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Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

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Blank forms of statements may be procured from the assessors.
Dated at Chatham, 2nd of March 1898.
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Executors' Notice.
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A Scene of Terror In India.

A Bengal postoffice superintendent has received from one of his Babu inspectors this report of an accident at a river which had to be forded owing to the breakdown of a bridge:

"As I was to pass the river or water through my cart for absence of any boat some alligators ran on my oxen hence the oxen getting fear forcibly took away my cart in an abyss below the water of 12 feet which the cartman failed to obstruct. The oxen forcibly left the cart and fled to the other side of the river by swimming. I myself being inside the matscreen of my cart the whole cart fell down in the abyss, I used to cry loudly at the time. The cart with myself was drowned in the meantime the Overseer Babu Mehendra Nath Ghose and my cook jumped on the water and took my cart in a place where 4½ water then I myself jumped on the water and saved my life. The alligators getting fear from the cart fled to the roadside and no sooner we came to the road they jumped on the water. Had I been under suffocation for three minutes more then there was no hope of my life. * * * The nearest residents told thereafter that some men died this year in the abyss by the attack of the alligators. I am much unwell the voice of my speech is fallen low and out of order from the suffocation."—London Standard.

Strategy.

Mr. Chamberlain when a little boy was playing one day with his sister at a game of "battle," each child having a regiment of toy soldiers and a popgun to fire at the enemy.

The little girl's soldiers went down very quickly, but his stood firm, and he was proclaimed the victor.

He had glued his men to the floor!—London Figaro.

In round numbers there are 2,500 journals in Paris. One hundred and seventy of these are political organs, over 100 each are fashion papers and illustrated journals, some 120 medical papers, over 200 financial papers and about 60 dealing with the turf and other branches of sport.

The marriage of a Japanese bride is not complete until she bathes the feet of the bridegroom.

A Story of Patti.

Patti once went on an excursion with a party of Americans, among whom was a young chap who could play on a banjo and sing "coon" and "rag time" songs like a professional. He did not intend that the great singer should judge of the quality of his art, but by accident she had a chance, and to the young man's joy she fell hilariously in love with every "rag time" melody he sang. This was a secret between the two until one evening Patti consented to sing for the company. Several listeners went mildly insane when the great artist, after a little preparatory "patting," sang "Mamie, Come Kiss Your Honey Boy."

Mexican Customs.

There are no drays or express wagons in the City of Mexico. The natives use a kind of cart with enormous wheels, but for carrying around town the "transportation" is all done on the backs of natives. If you want to have a trunk moved, you hire a "cargador," and for 25 cents he will carry a 300 pound trunk on his back two miles. In the country everything is carried on the backs of small mules. Droves of them come into town with produce on their backs.

Imaginary Dangers.

Nervous Old Lady (to deck hand)—Mr. Steamboatman, is there any fear of danger?

Deck Hand (carelessly)—Plenty of fear, ma'am, but not a bit of danger.—Harlem Life.

Begging Methods.

It is said that the privilege of being an American is one of the most costly things connected with European travel. In Italy one is besieged by beggars. T. B. Aldrich, in "From Ponkapog to Pest," says that the Italian beggar generally assumes that he has done you some sort of service. This service is not usually visible to the naked eye, but Mr. Aldrich considers it a credit to the petitioners that they endeavor to throw a veil of decency over the injustice of their demands. He says:

There was an old son of Naples who dwelt on a curbstone near the Castell dell' Oro. Stumbling on his private public residence quite unintentionally one forenoon, I was immediately assessed. Ever after he claimed me, and finally brought his son-in-law to me and introduced him as a person combining many of the most desirable qualities of a pensioner. One of his strong points was that he had been accidentally carried off to America, having fallen asleep one day in the hold of a fruit vessel.

"But, sir," I said, "why should I give you anything? I don't know you."

"That is the reason, signor."

The guidebooks give disheartening accounts of mendicancy in Ireland, but that must be in the interior. I saw nothing of it along the coast, at Dublin and Cork. I encountered only one beggar in Ireland, at Queenstown, who retired crestfallen when I informed him in English that I was a Frenchman and did not understand him.

"Thrue for ye," he said. "Bad cess to me, what was I thinking of?"

Curran's Retort.

Mr. Justice Robinson's encounter with John Philpot Curran has been stated by Lord Brougham to have been the most successful instance of repartee on record. Judge Robinson was known to be the author of some anonymous pamphlets, a circumstance which gave Curran an opportunity of retort when the judge made a brutal attempt to crush him when a young and inexperienced man at the bar.

"I have searched all my lawbooks," said Curran, "and I can find no precedent on the point."

"Your law library," said the judge, "is rather contracted."

"My books," replied Curran, "may be few, but the title pages give me the writers' names. My shelf is not disgraced by any of such rank absurdity that their very authors are ashamed to own them."

"If you say another word, sir," said the judge, "I'll commit you."

