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THE PANTHEON.

It Has Withstood Vicissitudes of Over Twenty Centuries.

The Pantheon is the most interesting of all the interesting places of Rome. It was used for its present purpose as a place of religious worship before the foundations of the Coliseum were laid. Its huge doors have opened to admit the great ones of the earth, from Augustus Caesar to Napoleon, an assertion that will scarcely be disputed.

It stands in the very heart of old Rome, and the vicissitudes which have befallen the Eternal City during the 2,000 years of its existence have left it practically unchanged. The gilded bronze that lined its roof has been carried off to "decorate" St. Peter's, where, in the form of clouds and Cupids, cords and curtains, it fills the beholder with displeased amazement.

Its tiles of bronze and gold were removed to Constantinople 1,500 years ago, and the statues which adorned it have long since perished. But the mighty walls yet stand, firm as ever, sweeping up to the majestic dome, the largest, though not the highest, in the world.

One hundred feet across, a hundred feet high and perfectly circular, no architect could design a building more perfect in its proportions, more harmonious as a whole. It is lighted solely by an aperture in the dome, a circle thirty feet across. Standing on its marble floor one looks up to the greatest dome man ever raised and through that to the blue dome which bends above it, sending summer sun or winter rain through those bare yards of space.

The effect is so impressive, so entirely unmatched and unrivaled, that the dullest of hearts and most untaught of minds must perforce acknowledge its influence. A man may think St. Peter's "disappointing," may condemn the Coliseum as barbaric or decide that he does not care for the catacombs, but every man who has viewed it has been impressed, even to the pitch of respectful silence, by the Pantheon.

The huge leaves of the bronze door revolve on their mighty hinges as they have done since the days of the Caesars, and so perfectly balanced are they that a woman's wrist can unclose them. Through those doors they carried Julia, Caesar's daughter, with all the pomp of her imperial power about her. And after the lapse of twenty centuries King Humbert was brought across the selfsame threshold to sleep his last sleep in the ancient place.—Chicago Journal.

The Archbishop's Suggestion.

The late Archbishop Corrigan was one of the gentlest of men, but when it was necessary to reprove any one under his charge, whether priest or layman, he never hesitated to do so. At one time there was a vacancy in the rectorship of one of the large churches in New York city, and several clergymen were talked about for the position. Two prominent women who were members of the church called upon the archbishop and urged the selection of one of their clerical friends. As they were leaving one woman turned to the other and said impressively:

"When you get home pray that the Holy Ghost may give the archbishop the grace to appoint the right man."

Like a flash the archbishop turned around and said in icy tones:

"While you are at it ask the Holy Ghost to give women the grace to attend to their own business."—Harper's Weekly.

Love.

Lord Byron, brilliant, beautiful and unscrupulous as his own Don Juan, left behind him the maxim that there was but one real form of happiness in love—where a man and woman so adored each other that they could conceive of no happiness out of each other's sight, and this for their whole lives. Grant that this is to demand a great deal, yet it is true that all the influences of long life combine to identify two who dwell together. Their very faces often grow more alike, and how frequently the death of one is followed speedily, without sufficient visible reason, by that of the other also!

An Accurate Marksman.

Accuracy is one of the best business accomplishments. However, it is seldom drawn to a finer point than in the following story, taken from the Chicago Journal:

During the bombardment of Alexandria in 1882 Lord Charles Beresford asked a gunner if he could hit a man who was on the fort. The gunner replied:

"Aye, aye, sir!"

"Then hit him in the eye," said Lord Beresford. He was surprised when the gunner inquired:

"Which eye, sir?"

A Process Reversed.

"You regard campaign calculations as a distinct branch of mathematics?"

"Yes," answered the erudite personage. "The method differs from all others. You start with the answer and then work backward and evolve a problem to demonstrate it."—Washington Star.

Not Too Timid.

An officer in the army laughed at a timid woman because she was alarmed at the noise of a cannon when a salute was fired. He subsequently married that timid woman, and six months afterward he took off his boots in the hall when he came in late at night.

Accustomed to It.

Ada—And weren't you a bit nervous when he proposed? Clara—Oh, no! A proposal doesn't make me nervous any more.—New York Press.

Much bending breaks the bow; much unbending, the mind.—Bacon.

