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How Trick Films, Showing Impossible Effects, Are Produced.

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A man is knocked down and apparently run over by a steam roller, but as soon as it is off him he rises and walks away full of life. This is how such a picture is taken. The stop camera films the man being knocked down by the steam roller, the knocking down part being a clever acrobatic feat, and then the camera is stopped, the real man slips out of "the lines," a dummy is substituted, the camera gets going again, but the film shows no break. When the steam roller has passed over the dummy the camera is stopped, the dummy removed, and the real man lies down in its place, afterward to jump up in a very lifelike manner.

Another variety of trick film that has long mystified picture goers is that of the bricklayer who falls from the top of a skyscraper into the street below, apparently without being any the worse for it. His legs, arms and head scattered on the pavement mysteriously reassemble, allowing the bricklayer to get up and walk away. Exactly the same procedure is used, the top of the skyscraper usually being erected in the studio and backed up by cleverly painted scenery. The camera records the man's fall up to a certain point and then stops, while the man is safely caught in a net hidden below. The next scene is in the street and shows the dummy crashing to the ground, the parts detaching themselves on concussion. The reassembling is done by means of invisible wires; then the camera is stopped and the real man substituted, and one leans back and says: "Marvelous! How on earth is it done?"

Occasionally one sees motorears climb up bare walls—a seemingly impossible feat. The wall is a piece of painted scenery laid upon the studio floor. The car drives over it, while the camera is placed up above. When the film is in its natural position it appears as if the car were running up a perfectly perpendicular wall.—Pearson's Weekly.

WILD ANIMALS AS FOES.

Lions, Buffaloes and Elephants Seem to Be the Most Savage.

Elephant hunting, in addition to being ordinarily very hard work, is often dangerous. Experienced hunters often differ widely in their estimates as to how the different kinds of dangerous game rank as to danger. There are many men who regard elephants as the most dangerous of all. And again there are many others who regard the lion and buffalo as beyond comparison more formidable.

My own opinion is that there is a very wide range of individual variation among the individuals of each species, and moreover that the conditions of country and surroundings vary so that one must be very cautious about generalizing. Judging partly from my own limited experience and partly from a very careful sifting of the statements of many good observers with far wider experience, I believe that, taking the average of a large number of cases under varied conditions, the lion is the most dangerous, especially a bull, when it has actually begun its charge is more dangerous than a lion, and much more dangerous than an elephant, that a single elephant is less dangerous to attack than a single buffalo and that the charge of an elephant is more easily stopped or evaded than that of a buffalo, but that elephants are very much more apt themselves to attack than are buffalo and that therefore there is more danger in the first approach to an elephant herd than is the case with buffalo.

If a big tusker is in a herd of cows it may be impossible to kill him, because the cows charge with such savagery as soon as they detect the approach of the hunter—and of course a herd is much more apt than a single beast to detect him. At the sound of a shot the cows of a vicious herd, screaming and trumpeting, crash through the jungle in all directions and may quarter to and fro down wind, trying to catch the scent of their enemy. If a man is caught he is frequently killed, but often he escapes, for the very hugeness of an elephant's bulk makes it unfit to cope with so small an antagonist.—Theodore Roosevelt in Scribner's Magazine.

Their Heroism.

The late M. Edouard Aynard, deputy of the Rhone, was a man of wit. He was a member of the French Carnegie commission charged with recompensing acts of heroism in civil life. The commission met one day to receive Mr. Carnegie, who was about to pass through Paris. It was desired to place his portrait in the chamber in which he was to be received. No portrait of the great ironmaster could be found. It was then proposed to decorate the room sumptuously. The assembly was consulted upon the question of this expense. Only three persons, Aynard, Pellain, governor of the bank of France, and Lucien Descaves, voted against it. Aynard gallantly explained: "Here," he said, "is an act of heroism that the Carnegie foundation will not recompense."

No Mathematician.

A gentleman hired an old colored man to sort some sash weights, which were of the same diameter, but of three different lengths. He told the old dandy to put them in three boxes, each box to contain weights of one length. When he went to see how the work had been done, he found all the weights in one box. "Why, I told you to sort these sash weights," he said. "You have put them all together." "Boss, you'll have to get somebody else to do that," the old man replied. "I never could do no head work."—Harper's Magazine.

A Perpetual Sabbath.

A perpetual Sabbath is being celebrated on earth. This is not generally known, for most people think that the day they call Sunday is the only one celebrated. The Greeks observe Monday; the Persians, Tuesday; the Assyrians, Wednesday; the Egyptians, Thursday; the Turks, Friday; the Hebrews and several Christian sects, Saturday, and the Christians, Sunday. So really it is Sabbath every day to some one on earth.—American Practitioner.

What Might Have Happened.

The trial of a notorious old moonshiner was over and he had been found guilty. The judge lectured him severely on his long criminal record and then sentenced him to thirty-six years' imprisonment, saying that the court had no feeling of anger toward him, but only of pity. The prisoner listened stolidly and said as he left the courtroom: "Well, I wish I was glad he wasn't mad at me."

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PISA'S LEANING TOWER.

It Seems to Have Been Intentionally Built Out of Plumb.

That remarkable piece of architecture, the leaning tower of Pisa, has always been a subject for discussion and conjecture. Many architects have closely inspected its foundations, measured its columns and theorized as to its strange departure from the perpendicular. In 1773 Goethe explained it as intentionally so built for the purpose of attracting the spectator's attention from the ordinary straight shafts of which Pisa in the twelfth century is said to have had 10,000.

The baptistry of the cathedral in Pisa, built also in the thirteenth century, leans seventeen inches out of the perpendicular, and the plinth blocks of its foundations tilt down gradually and evenly for nine inches in the direction of this inclination. The Campanile of San Nicolo leans forward in the same way, as likewise do the facades of the Cathedral of Pisa. It is worthy of note, too, that they curve back toward the perpendicular.

In the leaning tower there is a deliberate effort above the third floor to return to the perpendicular. This is made by a delicate series of changes in the pitch of the columns on the lower side, evidence taken by some investigators as indication of an attempt to remedy an error made by the architects, the foundation according to one theory having subsided as the result of their inexperience with the peculiar soil of Pisa.

Careful measurements below the third floor show that the arches of the staircase were deliberately increased in height and that the downward dip was so arranged that the weight of the tower was thrown off the overhanging side, writes Mr. Isaac Bickelstaffe in the London Field. This would have been quite unnecessary if the architect had meant the tower to rise straight up from its foundations.

