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Social Discipline

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Prepared

A Harley street reader tells of an old friend whose mother had a new maid who had never seen gas. On the occasion of a dinner party she was instructed as to what to do in the drawing room, and towards the end of the dinner her mistress asked her if she had lit the gas.

"No, ma'am," was the answer, "but I have turned it on already." Doubtless if her mistress had not interfered, everything would have gone off splendidly.—Weekly Scotsman.

Hunters' Greed Blamed

The biological survey says that market hunters are probably the direct cause of the extinction of the passenger pigeons. These birds were so-called "colony birds," and nested in great quantities in certain vicinities. This made it possible for hunters to wipe out great numbers with very little effort. There are many traditions accounting for the extinction of these birds, one being that forest fires in woods where they roosted destroyed great numbers.

Book of Revelation

The last book of the Bible is variously called the Revelation of St. John the Divine, the Book of Revelation and the Apocalypse. Roman Catholics prefer to call it the Apocalypse, while Protestants usually call it the Book of Revelation. It is frequently but erroneously called the Book of Revelations. The word Revelation in this connection is singular, not plural.

Somewhat Paradoxical

The easiest way to get to the top is to go to the bottom of things.—El Paso Times.

Wax Finish for Floors

Alhough the wax will act as a filler if applied directly to the oak floor, it is best to use a paste filler slightly colored as a basis for the wax finish. Slightly colored paste filler tends to equalize the variation in color between various pieces of flooring and results in a more beautiful floor.

Explained

A lady was ill and insisted upon being operated on for appendicitis. When she was quite well she asked the doctor what he had found in her appendix. "Well," he replied, looking puzzled, "it was extraordinary. I never found anything like it in an appendix before; there were several small hard peas in it." "Oh," said the lady, "that accounts for our having to sweet peas this year. I must have shown the pills."—London Passing Show.

Cat and Nine Lives

The origin of the saying that "a cat has nine lives" is obscure, but it is generally supposed to have originated in ancient Egypt where cats were objects of worship. Pasht was the cat-headed goddess of the Egyptians. According to one writer on mythology, this goddess was supposed to have nine lives and probably gave rise to the common expression about cats having nine lives.

Right, to the Letter

After receiving his first check for work, a young man, desirous of owning a pair of high-top shoes, went to a shoe store and presented the check in payment. The clerk received the approval of the merchant on the check, returned to the young man and told him to "put your John Hancock on it." The youthful buyer indorsed the check and then inscribed, under his name, "John Hancock."

The merchant asked him why he indorsed the check in that manner, and he said he was following the instructions of the clerk. Despite the laugh-ter he left the store proudly with his high-top shoes.

Too True, Alas!

Although the mistress of the house was constantly laying in a supply of food, the larder invariably seemed empty. So she spoke to the cook about it.

"I am sorry to have to mention it, cook," she said, "but don't you think the food disappears rather quickly in the kitchen?"

The cook was very much annoyed.

"Look here, ma'am," she retorted wrathfully, "I may eat 'earty like, but no one could call me gorgeous!"

Self-Improvement

There are few pleasures to be compared with that sense of growing self-mastery—of increased purposefulness and effectiveness in our daily lives which is the reward of frequently thwarting and contradicting our lower selves.—Dean Inge.

SAWS

By Viola Brothers Shore

FOR THE GOOSE—

IF YOU'RE playin' around with two fellers you gotta lie to one of 'em.

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A husband's confidence is like a silk umbreller. Once you lose it, don't expeck to see it again.

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The hardest thing to do well is nothin'.

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One reason parents is partial to their youngest children is because they begun to doubt about the older ones doin' so well.

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FOR THE GANDER—

At a party do not try to cover too much territory. It's a wise boy that keeps on knowin' his own girl.

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There's two ways of bein' rich—havin' more than you want and not wantin' more than you have.

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All women love to get flowers. But they mostly prefer some'm useful.

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Never find fault with a woman you love. Go on assumin' she's perfeck. But have it clearly understood you won't overpay even for perfection.

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By assumin' that she's perfeck, you will naturally avoid tellin' a woman anything for her own good.

