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### SENT BACK FOR THE PURSE.

Salesman Used an Empty Wallet to Study Humanity.

Picking up a worn-out, empty pocket-book, a salesman in one of the large dry goods stores the other day thought he would have a little fun with it. He therefore placed it on the counter, half concealed by the goods lying on it. Presently a shopper entered. Her eyes lighted on the wallet as by instinct, and while pricing half a score of articles she endeavored to cover it—quite artlessly, of course—now with her handkerchief, then with her satchel and again with her umbrella. The salesman, without appearing to notice her actions, each time removed the pocketbook out of danger and into light. Finally she adopted new tactics and picked it up, with the remark: "Somebody's left a pocketbook."

"Yes?" replied the clerk interrogatively. "Thank you." And he took the leather and disappeared with it for a moment. Upon his return the woman asked, with a slight show of interest: "Was there much in it?" "Only \$3," replied the salesman carelessly, with the ease of one who has been used to lying all his life. "And who will get it if it isn't called for?" asked the shopper. "The firm," is the epigrammatical response. The woman went out. In ten or fifteen minutes a boy came in and asked: "Was a pocketbook with \$3 found here this morning?" "Yes," replied the salesman, "but it has been called for."

"Oh," said the boy and retired. And the salesman smiled audibly.

### THE SUGAR CANE.

We Have Borrowed It From India, Its Native Home.

The sugar cane and its uses have been known in India, its native home, from time immemorial. It is perhaps the earliest source from which sugar was produced, and all other modes of manufacture have been borrowed from or based on it. The early classical writers knew sugar vaguely as "honey of canes." To the Greco-Roman world the sugar cane was the reed which the swarthy Indians delighted to chew and from which they extracted a mysterious sweetmeat.

It was the Arabs—those great carriers between the east and west—who introduced the cane in the middle ages into Egypt, Sicily and the south of Spain, where it flourished abundantly until West India slavery drove it out of the field for a time and sent the trade in sugar to Jamaica and Cuba. Early in the sixteenth century the cane was taken from Sicily to Madeira and the Canaries. Thence it found its way to Brazil and Mexico, to Jamaica and Haiti. Cane sugar was well known in Italy about the second century and has been common in England since the Tudor period. The strenuous days of great Elizabeth had sugar for their sack, and ginger was hot for the mouth, too, as we all well remember.—Cornhill Magazine.

Some Chinese Baths. A traveler in Mongolia writes: "There are some hot springs by the road about twenty miles north of Chingeng. The place is named Tangshan. The arrangements for those anxious to benefit by their healing properties are very primitive. A row of twenty or thirty wooden boxes the size of an ordinary packing case are ranged beside the road. In these sit bathers of every age and both sexes, with their heads protruding. Attendants with buckets continuously refill the boxes from the springs. For less luxurious bathers there is accommodated in a pool which has been dug out close by. In this they squat, scooping up the water and pouring it over their heads with brass basins. It is curious to reflect that establishments like Homburg and Aix-les-Bains have had their origin in such beginnings."

Beetle Soldiers and Sailors. There are beetles in England, of the family known to scientists as telephorids, that are popularly called soldiers and sailors, the red species being called by the former name and the blue species by the latter. These beetles are among the most quarrelsome of insects and fight to the death on the least provocation. It has long been the custom among English boys to catch and set them fighting with each other. They are as ready for battle as gamecocks, and the victor will both kill and eat his antagonist.—St. Nicholas.

Looking on the Bright Side. The lesson which I have learned in life, which is impressed on me daily and more deeply as I grow old, is the lesson of good will and good hope. I believe that today is better than yesterday and that tomorrow will be better than today. I believe that in spite of so many errors and wrongs and even crimes my countrymen of all classes desire what is good and not what is evil.—Senator Hoar's "Autobiography."

Social Advance. Mother—Are you getting on any, Gertrude? Daughter—Oh, yes, mother. We used to be lumped in with "and others," but now we have climbed up into "some of those present."

Occupation. "Miss Callington complains that she has too much leisure." "Well, why doesn't she take up something?" "She does. She takes up other people's time."

When a man has his picture taken with his family he shows on his photographic face that he was forced into it.—Atchison Globe.