"Then, my lord," replied Curran, "it will be the best thing you have committed this term."

The judge endeavored to get Curran disbarred, but failed.—Law Notes.

Patriotic Hancock.

During the siege of Boston General Washington consulted congress upon the propriety of bombarding the town of Boston. Mr. Hancock was then president of congress. After General Washington's letter was read a solemn silence ensued. This was broken by a member making a motion that the house should resolve itself into a committee of the whole in order that Mr. Hancock might give his opinion upon the important subject, as he was deeply interested from having all his estate in Boston. After he left the chair he addressed the chairman of the committee of the whole in the following words, "It is true, sir, nearly all the property I have in the world is in houses and other real estate in the town of Boston, but if the expulsion of the British army from it and the liberties of our country require their being burned to ashes issue the order for that purpose immediately."

Some Tough Old Nuts.

Not all centenarians have been paragons of all the virtues. Thomas Whittington, who lived to be 104, was a habitual drunkard, drinking only London gin, of which he consumed from a pint to 1½ pints daily. Philip Laroque went to bed drunk at least two nights in the week until he was 100. At 92 he cut four new teeth. John de la Somet, 130 years old, was an inveterate smoker.

Several famous old people were extremely addicted to matrimony. Owen Duffy, who lived to be 122, married his third wife at 116, "by whom he had a son and a daughter." Francis Hongo, a Venetian, was five times married and was the father of 49 children. At the age of 100 his white hair fell out and a new crop of the original color came in. At the age of 112 he had two new teeth.

A Berlin Scandal.

A Berlin physician of standing says, in a medical paper, that the nurses in the private hospitals are in league with the undertakers, who distribute among them circulars offering as much as $25 by way of gratuity for a good job. He calls the attention of his professional colleagues to this infamous combination, which has been in force, so he declares, for half a century and exists in other large towns. He suggests the employment whenever it is possible of women working in sisterhoods or actuated by some higher motive than the mere pursuit of gain.—Berlin Correspondence.

He Worked In Oil.

Mrs. Million—Oh, so you used to know the Count Macaroni in Italy. He is very attentive to my daughter, you know, and I am somewhat interested in him. He tells me that he worked for 15 years under one of the old Italian masters and that his specialty is work in oil.

Mr. Globetrotter—Yes, that was his profession when I saw him. He was one of the most rapid sardine canners in the place.—London Answers.

Painfully True.

She—So this is your picture? It is a true representation of the dining room of the ocean steamer, but why didn't you introduce some characters?

He—Because that picture is entitled "The Dinner Hour During a Rough Passage."—Stray Stories.

One Boot to Clean.

The French soldier is as easy to lead as a child. His cheerfulness and gay philosophy enable him to endure the greatest hardships without a murmur. All he wants is justice. When he has received his provisions, he straightway goes to weigh his meat, his bread, his coffee, his sugar, even his salt. All he wants is his due, and if he finds that he has not received short weight he is satisfied and cheerful. A kind word from an officer will make him happy, a cigarette offered to him if he is short of tobacco will make a hero of him.

I remember one day passing a young soldier who was being taken to the hospital. His right hand had been shot off clean. "Cheer up, my boy," I said to him, "no more fighting for you. They will nurse you and take care of you."

"Ah, lieutenant," he replied with a look pitiful to contemplate, "how am I to roll my cigarettes now?"

I put a small box of cigarettes in his breast pocket. I shall never forget the expression of gratitude on his face.

In another instance a devoted orderly was pitying his captain whose leg had just been amputated. "Don't cry, old fool," said the captain to him. "I am going to keep you, and in the future you will have only one boot to clean every morning."—Max O'Rell in North American Review.

The Nonchalant Canton Merchant.

Frequently on entering a Canton shop you will find its owner with a book in one hand and pipe or fan in the other and wholly absorbed in his studies. You will be doomed to disappointment if you expect the smoker to start up at once, all smiles and blandness, rubbing his hands together as he makes a shrewd guess as to what he is likely to take out of you and receiving you with obsequiousness or with rudeness accordingly. Quite the reverse.

Your presence is apparently unnoticed unless you happen to lift anything. Then you hear that the fan has been arrested and feel that a keen eye is bent on your movements all the while. But it is not until you inquire for some article that the gentleman, now certain that you mean to trade, will rise without bustle from his seat, show you his goods or state the price he means to sell at, with a polite yet careless air which plainly says, "If it suits you, we make an exchange."—"Through China With a Camera."

Her Idea of It.

"Journalism For Women," a book recently published in England, relates a story of a woman journalist in the north of England who wrote to a London paper for permission to act as its special correspondent during the visit of some royal personages to her town. The editor of the paper, knowing her for a good descriptive writer, gave the necessary authority, with explicit information as to the last moment for receiving copy. The moment came, but not the copy, and the editor had to go to press without it. The next day, no explanation having arrived, he dispatched to his special correspondent a particularly scathing and scornful letter. Then came the excuse. It was long, but the root of it amounted to exactly this:

"I was so knocked up and had such a headache after the ceremonies were over that I really did not feel equal to the exertion of writing. I thought it would not matter."

