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RAPID WRITERS.

Authors Who Did a Great Deal of Work In Little Time.

The rapidity of the ancient writers is seen from the great number of works prepared by them. Livy, for instance, wrote 142 books. Among the Romans, Cicero often wrote three or four important works in a single year. Of later writers, Dr. Johnson, Scott and Byron were all rapid writers. Byron, it is related, wrote "The Corsair" in ten days, while Scott wrote a work for which he was paid £1,000 in ten days. "Rab and His Friends," by Dr. John Brown, was written, it is said, at a single sitting.

The story is told that Dean Shipley once said to Heber, "Suppose you write a hymn for the service tomorrow morning," and by the next morning the hymn known all around the world, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," was written, printed and used in that day's missionary service. Chalmers was once asked how long it took to prepare a sermon. He replied: "That depends on how long you want it. If your sermon is to be half an hour long, it will take you three days; if it is to be three-quarters of an hour, it will take two or perhaps one, but if you are going to preach an hour, then there is not much occasion to think a great deal about it. It may be done in an hour."

Samuel Johnson would write at a single sitting the manuscript for forty-eight printed octavo pages. In one week he wrote "Rasselas" to pay for his mother's funeral, sent it off to the publishers without reading it over and was paid £100 for it.

SARCASTIC DEAN SWIFT.

Rules and Directions For Servants That I Wrote.

There was a servant problem when Dean Swift was alive just as there is today, and he died in 1745. In his "Rules and Directions For Servants" he wrote: "When you have broken all your earthen vessels below stairs, which is usually done in a week, the copper pot will do as well. It can boil milk, heat porridge, hold small beer. Apply it indifferently to all these uses, but never wash or scour it." And again: "If you want paper to singe a fowl, tear the first book you see about the house. Wipe your shoes, for want of a clout, on the bottom of a curtain or a damask napkin." "In roasting and boiling," he goes on, "use none but the large coals and save the small ones for the fires above stairs." Another touch that might have been written today is the following: "When a butler cleans the plate leave the whiting plainly to be seen in all the chinks, for fear your lady should not believe you had cleaned it." Once more: "There are several ways of putting out a candle. You may run the candle end against the wainscot, which puts the snuff out immediately; you may lay it on the ground and tread the snuff out with your foot; you may hold it upside down until it is choked in its own grease or cram it into the socket of the candlestick; you may whirl it round in your hand till it goes out."

Red Sea Pearls.

Pearl fisheries, of which the world hears little, but which constitute a considerable industry, are carried on at the Lohia islands, in the lower end of the Red sea. Very few of these pearls find their way to European or American markets, because the local demand almost absorbs the output. Pearls are the most popular of all gems among the inhabitants of India and Arabia and it is seldom that a native woman of any social position is seen without pearl ornaments of some kind, either finger rings, earrings or rings for the nose, and even the feet.

Went For a Soldier.

At one of the London police courts a young hooligan was being tried for an assault on an elderly man. The magistrate, noticing an old customer in the hooligan, thought he would give him a little fatherly advice, and remarked: "Young man, I'm surprised at a big, strong, healthy looking fellow like you always getting into trouble. Why, you seem to be always wanting to fight. Why don't you go for a soldier?" Imagine the smile which illuminated the magistrate's face when the youth replied, "I did once, your honor, and he nearly killed me."

His Practical View.

A certain sweet faced grandmother is sometimes startled by the up-to-dateness of her grandchildren. The other day she was telling the youngest of them, a boy five years old, the story of Lot. She showed him the pictures of the wicked cities of the plains enveloped in the fire from heaven. The little chap gazed at the pictured conflagration and then asked:

"Were they insured?"—New York Press.

The Statue to the Pilgrims.

On Plymouth Hill stands the imposing statue to the pilgrims. Its base is granite and supports a seated figure at each of the four corners with eyes searching the surrounding country, while a woman's figure crowns the top. On the pedestal is inscribed the name of every man, woman and child that came over in the Mayflower.—St. Nicholas.

After a Meal.

Mrs. Waggs (reading)—A well known physician says that one should never go into the water after a hearty meal. Waggs—That's right. It's better to go into a first class restaurant after it if one happens to have the price.

Great minds, like heaven, are pleased in doing good, though the ungrateful subjects of their favors are barren in return.—Rowe.

MASON AND DIXON'S LINE.

Commonly Known as the Line Between the North and South.

