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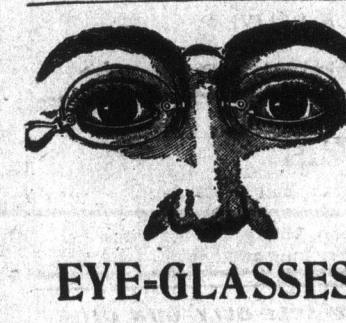
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SIGNS OF OLD LONDON.

Few of Them Now Remains as Reminders
of How When Each Tradesman Tried
to Outdo His Neighbor.

The Magazine of Commerce contains an illustrated article entitled "The Romance of the Sign of Old London." The interesting history of these quaint mementoes of bygone days is written by Mr. Colford. When once the system of signs (writes Mr. Colford) as distinctive trading marks gained full headway, each tradesman tried to outdo his neighbor in the size and glory of his particular advertisement, until the city became one vast display of decorative humor. Later on, by permission of Charles I., every house had its sign hanging from wooden brackets or iron rods fixed into the walls of the house. The streets of old London were narrow, winding and dark. The houses projected as they rose above the highway until one could almost shake hands with a neighbor across the street. These narrow places were filled with long armed signs, ponderous in conception and fantastic in their dress of paint. In storm and wind they groaned and twisted on their rusty hinges, hindering ventilation, lowering the night hideous, and becoming an absolute menace to the traveler on the street.

In 1762, after many people had been killed by the falling of lumbering things, an Act of Parliament compelled their removal, and they were to be placed on a level with the wall, or carved in stone and set into the structure. This struggle of illiteracy to make a literature in trade makes a story of surpassing and perpetual interest. Those who could, advertised their name by a rebus; thus a hare and a bottle stood for "Harebottle," and a cock for "Cock." Those who could not employ a rebus adopted pictorial objects, until they had ransacked the heavens above and the earth beneath. In due course of time the occupant would move from his place of business and leave his sign behind him, and a trade of another order would then be carried on, writing in The Spectator, enjoins every shopkeeper to make use of some sign that bears some affinity to the wares in which he deals. A tailor at "The Lion," a cook at "The Boar," a shoe-maker at "The Rose and Pig," are reproached by the author, who adds, "and yet, for want of this regulation, I have seen a Goat set up before the door of a perfumer, and the French King's head at a sword cutler's." And then he goes on to enumerate signboard absurdities. When we ever see such a combination of incongruous objects as "The Bell and Nail's Tongue," "The Dog and the Gridiron," "The Fox and the Goose" have met, but what have "The Fox and the Seven Stars" to do together, and when did "The Lamb and the Dolphin" ever meet, except on a signpost?

The time has long gone when the streets of London were filled with blue boars, black swans, red lions, flying pigs and hogs in armor, together with many creatures more extraordinary than any in the dictionary of Africa. To study that history is to read the literature of the English people doing business at their great London office at a time when they knew not their alphabet.

England Not on the Map.
A British minister has just been sent to Bolivia, and this is the first representative England has had in that country for nearly 40 years. The last diplomatic agent sent there arrived at the capital on a feast day and immediately applied for an audience with the president. It did not suit His Majesty to receive ministers on that particular day, so he sent word for the Englishman to come around some other time. This rebuff rather nettled British dignity, and the president was very much surprised to receive a note a little later, saying that the accredited representatives of Great Britain were not accustomed to being put off on pretexts by presidents or any one else. Then the president got ruffled. The upshot of the matter was that the British minister was tied to a mule, head backward, and driven out of the country in this undignified attitude.

When the outraged Englishman finally reached a cable office, he communicated the account of his woes to the British Foreign Office. The story goes the official in charge, without taking the trouble to look up Bolivia's geographical position, ordered a battleship to the scene to insist upon proper amenities being made for the insult. This was a gross joke, for the reason that Bolivia is an inland country and has no port at all.

When the British head of foreign affairs got down his map to look up Bolivia, he took his pen and scratched a line through it, thus severing all diplomatic connection with it. When the President of Bolivia heard of this several months afterward, he retaliated in smart fashion. A United States firm were getting out some new geographies for Bolivia, and he wrote them: "Leave England blank on maps in our school books." This was many years ago, but there are still many of those old geographies in circulation, which show no British red.

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