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Curious Customs Still in Vogue Which Have Come Down From Mediaeval Times.

When the King at the recent Privy conneil selected new sheriffs for the counties of England and Wales by pricking a hole with a silver bodkin opposite to each of the favored names opposite to each of the favored names on the list, His Majesty was carrying out one of quite a score of interest-ing customs that still survive to link the England of 1903 with the Eng-land of the Middle Ages. There is hardly an important county in the land that does not charish some noteworthy ensure

county in the land that does notes cherish some noteworthy custom, hailing from early days in English history. Probably the most interest-ing feudal ceremony in existence is planting the horngarth, an act of penance which is now in the ninth century of commemoration and century of commemoration, and which has been carried out every year at Whitby without a single break.

The penance is for the death of a The penance is for the death of a hermit who sought to protect a wounded boar, but who was slain by its furious pursuer. The horngarth, or penny hedge, itself is formed by planting a hedge of stakes in the tideway in the upper part of Whitby Harbor, In the presence of the lord of the manor. When the penny hedge is complete, three blasts are blown on an antiquated. time-worn horn, which is in accordance with the pre-scribed stipulations. This horn is a good 500 years old, so it has seen considerable service. A vory long way back in the his-

A very long way back in the his-tory of England was a time when the high festival of Ceres was exceedinghigh festival of Ceres was exceeding-ly popular. To this day we have a remnant of the mystic rites of the Temple of Eleusis of the Greeks sur-viving in the form of the kern-baby. In various parts of the country kern suppers are held to celebrate the conclusion of the harvest gathering, and the kern-baby is carried on high by the reapers. The baby is a straw image made from the last sheaf of the harvest, adorned with flowers and with ears of grain. Really the kern-baby appears at harvest feskern-baby appears at harvest fes-tivals of to-day as the representative of an ancient Ceres.

Worship the Sun.

The most ancient of customs is still observed in Ireland on June 21, and in the Highlands of Scotland on May 1, according to the old reckoning. This is beltein, the festival in conkindled on the summit of the hills, and a variety of ceremonies are gone

through. Burning the clavie is another burghead, on the Moray Firth, have been performed since the days of the bruids. A tar barrel is sawn in halves; one halt is filled with tar-covered fuel given by the townsfolk, and is lighted with a piece of glowing peat. The fiery clavic is borne shoul-der high around the town limits in grand functions and is placed fingrand procession, and is placed finally on the ancient freestone altar to burn high over the waters of the Firth. There are various minor weird ceremonies observed as the clavie burns away.

Perpetual Fires.

Perhaps even more singular are the domestic fives of certan old-fashioned farmaouses on the York-shire dates. These pent fires are ver-itable links with the past, as they never go out. Some have been kept alight for hundreds of years, and have warmed generation after gen-eration of dwellers. The Whitby dis-trict is rich in these, and there is one at Osmotherly which, it is claim-eration have been invited for more the

ed, has been ourning 500 years. A bandsome quaintain is to be seen on the village green at Offham, in Kent. The local custom is to hoist matried men who are not fathers to its top and then to set the quaintain revolving rapidly.

Throwing the dart is a picturesque custom which is observed in Cork.

some.

Eight cents a pound is and gravely proceed to bump the solemn gentlemen on the stone. This is done so that the exact location of the boundary may be thoroughly impressed upon their memories. Some very peculiar ceremonies are observed when the Court of Bro-therhood and Guestling of the Cinque Ports meet. The full-robed mayors, alderme, councillors town clerks what a young woman paid for twelve pounds of flesh. She was thin and weak and paid one dollar for a bottle of

ing regular doses had gained aldermen, councillors, town clerks, sergeants and macebearers of the thirteen boroughs form an imposing sight when massed. Curious extracts are read from the decrees of Queen Elizabeth contained in the Black Book before the "anglest forum and twelve pounds in weight before the bottle was finished.