ATTORNEY GENERAL RELIES TO CRITICS.

Railroad Development at a Standstill Until Katy Suit is Settled.

The storm of protest that has reached the Attorney General criticizing his action in filing suit against the M. K. & T. Railway Company has caused him to issue a public statement defending his course, in which many technical reasons are advanced and violation of the constitution on the part of the legislature is alleged. No sound of approval worthy of mention has emanated from any source commending either his action or his explanation. It is a matter of record that the suit has arrested the expenditure of millions of dollars in railroad improvements in Texas and demoralized the market for Texas securities, and just what the Attorney General proposes to give the people in return has never been announced. Certainly he cannot hope to either add to the railroad mileage or increase our transportation facilities and there is a crying need for both in Texas at this time. Apparently the thing most hoped for by the Attorney General is to uphold the dignity of the constitution, which he contends the Legislature assailed in passing the Katy Merger bill, but while the Attorney General is extracting satisfaction from the courts the progress of the country, insofar as transportation affairs is concerned, is at a standstill.

It is indeed unfortunate that we should become involved in the meshes of technicalities at a time when the Panama Canal has thrust world-wide opportunities upon us and the domestic need for railroads was never more intense. While the immensity of the former advantage may stun us, one has only to glance at the map to fully realize the importance of more mileage.

At no time in the history of our development could restraint upon our progress have been more fatal to our growth. The brief presented by the Attorney General may be a document of recognized merits by the courts, but at the bar of public opinion, if one is permitted to judge by newspaper comments, it has failed utterly to validate the position of the Attorney General.

When the lawyers and the courts are all through, our destinies will remain in the hands of those who have the money to invest, for the man with money is the court of last resort.

THE PENALTY OF STRIFE.

The scars of strife that deface the visage of industry in Texas should serve as a warning to platform makers against drawing the sword in the present campaign. There is scarcely an important line of industry in Texas that has not been a battle ground of factional strife and many political warriors are now marching up and down the public thoroughfares crying aloud for more blood. If we are going to keep up these industrial struggles our records will soon look like unburied bones.

We are now facing gigantic industrial possibilities and Dame Opportunity is knocking at our door, but if the lady finds us knocking on each other, she may become disgusted and walk away. The Panama Canal will soon be calling upon our railroads for double tracks and our manufacturing plants to increase their capacity. There are our educational and eleemosynary institutions that need consideration. The farmers are demanding better marketing conditions, cheaper money and better transportation service, and it would seem as if these problems are sufficient to engage the attention of all citizens, however able and patriotic, who desire to render a real service to their country.

We ought to cease trying to put our opponents in sackcloth and ashes and adopt the slogan of the Farmers' Union—"Co-operation." Let us lay aside bitterness and strife and turn our attention toward helping each other. The interest of the farmer is universal and he is the most competent citizen we have, and we can afford to clasp hands and follow his lead. Many of our present day statesmen may, under this plan, perish for want of adaptability, but the wise ones have already felt the rush of new life and are leaving the old order of things like men trying to outrun their sins. No country ever has or ever will lead in civilization without co-operation.

We need laborers, not warriors, in the vineyard of industry, and it is little less than a tragedy that many of our leaders look upon our opportunities with as much indifference as a veteran soldier would the plow handles. We have so long taken beligerent views that we face, without duly appreciating, the monumental problems now confronting us. Malice never built a city and hate never made two blades of grass grow where one grew before. Let us have an area of peace and prosperity.

Fancy and Fact.

"So you managed to propose to that girl at last?" said one young man.
"Yes; but the dialogue wasn't anything like what I had figured out. I intended to say: 'Mortense, I have long regarded you with the affection such as a man feels for but one woman in the world; the woman he would make his wife. Will you be mine?' And I thought she would say something like this: 'Harold, I feel that I can trust my future happiness to you.'"
"That sounds fine."
"Yes; but what took place? I showed her the engagement ring and said 'Huh?' And she just said, 'Uh-huh!' and put it on."—Washington Star.

Nerves and Youth.

Do nervous people retain their youth better than others? A writer says: "The youth keeping folk are always buoyant and mercurial, with a tremendous power of recovery from the worst strokes of sickness or misfortune. They are usually highly nervous people, and this agrees with the dictum of a medical friend who tells me that it is really the nerves that keep the life young and that the highly strung people are longer lived than the stolid, unemotional sort. They are more pliant and their 'nervousness' is the result of generating nervous force quicker than they use it up."

He Knew the Difference.

"Spell 'dough,' Dick," directed a teacher of a little negro pupil.
"D-o," said Dick promptly.
"No, that is not right," smiled the teacher. "Who can tell Dick how and why he is wrong?"
"He's wrong 'cause there's two kinds ob do," shrilled another dark skinned youngster. "De do' what yo' shets, an' de do' what yo' eats —in' de do' what yo' eats is writ widout de 'postrophe at de end.'"—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Modern Woods.

"George, you must go right away and ask papa for my hand."
"That's all right, little one. I asked him first."
"What! You didn't wait to ask me!"
"Nixy, Mabel, I'm a busy little man, girlie, and I waste no time on chances."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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STATE TAX BOARD.

Austin, Texas, Jan 5 1914
Geo. J. Trainor, Tax Assessor,
Sutton County

Dear Sir:—I am enclosing you herewith a copy of the resolutions adopted by the State Tax Board on January 3, 1914.

The State Tax Board is going to make a determined effort to secure a compliance with the law governing the assessment of property, and earnestly requests your cooperation in such effort.

With best wishes for your success in your work, I am
Very truly,
A. L. LOVE,
State Tax Commissioner.

Whereas, in a great many counties in this State the assessed value of property for taxation for 1913 was grossly under the reasonable cash market value thereof and so far below its true value as to indicate a flagrant violation of the law governing the assessment of property for taxation; and

Whereas, it is the duty of the State Tax Board to investigate into and aid the enforcement of the revenue laws concerning the rendition and assessment of property for taxation; and

Whereas, the systematic and gross undervaluation of property for assessment for taxation in any county works an injustice and hardship upon the counties where property is fairly assessed in accordance with law;

Therefore, be it resolved by the State Tax Board that said Board will do all it legitimately can to enforce the law governing the rendition and assessment of property for taxation and will report to the Attorney General of the State of Texas any case of flagrant violation of said law which may come to the knowledge of said Board during the year 1914 in order that suit may be brought by the Attorney General against such officer or officers so offending, as provided by Article 7674 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911.

