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MULLIGAN'S ANTICS.

They Excited Casey's Curiosity and He Got an Explanation.

Casey and Mulligan lived in adjoining tenements. Casey was looking out of his front window one afternoon when he saw Mulligan go through the street door on the run. In a few moments he returned, still running. On the next night Casey saw Mulligan repeat the performance. Casey told his wife there must be sickness in the Mulligan household, but Mrs. Casey said no. On the third day Casey again saw Mulligan dash out of the door and return on the run. On the fourth night Casey saw Mulligan leave the house with a skipping rope and go down the street skipping the rope. When he returned he was still skipping the rope. This was the last straw to Casey's already overburdened curiosity. He watched and when Mulligan was out went to his home.

"Is there anythin' I can do for you, Mrs. Mulligan?" he asked her. "What for?" asked Mrs. Mulligan. "Shure, and your husband has gone daft," said Casey. "I seen him run out of the house and run back ag'in three nights and the fourth go out skippin' a rope." "Oh, that's nothin'," said Mrs. Mulligan. "The doctor was here last week, Mike bein' by way of ailin', and gave him four pills. 'Take three runnin' and skip the fourth,' sez he, 'and that's what Mike has been doin'."—New York Tribune.

SPEED OF A RATTLER.

Why It Is Easy to Shoot Off the Head of One of These Snakes.

In this wide world there are several things that are swifter than a rattlesnake, writes A. W. Rolker in Pearson's, but they can probably be counted on the fingers of one hand. One of these things is a bullet, whereby hangs the explanation why it is easy to shoot the head off a rattle, although a marksman finds it difficult to place a bullet along the fat seven foot line between the neck of the reptile and the tip of its tail.

It has long been regarded as a curious coincidence that even the man not famed for accuracy has had no trouble in blowing the head off a diamond back. In the diamond back country only one explanation is offered for this—it is the snake and not the man that does the aiming.

At close quarters the instant the muzzle of a six shooter is thrust toward a rattlesnake the infallible eye catches the range, and in the fraction of a twinkle the deadly head has aligned itself. As the gun roars and darts its tongue of flame the head of the creature is torn clean as if severed with a knife, and the viper lies writhing, emitting a defiant rattle even as its grim, relentless heart ceases its beat.

CONSTANT BIRDS.

Baldheaded Eagles and Golden Woodpeckers Mate but Once.

The married life of most birds could be taken for a model even by members of the human family. There is, for instance, the staid, dignified and homely baldheaded eagle, the glorious emblem of the American republic. He mates but once and lives with his one mate until he or she dies. If left a widower—even a young widower—the baldheaded eagle never mates again. He remains alone and disconsolate in the nest on the rock crag or in the branches of a tall pine that formed his domicile while his mate was alive. No other female eagle can tempt him to forsake his disconsolate life. With him, once a widower, always a widower.

The golden woodpeckers live in a happy married state, mating but once. If the male dies his mate's grief is lasting, and she lives a widowed bird the rest of her life. So, too, the male woodpecker never seeks another mate after the death of his own. He taps on a tree beside their nest day and night trying to recall her; then at length, discouraged and hopeless, he becomes silent and never recovers his gayety.—Chicago Tribune.

A Birdlime Tree.

There is in New Zealand a tree which proves fatal to birds in an altogether singular way. The seed vessels give off a sticky fluid, and many a fly finds itself imprisoned in the gummy stuff. These flies in their turn attract small birds, and they also get so covered with the fluid that they are unable to flutter. The fruit, too, is an object of desire, and birds come, as it were, glued to the ripe clusters which they proposed to eat. The wee birds cannot escape without help, so lie there a prey to other animals.

Degrees of Comparison.

On public occasions Count von Moltke was frequently called upon to propose the health of the Emperor William I. At small gatherings he would confine himself to the formula, "Long live the emperor!" On more important occasions he would say, "Long life to his majesty the emperor." At large public banquets the toast culminated in the words, "Long life to his majesty the emperor, our most gracious king and master."

