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OLD TIME TRAVELING.

The Stagecoach In England In the Seventeenth Century.

The first stagecoach between the two capitals, London and Edinburgh, appears to have been started in 1658. It ran once a fortnight, and the fare was £4. The time taken to the journey is not accurately known, but between York and London it was four days. This lavish system of communication was not, however, kept up, as in 1763 the coach ran between London and Edinburgh once a month only, taking a fortnight, if the weather was favorable, to the journey.

In the days of stagecoaches people sometimes clubbed together and hired a postchaise for their journey as being quicker and less expensive, and Scottish newspapers occasionally contained advertisements to the effect that a person about to proceed to London would be glad to hear of a fellow "adventurer" or two bent on the same journey to share the expense.

In 1754 a heroic effort was made to improve the London and Edinburgh coach. The Edinburgh Courant for that year contained the following advertisement: "The Edinburgh stagecoach, for the better accommodation of passengers, will be altered to a genteel two end glass coach, being on steel springs, exceeding light and easy, to go in ten days in summer and twelve in winter, to set out the first Tuesday in March and continue it from Hosea Eastgate's, the Coach and Horses, in Dean street, Soho, London, and from John Somerville's, in the Canongate, Edinburgh, etc. Passengers to pay as usual. Performed, if God permits, by your dutiful servant, Hosea Eastgate." —Chambers' Journal.

IRELAND'S RUINED CASTLES.

The Green Isle Is Rich In These Ancient Landmarks.

Ireland is rich in castles and ruins. One of the most ancient of these is the Grianan of Aileach, a ruin that stands on the heights above the Swilly and which was centuries ago the stronghold of the northern princes.

Around this fort many battles were fought. Hosts swarmed over the adjacent hills or fled down the river, and in those deadly engagements scenes were enacted that often cast a gloom over the whole country and wrecked the social life of Erin.

As England gained power she strove again and again to exert her influence over the sister isle, but warriors like Strongbow spurned a "foreign" supremacy and when the battle went against them found a safe retreat in the bogs, the valleys and the hills of that lonely country, only to sally forth to avenge themselves anew upon their enemies.

The rock of Cashel, Dunluce castle and many other spots were the centers of these fearful combats.

The picturesque ruins of Sligo abbey, built by Maurice Fitzgerald in A. D. 1253, and the more imposing proportions of Donegal castle are silent witnesses of a progress that proceeded steadily in spite of these disturbances. —Pearson's Weekly.

Vital Heat of Vegetables.

It will be a novel thought to many that not only animals, but vegetables also, generate a degree of heat by their life processes. It has been observed that the sap of healthy trees is not affected, as other liquids are, by frost; that the inner parts of fibrous plants are warmer than the air on cold days, and that snow melts more rapidly at the foot of living trees than around dead ones. Some vegetables of their own accord grow warmer until midday and then cool off again as the sun declines. The act of flowering has also been found to give rise to an increase of temperature. The stalk of an Italian arum may have a daily increase of no less than 10½ degrees, and the stalk of another plant has been known to be as warm as 109 degrees F.

Some Brief Epitaphs.

The following are among the brief and curious epitaphs seen in European cemeteries: At Worcester, England, the slab erected over a departed auctioneer is inscribed with a single word, "Gone." In Sussex the initials and date of the death of the deceased are followed by two words, "He was." On the monument of Charles the Great of Germany the brief inscription is "Caralo Magno." The most remarkable is at Cane Hill cemetery, Belfast, where the inscription says, "Left till called for."

Welsh Wedding Custom.

In the following quaintly formal letter the parents of Welsh brides sometimes bid their friends attend the wedding and bid them also not to come empty handed: "Whatever donation you may be pleased to bestow will be thankfully received and cheerfully repaid whenever called for on a similar occasion. The parents of the bride and bridegroom elect desire that all gifts due to them will be returned to them on the above date and will be thankful for all favors granted."

Contains the Alphabet.

There is a verse in the Bible which contains every letter in the alphabet, and it is said there is only one such. It is the twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra and reads, "And I, even I, Artaxerxes, the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond the river that whatsoever Ezra, the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you it be done speedily."

Quite Saving.

"I wish I were a night watchman."

"Why?"

"I could sleep all day and save my board and work all night and save my lodging."—Cleveland Leader.

