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THE LOBSTER'S SHELL.

A New One Is Grown Before the Old One Is Cast Off.

Odd as it may sound to say so, the lobster grows before, not after, he casts his old hard shell—that is to say, he makes new cells and tissues, which are not at once filled out, but which are intended to swell to their full dimensions as soon as he has got rid of his binding and confining external skeleton. When the critical moment at last arrives a new soft shell grows entire within the older and harder one, and the animal then withdraws himself, leg by leg, claw by claw and swimmeret by swimmeret, out of the enveloping coat of mail which covers him. The shedding of the old coat is complete and absolute. Not a fragment remains. Even the apparently internal hard portions are cast off with the rest, for the entire covering forms one cintinuous piece, the interior portions being really, so to speak, folds of the skin inserted inward.

An entirely new skeleton had already grown within the old one, but exceedingly soft and flexible in texture, and the body becomes so almost fluid or jellylike—not in structure, but in power of compression and extension—that even the big claws are drawn out through the narrower apertures of the joints in a perfectly marvelous manner. After a longer or shorter period of muscular paroxysm the soft lobster at last disengages itself entirely from the dead shell and emerges upon the world a new and defenseless fleshy creature. The whole cask skeleton, unruptured in any part, but disengaged by lifting up the body piece where it joins the tail, looks exactly like an entire dead lobster.

A FORTUNATE MISTAKE.

The Result of Putting a Couple of Wires In Wrong Terminals.

A large number of the world's greatest inventions have been the result of some accidental union of forces the nature of which the person who started them neither understood nor suspected. The working of dynamos at long distances apart when properly connected was discovered by accident. A scientific journal says: "Soon after the opening of the Vienna exposition in 1873 a careless workman picked up the ends of a couple of wires which he found trailing along the ground. He fastened them in the terminals of a dynamo, to which he thought they belonged, while they were really attached to another dynamo that was running in another part of the grounds. The dynamo to which he fastened the wires was not running, but as soon as the wires were placed in its terminals it revolved as if a steam engine was driving it. The workman was amazed. The engineers and electricians were astonished by the discovery that a dynamo electric machine (turned by steam power) would turn another similar machine a long distance away if properly connected to it by electric wires. Thus originated one of the most revolutionary applications of electricity."

The fact that power can be transmitted for miles by electric wires is one of the most important factors in modern civil engineering achievements.

The Hymn That Fitted.

On the evening of the first Sunday after their removal from their house in the suburbs, which was the only home the children had ever known, to the top floor of a seventh story apartment house, the family gathered around the piano for the usual hour of song, each member in turn, according to time honored custom, requesting a hymn of his choice. When ten-year-old Marjory's turn came she said, "I think the most appropriate hymn is:

"I'm nearer my heavenly home today
Than ever I've been before.

"I think of it every time I come up in the elevator."—New York Press.

Fine Art In Show Windows.

It is a common error for dealers to put too many shoes in their window. In fact, some windows would lend the impression that the stock was in the window and the samples on the shelves. Said a shoe manufacturer who has traveled extensively: "One of the most impressive windows I ever saw contained but one shoe in each window. Each was a fine shoe, mounted on a standard in the center of the window. From this shoe red and white ribbons were draped in various directions, much like a sunburst. A small, neat sign told the story. Everybody stopped to look."—Shoe Retailer.

Mozart's Work.

Mozart lived thirty-seven years. His first mass was composed when he was less than ten years of age, and the enormous quantity of his compositions was the work of the succeeding twenty-seven years. Mozart wrote forty-one symphonies, fifteen masses, over thirty operas and dramatic compositions, forty-one sonatas, together with an immense number of vocal and concerted pieces in almost every line of art.

At Least a Choice of Worries.

"Do you think that wealth brings happiness?"

"No," answered Mr. Dustin Stax; "it doesn't bring happiness, but it gives a man a little bit of option about the kind of worry he will take on."—Washington Star.

Badly Smitten.

"I wish there were ten days in the week," sighed Gladys.

"Why?" asked Grace.

"Jack could call oftener then."—London Answers.

Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character.—Lowell.

SPELLING REFORM.

The Phonetic Phenomena of the Word "Phenix."