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Conjugal Agreement.

Mr. Winkle—There, I've forgotten to post your letter again. I am very absentminded. Mrs. Winkle—Yes, your mind has been absent a good many years.

TRUTH TRIUMPHS.

Life Is a Conflict, and Error Dies In the Struggle.

Life is a struggle. Wars end, but the war of the race—the antagonism of thought, the strife between men, between man and the forces external to him, within the soul of the individual—ends not save it be with extinction.

Error gains many a temporary triumph, but the final victory is with truth. There is substance in truth that in the last balance outweighs error.

Nature's process is by test and trial, by unfolding, changing, ripping up, undoing, redoing. By contrast and conflict she tries sincerity and treachery, honor and dishonor, fitness and unfitness, courage and cowardice, truth and error. The conflict of ideas between social and political systems and between creeds and philosophies is as rude as the conflict between the sea and land. Error dies in the struggle.—From "Balance: The Fundamental Verity," by Orlando J. Smith.

The Printer's Devil.

Aldus Manutius, a printer in Venice to the holy church and the doge, employed a negro boy to help him in his office. The boy was believed to be an imp of satan and went by the name of the "printer's devil." In order to protect him from persecution and confute a foolish superstition Manutius made a public exhibition of the boy and announced that any one who doubted him to be flesh and blood might come forward and pinch him to make sure. The mistaken impression was removed, but before this time the name "printer's devil" had been attached to the boy and was thenceforth applied generally to the boyish assistants in a printing office.

Ruler of Russia's Title.

The general allusion to the ruler of Russia as the czar is, strictly speaking, incorrect. His official title is "emperor and autocrat." Czar is the old Russian word for lord or prince and was abandoned by Peter the Great on his triumphal return from Poltava, his crowning victory over Charles XII. of Sweden. Since then the Russian monarch has been officially entitled emperor, and at the congress of Vienna in 1815 his right to the imperial term was admitted by the powers, with the proviso that, though he was emperor, he had no precedence over the kings of western Europe.—St. James' Gazette.

The Lawyer's Habit.

The legal formality of addressing a court sticks to many a lawyer of congressional preferment. It is nothing unusual to hear an impassioned orator in the house, pausing in his argument or breaking in upon the argument of another, exclaim, "Now, if your honor please!" Of course the house always marks the slip with a burst of loud laughter. In the senate, where there are also many lawyers, it is rarer to hear the familiar words because debate there is more sedate.

Strong Lungs.

"Popley's looking bad. What's the matter with him?"

"Lungs."

"You don't say! Weak, eh?"

"No; strong. There's a new baby at his house that keeps him awake nights."—Philadelphia Press.

Well Provided.

"Whew! Barnstormer must have found food for thought in the dramatic editor's article this morning."

"Food? I should say a full meal. He got a roast and also his desserts."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Poor, but Candid.

"Are you looking for work?"

"No," answered the poor but candid man: "I'm looking for money, but I'm willing to work, because I can't get it otherwise."—Exchange.

One Exception.

President Luther of Trinity college, at Hartford, Conn., preached one Sunday when he was a professor in college on the story of Esther. He concluded with the words, "'So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai,' and every one was pleased." Then as the irony appealed to him he added in a lower voice, "Except Haman."

Clever.

"Don't be so lazy. There's plenty of room at the top, and you're clever enough to get there."

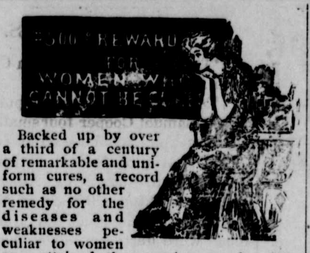
"But," replied the lazy genius, "think how clever it is of men to find a place at the bottom where there isn't so much room."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Chances the Woman Must Take.

A man is like a piece of cloth warranted to wash, and matrimony is the laundry. It may improve him, give starch and freshen him up, or it may take all the color out of him.—New York Press.

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