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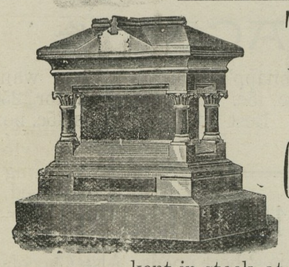
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Many insects, birds, animals and even fish and crabs are wonderfully clever imitators. They will take upon themselves the color, shape or position of their surroundings so perfectly that neither friend nor enemy can discover their whereabouts.

There is a fish to be seen in the kelp beds about the island of Santa Catalina which has a clever way of making itself invisible. The body is slender, with a pointed head and prominent eyes. Along the back is a continuous frill, which is the dorsal fin, while, opposite, the anal fin is equally ornamented. The fish vary in color. Some are amber, others orange or vivid green, while some have two hues combined, dark and light green or olive and yellow. These peculiarities of form and color render the fish marvelously like the kelp leaves among which it seeks protection.

A number of these fish were placed in the tanks of the zoological gardens, where they might be observed. They showed great uneasiness, some of them even leaping from the tank. Another tank was prepared, where the natural surroundings of the fish were imitated as nearly as possible. A branch of macrocystis, with leaves hanging in the water, was suspended over the tank. The most uneasy of the fish were placed in the new home, and their change of feeling was soon evident. One swam at once to the kelp leaves and poised itself, head downward. Another, with head poised upward, became a remarkable imitation of the hanging leaves in shape and color. The fish made no further effort to escape.

Another inhabitant of the kelp beds is an olive green crab, which clings to the under side of the kelp tangles. This crab also showed great uneasiness when it was placed in a tank. When the kelp was introduced it crawled upon it and was at once almost invisible, so much did it resemble the kelp leaves. Another crab makes itself look exactly like a rough stone. When it is alarmed it draws up its legs and appears a bit of inanimate stone.

Several deep sea spiders which had been found at a depth of 800 feet were kept in a tank for several weeks. When taken from the dredging net they were a dark brown, though presumably the spot where they came from was so dark that they could scarcely have been seen. Yet even this type of apparently sluggish life had sufficient intelligence to realize that in the light of the tank it was a conspicuous object, so it began to add seaweed to its back. The seaweed was plucked, then passed to the mouth and finally attached not to the back, but to the point of the shell above the mouth so that it fell over the back like a gorgeous plume, making the crab very conspicuous. But when it was startled the plume of seaweed would point upward and the crab would become a rock with a tuft of seaweed growing upon it, well calculated to deceive the most observing enemy.—New York Herald.

Did Not Go to Roost.

A matter of fact mind, like Mrs. Salter's, is a comfort to the person who has it and a never ending delight to the person's friends.

"I suppose you went to bed with the chickens while you were away," said one of the neighbors after Mrs. Salter had returned from her vacation visit to a farm.

"No, indeed," said Mrs. Salter indignantly. "They were very neat, quiet people, though they've never had city advantages. We had rooms in the front of the house, on the second story, and the chickens slept somewhere at the back of the house. We never saw them after sunset, and we were there nearly three weeks. I am sure farming people are often more particular than we have been led to suppose."—Youth's Companion.

Not Old Age.

"Weel, John, how are you today?" asked a Scottish minister on meeting one of his parishioners.

"Gey weel, sir; gey weel," replied John cautiously; "gin it wasna for the rheumatism in the richt leg."

"Ah, John, be thankful, for there is no mistake you are getting old like the rest of us, and old age doesn't come alone."

"Auld age, sir," returned John. "I wonder to hear ye. Auld age has naething tae dae wi't. Here's my ither leg jist as auld, an' it's soond an' soople yet."

Hard Case For Wreckers.

Looking over the storm swept Pentland firth, with its dangerous rocks and fierce currents, I remarked to the Orkney pilot, "This must be a great place for wrecks."

"Wracks, man!" he shouted. "There's mony a braw farm in Orkney got out o' wracks, but the Breetish government has put a leethoose here and a leethoos there, and yon," pointing to the double lighthouse on the Skerries, "yon's twa. There is no chance of wracks for a puir fisher body noo."—Cornhill Magazine.

Had a Long Ladder.

Little Dot (seeing some workmen on a tall spire)—Oh, mamma, there go some folks up to heaven. Mamma—Heaven is a long way above that steeple, my dear. Little Dot—I guess it is, 'cause they's taking a ladder up with them.

Stoicism Worthy of the Name.

Younger Sister—What is stoicism? Elder Sister—Stoicism is the ability to congratulate the fiancee of the man you wanted to marry without showing any disappointment.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

A torn jacket is soon mended, but hard words bruise the heart of a child. —Longfellow.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

JOSEPH PETERSON,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All peosons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned,on or before the 14th day of October, 1905, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of April, 1905.

