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KING OF BEASTS.

The Way an Old African Hunter Points Out the Monarch.

In discussing the question, "Which is the king of beasts?" an old African hunter says:

"Come with me to a desert pool some clear, moonlight night when the shadows are deep and sharply cut and the moon herself in the dry, cloudless air looks like a ball. All is nearly as bright as day, only the light is silver, not gold. Sit down on that rock and watch the thirsty animals as they drink—buffalo, rhinoceros, antelope, quagga; occasionally, if the water is large, lions too. But what has frightened the antelope and quagga that they throw their heads up for a second and fade away into the shadows? The other beasts, too, are listening and now leave the sides of the pond. Nothing but the inevitable, irrepressible jackal, that gamin among wild things, remains in view.

"As yet your dull human ears have caught no sound, but very soon the heavy tread and low, rumbling note of an oncoming herd of elephants reach you. They are at the water. The jackals have sat down with their tails straight out behind them, but not another creature is to be seen. The king drinks. Not a sound is heard. He squirts the water over his back, makes the whole pool muddy and retires solemnly, leaving his subjects, who now gather round, to make the best of what he has fouled.

"This is the king in the opinion of beasts."

THE DINNER TABLE.

Some Hints on How to Behave When Accidents Happen.

Accidents will happen. If one happens to spill something he is unfortunate, but a ready, earnest apology to the hostess is all that he can do to remedy the difficulty. A careful hostess will acknowledge the apology and immediately change the subject.

This story is told of a hostess at whose table a beautiful china cup was broken. "Never mind," she said pleasantly. "They break so easily. See!" And she crushed one in her hand.

Her method was rather too elaborate. It would have been quite as satisfactory to the offender and far more genteel had she said: "I hope you have received no injury. The cup doesn't matter in the least."

If a morsel of food drops from the fork to the tablecloth do not attempt to remove it. If a guest drops a fork or a spoon he should let it lie. The hostess will provide another.

If anything distasteful be taken into the mouth it may be removed on the corner of the napkin, when it can be folded away or placed quietly on the plate.

If a bit of food falls on the waistcoat of a guest he should remove as much of it as he can quietly with the corner of his napkin.

Damascus Swords.

To the lovers of strange goods the bazaars of Damascus are far more alluring than those of Cairo or of Constantinople. The capacious chests of the merchants contain much that we would buy were our purses longer. Old embroideries of wonderful colors, delicate china, silks of many hues, swords of cunning workmanship, all these lie piled beside us on the floor. It is but seldom that a really good specimen of the Damascus sword can be obtained, for the art of working and engraving steel is dead.

These swords were made of alternate layers of iron and steel, so finely tempered that the blade would bend to the hilt without breaking, with an edge so keen that no coat of mail could resist it, and a surface so highly polished that when a Moslem wished to rearrange his turban he used his sword for a looking glass.

In the Great Western Wheat Belt.

One square mile of wheat. Ever see it? Transcontinental trains used to stop in the Smoky Hill valley of Kansas to allow passengers a view of such a wonder. It realized all the travelers' dreams of agricultural splendor. Hundreds such visions now mark the great grain area of the plains, but their beauty is none the less. Six hundred and forty acres of wealth! It shimmered beneath the perfect opalescent blue of the sky, the tall straws bending with their weight of grain. Standing on the seat of the reaper one might see in the distance a glimmer of green pastures and catch glimpses of rustling fields of corn, but here was the heart of summer.—C. M. Harger in Scribner's.

Justifying His Lecture.

A lecturer who had a very fine lecture on "The Decadence of Pure English" gave his address before a woman's club. At the close of the talk a very much overdressed woman of the "fuss and feathers" type came up to him and said: "I did enjoy your talk ever and ever so much, and I agree with you that the English language is decading awfully. Hardly no one talks proper nowadays, and the land only knows what the next generation will talk like if nothing ain't done about it."

The Boston Maid and the Author.

Garnish—I see you have my novel. I'll bet you had to look at the last page to see how it came out. Miss Quizzer—No, I looked at the name of the publishers on the title page to see how it came out, and even now I can't understand how it was.—Boston Transcript.

Reformed.

Patience—Peggy used to sing all over the house before she married that man. Patrice—So she did, dear, but you know he married her to reform her.—Yonkers Statesman.

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SOCIETY MEN.

That Is What Society Needs, According to a Society Woman.

"What we need is society men," declared a weary matron. "Our men are so fagged by their attention to business that they are next to worthless. They regard the average social function as an awful bore and leave everything pertaining to entertaining and to going about to their wives. In case the poor wife succumbs to the strain they hunt around for a spinster or widowed sister or sister-in-law or other relative who will consent to take upon her shoulders this social side of the matter.

"As for looking after a daughter, their duty is done when they've given carte blanche with a check book. An Englishman of high title often chaperons his motherless daughter during an entire season and from his knowledge of ineligibles is able to keep her well informed. How about the American papa? His only ammunition consists in an occasional rabid, blustery remark about the nincompoop fortune hunters who hover about the daughter of the house. As for sane, thoughtful counsel, he gives not a bit of it. Society is a game he got into without intention or effort, and he utterly refuses to take any trouble about his fellow players. Even his own daughters have to go it blind. As I said before, what society needs is society men."—Philadelphia Record.

SUSPENSION BRIDGES.

They Were Common In Peru In the Days of the Incas.

Suspension bridges, some of them of considerable length, were common in Peru in the days of the Incas. They were formed of cables of twisted osiers passed over wooden supports and stretched from bank to bank, then bound together with smaller ropes and covered with bamboos. The road from Cuzco to Quito is still noted for frail bridges of this sort, which are in constant use and span deep chasms.

The Chinese also, according to Kircher, have for centuries been familiar with the "suspension" theory and have constructed chain bridges in which the weight of the roadway is supported by the tension of the chains.

The first iron suspension bridge in Europe was built over the Tees, near Middleton, in 1741, for the use of miners. Two chains were stretched in a straight line, steadied by ties from the banks below, and the roadway for foot passengers was supported by the chains.

The modern suspension system practically dates from 1816, when bridges, both over 100 feet in length, were successfully completed at Galashiels and Peebles.—London Standard.

THE FIRST HENCHMEN.

They Were Young Nobles Who Acted as Pages to the King.

Skeat derives the word henchman from hengstman (Anglo-Saxon), horseman, groom. It is probable that henchmen were in the first instance young nobles who at state ceremonies attended on the king as mounted pages.

History speaks of these henchmen in this capacity, for we read that Henry VI. had three and Edward IV. six of them. We find, too, that they were mentioned in the royal ceremonies as belonging "to the riding household" and took part in tournaments.

The last time "henchman" is mentioned in connection with the court is in the reign of Henry VIII., and gradually it came to mean an ordinary page. The word is used by Ben Jonson and Shakespeare in this sense.

In an English journal of April 6, 1861, a Mr. W. Henchman claims that his family took their name from words spoken by Henry VII. to an ancestor in the hunting field, who had ridden as his page throughout an arduous day. "Crossborough," cried the king, "thou art a veritable henchman!"

Homeopathy.

Homeopathy is a theory of medicine promulgated by Dr. Samuel Hahnemann (1755-1843) of Leipsic in 1810. It asserts that any disease should be treated by medicines in minute doses that would produce in a healthy patient symptoms similar to those manifested by the disease requiring treatment. This is the principle of "like diseases are cured by like remedies" (Latin, similia similibus curantur) and is based on the theory that two similarly diseased conditions cannot subsist in the same organ at the same time.

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