MAN AND THE HORSE.

Animal Conquest Marked One of the Epochs In Civilization.

The conquest of the horse by man and its final utilization for all purposes which are discharged by steam and electricity today marked one of the great turning points in the history of civilization. In the great earth and sand preglacial deposits of Europe the true wild horse is as widespread, though not as varied, as in America. It is not at this stage associated with the remains of man, because no preglacial man except the pithecanthropus or trinil man of Java has been found. In the interglacial or postglacial period the remains of man and the horse are first found together. The first association occurs in the middle of the paleolithic or rough implement period. The discovery of all the possible uses of the horse came very gradually, however, for there is abundant proof that man first hunted and ate, then drove and finally rode the animal.

The prevailing drawings of the paleolithic horse represent him as hog maned, with no forelock to conceal the low bred Roman nose. A second type in the Mouthe cave, a bearded horse with long, bristling mane, long ears and convex forehead, is regarded by M. Riviere as another species. But it is not clear to my mind that these drawings represent more than the summer and winter coats of the same animal. Besides these Roman nosed types, to which Ewart traces the modern cart horse, there are others with small heads and flat noses, which Ewart associates with the Celtic pony and possibly with the origin of the thoroughbred. Other cave drawings, reproduced by M. Capitan, leave little doubt that the ass was known in Europe. It is also certain from abundant evidence in the caves of France that there was a larger horse toward the south perhaps, while the smaller breeds may have frequented the colder northern regions.—Century.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Forgiveness is a very poor foundation for friendship.

Going visiting is like borrowing from the neighbors—you have to pay back.

Which would be wiser for a man past fifty to do—marry a trained nurse or a good cook?

There is need of a never-find-fault-with-your-meals club. Digestion would be better and the family happier.

If a secret is kept a secret this is one sign that it was not considered important enough to tell.

One thing about an idle woman—she does not stand on the street and bore people with her "views," as an idle man does.

Speaking of superfluous words, is it necessary to say in telling that a woman has gone visiting that she is visiting "friends?"—Atchison Globe.

To the Point.

The late General Russell Hastings served with distinction in the civil war, and his wartime reminiscences were amusing.

He was describing one day a time when the soldiers' pay had been in arrears.

"A young westerner, full of braggadocio," he said, "walked up to his captain during the temporary trouble, saluted and said sternly:

"'Three words with you, cap.'

"'Well,' said the captain, 'what are they?'

"'Money or discharge.'

"The captain smiled grimly.

"'Four with you,' he said.

"'Well?'

"'Neither one nor t'other.'"—New York Tribune.

Old Time Controversies.

Old time controversies were often vigorous in language. In a controversy with Milton concerning the divine right of kings Salmasius called his opponent a puny piece of a man, a homunculus, a dwarf not having a human figure, a bloodless being, a creature of skin and bones, a contemptible pedagogue fit only to flog boys, a rhinoceros, a hangdog looking fellow. The great English poet not only answered in kind, but entered into an extensive correspondence with people in Holland to obtain petty gossip and scandalous anecdotes concerning his opponent.

Married Men Live Longer.

Mortality among bachelors from the age of thirty to forty-five is 27 per cent, while among married men of the same age it is 18 per cent. For forty-one bachelors who attain the age of forty years there are seventy-eight married men who attain the same age. The difference is still more striking in persons of advanced age. At sixty years of age there remain but twenty-two bachelors for forty-eight married men, at seventy eleven bachelors for twenty-seven married men and at eighty three bachelors for nine married men.

Sage Counsel.

"You want a piece er edvice fer yo' lifetime?"

"I sho' does."

"Well, den, don't ever try ter whip de devil roun' de stump. Yo' cloze is boun' ter ketch fire, en you'll burn up befo' yo' time!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Fatal Blunder.

"He is gone!" she wailed. "He is gone forever!"

"Don't be downcast," her friend urged. "He may come back."

"No, no; I shall never see him again. I gave up the letters he had written to me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Had Her Appetite.

Harry—Molly, you look good enough to eat. Molly—All you have to do is ask me to dine. I'll do the eating all right.—Boston Transcript.

THEBES GLASS WORKERS.

The High Art That Flourished Over Forty Centuries Ago.