Resolved, Further, that the State Tax Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to mail to each County Tax Assessor and County Judge in this State a copy of these Resolutions.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of the preamble and resolutions adopted by the State Tax Board on January 3, 1914, as set out and shown in the Minutes of said Board, on pages 242-3 of the Minute Record of said Board.

Witness my hand, this January 5 1914

A. L. LOVE,
Tax Commissioner of the State of Texas.

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Rosencio Guzman
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Ysidoro Sanchez
Francisco Tobar
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Julian Billez

Post Cards

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W. L. Aldwell Interviewed.

Enroute to his home from a business trip to Austin and San Antonio, W. L. Aldwell, president of the First National Bank of Sonora, is in the city Saturday, registered at the London.

"Prospects in general for the Sonora country are brighter at present than at any time within the past few years," said Mr. Aldwell Saturday. "The ranges are in excellent shape, cattle are fat, and for the first time in years, the farmers of the section are encouraged to plant more heavily in cotton during the coming year. Our section, although producing very good feedstuff, has never produced any cotton to speak of. However, during the past year, some of our farmers gathered as much as three quarters of a bale to the acre. So you can easily see why they are feeling good over present prospects."

Mr. Aldwell was accompanied on his trip by James Cornell, the well known Sonora attorney, who is now in the city, attending to cases in district court—standard.

Judge W. L. Aldwell, capitalist of Sonora, Sutton county, spent Thursday in Fort Worth. He was full of good tidings and was as optimistic as a June bride. He declared that conditions in his section have never been better during the many years he has lived out west than is now the case.

And that idea of raising hogs in wolf proof pastures, which I first read about in the Record, sort of hit me just where the money comes in," said Judge Aldwell. Come to think about it, why shouldn't those who have wolf proof pastures raise hogs? The hogs can get out which is a small feat, and the varmints can't get in, which is a large one.

"I have lived out west for a long time, but I have never seen a year when sorghum and kafir or milo could not be raised. Give the hog plenty of pasture and there will be speculators a plenty around to buy and finish them for market. What we need is more stuff to follow the steers and get a living merely for the raising."

"Sav a man has 25,000 or 30,000 acres in a pasture, all under a wolf proof fence, why shouldn't he get a few sows and start growing hogs? The initial expense will be light, while he will enjoy an income from his hog herd just as long as he keeps it."

"The day is not coming, it is already here, when the cowman has got to cut the corners to make the proper amount of money out of his ranch. Hogs will cost but little to grow, if a man is prepared to grow them, and they are onto the stockman like cotton is onto the farmer—plumb ready money."

"I know there are a whole lot of people who are prejudiced against going into the hog business, but even this class is prepared to admit that backbones and spines are not to be sneezed at when properly cooked. Cattle at this time, to say the least, are not selling at a low price. In order to maintain the price we are now getting, the cowmen have simply got to see to it that hogs enough to keep the cow market here stable and satisfactory are raised in Texas each year. The dollar mark is a powerful mark and it draws like a bread poultice. The dollar mark is spread and smeared all over those who raise hogs, and I don't see any reason why the men who are fixed for hog raising are not testing the Fort Worth market more than they are at this time."—Fort Worth Record.

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Woodmen Circle

Lurel Grove No. 218, meets in Woodmen hall the Second and Fourth Tuesday in each month. Second Tuesday business meeting. Fourth Tuesday Social meeting. All members cordially invited.

E. E. Sawyer, Director of the First National Bank of Sonora.

Dear Editor:—I thought I would send you a little box showing you some few things that I still have growing on my farm the 5th day of January. Bean vines are full of beans and blooms and tomatoes all sizes and vines still blooming. Plenty of fresh potatoes and English peas and such as cabbages, beets, radishes and all kinds of greens are plentiful all over the country and as much rain and overflows as has been all over the entire State, my farm never over flowed and is all bottom land and is one of the best Alfalfa farms in the county.

Now I want you to call old Doc Simmons' attention to the things I am sending. I have been reading the Devil's River News and I thought I would write you boys a few lines. I will soon be 71 years old and still as jolly as ever.

Yours truly,
A. Miers.

E. E. Sawyer, director of the First National Bank of Sonora, and president of the First National Bank at Del Rio, accompanied by his wife, was in San Angelo the latter part of the week. Mr. Sawyer is now having erected in Sonora a handsome two story residence which, when completed, will cost approximately \$6,000. It is for the purpose of ordering additional materials that he is now in this city—Standard.

Bad for Texas and Taxes.

"Texas is confronted with a grave situation with respect to the rural population and land ownership," said F. M. Bralley, former state superintendent of public instruction and head of the bureau of extension of the University of Texas, yesterday.

"In 1900 77 per cent of our population was strictly rural, while in 1910 only 63 per cent was rural, indicating conclusively that there is a drift of the population in Texas from the country to the towns and cities. During the period from 1900 to 1910 the population of the state increased 27.8 per cent, while the rural population of 42 of the large, wealthy counties of the state decreased the decrease ranging from 11 to 27 per cent."

"Among the rich agricultural counties in which the population decreased might be mentioned Lamar, Grayson, Fanning, Cooke, Hunt, Bell, Johnson, Washington, Robertson and others. This unwholesome condition is a serious one."

"There are 418,770 farms in the state, but 219,575 of them, or 52 per cent, are operated by tenants. Mr. Carver, in charge of the rural organization service of the United States Department of Agriculture has well said: 'Next to war, pestilence and famine, the worst thing that can happen to a rural community is absentee landlordism.'"

"In the state at large a majority of the farmers are homeless; that is, they are renters. In Fannin county 67 per cent of the farms are operated by tenants in Grayson, 62 per cent; in Hunt, 57.5 per cent; in Collin, 53.8 per cent; in Ellis, 63 per cent. Farm tenancy is on the steady increase and conditions at present justify the state sentiment that unless there is a reorganization of the factors of our rural civilization for betterment, tenancy will continue to increase. One-third of the farms now operated by owners are mortgaged for more than one-fourth of their value. People who are tenants are not disposed to invest time, money and labor in the improvement of country roads, in the building of good schools, in establishing the country church on a firmer basis and in organizing the social forces of the community in improving the homes."

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STOPPING A SNEEZE.

Why Pressure Upon Either Lip Will Halt the Noisy Spasm.