### OAK APPLES.

Form of a Disease Propagated by a Minute Gallfly.

The little brown balls popularly known as "oak apples," which may often be seen growing in clusters upon oak twigs, are not fruit, as some suppose, but forms of a disease which results from the attacks of a minute gallfly (cynips). This little insect, a distant cousin of wasps and bees, is provided with a complicated piercing ovipositor in her tail, by means of which she makes little holes in the tender shoots of the oak, laying an egg in each, and at the same time introducing a drop of irritant fluid. The substance of the shoot is thus stimulated to unnatural growth and produces an oak apple or "gall," which may be regarded as a sort of vegetable tumor and serves as a home for the grub which hatches out of the egg. This can easily be seen by cutting open a young gall, but in an old one the insect has escaped by driving a tunnel to the outside.

The oak is infested by many other kinds of gall. Some are tufted, others look like currants, and others again are the little brown "oak spangles" seen on the undersides of the leaves. Each kind of gallfly leads to the production of a different kind of gall.—London Answers.

### BOWER BUILDERS.

Birds That Construct Gardens For Their Own Enjoyment.

There are five different bower birds—three in Australia, the regent, the satin and the spotted; one in the Papuan islands, the catbird, and one in New Guinea. Their brilliant plumage is golden yellow, glossy black or spotted brown, often with a rose tinted collar. Their bowers are in no sense nests, but miniature gardens, adapted for enjoyment and courtship and set in the eye of the sun. A pavement of equal sized pebbles is arranged, and numberless twigs are thrust firmly between them in two parallel rows, inclined to each other, enclosing an avenue about a yard long and several inches wide.

To decorate this arbor gay feathers, ruddy berries, pearls shells, bleached bones, even watches, knives and other glittering objects, are tastefully placed in and around the entrance. The New Guinea bird, still more of a gardener, constructs a miniature conical summer house, with internal gallery. Before this is a meadow of moss, kept free from grass, dust and leaves, on which bright flowers and fruit are daily offered by the enamored male bird to his mate.

### RIVAL MUSICIANS.

The Earliest International Band Contest Was Held In 1730.

The earliest record of an international band contest is of one held in the year 1730 between the bands of Handel and Buononcini, a gifted Italian composer, who by his friends and admirers was declared to be infinitely superior to the German master. The king headed the partisans of the German and the Prince of Wales those of the Italian artist. The controversy has been perpetuated in the lines of John Byron, a popular poet of his day: Some say, compared to Buononcini, That Myneer Handel's but a ninny. Others aver that he to Handel Is scarcely fit to hold a candle. Strange all this difference should be 'Tiswixt two excellent musicians.

An international band contest on a much larger scale was held in connection with the Paris exhibition of 1867, in which selected bands from Austria, Bavaria, Baden, Belgium, France, Holland, Spain and Russia competed in the presence of 30,000 visitors. Russia took the first prize, closely followed by France and Austria.—London Standard.

Simonides' Delay. "Why should we expect religion," says Sir John Lubbock, "to solve questions with reference to the origin and destiny of the universe? We do not expect the most elaborate treatise to tell us the origin of electricity or of heat. Natural history throws no light on the origin of life. Has Bibliography been proposed to explain existence? Simonides was asked at Syracuse by Hiero who or what God was, when he requested a day's time to think of his answer. On subsequent days he always doubled the time required for deliberation, and when Hiero inquired the reason he replied that the longer he considered the subject the more obscure it appeared."

The Seychelles Islands. The Seychelles islands form an archipelago of 114 islands and are situated about 1,400 miles east of Aden and 1,000 miles from Zanzibar. They rise steeply out of the sea, culminating in the island of Mahe, which is about 3,000 feet above the level of the ocean and is nearly the center of the group. All the islands are of coral growth. The houses are built of a species of massive coral hewn into square blocks which glisten like white marble.

His Reason. Judge—You let the burglar go to arrest an automobilist? Policeman—Yes. The automobilist pays a fine and adds to the resources of the state. The burglar goes to prison, and the state has to pay for his keep.

Her Victim. Nell—You are simply making a fool of young Mr. Saphedde. Belle—Oh, well, I'm probably only saving some other girl the trouble.