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Commercial Detroit

The city of Detroit is on a river which carries more traffic than the Panama and Suez canals put together. It is estimated that at least one ship passes a given point in Detroit harbor every 15 minutes throughout the day and night.—Woman's Home Companion.

Thickness of Skin

The skin of the human varies greatly. That of the palm is seventy-six times greater than that of the eyelid

Look at Him Now

It takes ages to make a man, and then look what age makes of him.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Now He Knows Better

Man (explaining how his face became badly bruised)—I told another man he had not the heart of a white mouse.

No Absolute Proof of "Madstone's" Value

The term "madstone," says the National museum, is applied to a variety of natural objects superstitiously believed to have the power of drawing out poison from a wound made by a venomous animal. One of the oldest forms of the madstone is the "bezoar stone," which is a biliary calculus from the gall-bladder of an animal. Some form of madstones are composed of halloysite, which absorbs moisture with avidity and adheres to a moist surface until nearly saturated. Some years ago what was claimed to be a madstone of known efficacy was offered for sale to the National museum for $1,000, but it proved to be merely a polished seed of the Kentucky coffee tree. A pebble of carbonate of lime, said to have been found in the stomach of a deer, was presented to the museum as a veritable madstone, and on another occasion two hair balls from the stomach of a buffalo were sent to the same institution as madstones with the statement that one of them had been "successfully used in two cases of dog-bite." The museum says it can supply no information as to the value of objects of this character.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Writer Wants Proof as to Angels' Wings

How old things persist! In Samuel Johnson's dictionary the word chicken is defined to mean, among other things, "a term for a young girl." Many young men who refer to a girl as a "chicken" no doubt believe it was invented by some flippant modern. As a matter of fact, the slang was so common hundreds of years ago that it found its way into a dictionary of the time.

Speaking of dictionaries, literary people are amused because the latest dictionary, now being issued in England, thus defines the word "wing": "One of the limbs or organs by which the flight of a bird, bat, insect, angel, is effected."

Who knows that an angel has wings? I should say angels have wings solely because of the poor judgment of artists, and that angels get about as did passengers on that famous magic carpet: without effort, and by wishing.

When I become an angel, I shall grumble if compelled to flap wings in order to travel from joy to joy.—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

Spread of Education

Compulsory education in the United States occurred first in Massachusetts. As far back as 1642 the selectmen were enjoined to compel parents to teach their children themselves or procure teaching for them. The following list shows the dates at which the several states enacted compulsory education: Massachusetts, 1852; District of Columbia, 1864; Vermont, 1867; New Hampshire, Michigan, Washington, 1871; Connecticut, New Mexico, 1872; Nevada, 1873; New York, Kansas, California, 1874; Maine, New Jersey, 1875; Wyoming, 1876; Ohio, 1877; Wisconsin, 1879; Rhode Island, Illinois, Dakotas, Montana, 1883; Minnesota, Nebraska, Idaho, Colorado, Oregon, Utah, 1885-1890; by 1908 almost all states.

Hearty Eating

At the midday repast in the Louvre, Henry IV, of France, had served to him dishes of a variety limited only by his imagination. These meals, always heavy and rich, included four kinds of soup. Four entrees, a course of boiled meat, a ten-pound joint of beef, a side of mutton, a capon, and three other chickens, is a fair summary of the main dishes usually served, while on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays these were augmented by a capon pastry. On days of fast, lighter dishes were helped out with a roasted pike or carp. The evening meals were not much lighter than those of midday and vegetables never apeared on the menu.—Detroit News.

Easily Satisfied

Thomas did not like mathematics. He had been absent when long division in algebra had been developed, and on his return to school had been unable to grasp the subject.

The day for the test came, and sure enough, there was a problem in long division. Thomas copied it, studied it thoughtfully for a few minutes and without the least attempt to solve it wrote underneath it the following note: "Dear Teacher—If you will give me five on this problem, I'll be satisfied—Thomas."

Sounds Drastic

"Help your wife," says a writer in a domestic magazine. "When she mops up the floor, mop up the floor with her."—Boston Transcript.

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