INDIAN ARROWS.

Why There Are Always Three Grooves Cut on the Shaft.

In making the Indian arrow three small undulating grooves are cut on the shaft, running down to the head from the lower end of the feathers. This has attracted the attention of some of the ethnologists, who gave the matter considerable study and wisely concluded that the little lines were made for the blood to run through or that they represented lightning. An old Omaha who had the reputation of being very skillful in cutting the grooves in arrow shafts was called by the chief to do that work for him on some arrows he was making. The chief himself was a fine arrow maker, but he recognized the skill of the old man in this particular line. While the work was in progress the chief's son, who had reached the inquisitive age and was looking on with wide eyed interest, suddenly asked, "Venerable man, why are you making those crooked lines?" The chief gave a hearty laugh and said, "Father, tell him, for he will be making arrows himself some day, and he should know." "Every sapling," answered the old man, "out of which the arrow is made has some defect, however faultless it may appear to be. The good arrow maker takes a great deal of pains to smooth out and straighten the imperfections by oiling and heating, but the wood in time will spring back because of its inherent defects unless these grooves are cut in the shaft soon after seasoning and straightening." —Southern Workman.

SOURCE OF THE MISSOURI.

Six Rivers Joined Together Form Its Actual Head.

The actual head of the Missouri river or what should be known as such had it been intelligently named is De Lacy's or Shoshone lake, in the National park. This lake, a considerable body of water, is the source of the Madison river and forms with the river the drainage outlet for most of the water of that portion of the National park. The Gallatin, or left source of the Missouri, is formed by two streams, the East and West Gallatin, which unite about a mile above its junction with the Missouri. The Madison and Gallatin are both somewhat smaller than the Jefferson.

Had Lewis and Clark ascended the Madison instead of the Jefferson, which, becoming the larger stream, they naturally mistook for the continuation of the Missouri, they would have discovered the famous geysers in Firehole basin, Shoshone lake and all the country which is now incorporated within the limits of the National park. The Big Hole and the Beaverhead rivers flow into the Jefferson at Twin Bridges, a few miles from the confluence of the Jefferson with the Missouri, so that in reality there are six considerable rivers, all joining one another within a radius of a few miles, which unite to form the longest river in the world, measured from the gulf to the Rocky mountains.

Sneezing.

Sneezing itself is a reflex nervous action and is brought about by mechanical irritation to the ends of the nerve fibers which occur in the tissue of the nose. When this irritation occurs, whether it be due to a foreign body or change of temperature affecting the tissue of the nose, a nerve impulse is transmitted to the brain, and certain nerve centers in the medulla oblongata are affected. This results in certain impulses being transmitted along the nerves to the muscles controlling respiration. By this means the egress of air during expiration is delayed, and the various exits are closed. When the pressure, however, reaches a limit the exits are forced open, "a powerful blast of air is expelled, and the patient sneezes."

An Honest Sergeant.

A military story comes from Ireland. A noncommissioned officer, entering a barrack gate in Dublin, was mistaken by the "fresh one" on sentry go, who immediately saluted him. The noncommissioned officer, unaware that his colonel was just behind, returned the salute, a thing not permissible under the circumstances. Arrived at his quarters, he was surprised to find an order for him to attend before the colonel. On presenting himself he was asked how he came to return the salute, knowing full well he was not entitled to it. Not in the least embarrassed, he promptly answered, "Sir, I always return everything I am not entitled to." The colonel, taken aback by his ready wit, laughingly dismissed him.

Sarcastic.

"Would you mind walking the other way and not passing the horse?" said a London cabman with exaggerated politeness to the fat lady who had just paid the minimum fare. "Why?" she inquired. "Because if 'e sees wot 'e's been carrying for a shilling 'e'll 'ave a fit," was the freezing answer.

A Bold, Bad Man.

The phrase, "A bold, bad man," now worn threadbare and comic, belongs to Spenser, who applied it to the Archimago of "The Faerie Queene" (i, 1, 37):

A bold, bad man that dared to call by name
Great Gorgon, prince of darkness and dead night.

Self Denial.

The key to success in any department of life is self denial. Idleness, laziness, wastefulness, come from lack of it, while industry, promptitude, economy, thrift and a successful career are the result of it.

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