To His Credit. He—So you are under the impression that I am a woman hater of the worst sort? She—No, of the best sort. You say you never intend to marry.

### A VERSATILE PRODUCT.

Few Things That Grow Capable of So Many Uses as Corn.

Probably few things that grow are capable of so many uses or are as completely used as corn. The grain is used for food both for human beings and cattle, while the stalks are used as cattle feed. The pits of the cornstalks is used in the manufacture of smokeless powder, in the manufacture of high grade varnish and in the manufacture of paper. The woody portions are used in the manufacture of a cheap quality of paper.

As a food corn is supplied in many forms. The most familiar are as meal, hominy and grits. Practically all the starch that is used in the United States is made from corn. Immense quantities are also used in the manufacture of glucose, which, among other things, enters largely into the manufacture of beer as a substitute for malt.

A large quantity of corn is used annually in the manufacture of whisky, and nearly 15,000,000 bushels are used every year in the manufacture of cologne spirits and alcohol. Even in the manufacture of these products nothing is lost. The glutinous and other residues in the manufacture of starch, glucose, whisky and alcohol are used as cattle feed.

### THE GLUTEUS MAXIMUS.

It Is the Strongest Muscle in the Human Body.

The strongest muscle in the human body is the gluteus maximus. Hardly a movement of the lower extremities can be made without bringing it into play, but its chief duty is to balance the pelvis on the head of the thigh bone. It assists in carrying the leg forward and outward in walking, and without its aid any movement of the body from the hips would be impossible.

As it is the strongest, so is it also the largest muscle we possess. In the full grown man it can exert a force of 110 pounds to the square inch of its section in the thickest part.

Another strong muscle, which is situated in the calf of the leg, is capable of sustaining seven times the weight of the body. The great tendon which is inserted in the heel bone, called tendon achilles, is also of singular strength. When removed from the body, it has sustained a weight of 2,000 pounds, yet sometimes by the sudden action of the muscles of the calf, to which it belongs, it has been snapped across.

### PERMANENT MAGNETS.

The Simplest Way of Magnetizing a Bar of Steel.

The simplest way of magnetizing a bar of steel is that known as "single touch." The bar to be magnetized is laid on the table and the pole of a powerful magnet is rubbed from ten to twenty times along its length, always in the same direction. If the north pole of the magnet is employed the end of the bar first touched will also become a north pole, while the opposite end, at which the magnet is lifted before returning, will be a south pole.

There are other and more complicated methods, known as "divided touch" and "double touch," in which two and even four magnets are employed. A steel bar can also be magnetized by placing it within a coil of insulated wire, through which a galvanic current is circulating. The magnetism induced in this way, however, is weak compared with that which can be procured if the same strength of current is employed through the intervention of an electro-magnet.

"Hamlet" at Elsinore. Shakespearean commentators have wondered why the poet placed the scenes of "Hamlet" at Elsinore, in the island of Zealand, whereas the Danish prince lived and died in Jutland. But the municipal authorities at Elsinore discovered in their archives that an English company was acting in their town in 1587 or 1588, and among the names of the actors are several of those who were acting with Shakespeare in London in 1589. Obviously these actors must have talked about their adventures in Denmark, and so Shakespeare became well acquainted with Elsinore and when he wrote "Hamlet" naturally placed the scene in a place which he knew by description rather than in a place of which he knew nothing.

The General Utility Consul. In those larger towns in Turkey where England is represented by a consul that official is looked upon as a sort of court of appeal by Christians, Armenians, Bulgarians, Macedonians and even Jews, who have probably never heard an English word spoken, will appeal to the British consul when in difficulties, and he rarely refuses his kind offices. In ordinary cases his unofficial backing of the "glaiours" is effective.

Curiosity. "Professor," said Mrs. Noozey to the cranky old professor of archaeology, "what do you consider the most curious thing you ever saw?" "Woman unquestionably," he replied.

Moonshine. An old lady, having been told of the theory of the moon being inhabited, remarked, with emphasis: "Nonsense! What becomes of the people when there is nothing but a little streak of it left?"

Appropriate. A Chicago girl wrote the beauty department of a local paper and asked, "What is good for big feet?" Promptly the reply appeared, "Big shoes."—Houston Post.

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