LEWIN W. WICKES,
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Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of administration upon the personal estate of

PATRICK MULLEN,

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All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, te the undersigned on or before the 7th day of October, 1905, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 28th day of March, 1905.

JOHN MULLEN,
Administrator.

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Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of

SARAH N. JONES,

late of Kent county, Md., deceased.

All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 7th day of October, 1905, otherwise they may be excluded by law from all benefits of said estate. Given under my hand and seal this 28th day of March, 1905.

GEORGE JONES,
Executor.

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Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, letters of Administration upon the personal estate of

SIMON SMITH,

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NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphan's Court of Kent county, letters testamentary upon the personal estate of

THOMAS W. SKIRVEN,

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People who still have old fashioned ideas about health and sickness go there for bugleweed, sumac, wintergreen, sassafras, camomile, horehound, yellow dock, catnip, cherry bark, mullein, extract of oats, lobelia, and so on. All these herbs have the reputation of being good for some one or more ailments—catnip for nervousness, sassafras for the blood, horehound and boneset for colds, sumac for sore throat, wintergreen for rheumatism, lobelia as an emetic in case of poisoning, mullein for consumption, etc.

Nearly all of these herbs are made into teas. Sassafras tea, boneset tea and catnip tea are brewed and served either cold or hot. Among the many hundreds of herbs that are sold in this little shop are some that are deadly poisons, and they are labeled and sold under the same restrictions as other poisons.

The good old remedies that our grandfathers hunted and dug in the woods, those that our grandmothers planted and tended in the garden, have given way to harmful remedies, to drugs that leave the patient in a worse condition than when he began their use. We believe it has been a mistake to give up the old remedies.—Medical Talk.

ASTROLOGY.

One of the Most Ancient Forms of Superstition.

Astrology means the "science of the stars." The encyclopedia calls astrology "one of the most ancient forms of superstition." Chaldeans, Egyptians, Hindoos and Chinese were given to it. The Jews became addicted to it after the captivity. It spread into the west and into Rome at about the beginning of the Christian era. Astrologers played an important part at Rome, where they were called Chaldeans and "mathematicians." Although they were often banished by the senate and the emperors on pain of death and were otherwise persecuted, they continued to hold their ground. Even Ptolemy the astronomer did not escape the infection, which in his time had been universal.

Mohammedanism was well adapted to astrology, and the Arabs cultivated the "science" with great ardor from the seventh to the thirteenth century. Some of the early Christian fathers argued against astrology in its earlier form and others received it modified to some extent. There is a hint of astrology, some critics think, in the story of the visit of the three wise men from the east to Bethlehem at the time of the Nativity.

Probably the palmiest days of astrology were the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. At two of the oldest universities in Europe chairs were founded for its teaching—at Bologna and at Padua. No prince's court was complete without its astrologer. After the renaissance the study of astrology was vigorously opposed, though for centuries many men continued to believe in it, among whom, at least to a certain extent, was Napoleon. The merciless ridicule of Swift had much to do with its discredit in England.

Few Bad Fathers Among Birds.

Bad fathers are rare among birds. Usually the male rivals his mate in love for their children. The carrier pigeon—in fact, so do nearly all birds—feeds his mate while she is on the nest. More than that, the crow, the most dismal of all birds, often sits on the eggs in the nest in order that Mrs. Crow may have an hour or so of relaxation and gossip among the other Mrs. Crows of her acquaintance. The blue marten, the black coated gull, the great blue heron and the black vulture all do the same.—Louisville Post.

He Won It.

"Dear father," wrote the young lawyer who had just hung out his shingle in a great city, "congratulate me. Today I won my first suit. "And," he continued to himself, "it's a lucky thing the cards ran as they did or I wouldn't have had any winter clothes."—Cleveland Leader.

Fashion Note.

"And what is the neatest, prettiest thing in waists for the season?"

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"The tenant!"—Baltimore News.

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"What a happy dog you are! Don't you ever borrow trouble?"

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Discouraging.

He—I told your father that I just dote on you. She—And what did he say? He—That I had better find an antidote.—Illustrated Bits.

Cranky Patient.

Dr. Bailey (looking at thermometer)—Hum-m! I don't like your temperature. Sick Student—Then why did you take it?—Harvard Lampoon.

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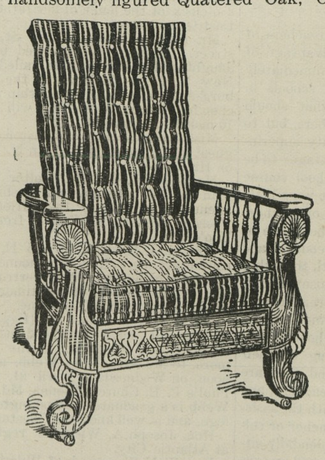
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