They were talking about spelling reform and the idiosyncrasies of English spelling in general.

"There's that very word 'phonetic,'" said one of the men. "That's a sample of English spelling. The reformers call their system the 'phonetic system,' and yet they have to spell 'phonetic' with a 'pho' in order to let people know what they mean. The very word that means 'spelled as pronounced' is as far from it as possible."

"Now, now!" drawled his friend. "You're too hard on the good old English speller. You ought to be proud of 'phonetic.' Why, that word is so trimmed down and sawed off and cut short that I wouldn't know it was English if I met it alone on a blank page. You ought to thank the language for that word. It is a beautiful word. That 'pho' might have been spelled like 'dough' and the 'net' like 'ette' in 'rosette' and the 'ic' like 'liq' in 'liquor.' That would be a good old style English word—phoughnetteiq. But it is coming! Phonetic spelling is coming! Look at the word 'phenix.' It is spelled 'phenix' everywhere now, and I remember it always used to be 'phoenix.' That 'o' has gone. That shows"—

"Nothing!" said the objector. "What does it show? That the phenix is a bird. Isn't the phenix a bird? Yes! Well, that round thing you say was an 'o' was an egg. That's all. 'Twas just an egg, and the phenix laid the egg. That's all."—Success Magazine.

THE ESKIMO.

He Has No Master and Is Absolutely Independent.

There are no chieftains in the Eskimo community. They all regard themselves as free men, with an equal right to hunt, fish, sleep and eat. Everybody shifts for himself. He is absolutely and unconditionally independent. His only ambition is to be a good hunter and to rear sons who will inherit his skill with lance and harpoon. He has helped himself against the elements for centuries, and the white man descending on his shores ostensibly to confer the blessings of civilization has never been able to improve his condition, but only to detract from the old time happiness and advantages of the aboriginal Eskimo community. The natural helpfulness of the Eskimo is the basis of the socialistic state in which he lives. He will risk his life to save that of another, even his enemy. He will share the spoils of the hunt with his neighbors. If his neighbor dies and his wife is left alone with children he will provide for her until she marries again. He does not slander or tell tales; he does not abuse any one, and he does not fight. He is a man of peace. He loves peace for its own sake, and his life is one long, laborious attempt at happiness for himself and his people.—Chicago Chronicle.

How the Katydid Sings.

Everybody is familiar with the rasping notes known as the katydid's "song." It is the male only that is capable of emitting the well known sounds, and he does it in a most peculiar manner. His "vocal organs" are at the base of his wings and consist of two flat excrescences of thin, dry membrane. It is the rubbing of these two membranous plates together which produces the "song." If your shoulder blades were so loosely put together that one could be slipped under the other and the underside of one and the upper side of the other were so rough that the operation of slipping them past each other would cause a rasping sound you could imitate the katydid's musical efforts very nicely.

Why There Are So Many Smiths.

At the time of the adoption of surnames every artisan whose work required the striking blows on metal was known as a smiter or smith, and the community therefore had its blacksmith, whitesmith, goldsmith, silversmith, arrowsmith and several others of the same character. The number of Smiths of the present day may therefore be readily accounted for when we remember that each of the different kinds of smiths was as much entitled to the use of his trade name for a cognomen as any other artisan. John the blacksmith and John the coppersmith were both known as John the smith, an appellation which naturally resolved itself into the family name of John Smith.

A Charge of Cruelty.

From time to time unfounded charges of cruelty are made against nurses, especially those engaged in mental asylums. A striking instance occurred recently in the case of a nurse at a county asylum. She was on visiting room duty, and a newcomer was asking people who had been visitors for some time as to the treatment of the patients.

"Oh," was the reply, "they treats the poor souls cruel here. Why, they gives 'em a bath every week!"

Cynical.

"Pa, what is an optimist?"

"An optimist, my son, is a person who believes he will actually see a time when the law will be no respecter of persons."

"Will he be president when he sees that time come, pa?"

"No, my child; he will be in an asylum."—Baltimore American.

Will Never Spend It.

"Now that his father is dead I suppose Charlie will spend all his money."

"Oh, no; he gets married tomorrow."—New York Times.

And There Were.

"There are others."

"Yes, that's what the Mormon said when his wife died."—New York Press.

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