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BLUEBEARD.

Two Different Stories as to Who Was the Original.

Like many of the other heroes of the nursery tales, Bluebeard once lived in the flesh and blood. If the old chroniclers [illegible] from whom Shakespeare got so much of his material, is to be believed. According to that writer, the original Bluebeard was Giles de Retz or de Rais, marquis of Laval, who became marshal of France in 1429. He is described as an impious and debauched man, a devotee of the black art, who enticed young men and women to his castle and killed them in order to obtain innocent blood for his magical enchantments and who also murdered six or seven of his wives. His crimes were discovered, and he was burned at the stake in 1440 at Nantes.

According to an old French legend, however, the original Bluebeard lived in Britanny in the sixth century and was known as Count Conomer. After seven of his wives had disappeared he became enamored of Triphyna, the daughter of Count Guereck of Vannes. The wedding was celebrated at Vannes, and Conomer took his bride home.

Before a year had passed Triphyna noticed a change in her husband's manner, and, fearing the same fate that had met her predecessors, she fled from the castle, but was overtaken by Conomer, who struck off her head with a single blow. St. Gildas, by whom the unfortunate wife had been educated, happened to pass the spot soon after, and, seeing the body, he tenderly replaced the head and by prayer restored Triphyna to life. The story does not relate the end of Conomer.

PHYSICAL EXERCISE.

Effect of Boxing on the Mental and Moral Faculties.

Boxing is an exercise which is not only of the most marked benefit in a purely physical way, but it is of the utmost value as a means of training the mental and moral faculties. One of the most unfortunate whimsicalities of our very whimsical day is the prejudice against boxing as a sport and exercise. There is no sport in which there is provided such splendid exercise for body and mind and spirit as in boxing.

The physical influence of boxing is superb. Every muscle and organ is brought into active use. So far as mentality is concerned, the perception, imagination, judgment, discretion, self confidence, aggressiveness and will are all brought into active and rapid use. The boxer who fails in perceiving his opponent's intention, who misses in judging the power or reach of his blow, who is lacking in self confidence, will power or aggressiveness, who fails for one moment to remember all the weak points of the man against whom he is working—that boxer is likely to fail, to lose what we all value—that is, reputation, public confidence and income. Among the many sports and games which are of value in training the mind I place boxing as by all means the most valuable.—W. R. C. Latson, M. D., in Outing Magazine.

An Extraordinary Migration.

One of the greatest mysteries to scientists, one for which there seems to be no reasonable explanation, is that concerning the migration of the leming, or Norway rat. Instead of taking place once a year, these migrations occur only once in eleven years. When the time comes for the exodus the little animals journey westward from Scandinavia, allowing nothing to stop their movements, which virtually amount to a headlong flight. They swim the lakes and rivers and climb the highest mountains in incalculable numbers, devastating the whole country through which they travel. Naturalists attribute the movement to some inherited memory of a flight to escape an expected cataclysm, but this seems somewhat far fetched.

An Old Roman Mint.

A completely equipped Roman mint was discovered in a cave in the neighborhood of Kayosovar, Hungary. Besides crucibles, which still contained bronze, there were three dies for the production of gold coins, dies of silver, bronze and iron ore and 300 coins. The investigation made showed that the workshop dated from the first century of the Christian era. A number of neatly worked earrings, bracelets and other objects of bronze, as well as tools, such as hammers and tongs, were also found.

The Yankee In German Eyes.

The Yankees are a joyous people. They are before everything optimists. Why should they not be? They dwell in a spacious land full of the treasures of the earth. They are not overladen with knowledge, but learn for practice, and during the greater part of the year a blue heaven stretches over them. For all those reasons the Yankees may well laugh. The Americans are, moreover, born humorists.—Berlin Woche.

Her Cost.

Young Jobson is of an exceedingly statistical turn of mind. He got married lately, and at the railway station he had his wife weighed; then he took out a little hand book and made some calculations, muttering: "Wedding expenses, ——; railway expenses, ——; divide by ——. I say, my dear, you have cost me exactly fourpence halfpenny a pound."—London Tit-Bits.

Not That Strap.

"Why don't you get up and give that seat to your father, Bobby?" reprimanded the woman. "Doesn't it pain you to see him reaching for a strap?"

"Not on a train," chuckled Bobby.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Traitors are hated even by those they favor.—Tacitus.

A BOLD PROJECT.

The Scheme by Which Malet Nearly Captured Paris In 1812.

A bold scheme was that engineered by Malet, a Frenchman. Malet had been a republican general, was ruined by the rise of Napoleon, betook himself to plotting, was arrested and finally put in a madhouse. During the emperor's absence in Russia in 1812 Malet escaped one night from his prison, obtained a general's uniform and with an accomplice dressed as an aid-de-camp made his way to the prison of La Force, where the unsuspecting governor released on his command two other ex-republicans, Generals Laborie and Guidal, prisoners on a like charge to his own. Together they proceeded to a neighboring barracks, announced to the commandant that Napoleon was dead and that they were acting by the decree of the senate, ordered the troops to be paraded and dispatched bodies of men upon various duties. Some arrested Savary, the minister of police; others the police prefect. Another battalion seized the Hotel de Ville. Everybody obeyed Malet implicitly, even the prefect of the Seine, and he would undoubtedly have gained possession of Paris had he not been recognized by Laborde, chief of the military police, as an escaped prisoner. He was arrested after a scuffle, the plot was unraveled, and in due course Malet, with twenty-three of his abettors, was shot.

