



Joker's Corner

UNIQUE SCHEME FOR SAVING

Here is a story which Secretary of War Dickson, who is from the south and a student of the negro, tells of how a colored man planned to save money when his brother died.

The darkey went to the station agent in his little town, which was about fifty miles from Memphis (Tenn.) and asked solemnly: "Boss, how much is it to fetch a corpse from hyuah to Memphis?"

"Well, boss, how much is it to fetch a corpse on a round trip from hyuah to Memphis?"

"This information was also given, but the agent added: 'I never heard of carrying a corpse on a round trip.'"

"Well, boss, you see it's dis way," explained the darkey. "Dis hyuah corpse is my brudder, an' we got a lot ob kin folks up in Memphis. All dem kin folks would come down hyuah to look at the corpse an' they would jes' eat me outen house an' home. I thought I'd save money by fetchin' dis corpse up dar in lettin' em take a look at him. Den I could bring him back and bury him quiet an' peaceful."

A VETERAN'S YARN.

The veterans were recalling war scenes. One story did tread upon another's heels, so fast they followed, and imagination increased with each recital. Finally came the turn of Old Uncle Dell, former private in all Illinois regiment.

"We was all lined up ready to begin the Battle of the Wilderness," he said, "when old Grant came riding down the line to my regiment and called out: 'Is Lieut. Dell, of Illinois, here?'"

"I happened to be back in the rear, superintendin' bringin' up some ammunition, and the colonel told him I would soon be back. Grant rode away an' came back a few minutes later.

"Is Lieut. Dell here yet?" he inquired. They told him no, an' he rode away with his brow kind of clouded.

"The third time he came a-tearin' down the line, staff rattlin' along behind, and called out, 'Is Lieut. Dell, of Illinois, here?'"

"Here, general," I says, and he whirled around and yelled, 'Let the batt's begin.'"

SCARCELY CREDIBLE.

The tramp looked shrewdly at Miss Sparhawk, and she returned his gaze with equal shrewdness, but her expression did not soften in the least.

"You see, it's like this, ma'am," said the tramp, humbly, lowering his eyes until they rested on Miss Sparhawk's congress shoes, neatly showing below her short skirt. "Six months ago I had a little home of my own, but I made an unfortunate marriage. My wife's temper was such that kept me in hot water all the time."

AN UNNATURAL MOTHER

The wife of a literary man of the Indiana school, who had taken up chicken raising as a side issue, was telling of the poor success she had with a brood of eleven chickens. "They seemed to be doing all right for a few days," she said, "and then, one after another, they all died in the coop."

HER SCORE.

"It is very detrimental to the conversation if you play bridge while talking. A gentleman once entered a room and walked up to a lady who was deeply engrossed in correcting her score. 'How d'ye do, Mrs. So-and-So?' he exclaimed. 'I have just met your children with the nurse. By the way, how many have you got?'"

The lady looked up and replied: "Sixteen above and twenty-four below."

Cotton Combines and Reciprocity

(Moncton Transcript.) "At Windsor, N.S., the people are making a loud protest because a cotton mill has been closed. In this they are very unreasonable. Surely, if we are going to have reciprocity we must not complain of a trifling such as the shutting down of the factories in which so many of our people are employed."—Toronto Mail and Empire. As a matter of pure national economy let us consider what high protection of the cotton industry, with municipal exemption from taxes and other forms of public support, has done for us. Let us take up a Canadian Year Book of recent date. We will find that in 1891 there were in Canada twenty-three cotton goods factories, employing 8,535 wage earners, and producing an output of \$8,741,724. In 1906 there were twenty factories, 10,214 employees, and an output of \$14,223,353. Mark the small increase in the number of employees as compared with the increase in the value of the output.

In 1906 the total wages of the cotton workers were \$3,153,895—an average of \$310 a year. In the same year the imports into Canada of manufactured cotton goods amounted to \$8,350,631, on which a duty of \$2,015,000 was paid. Assuming that the wholesale price of the home-made article was no less than the article imported—a reasonable assumption in view of the fact that retail prices were the same—Canadian consumers paid for their protection to the cotton industry more than \$5,500,000 of which only \$2,016,000, or the duty collected on imports, went into the government treasury. The balance went into the pockets of the manufacturers. That is to say, the Canadian consumers paid over \$5,500,000 more for their cotton goods than if they had had reciprocity in cotton and had been able to buy their cotton goods in the open market of the world. Or to put it in another way, the Canadian consumer, in addition to his contribution to the government on cotton goods' account, was held up by the cotton manufacturer to the tune of \$3,500,000 or more than the cotton manufacturers paid in wages to their employees.