When the feeling comes over us which always precedes a sneeze all we have to do is to lay our finger across the upper lip, directly beneath the nose, and press firmly upon the lip for a few seconds. The same result can be obtained by laying the finger across the lower lip, just above the chin, and pressing rather firmly for a few moments. Either of these acts will not attract the attention of any person, and in almost every instance the person will be saved the annoyance of disturbing the entire audience.

The physiological reason for this seemingly curious interference in nature is quite interesting, although but few stop to reason why in this as in many other things.

The internal surface of the nasal passages is covered by a very delicate and sensitive mucous membrane. The surface is quite extensive, following as it does all the inequalities produced by the curved spongy bones of the nose. Only in the upper portion is the seat of smell, as that part only receives branches from the first pair of cranial nerves or the nerve known as the olfactory nerve, which is the one of smell. The distribution of this nerve in the form of an intricate network is upon the two upper spongy bones.

The olfactory nerve itself does not issue from the skull, but rests upon a thin facial bone which separates it from the cavity of the nose, and the many branches which proceed from it pass through this bone by means of numerous small openings. The many nerves which ramify over the lower portions of the delicate nasal membranes and which endow it with sensibility to touch and pain are branches of what is known as the fifth pair of nerves.

Irritation from several causes applied to the parts where this nerve is distributed occasions sneezing, which is a spasmodic contraction of the diaphragm, which results in the expulsion of the irritating cause. The pressure described above simply arrests the irritation, and the sensation dies without the outbreak of air which produces the unpleasant sound. It is like arresting a current of electricity by crossed wires or some outside influence.

There are times when this method does not work, but they are rare and generally due to the fact that the pressure is not applied soon enough. Nearly every one has a warning of several moments that he is about to sneeze. If the pressure is instantly applied the sneeze is generally suppressed; otherwise it may be too late.

This does not mean that every sneeze should be suppressed. Only do this when in church or theater or some such place. To sneeze aside from the sneeze caused by a cold is natural and affords a relief to the nasal passages from dust.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Nature Was Improving.

James A. McNeill Whistler astounded many people by the egotism he frequently displayed in his conversation, but those who knew the artist best realized that many of his conceited remarks were inspired by a love of mischief rather than by vanity. Here is an example: "At a house party an effusive lady approached the artist. 'Oh, Mr. Whistler,' she said, 'I have just been up the river, and it reminded me so much of your pictures.' 'Indeed!' Whistler replied calmly. 'Then nature is looking up.'"

Not a Recommendation.

"Have you any objection to my marrying your daughter?" "No," replied Mr. Cumrox. "To be candid, I've taken quite a liking to you."

Polo.

Polo is of eastern origin and has been a favorite pastime in Persia, Tartary and the frontiers of India from prehistoric times. The name of the game varies with the district, and the rules are not the same on minor points, though they are substantially alike on the main issues. China and Japan also have a game closely resembling the Persian sport.

Makes Him Mark Time.

"His wife is a business woman, all right."

"What makes you say that?"

"She's installed a time clock in the hall, and he has to punch it when he goes out nights and when he gets back."—Los Angeles Times.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 21 miles south of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood, working live stock, hunting hogs or injuring fences, without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

D. B. GUSENBARY,
Sonora, Texas.

MIXED METAPHORS.

Come Gonna That Have Been Dropped in Flights of Oratory.

In the palmy days of spread eagle oratory, when language was far more flowery and figurative than it is now, it took a cool head behind a vehement manner to steer a safe course among similes and metaphors. Absurdities were frequent, and laughter marred many a peroration, yet, carried along by the speaker's earnestness and fire in delivery, the most wildly ridiculous metaphors often passed unnoticed.

At a memorial meeting in honor of one of the most famous of American orators—Wendell Phillips—a magnificent speaker referred to the spirits of the great departed, which, on leaving this earth, "wend each its way, swifter than a winged eagle, loftier than a soaring falcon—sweeping across the mighty spaces of the heavens as a glorious comet sweeps, rushing ever onward, forward and upward to its goal in Abraham's bosom!"

Oratory of that type—even without the mixed metaphor—is a rare survival from the fashion of an earlier time. Eloquence is more restrained and less ornate nowadays. Yet even in the simpler style of our own time public speakers of experience, as well as blunders and beginners, occasionally slip up on their metaphors. Any schoolboy could correct the errors that some wide awake English reporter has noted in the recent speeches of eminent British statesmen and politicians.

"We are told," said Walter Long in a debate on an education bill, "that by such legislation the very heart of the country has been shaken to its uttermost foundations."

St. John Broderick, in the halls of commons, talking of the mobilization of troops, declared that "among the many jarring notes heard in this house on military affairs, this subject at least must be regarded as an oasis."

Mr. Asquith, the premier, did better. He said that "redistribution is a thorny subject, which requires delicate handling or it will tread on some people's toes." And it was Lord Curzon of Kedleston, former viceroy of India, who declared optimistically:

"Though we are not out of the wood, we have a good ship."—Youth's Companion.

They Misunderstood.

A man who did not articulate very clearly was present on the first night of a very badly written and worse acted play. A number of friends present, full of compassion, applauded at the end of the play, and the man of deficient articulation was heard to call for the author, who came out to bow his thanks.

"What in the world did you yell for the author for?" asked a friend of the man.

"I didn't. You misunderstand. I was yelling for ether."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Anglo-Saxon Folly.

Four Armenians sat in a Manchester park the other day watching the bowling green. Their calm faces betrayed no curiosity. But when some one paused by them to watch the game the oldest Armenian rose and put a polite question: "Sir, please, do they pay money to do that?" "Yes, they pay money." A flash of amazement passed over the Armenian faces. One could see that, for the first time, they realized the folly of the Anglo-Saxon race.—Manchester Guardian.

"A1 at Lloyd's."

A1 at Lloyd's is a colloquialism frequently heard, but its true meaning is a mystery to many people. In the early days underwriters at Lloyd's wanted to know the condition of ships before effecting an insurance of the vessels or their cargoes, and they engaged captains to inspect the ships. If a vessel were sound in hull it was placed in Class A, if satisfactory in equipment, which in the bygone days of wooden sailing vessels included sails and ropes, it was classed A1.—London Telegraph.

Rapidly Aged.

Client (to matrimonial agent)—You showed me this lady's photograph last year and told me she was twenty-five, but after making inquiries I find that she is over thirty.

