had to take it off."

A Dream.

"I found I had saved up a thousand dollars without pinching myself."

"Without pinching yourself?"

"Without pinching myself."

"Then how did you know you were awake?"—Puck.

"Playing" Poker.

Harry—Do you really love to play poker? Dick—I never play at the poker table; I work. It is the chap that loses his money who plays.—Boston Transcript.

If you haven't much sense—and a lot of us haven't—talk as little as possible and go slow.—Atchison Globe.

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The panama is a leaf hat made in Colombia, Ecuador and Peru from the undeveloped leaf of the "bombonaje," which is a screw pine rather than a palm. The trunk of the plant is only a yard in height, but the leaf stalks are two yards long.

The leaf before it has opened is prepared for the manufacture of hats. It then consists of a bundle of plaits about two feet long and an inch in diameter called a "cogollo." The green outside is stripped off, and by means of a forked instrument it is cut into narrow strips of uniform size.

The cogollo is next boiled to toughen the fiber and hung in the sun to dry and bleach, when the strips shrivel into cordlike strands ready for use. It takes sixteen cogollos for an ordinary hat and twenty-four for the finest, and a single hat is plaited in from four days to as many months, according to its texture and quality.—Mexican Herald.

A Place of Great Heat.

The largest of the Aval islands, which are scattered over a considerable area in the Persian gulf, is said to be earth's hottest place. The mean temperature of Bahrein, as it is called, is 99 degrees for the whole year. No European can endure the heat, which at midnight rises to 100, in the morning is 107 or 108 and by 3 in the afternoon reaches the phenomenal height of 140 degrees. The island is inhabited by Arabs. The following high temperatures are also experienced at the places named: Parts of Algeria, 127 degrees; Agra, 117 degrees, and Lahore, 107 degrees.

The Joke Turned.

Quiet Traveling Man—Call me at 5:30, please. Smart Hotel Clerk—What shall I call you at 5:30? Quiet Traveling Man—Call me a poor, misguided idiot for letting myself get roped in to stay all night here!—Baltimore American.

Unhappy People Think.

It is the unhappy man who commonly sits down and thinks. The happy man gets up and does something—kills something if he is the traditional Englishman, makes love if he is the traditional Frenchman.—G. S. Street.

A Father's Jest.

Softleigh—When I—aw—awsked her foh her hand in mawriage her bwutal father thweatened to—aw—bwain me, doncher know. Miss Cutting—That's just like her father. He always was fond of a joke.—Chicago News.

A Close Student.

"He's fond of literature."

"Is he a close student?"

"I should say so. He never spends a penny he doesn't have to."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

What a tangled web we weave when first we practice to deceive!—Scott.

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