

[FOR THE CRITIC.]
DOUBLE ACROSTIC.

1. One hundred thousand ; also, a gun.
2. A dentifrice.
3. One of the New England States.
4. One versed in race studies.
5. One of the "ills that flesh is heir to."
6. A system of torture to which hen-pecked husbands often submit.
7. 43, 560 square feet.

My whole, when its real, makes life bright and glad—
But oh ! when unreal, how sullen, how sad !
Untried, to most people 'tis all lovely and fair ;
Yet by some it is dubbed a delusion and snare.
To the guesser, if single, this may seem absurd,
To such, magic hands round one four lettered word,
That word and three others—one large and two small—
Will give you my whole if you get it at all.

F. A.

THE CRITIC will be sent free for one year to the person giving the only correct answer to above puzzle. When two correct answers are sent in, THE CRITIC will be sent free for six months to each of those answering correctly. Answers should arrive at CRITIC Office before Tuesday P. M., marked answer to puzzle.

Answer to Double Acrostic published last week :—

CAMELIA
UNSEEN
PAIN
LOZEN
DIALOGUE

TIT-BITS.

CHARADE.

1. Strong meat for men, but not for babes.
2. "Fair to see—the pearl of minstrelsy."
3. "Nobody asked you, sir, she said."—Milkmaid.

Openness of heart and gentleness of manner are always engaging.

A penitent's tear is an undeniable ambassador and never returns from the throne of grace unsatisfied.

Whatever stress some may lay upon it, a death-bed repentance is but a weak and slender plank to trust our all upon.

It is the cause and not the death that makes the martyr.

A punctual man can always find time, a negligent one never.

Have habits of order, system, regularity, and also promptness.

In all worldly things that a man pursues with the greatest eagerness and intention of mind imaginable, he finds not half the pleasure in the actual possession of them as he proposed to himself in the expectation.

"Bridget, did you hear the door bell?" "Yes'm." "Why don't you go to the door, then?" "Shure, an' its nobody to see mo. I'm not expectin callers to-day."

A couple of days after the Revised edition of the Old Testament was issued, a colored purchaser inquired for a Bible in one of the leading Hartford bookstores, and was shown a number of styles. After looking them over he selected one, inquiring by the way if it was the Reversed edition. "No, sir; it is not," replied the proprietor. "It is the old book." "Well," continued the colored purchaser, "I don't want the Reversed edition. The old one is good enough for me."

A watchmaker in Newcastle is said to have completed a set of three gold shirt-studs, in one of which is a watch that keeps excellent time, the dial being about three-eighths of an inch in diameter. The three studs are connected by a strip of silver inside the shirt bosom; and the watch contained in the middle one is wound up by turning the stud above, and the hands are set by turning the one below.

On one occasion when the celebrated comedian, John Bannister, was presented to an English woman proud of her ancestry, she inquired of a wit of the day standing at her side, "Who are the Bannisters? Are they a good family?" "Yes," replied the wit, "very good indeed. They are closely connected with the Stairs."

"Day" as a surname has led to many a joke besides those of the New Hampshire deacon and his 6 week days and one Son Day. A Rev. Mr. Day, six feet three high, wedded a cousin 5 foot nothing; upon which it was remarked by a man never before known to be guilty of a joke: "The age of miracles has not ceased. Here is the longest Day and the shortest Day come together."

A member of the same family used to boast she could spell her christian and surname both in two letters—her name was Ellen Day—"L & A."

Another declared—he was never "in the dark"—he enjoyed "perpetual Day."

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