Matrimonial Agent—Well, you see, her father died lately and that aged her very much.—Auburn (N. Y.) Citizen.

World's Oldest University.

At Pekin is the oldest university in the world. It is called the "School for the Sons of the Empire." Its antiquity is very great and a granite register consisting of stone columns, 320 in number, contains the names of 60,000 graduates.—London Globe.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that any one trespassing on our ranches 25 miles southeast of Sonora for the purpose of hunting, cutting timber, hauling wood, hog hunting, working live stock, injuring our wolf-proof or other fences or any way trespassing upon us will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

E. F. & A. Vander Stucken.

SPELLING TEST WORDS.

A List in Which College Students Made a Poor Showing.

The freshmen in a certain state university did not cover themselves with glory in a recent test, probably because they were too far away from the spelling books of their younger days. Fifty words in everyday use—no trick words—were given out to forty-six freshmen in the English composition classes, and the average grade of the papers turned in was only 55 per cent.

About half of these freshmen were just beginning their English work in the university; the others had had one semester of it. The latter group made slightly better grades than the beginners. Those students tied for the highest mark with seven misspelled words each. The worst record of the lot was thirty-six mistakes.

Of the fifty words in the list "consensus" proved the greatest stumbling block. Thirty-eight students—all except eight—got it wrong, most of them beginning the second syllable with "ce" instead of "se."

Next in order was "renaissance," misspelled by thirty-six, followed by "diphtheria," on which thirty-five tripped. "Rhythm," the most misspelled word in a test at the University of Virginia, got thirty-four victims, being tied with "judgment," "supersede," "indispensable" and "hypocrisy."

The easiest word proved to be "receive," which only one student got twisted. "Separate," the biggest bear of the average grade school student, brought down only seven.

Here are the other words in the list, with the number of times that each was misspelled: Innocuous, 32; kimono, 31; luscious, 30; chauffeur, 29; villain, 29; dirigible, 27; occurrence, 27; inculcate, 25; prerogative, 25; adviser, 25; embarrass, 24; accommodate, 23; aeronautics, 21; battalion, 21; kerosene, 21; privilege, 21; benefited, 20; twelfth, 18; nickel, 17; procedure, 16; occasionally, 15; development, 15; weird, 15; vacuum, 15; harass, 15; initiate, 15; indictment, 14; prophecy, 14; its (possessive of it), 13; lose, 12; vaccinate, 11; precede, 11; opportunity, 10; laundered, 10; mirth, 9; discipline, 9; laboratory, 8; biplane, 8; apparatus, 6; advisory, 2.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Ancient Waterworks.

Hezekiah, king of Judah, who reigned in the years 717 to 688 B. C., was a pioneer in constructing a system of waterworks, bringing water into the city of Jerusalem. In the holy book we read: "He made the pool and conduit and brought the water into the city, stopping the upper part of Gihon, and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works." From the "pools of Solomon," near Bethlehem, water was conveyed to Jerusalem, a distance of six or seven miles, through a conduit of earthen pipe about ten inches in diameter. The pipe was increased within two stones, hewn out to fit it, then covered over with rough stones cemented together.

How Rain Bore Holes.

When rain falls it does not actually soak into the earth, but bores its way in, forming tiny tubes. These tubes are so small that it would be impossible to insert a hair in one of them without bursting its walls. Sometimes the tubes are bored down to a depth of four or five feet. When the surface dries the water evaporates from the tubes just as it would from a pipe. If the tube is twisted it takes longer for the water to evaporate. If one takes a rake and stirs the ground after each rain he breaks the tops of the tubes, and the water will stand in them for months.

Diet and Nationality.

Among modern nations the greatest eaters are the British, Germans, French and Americans, the ruling people of our civilization. The diet of the Spaniards and the Italians is notably less substantial than that of the British and Germans, just as their brains are less active and original. The Americans are, on the average, the greatest eaters in the world. Said Carlyle to Emerson, "The best thing I know of that country is that in it a man can have meat for his labor."—Family Doctor.

Old, but a Good Walker.

In 1851 an old, Cornish fishwife of eighty-four named Mary Callinack walked from Penzance to London to see the great exhibition in Hyde park. The distance is nearly 300 miles. The old lady created a sensation and was noticed by Queen Victoria. She had vowed to call on the lord mayor before returning and she carried out her intention but of course was not permitted to walk back home.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch 6 miles south of Sonora, for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

J. T. Evans, Sr.

Announcements.

The DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS is authorized to announce:
The News rate for circulation is:
Congressional, Legislature and Judicial Districts \$5
County office \$10.
Precinct office \$2.50
All announcements are payable in cash in advance.

SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR.

R. H. Martin, as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sutton County, is eligible to the action of the Democratic primary.

TAX ASSESSOR.

Geo. J. Trainor, as a candidate for election to the office of Tax Assessor of Sutton County, is eligible to the action of the Democratic primary.

COMMISSIONER.

W. B. Adams, as a candidate for election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, Sutton County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

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For Sale.

A four roomed house corner lot 50 & 140 near school house. Price \$750. Apply at news office 314f

Bills for sale.

I have 50 head of two year old South African Billies, (the Ford stock) which I will sell cheap.
G. S. Allison.
Sonora.

300 bushels of shelled maize for sale. Will cut or come without extra charge where desired. Phone or write.

S. A. Mauldin,
Eldorado, Texas.

1000 Bales of one at 40c at my Ranch 9 miles Southwest of Eldorado. Also have 5 tons of maize head for sale. Phone or write
Oscar Gibson Eldorado, Texas

REGISTERED BILLIES.

I have about sixty head of Registered Billies kids and yearlings of the choicest herds of Oregon. Will sell for cash or note to suit purchaser.

R. E. TAYLOR,
Sonora, Texas.

Sheep Shearing.

Those wanting their sheep or goats sheared see E. F. Vander Stucken at Sonora or write or phone.

FRIEND & SEAHORN,
68 Ozark, Texas.

Ranch for Sale.

One fourth mile from Sonora 17 section ranch. 3 good wells, with sufficient tanks. Price \$7 per acre Apply to
AUGUST MECKEL,
791f Sonora, Texas.

Notice.

It would please me very much if parties knowing themselves indebted to me would call and pay as I need the money to carry on my business.
B. F. BELLOWS.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF SONORA, TEXAS.

CAPITAL STOCK \$100,000.00

SURPLUS - - 40,000.00

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All kinds of lumber, doors, sash, blinds, etc. Call and get prices. Can sell as cheap as any one for CASH. Also carry a full line of DeVoos celebrated paints.