The combines have grown so greedy that they have stultified protection and defeated the two chief ends of protection—the keeping out of foreign goods and giving employment to home labor. If in 1906 the consumers of Canada had been permitted to buy their cotton goods on an open market, they could have paid the employees of the cotton industry, better wages to do nothing than the manufacturers paid them to make cotton goods, and still have been \$2,000,000 to the good.

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GRAFTING A CHEEK.

The final stage in the operation of making a new cheek for a patient at Guy's Hospital from the skin of his arm had been completed.

The patient had a large part of his right cheek and upper jaw cut away in the removal of a growth six years ago. A flap of skin was partly detached from the right arm and made to cover the sunken part of the cheek by stitching it to the side of the nose and mouth. To keep the skin flap, which drew its blood supply from its remaining attachment to the arm, in place, the arm had to be plaster over the head and fixed in a plaster cast in that position. In the eighteen days since the skin flap was sewn to the side of the face enough new blood vessels have sprung up between it and the underlying tissues to render the blood supply from the arm vessels no longer necessary.

The last operation, therefore, consisted of removing the plaster cast, cutting the flap away from its remaining attachment to the arm and fitting it into position over the rest of the denuded area on the face.

No stitches were needed, the antiseptic dressings applied and the new firm attachments to the nose holding the flap in position. The arm would also be treated antiseptically, the arm, somewhat stiff, but apparently none the worse for being fixed so long in such a cramped position, being laid comfortably at the patient's side.

In another eight days it is expected that the flap will have taken firm root, new cells springing up from the two opposed raw surfaces and knitting them into one. Little scar will be left to show that practically the whole of the right cheek is composed of skin tissues removed bodily from the right arm.

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MIRACLES NOT LAWLESS

Sir Oliver Lodge gives objectors to miracles a pretty hard jolt in a late talk. The objectors usually are much concerned for law and they are equally determined to regard miracles as a violation of nature's laws. But Sir Oliver says that miracles need be no more impossible, no more lawless than the interferences of a human being would seem to a colony of ants. The distinguished scientist then adds that "the Christian idea of God always have involved and always will involve, an element of the miraculous, a controlling of human destinies by higher and benevolent agencies."

Sir Oliver has been a scientist for forty years, and this is the conclusion, he says, to which his long studies and observations have brought him. In other words his study of matter has not so tangled him up with its laws and forms that he can see no more room for action on the part of any other force in the universe. The veteran scientist has seen so many things done with matter by the application of mental force that he can not escape the conclusion that the Supreme Mind also can do things when there is a reason for it. And he sees a reason for it when a higher and beneficent purpose is to be served. No doubt Sir Oliver would say that it would be a violation of reason to hold that after the Creator had made a universe he must lock himself up in it and stay there as helpless as the least and weakest of his creatures.

But there is nothing new in this view, except that it is one of the last words of science. The great Christian leaders, who discussed the subject at all, never have thought of miracles being performed simply to startle or astonish the natives. They always have coupled them with a supremely high purpose, with that beneficent and vast plan of human redemption which runs through the Bible.—The Advance.

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4. You cannot get more butter fat in the milk by pounding the cow over the back with the milking stool.

5. If, after you kick the cow, she kicks you, thank her. It is simply a reminder that you have a bad habit, and, worse still, you are teaching the cow bad habits.

6. As a general rule, when you see a cow kick, make up your mind that someone kicked or struck her first.

7. When the owner passes behind his cow in the barn and the animals fly first to one side of the stall, then to the other, with a wild blue glint in their eyes, make up your mind that the poor animals think that he is only another species of dog.

8. When you see a man step in between his cows to milk them and roughly shove the animal over to the other side of the stall with the yell, "Get over, can't you," just watch the cow wind him one across the ear with her tail, and it serves him right.

The Civil War in Mexico has ended with the resignation of President Diaz and Vice-President Corral. Gen. Madero, the leader of the revolutionists, becomes provisional president.

MYSTERIOUS DREAMS.

Phantasms of the Night That Have Caused a Sensation.

