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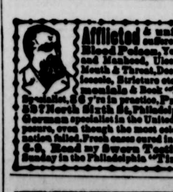
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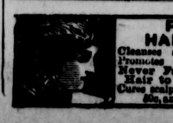
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Indian Superstitions.

The Indian believes there are boa constrictors in the streams of North America and also that the South American tapir lives in North America. He calls the boa constrictor the iste-ach-war-nayer and calls the tapir nocas-ohmer.

The Indian believes he has a cure and preventive for rabies, or hydrophobia. He also believes he can cure any snake bite on earth, from a ground rattler to a velvet tail or diamond rattler. An Indian never was known to go mad from dog bite or die from a rattler's bite, while other races succumb to the venom of a snake or go mad from the bite of a rabid dog.

The Indian when in battle and fatally wounded believes that if his medicine man can reach him with his bitter medicine before he dies it will give him instant relief and he will be able to escape from the battlefield. He thinks every man is honest until he finds him out, in which event he loses all confidence in him and never gets over it.

The Indian never makes up after falling out with any one. He may speak to an enemy as he passes, but dies with the hatred in his heart.—Eufaula Journal.

How "All Men Are Born Equal."

The woman born beautiful doesn't bother to educate her intelligence, is spoiled by flattery, is unable to hold the men she attracts. The woman born homely is driven to develop her character and her mind, and so more than overcomes her handicap as against her pretty sister. The man born clever loses because he wins too easily and has no incentive to that sustained effort which alone achieves success. The man born "slow" develops patience, assiduity, balance and, best of all, tenacity.

It comes near to being a universal rule that strong points and weak ones just about offset each other in any human being at the start and that the development is a matter for the man himself to determine. And there is no fatal handicap except the disposition to regard one's handicap as fatal.—Saturday Evening Post.

Word Corruption.

"I lately heard," says a writer in T. P.'s London Weekly, "of a country inn which boasted for its sign, 'The Jackass.' Word corruption like this has given many quaint signs to our hostelries. Among the better known inns are 'The Goat and the Compass,' corrupted from the words, 'God encompasseth us;' 'The Bull and Mouth,' from 'the Boulogne mouth,' after the naval combat before Boulogne harbor, and 'The Pig and Whistle,' from 'the peg and wassail,' alluding to the pegs driven into the old wassail bowl to mark the point to which the toper might drink as his turn comes round. The sign, common in Lancashire, of the Stanley arms, an eagle carrying a child, is popularly referred to as 'The Bird of Bantlin'."

Marrying on Account.

Rev. Mr. Williams was the Congregational minister in the village of Winslow, Me., several years ago. One evening, says a correspondent of the Boston Globe, four young people called at the parsonage. Two of them wished to be married.

The papers in the case were legal, so Mr. Williams performed the ceremony. The other couple acted as bridesmaid and best man. The groom was the son of a well known man in the town, and as the happy couple were leaving the parsonage the young man whispered to Mr. Williams:

"Just charge it to father, parson. It will be all right."

Sunday Card Playing Laws.

There was a time when people in England were forbidden by law to play at cards, even in their own houses, on Sunday. In the royal proclamation against vice, profaneness and immorality, read every session and assize, is the following passage: "And we do hereby strictly enjoin and prohibit all our loving subjects, of what degree or quality soever, from playing on the Lord's day at dice, cards or any other game whatsoever, either in public or private houses or other places whatsoever."

Enlarged Finger Joints.

Enlarged finger joints are the source of annoyance and mortification. Sometimes they are caused by pulling the fingers to make the joints "crack." Sometimes they are the result of hard work, rheumatism or gout. They may be relieved by light rotary massage (rubbing around and around and around on the joints with the thumb and fingers and stroking upward), accompanied by the application of oil of wintergreen.

Not Too Much of a Fool.

"Father says that Algernon hasn't any idea of the value of money," she exclaimed plaintively.

"Your father wrongs him," answered Miss Cayenne. "I have observed that Algernon never proposes to anybody except heiresses."

Perfectly Natural.