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He has what you want, or can sell what you have.

Sonora, Texas.

Order for Poll Tax Receipt:

To J. B. ADAMS, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Sutton County, Texas:

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my lawful agent, my Poll Tax receipt for the year 1914.

My age is years. My nationality is

I have resided in Voting precinct No. In Texas years

and in Sutton County months or years; and am by occupation

A

Post Office

SIGN

Have your places cleaned up now.

Cut the scrub growth from in front of your residence.

Build walks in front of your home.

Mr and Mrs Don Cooper are visiting in Galveston

Water Davis made a business trip to San Angelo this week

Miss Hall and Miss Wile of San Angelo were visiting in Sonora Friday

Ed Metz and Lawrence Westbrook of San Angelo were in Sonora on business Friday.

Phillip Baker was in from the North Llano for a few days this week.

Make your home look attractive with paint, fences, walks, etc and your neighbor will do the same

Hannah Vespa the tinner was in San Angelo this week on business

Mr and Mrs W. M. Whitfield of Eldorado were visiting in Sonora Friday.

Mr and Mrs C. S. Holcomb were in from the ranch Wednesday.

Chas Flatbush who is contracting for wolf proof fence building was in town Wednesday.

R B Maddox who ranches 8 miles above Sonora, was in town Thursday.

W. M. Holland the life insurance agent returned from a business trip to Del Rio Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs J. B. Bakney of the Comstock Country were visitors in Sonora Saturday.

Mrs E. S. Bryant returned Tuesday from Dal Rio where she visited her brother Will Gurley for several days.

Tom Wallace of Lamesa, was in Sonora this week on a visit to relatives. He also visited in Val Verde and Edwards counties.

J. N. Foss the cattle and goat raiser whose ranch is 18 miles east of Sonora was in town this week visiting his family.

Mr and Mrs John Robbing and Mrs. Champie were in Sonora Thursday from the ranch in the Owensville country.

Jacob (Bud) Wyatt of San Angelo is in Sonora this week doing the tin work for the Crowder Hardware Co., on the E. E. Sawyer home.

Kenneth Taiaferro was in from the G. S. Allison ranch Thursday. He said the Allison Brothers had commenced shaping up and counting the cattle.

R. E. Wall was in Sonora Wednesday from the Franks' Detest divide and reports that he expects a full crop of lambs and that he is busy putting more land in cultivation. He will plant largely in cotton but will not neglect forage crops.

Numbers of Mexicans, mostly women and children are coming into West Texas from the distressed country across the border. Many of these innocent unfortunates have reached Sonora and are passing through to the north and east.

A light fall of snow fell over the Sonora Country Sunday night and Monday morning. Some rain accompanied the storm and the moisture was noticeable. While there is plenty of season in the ground the snow was acceptable as a livener up of weeds and pulveriser of plowed land.

Jap Holman who was in Sonora Sunday said that on bright clear evenings before sundown the wind mills of the Sonora Water Works could be seen from the windmill on the Holman ranch 25 miles south west of Sonora. That a pretty good indication of the purity or lightness of the atmosphere of the Sonora country. The Holman ranch is less than 100 feet higher than Sonora.

Fred Hull transplanted two trees on his lot in South Heights this week. One had been set out as under ordinary conditions, the other had been planted after the ground had been blown by a dammit. Mr Hull says he was pleased with the discovery that the "dammit" tree had a wonderful root growth as compared with the other. The growth above the ground was not so noticeable although that was also in favor of the tree grown in the dammited ground. Mr Hull has just finished putting down 1890 feet of tiling for sub irrigation purposes in his orchard. He has the water and proposes making the trees grow this year.

Report of the Condition OF THE First National Bank of Sonora, at Sonora,

In the State of Texas, at the close of business, January 13, 1914.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$254,323.42
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,550.84
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50,000.00
Banking house, Furniture and fixtures	4,800.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	14,405.03
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	3,821.68
Due from approved reserve agents	27,614.68
Checks and other cash items	25.00
Notes of other National Banks	1,235.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	23.00
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK VIZ:	
Specie	\$2,439.00
Legal tender notes U. S.	11,615.63
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,500.00
Total	\$ 80,920.28

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus funds	25,000.00
Undivided profits less expenses and taxes paid	13,731.25
National Bank notes outstanding	49,097.50
Due to other National Banks	2,182.75
Individual deposits subject to check	102,957.83
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,432.40
Bills payable, including obligations for money borrowed	20,000.00
Reserved for taxes	1,145.53
Total	\$80,920.28

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF SUTTON, J. Roy E. Aldwell, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January 1914.

J. A. Hagerland, Notary Public, Sutton County, Texas.

Correct Attest: E. F. Vander Stucken, D. J. Wyatt.

Recapitulation.

Loans and discounts	\$254,323.42
U. S. Bonds	50,000.00
Banking House and Fixtures	4,800.00
Cash in Banks and Vault	58,835.02
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2,500.00
Total	\$380,628.28
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus & Undivided profits less expenses	43,731.25
Circulation	49,097.50
Deposits	406,672.68
Reserve for taxes	1,124.53
Bill payable	20,000.00
Total	\$80,920.28

Advertisement

Bank Officers Re-elected.

The annual meeting of the stock holders of the First National Bank Tuesday re-elected the directors: Geo. S. Allison, E. E. Sawyer, Will Whitehead, D. J. Wyatt, E. F. Vander Stucken and W. Aldwell. The directors re-elected W. L. Aldwell president, E. F. Vander Stucken vice president, Roy E. Aldwell cashier.

LOST on Wednesday, January 14th a gold watch. Finder please return to RALPH TRAINER

Mr and Mrs J. S. Pincham arrived home Thursday from a pleasant visit to friends and relatives in DeWitt County.

Mr and Mrs. H. Rhodermond of San Angelo were the guests of Mr and Mrs E. F. Vander Stucken Friday.

Will Whitehead manager of the G. W. Whitehead & Sons ranches in Val Verde County was in Sonora on business this week.

H. Rhodermond of San Angelo was in town Friday. He would still be making boots if he could get the help but the journal boot maker is passing.

Chas Cooper who used to drive for Allison & Wardlaw mail contractors, was married at Los Angeles, Calif., December 6 to Miss Patty Griffin of that city.