The glassblowers of ancient Thebes are known to have been equally as proficient in that particular art as is the most scientific craftsman of the same trade of the present day, after a lapse of over forty centuries of so called "progress." They were well acquainted with the art of staining glass and are known to have produced that commodity in great profusion and perfection. Rossellini gives an illustration of a piece of stained glass known to be 4,000 years old which displayed artistic taste of high order, both in tint and design.

In this case the color is struck through the vitrified structure, and he mentions designs struck entirely in pieces from a half to three-quarters of an inch thick, the color being perfectly incorporated with the structure of the piece and exactly the same on both the obverse and reverse sides.

The priests of P'tah at Memphis were adepts in the glassmaker's art, and not only did they have factories for manufacturing the common crystal variety, but they had learned the vitrifying of the different colors and of imitating precious stones to perfection. Their imitations of the amethyst and of the various other colored gems were so true to nature that even now, after they have lain in the desert sands from 2,000 to 4,000 years, it takes an expert to distinguish the genuine articles from the spurious. It has been shown that, besides being experts in glassmaking and coloring, they also used the diamond in cutting and engraving. In the British museum there is a beautiful piece of stained glass with an engraved emblazonment of the monarch Thothmes III., who lived 3,400 years ago.

KEEP UP YOUR ENERGY.

Stand Erect and Walk as Though You Were Somebody.

Never allow your physical standard to drop. Keep up your energy. Walk as if you were somebody and were going to do something worth while in the world, so that even a stranger will note your bearing and mark your superiority. If you have fallen into a habit of walking in a listless, indolent way, turn right about face at once and make a change. You don't want to shuffle along like the failures we often see sitting around on park benches or lolling about the streets, with their hands in their pockets, or haunting intelligence offices and wondering why fate has been so hard with them. You don't want to give people the impression that you are discouraged or that you are already falling to the rear. Straighten up, then! Stand erect! Be a man! You are a child of the Infinite King. You have royal blood in your veins. Emphasize it by your bearing. A man who is conscious of his kinship with God and of his power and who believes thoroughly in himself walks with a firm, vigorous step, with his head erect, his chin in, his shoulders thrown back and down, and his chest well projected in order to give a large lung capacity. He is the man who does things.

You cannot aspire or accomplish great or noble things so long as you assume the attitude and bearing of a coward or weakling. If you would be noble and do noble things you must look up. You were made to look upward and to walk upright, not to look down or to shamble along in a semihorizontal position. Put character, dignity, nobility, into your walk.—Success.

Native Dress In Tibet.

The native dress of Tibet consists essentially of a very wide gown five and a half feet long, with long sleeves, tightened in at the waist and gathered up so as not to fall below the ankles of the men of quality, or the townsmen, nor below the knees of the common people, who have much walking and work to do. Thus gathered up, the gown puffs out at the breast, forming a huge pocket. At night the wearer lets it fall and is thus wrapped up from his ears to his feet, as in a bed. Tibetan women wear the same gown—it is called a "chuba"—letting it hang down to the ankle. Their dress varies according to the locality to which they belong.

A Definition.

"Diplomacy, Lester," said the henpecked man, replying to the inquiry of his small son during, it may not be necessary to explain, the temporary absence of the majestic wife of the one and mother of the other, "diplomacy is what makes a man carve a turkey and unselfishly deal out to his family and the visitors their favorite helps, including the only portions which he himself really likes and at the same time look like a putty saint."—Smart Set.

One View of Wedlock.

An Englishwoman had had a good deal of trouble with her husband, who, according to her account, was a monster of iniquity. Some one asked why she had married a person of such character. "Well, you see, he ain't my first," was the reply. "I was pertickler about my first. This here's my second, and a bad un at that. But there"—with a shrug of the shoulders—"he's a shade better than the work'us!"

His Facial Furrow.

Mr. Billson, between whose lower lip and chin there was an unusually deep wrinkle, spoke impatiently to the barber.

"Haven't you got my face shaved yet?" he asked.

"Not quite, sir," said the barber apologetically. "I haven't dug your ditch yet."—Chicago Tribune.

Eggs have their faults, but, at any rate, they are never too fresh.—Philadelphia Record.

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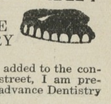
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