Book before the "ancient towns and their limbs" set down to business in cheap for such valuable macarnest. terial. Some pay more, some. less, some get nothing for their money. You get your

carnest. Every year for over 700 years the corporation of London has dicharged the peculiar duty of cutting some faggots and counting out a certain number of horseshoes and nails. This is done before the King's Remem-brancer by way of quit rent for cer-tain lands in Salop and Middlesex held from the Crown by the city cor-poration. poration.

Paying Debts at Dawn.

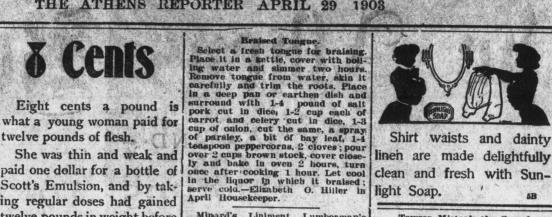
In the semi-darkness of dawning day is carried out the ancient cus-tom of the payment of "wroth sil-ver" to the Duke of Buccleuch, Lord of the Manor of the Hundred of Knightlow, near Coventry. After the steward has read out the old charter and called out the amounts due from work motion the second second second second each parish, the representatives each place the sum required in a hole in a stone said to be the base of a cross This is a weird scene as the shadowy figures glide up, place in their pence, and hoarsely whisper the words "wroth silver." Defaulters incur the penalty of forfeiting a white bull tipped with red at nose and ears and tipped with red at nose and ears and tail. A hot milk and rum breakfast concludes the ceremony. The origin of the custom is not clear, though some antiquaries declare that "wroth silver" was originally "wrath mopey," and was exacted for the murder of some relative of the lord of the manor. Massey-Harris Co., Limited,

murder of some relative of the lord of the manor. Cheese-rolling is one of the most peculiar customs we have, and is ob-served at Birdlip, near Cheltenham. A cheese is sent rolling down the side of a very steep hill. In its wild flight the rolling cheese is followed pell-mell by an excited erowd, each indi-vidual trying to gain it. Gentlemen,-It gives me very much pleasure to inform you that the No. 4 Binder which I purchased from your Agent here last summer has given me the very best of satisfaction, doing its work to perfection and drawing light-very

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moder i ideas of propriety, and the "tuth-nea," the jury, drank punch and smoked instead. The "hoeking" consisted of capturing some unwary female and chairing her in a ribbon-bedeeked chair, after which quaint ceremony she was taxed, with the usual option of kissing. The officials still are given a supper, consisting of macrond, watereress, sping on-ions, and bread and butter. JOHN D. BOUTILLIER. French Village. ure Croup. Cape Island. one, and bread and butter. Among picturesque provincial sur-vivals is the ceremony of weighing the Mayor of High Wycombe. The Mayor is weighed as soon as he suc-ceeds to office, and is weighed again when he heaves the surgest the surgest

best remedy on earth. JOSEPH A. SNOW. Norway, Me. when he leaves it-presumably the object of discovering whe the duties agree with him. with whether



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How He Got Even. N. Y. Sun. Hi--Say, ye know that roll of green paper thet thet eity feller hornswog-gled me inter huying last week? Si-Yas. Hi-Wal, I jes' wrapped a couple of \$20 hills round it, so's te make it look real, an' bought a \$1,000 gold brick off the same feller with dt.

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Second Ditto-Yes, I rode uptown with him in the elevated.

The Overworked Monument. She followed him unto his grave,

And reared a marble rare, And chiseled on this sentence sweet "My grief Fcannot bear."

she mourned a year, and then was

wea, And they chiseled on that stone single word, and now it reads: "My grief I cannot bear-alone."

But soon she wore the weeds again,

And they turned that stone about

And on it traced this touching line

"I've struck another match."

She's happy now with number foar, But all the neighbors say That she will be a busy girl

-Syracuse Post-Standard.

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reduces the drudgery of house work is

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"My life's light has gone

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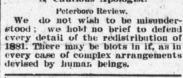
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"All yours?" "All yours?" "Oh, joy ?" "Oh, rapture !" (They embrace.) "It's getting late, dear; one more kiss, and then gocd-bye. My hus-band doesn't permit my callers to stay after 10 o'clock, and, besides, ' which we thik excident to bed." I know MINARD'S LINIMENT will

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