The interest in the general election in the British Isles gave way to the sensation caused by the evidence given by Mr. Claude Sawyer in the Waratah case. Mr. John Dickinson, who conducted the Board of Trade inquiry into the mysterious disappearance of this liner between Durban and Cape Town last June, said at the close, "I heartily congratulate you, Mr. Sawyer, on being alive and being here to give evidence." Mr. Sawyer told that three or four days before the ill-fated vessel reached Durban, he had a dream, which was most unusual. "He had booked a first-class passage from Sydney to Cape Town by the Waratah, and he seems to have felt anxiously before leaving Australian waters. Three times he had a dreaming vision of a man in a peculiar dress, who was holding in his right hand a bloody sword. 'The second time it came, I thought, 'I will know it again'; and the third time I looked at it so intently that I could almost design it, sword and all, even now. Next day I mentioned the dream to a gentleman, and he said, 'It's warning.' Then I began to think why I should be warned, and I was anxious to leave the ship." He left it at Durban.

Perhaps the strangest story of a dream told by George Burrows in the opening pages of "The Bible in Spain." "I was bound for Lisbon. We passed Cape Finisterre, and, standing farther out to sea, speedily lost sight of land. On the morning of the 11th the sea was very rough, and a remarkable circumstance occurred. I was on the forecastle, discoursing with two of the sailors. One of them, who had but just left his hammock, said: 'I have had a strange dream, which I do not know like for, continued he, pointing to the mast, 'I dreamt that I fell into the sea from the cross-trees.' He was heard to say this by several of the crew besides myself.

A moment later the captain of the vessel, perceiving that the squall was increasing, ordered the top-sails to be taken in, whereupon this man, with several others, instantly ran aloft; the yard was in the act of being hauled down, when a sudden wind whirled it round with violence, and a man was struck down from the cross-trees into the sea, which was working like yeast below. In a short time he emerged. I saw his head on the crest of a billow, and instantly recognized in the unfortunate man the sailor who a few moments before had related his dream. I shall never forget the look of agony he cast whilst the steamer hurried past him. The poor fellow was a fine young man of about twenty-seven, the only son of a widowed mother. He was the best sailor on board, and was beloved by all who were acquainted with him."

May Knight Women.

In olden days they were not so chary of recognizing feminine services. The abbesses of great nunneries used to be "knighted" and even now there are a few remaining young ladies who are "knighted" annually by reason of being the Chanoinesse of a religious order.

At present in England there is something anomalous in the fact that a man takes all the titles, stars, and ribands, as well as place, power, and money, and allows the women folk to toil all their lives at inferior salaries and with no hope even of those ornamental rewards, such as coronets and orders, to which human nature is so persistently attached.

It has been whispered, though, that the two ladies who have been elected Mayors of English towns, will be knighted during this coronation year, precisely as their masculine counterparts will receive this honor at the hands of King George.

The idea should be persistently dwelt on, as the circulation of such a rumor may lead to the founding of some order—with a title attached—which can be bestowed on eminent women, whether married, single or widows.

Reprobate's Disturbed Slumber.

Dr. Armstrong Robinson, Dean of Westminster, who has been transferred to the Deanery of Wells, Somerset, a position which will not entail such a strain upon his health as life in the Metropolis, was the last canon appointed by the late Lord Salisbury, and the first dean to gain preferment under Mr. Balfour's regime as Prime Minister.

Dr. Robinson is a scholar of the first rank, and is an impressive preacher. He does not mince his words when he wishes to drive home a point, and beneath a somewhat austere appearance there lurks a refreshing capacity for humor.

One of his best stories is about an old reprobate who had decided to repent, and announced to everyone that whatever wrong he had done should be made right. So one of the villagers to whom he owed a big sum of money, went round to his cottage at midnight to demand it. "But what did you come at this hour for and wake me up? Why not wait until tomorrow?" asked the old sinner. "I came early," said the other, "to avoid the crush!"

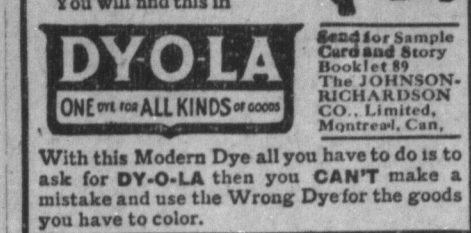
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