HOW WATER ACTS.

Its Expansion and Contraction and Its Solvent Powers.

Water contracts as it falls from the normal boiling point, 212 degrees, until it reaches 39 degrees. Below that degree it expands, and at 32 degrees, the freezing point, it will expand enough to burst pipes and vessels holding it.

When the pressure of the air is below normal, water boils at a lower temperature than 212 degrees. This is noticed before a rain, when the barometer shows by a falling mercury a decreased air pressure. This also explains why water boils away more rapidly, quickly or at a lower temperature in the mountains, where the pressure of the air is less than on the seacoast or in the valleys. If sugar or salt is added to water the temperature of the boiling point is raised a few degrees. As a rule, as water is heated it will hold a greater amount of a substance in solution. A familiar exception is the fact that ice water will dissolve twice as much lime as boiling water. At the other extreme boiling water will dissolve seventeen times as much saltpeter as will cold water. But water varies in its solvent powers regardless of heat. One pound of water will hold two pounds of sugar in solution, but only two ounces of common salt.

Frankincense.

Frankincense is the purest of all incense. It is a gum resin from an Arabian terebinth. To obtain this a deep incision is made in the trunk and below it a narrow strip of bark peeled off. When the exudation has hardened, the incision is deepened. In about three months the resin has acquired a sufficient degree of consistency. It is gathered in large quantities and packed in goatskins. It was formerly believed that the trees which yielded frankincense were infested by winged serpents, and the only way to be rid of them and to get at the treasure was by burning gum styrax, an odoriferous balsam of aromatic smell. Frankincense was forbidden to be used for embalming, as it was sacred to sacrificial purposes. The Israelites were strictly prohibited from compounding it. Now it is used largely in Roman Catholic and high church ceremonies.

The Lay of the Hen.

Investigation of the capacity of hens to lay eggs results in the discovery that the egg production of hens decreases considerably after the age of four years. Thus a hen lays at the age of one year about 20 eggs; at the age of two years, about 120; at the age of three years, about 135; at the age of four years, about 115; at the age of five years, about 80, and at the age of six years, about 60. These figures go to show that hens should never be kept in the poultry yard more than four years, for after the lapse of this time they do not yield a proper return on the food they consume.

Great Value of Honey.

"Honey, one of the most nutritious and delicate of foods, should be eaten more than it is," writes a cooking expert. "Bought in the comb, it is bound to be unadulterated and will keep one free from sore throat and bronchial troubles. I know a number of ladies who use honey as a cosmetic. They apply it to the skin, rub it in well, then wash it off with hot water. The result is a finer complexion, a glowing color, a young, fresh look."—Birmingham Post.

Reassured.

"Did you hear that noise? What can it be?" demanded the janitor of the fashionable apartment house.

His wife went out into the hall and returned. "It was nothing but a rat," she said.

"Ah," sighed the janitor, greatly relieved. "I thought it was a child."—Bohemian.

A Close Fourth.

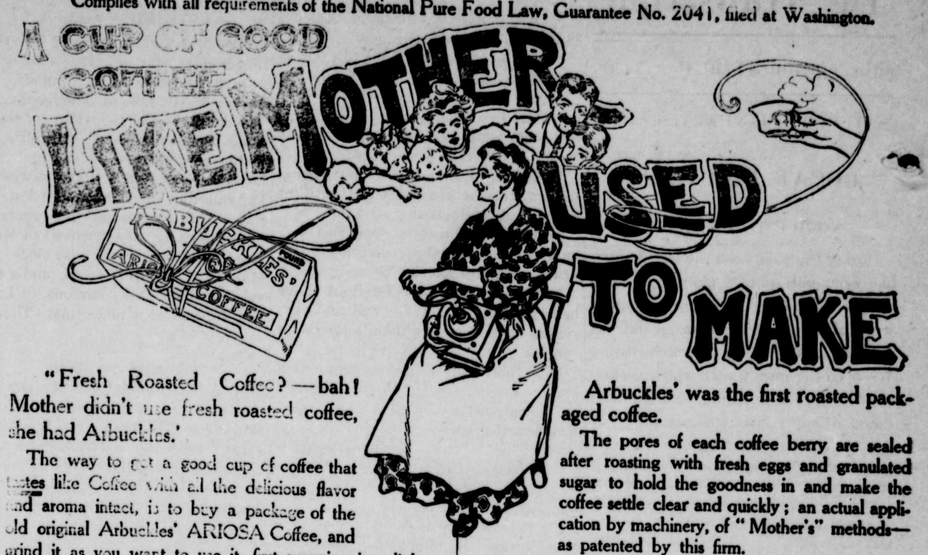
"My wife thinks a good deal of me."

"That's nice."

"Yes; next to the baby and the poodle and the rubber plant I'm all to the mustard with her."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

I wish I was as sure of anything as Tom Macaulay is of everything.—Lord Melbourne.

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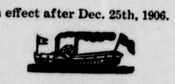
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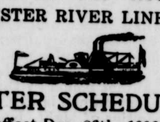
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