T. A. Williams principal of the Sonora High School reports the attendance larger than usual at this season of the year and that the children are working hard and expects a most successful session.

For Guaranteed CASING VULCANIZING Phone 87 or See R. Blaine Jordan

C. C. Caldwell and M. C. Nutt of San Angelo were in Sonora Thursday wanting to buy work mules. Mr. Caldwell has a ranch near San Angelo and is interested in the horse and mule sales-barn at Brownwood. He was much pleased with Sonora and the splendid stock country that surrounds the trading center.

GOOD ASSORTMENT

OF Boys & Youths Pants

TO Close Out at Cost Prices

J. E. GRIMLAND.

STOCK NEWS.

Will Wilson sold to E. V. Huda, 8th eight percheroo fillies at p. t. son 400 bred ewes at \$4.75.

R. H. Chalk sold to Will Wilson 500 lambs to Chalk & Ling for \$3 per head.

For Sale 200 pounds of lint cotton at 12 1/2 cent per pound See Ab McKnight.

C. C. Caldwell of San Angelo bought from B. F. Meekie 28 yearling males and 12 Percheroo fillies at \$45 per head.

Will Wilson of Sonora sold to W. J. Friend & Sons of Crockett county 60 head of cows at \$40 per head and two bulls at \$140 per head.

FOR SALE—400 head of steers two and three.

Address, R. E. HATCH, Rock Springs, Texas.

R. E. Taylor was in town Wednesday he reports his goats filling up on their new range and seem satisfied with their new home.

F. C. Bates Jr, the Schleicher county sheepman moved 3000 head of sheep to range in the Holman pasture Sunday.

Curt Allison returned from San Angelo Thursday. He will make his headquarters at the Ford ranch which is about the center of the Allison Bros. lease.

T. P. Adams sold 25 bucks to J. T. Evans of Fort Terrett at \$20 per head. He also sold to T. L. Drisdale of Juno, 20 bucks at \$20 per head.

The U. S. War Department is making enquiry as to the number of horses and mares 4 to 12 years old, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2 hands, available in case of emergency, in West Texas.

The number of goats in Texas for 1913 is 928,836 valued at \$1,554,234 as compared with 866,136 in 1912 valued at \$1,392,499. An increase of 62,500 head and value \$161,735.

WANTED A FOUR GALLON JERSEY COW J. E. GRIMLAND.

Six hundred head of cows have been purchased by W. A. Giesseck of Sonora, a well known Sutton county ranchman, from March & Cawley of this city. The cattle were delivered here Monday and will be immediately taken to the Giesseck ranch. The terms of the deal were not made public.

It appears from the summary of the tax rolls given out by Comptroller Lane the other day that Texas has suffered a serious loss of live stock during the twelve months for which the tax rolls account. It shows, for example, a decrease of 338,230 in number of cattle, of 192,903 in the number of horses and mules and of 718 in the number of sheep. This represents a loss in live stock values of something like \$13,000,000. Surely such a catastrophe as these hardly bear out the flattering notions we have indulged in as to our agricultural progress.—Dallas News.

William Whitehead of Sonora, president of the Del Rio Bank & Trust Company and of Whitehead Bros, prominent ranchman and sheepmen of the Devils River country, was a San Angelo visitor Thursday. Mr Whitehead is at present having over 10 miles of wolf proof fences strung on parts of his ranch, which extends from Sutton far into Val Verde county in order to protect 25,000 head of sheep which will be transferred as soon as the work is completed.

Standard.

WATER NOTICE.

All customers of the Sonora Water Works desiring to water yards or gardens, no matter how small, will be metered and required to pay a minimum rate of \$1.75 per month. Customers are expected to pay for the meter in advance, this money being returned in the form of water service.

J. D. FAYON & SONS

Gilbert Kallis was in Sonora Friday.

Rev. Smith a Presbyterian Minister of Houston is in Sonora this week and will hold service at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Worth, the young son of Mr and Mrs Jesse Evans, Jr. broke his arm cranking his father's car Sunday.

J. R. Davis is home from Mineral Wells for a visit. If he does not remain on the ranch he will go to Dallas where a position is open for him.

LOST—about Christmas, a small purse with some change and containing some "baby pins", engraved "L. P. A." and a locket with a photo of Miss Clara Allison. Finder please return to Mrs. H. P. Allison

Lawrence Westbrook of San Angelo has the contract to wire the Sawyer home and install a private electric lighting plant. Mr. Sawyer, however, would prefer to take service from a public plant and will do so if one is in operation at an early date.

Alfred Vander Stucken of Fredrickburg, with large ranch interests in Kinney county, is in Sonora looking after business interests here. He is a member of the E. F. Vander Stucken Co., and half owner of the E. F. and A. Van der Stucken ranch in this county. Not being actively engaged at present he has been enjoying a vacation in Fort Worth and San Antonio.

W. G. Bollinger of the plumbing and heating firm of Bollinger-Petty Co. San Angelo is in Sonora to do the plumbing and install a septic tank and sub-irrigation system for E. E. Sawyer. This system has been installed in many homes in Angelo and at the State Institution at Carlisle. It is new, cheap and guaranteed. The News hopes to know of many systems being installed in Sonora and by all means at the school, Court House, Jail and hotels and boarding houses.

Jacobsen's Arnica Salve The Best Salve In The World.

For Sale—Lot 50 by 200 feet, three room new house, gallery, papered and painted, close in, Sonora Texas. Price \$1,000.

Address Mrs. M. E. Woodruff, 300 N. Border Street, Tyler, Texas

Cane for Sale. 6000 bundles of cane for sale delivered at Sonora for 5 cents a bundle. Phone or see at farm, 7 miles south of Eldorado.

E. S. Johnson, Eldorado, Texas.

Are You a Woman?

Take Cardui

The Woman's Tonic

FOR SALE AT ALL DRUGGISTS

Entered at the Postoffice at Sonora second class matter.

Advertising Medium of the Stockman's Paradise.

Sonora, Texas, - - Jan. 17, 1914

CEMENT AND CONCRETE.

Preparation and Properties of the Two Different Products.

To many persons the "cement" and the "concrete" that nowadays enter so largely into building construction are synonymous terms.

In the first place, Portland cement is a manufactured product obtained from lime rock and clay of similar aluminous raw materials.

Its preparation involves drying, burning and grinding in order that, when finished, it shall be in the form of a light gray powder or flour.

This powder is of such exceeding fineness that the grains thereof may be made to pass through a sieve containing 40,000 holes to the square inch of surface.