In a Bad Way Anyhow.

George Ober once overheard some acquaintances in the hotel lobby at Hastings-on-the-Hudson discussing the demise of one Bill Jones, a well known character in that lively country village. Ober immediately joined the group, whereupon the following conversation ensued:

"'Did I understand you to say Bill Jones was dead?'

"'Yep. Died last Thursday.'

"'Is that possible?'

"'Yes, that's right.'

"'So Bill Jones is dead. Well, well!'

"'Yes, he's dead.'

"'Do you know, I can scarcely believe it, poor chap! Poor Bill! I knew him well. So he's really dead, is he?'

"'Well, if he ain't dead, he's in a darned bad predicament. I saw him buried.'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Where They Marry to Kill Time.

One strange feature of Australia social life is the perfectly casual way in which men marry for no ostensible purpose except the purpose of vanishing wearily around the corner immediately after the ceremony. In a Sydney case now on hand the husband, it is alleged, married in 1894 and shortly afterward made his tired, indifferent exit around the corner and never came back. In 1896 he married again and immediately faded away up the street. He never lived with his second wife. When he was arrested on a charge of aggravated harem, he offered no explanation whatever. Apparently he only did it because a fellow must do something.—Sydney Bulletin.

A French Way to Cure Baldness.

A French surgeon announces a novel cure for baldness, which, however, is only within the reach of the wealthy. The first thing is to find some poor, starving wretch with a fine head of hair of the color which the patient desires. The former having consented to part with his hair for a stipulated sum, the doctor scalps the pair delicately and applies the hairy scalp of the subject to the bald client, and vice versa. With luck the graft is said to be a success.—New York Sun.

Theatrical Villain.

Mr. Crimsonbeak—Was there any villain in that play you saw last night?

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—Not on the stage. He sat a few seats from me, though, and insisted upon climbing over my lap to go out between the acts.—Yonkers Statesman.

In France it is illegal to capture frogs at night.

John Milton's Portrait.

John Milton's harmonicall and ingeniose soul did lodge in a beautifull and well proportioned body. He was a spare man. He had abroun (auburn) hayre. His complexion exceeding faire—he was so faire that they called him "the lady of Christ's College." Ovall face. His eie adarke gray. He had a delicate tuneable voice, and had good skill. His father instructed him. He had an organ in his howse; he played on that most. Of a very cheerful humour.—He would be chearful even in his gowtefitts, and sing. He was very healthy and free from all diseases: seldome tooke any physique, (only sometimes he tooke manna:) only toward his latter end he was visited with the gowte, spring and fall. He had a very good memorie, but I beleeve that his excellent method of thinking and disposing did much to helpe his memorie. He pronounced the letter R (littera canina) very hard—a certaine sine of a satyrically witt. Temperate man, rarely drank between meales. Extreme pleasant in his conversation, and at dinner, supper, etc., but satyrically.—Aubrey's "Brief Lives."

Told on Kentucky Legislators.

A member of the late legislature from southern Kentucky was invited one evening to participate in a Welsh rabbit lunch at the Capitol hotel. Dining himself out, he awaited the hour. With that prince of good fellows, Tutt Burman, he walked into the dining room, where coffee and rabbits were served standing. After partaking of one or two and a cup of coffee, he remarked to Tutt: "This is no rabbit. It's nothing but fried cheese and light bread." It is useless to say that member never attended any more lunches.

On another occasion the assembly balls or germans, which were given every Tuesday night, attracted the attention of a mountain member, and he asked, "Whar are all them people goin that are goin up stairs?" Some one remarked up to the german. "The —— you say. Do they let the Dutch dance here?"—Owenton (Ky.) News.

A Glorious Sight.

A very amusing mistake was that discovered by a proofreader in a work written by Dean Stanley. The latter wrote, to use a colloquialism familiar in printing establishments, the "vilest hand" that ever puzzled the compositor. In one chapter the dean was describing a journey to Jerusalem, the frequent recurrence of the name of the Holy City causing him to use the contraction "Jera." Narrating the approach of his party to Jerusalem, Dean Stanley described their ascent up the hills overlooking the city. He pictured in glowing language and striking phrases the effect of the setting sun as it gilded the hilltops in a golden haze, concluding, as the compositor put it, in these words, "And as we slowly turned our faces to the east our eyes met with the glorious sight of Jones."

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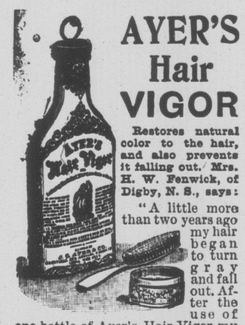
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