Mason and Dixon's line between Pennsylvania and Maryland has been surveyed three times. The first survey was made by Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon between 1763 and 1767 at the instance of the Lords Baltimore, proprietors of Maryland, and the Penn family, proprietors of Pennsylvania. The line was 250 miles long. At the end of every fifth mile a stone was planted bearing the arms of the Penn family on one side and on the other the arms of Lord Baltimore. The intermediate milestones were marked simply with P and M. The first revision of the survey was made in 1849 and found, as did the last revision, that the original survey was substantially correct. Mason and Dixon's line, commonly known as the line between the north and the south, runs on parallel 39° 43′ 26.3″ and should be distinguished from the line of the Missouri compromise on parallel 36° 30′. Mason and Dixon's line never had anything to do originally with the question of slave and free states, but achieved an accidental association at the time of the Missouri compromise in 1820, when John Randolph in congress referred to it as separating freedom from slavery. After that it was commonly referred to in all controversies on the slave question.—Youth's Companion.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

They Are Often a Source of Grave Danger to Washerwomen.

Statistics have shown over and over again that washerwomen are much more likely to contract tuberculosis and actually suffer from the disease in much larger proportion than other working women of the same grade of life. This is due to the fact that the expectoration of the tuberculous patients clinging to their various articles of clothing is not rendered nonvirulent by antiseptics or by boiling before they come into the hands of the washerwoman. It is particularly handkerchiefs that are the most dangerous in this respect, and the enforcement of sanitary regulations with regard to expectoration is sure to add to this danger. It would be well if the Chinese custom of using a paper handkerchief (which the Chinamen of the better classes would disdain to carry with him once it has been soiled, but which he hands over to his servant to be disposed of by burning) could become the rule in this country. Until it does, however, physicians should call the attention, especially of those suffering from tuberculosis, to the necessity for having their handkerchiefs soaked for some time in a suitable antiseptic solution before allowing them to be sent out to become a possible danger for the overworked and underfed poor.—American Medicine.

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"To tune bells it is necessary to chip little pieces out of them. Our bell tuner is a good musician. He has composed a number of hymns."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

A Frightened Rabbit.

"I was walking across a field with my dog at my side when a young rabbit emerged from a wood close by," says a writer. "Suddenly it fell to the ground and was to all intents dead. The dog sniffed it, and I watched it for about ten minutes, thinking it absolutely dead. I walked away about fifty yards, when I looked back and saw the rabbit rise and run rapidly into the wood whence it came. It is evident that it saw the dog and dropped down out of fright."

Subject to Change.

Fogg—Well, Clara, I bet heavily on the last game. I thought it right to tell you—

Mrs. Fogg—Yes, you bet on the game and lost all your money. For my part, I don't see how a man can rob his family of the necessaries of life and throw everything away in gambling.

Fogg—But, my dear, I didn't lose. I won $500.

Mrs. Fogg—Daniel, you always were a lucky dog!—Boston Transcript.

As to Reporters.

No man is more unreservedly called a shameless liar than the newspaper reporter, and no man considers the slanders against him more lightly. His conscience is usually clear, his motives disinterested, his knowledge of human nature comprehensive, his sense of humor keen and his knowledge of his traducers complete.—Louisville Times.

The Seventh.

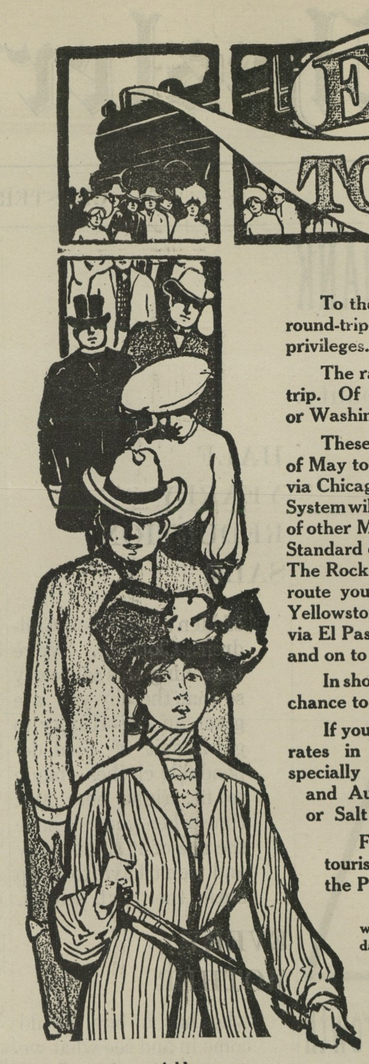
Minister—I made seven hearts happy today.

Parishioner—How was that?

Minister—Married three couples.

Parishioner—That makes only six.

Minister—Well, do you think I did it for nothing?



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