Old Gentleman—How old are you, my dear? Little Girl—I was eight years old yesterday. Old Gentleman—Indeed! You don't look to be that old. Little Girl—Ah, how you naughty men do flatter us poor, weak women!

A Memory Destroyer.

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Woman's Work, That's Never Done.

First Shopper—Sometimes it is hard to find what you want. Second Shopper—Yes, especially when you don't know what it is.—Judge.

TYPICAL FRENCH CHILD.

The Everyday Life of a Girl Eleven Years of Age.

Let me take Felice Boulanger (which isn't her name) as a typical French child of my experience, gained after nearly three years' residence in France.

She is one of five children ranging in age from her brother of sixteen to the youngest girl of six. Felice has a skin like the sheen of a pearl (which is marvelous considering the amount of indigestible food she bolts five times a day); big, deerlike eyes, long lashed; daintily shaped but seldom clean hands; a thin, rasping and petulant voice even in her merriest mood, and a physique like that of a starved and homeless cat—narrow chested, spider legged and staminaless generally. Yet she seems full of vitality—nervous, irritable vitality—eats as much food as an English navvy, and certainly has, as my American lady friend says, "heaps of sense." But to see the child eating is painful, though interesting in a way.

An English girl of eleven years of age, like Felice, would be sent to bed at, say, 9 o'clock. Felice and her type and her younger sisters sit down to dinner at 6:30 p. m. and stay up until 11 or later, listening to the conversation of their elders.—Louis Becke in London Mail.

CATERPILLARS AND LAW.

Actions Against the Insects In the Courts of France.

In the year 1545 the owners of the vineyards of St. Julian, Savoy, France, solemnly took action in the law courts against a host of hungry caterpillars which had played havoc with their vines. This grave matter was referred to arbitration and came in due course before the bishop as ecclesiastical judge.

Two lawyers were retained in the interest of the insect ravagers, letters admonishing them to discontinue their mischief were issued, and a commission sat to estimate the damage done. The judge held that no hasty decision should be given, since it was possible that the caterpillars had not acted maliciously, but had been sent as a scourge.

At the end of a year from the first proceedings it was held that the farmers must submit to the infliction and pay all costs. After an interval of forty-two years another army of caterpillars invaded the vineyards, another action was brought, and it was decided that they were only exercising their legal rights, while the owners were advised to provide a piece of land where they might range at will.

LONDON WHITEHALL.

It Was Known as York House Until Cardinal Wolsey's Fall.

Old Westminster palace was the London residence of the archbishops of York and was known as York House or York Place down to the reign of Henry VIII. On the downfall of Cardinal Wolsey, 1529, York House was delivered and confirmed by charter to the king, who changed its name to Whitehall.

There were already several Whitehalls in the country, and the choice of the name in this instance may have been due to new buildings of white stone, added by Henry VIII., which contrasted with the red brick in general use. Another conjecture is that the king wished to emphasize the depth of the cardinal's fall by erasing the very name of the palace so clearly associated with his elevation to power and position.

This appears to have been Shakespeare's view, for in Henry VIII. we read:

Sir, you must no more call it York Place; that's past.
For, since the cardinal fell, that title's lost.
'Tis now the king's and called Whitehall.

—London Telegraph.

A Memory Failure.

A schoolteacher was trying to impress upon his scholar's mind that Columbus discovered America in 1492, so he said: "Now, John, to make you remember the date when Columbus discovered America I will make it in a rhyme so you won't forget it. 'In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue.' Now, can you remember that, John?" "Yes, sir," replied John. The next morning when he came to school his teacher said, "John, when did Columbus discover America?" "In 1493 Columbus sailed the dark blue sea."

The Term "Bully."

The term bully in the days of Shakespeare had quite a different meaning from that which it has at present, being an expression of endearment and good fellowship. Some suppose that the word, when it is used in approval, is derived from the Dutch boel or German buhle, which stands for the English lover. The harsher use of the word is, however, to be traced to bellow, the root of bull, with a significance of noisy blustering.

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