Molded into any desirable form, cement shows a high crushing resistance, together with a high tensile strength.

"Re-enforced concrete" means the use of concrete in conjunction with steel so placed as to contribute the tensional value of the steel to the total mass.

One of the most impressive among my early recollections is that of having gazed upon the living and Jove-like presence of Daniel Webster.

He wore a high black stock and collar, a blue coat with brass buttons, a buff waistcoat and loosely hanging trousers.

It is perhaps not generally known that butterflies close their wings like a book, and the underside of the hinder pair is often colored so as to match the surroundings.

There is one thing that I can say with confidence, and that is that the fore wings and therefore do not cover these up completely.

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WORRIED THE WAITER

With His New Trick of Serving

"Yes," said the waiter, "I have been the butt of all the jokes that have been invented to make us people look foolish."

"He came in with a cigarette in his mouth, sat down at a table near a window and began studying the menu card."

"Well, he just looked up at me and smiled and said, 'Fall guy' and explained that it was really a very simple matter."

"Concrete" implies the use of cement in conjunction with sand and crushed rock and in such proportions as will develop the highest value of the cement for practical purposes.

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RISE OF THE VIOLIN.

Replaced the Viol When More Dramatic Effect Was Needed.

In the good old days from Queen Elizabeth to the commonwealth the favorite instruments for a "consort of music" were viols of various sizes, from treble to bass, one of which, in a modified form, is still in use under the name of double bass.

When there arose a demand for more expression, more dramatic effect, the "scolding viols," as Thomas Mace called them, ousted the gentle viols, all of which, with the one exception named above, quickly became obsolete.

Since the rise of orchestral music, whether for the church, the opera, the symphony or the dance, it has been customary to divide the body of violins into two masses, called, respectively, the first and second violins.

The familiar expression of "playing second fiddle" in the ordinary affairs of life suggests that there is something derogatory in following a lead, but the position of second violin in the orchestra is as important as that of first, though in the nature of things it is not so prominently before the public.

"Howld on, Mike, that's a Maltese. I know where we can get \$4 for him. I'll go up and chase him down and you ketch him when he comes down," said Patrick.

"Oh, I can hang on to him, all right, but I can't let go of him," said Mike.—National Monthly.

"There's nothing you can do for me," said the broker decisively. "Nothing?" asked the caller. "Absolutely nothing."

"Well, I think I could get you some stuff that would be exceedingly useful to you."

"There is one thing," said the broker, after a moment's thought, "which you can get me, and it will be of great use to me."

"That's fine! What can I get for you?"

"Out," said the broker.—Popular Magazine.

"Oh," answered the boy, "it breaks up the day so."—Boston Record.

"Father blundered into the library last night just as Frank kissed me," said Grace.

"Oh, how awful!" said Manie; "and what happened?"

"He pretended to look for a book," answered Grace. "I asked him very sweetly what he wanted. He said, 'I want a "Study in Scarlet," but I didn't know we had three copies.'"—Exchange.

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Merry Moments

As We Journey Through Life Let Us Laugh by the Way.

No Reason to Work.

A large, slouchy colored man went shuffling down the road whistling like a lark. His clothes were ragged and his shoes were out at toes and heels, and he appeared to be in the depths of poverty for all his mirth.

"Hey, Jim! I got a job for you. Do you want to make a quarter?"

"No, sah," said the ragged one. "I done got a quarter."—Washington Star.

"How—So you're going in for yachting next summer because it's not so expensive as automobilizing?"

"Wise—Yes; a yacht can stand on a tack, and there's no tire punctured."—Chicago Daily News.

"Why does Mrs. Faddy seem so uneasy with Miss Flitty?"

"Because Mrs. Faddy is a great stickler for the fitness of things and the peculiarly appropriate in house decoration, and there sits Miss Flitty in a Bulgarian blouse with her feet right on a Turkish rug."—Baltimore American.

"Aw, shucks! These flashlight fiends at banquets are a nuisance."

"Ought to give a fellow warning, anyhow. That flashlight last night caught me with a mouth full of spinach."—Kansas City Journal.

"It's going to be a hard winter," said the invoice clerk as he gazed skyward from the office window.

"By the size of the salary I'm getting."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"I saw my boyhood chum today, the one that has become a millionaire."

"Did he recognize you?"

"I guess so. He turned a corner when he saw me coming."—Houston Post.

"Silence—When is the proper time to congratulate a bride and groom?"

What does the man who used to hide behind his wife's petticoat hide behind now?—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

"What is your husband's average income?" asked the caller.

TO BE A GENTLEMAN ABROAD.

The Way One Must Eat in England and Dress in France.

In polite society in England a fish knife is always served with fish. You will take it for a butter knife, but as you will look in vain for the butter you are safe in using it for fish.

Bread is served as an article of food and is not used as a pusher. The forks are always kept in the left hand, not juggled from one hand to the other.

Small knives and forks are served with all fruits. Under no circumstances is fruit desecrated by a touch of the fingers.

Bread is broken with one hand only, the left one usually. All vegetables, excepting asparagus, are served on the dinner plate.

You may break all the Ten Commandments, but by observing the above and taking a daily tub you will pass for a gentleman.

When you reach France, however, you may relax into all your little home comforts.

When you relax into all your little home comforts, you may pick your teeth and manicure your nails in a restaurant, and you can eat anything you like with your fingers.

"The most important man in France is the hotel concierge. He possesses the "open sesame" of all things.

According to a recent traveler in Mongolia, the inhabitants of that country are great meat eaters, living in some cases entirely on mutton.

In comparing the foods the native will ask if they are as good as mutton. It is not uncommon for a Mongol to consume ten pounds of meat at one sitting.

He pours mutton fat in his tea, which is prepared with milk from brick tea (the poorest grade pressed in bricks), and of this he drinks enormous quantities.

Thirty cups a day is not an uncommon amount for an adult. There are no regular hours for eating; the native eats when opportunity offers.

"Tom," said the head of the firm to the new assistant, "the book-keeper says you've lost the key to the safe and that he can't get at the books."

"I know. Have you the duplicate?"

"No, sir, I haven't, but it isn't lost. I took care that it shouldn't be. It's in a safe place."

"Where is it?"

"In the safe, sir!"—Exchange.

Dorothy was visiting her grandparents in the country for the first time. Seeing a quantity of feathers scattered about the henyard, she shook her head in disapproval.

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