

Interesting Items.

The lack of male heirs among leading English military men is remarkable. Lord Wolseley has but one child, an unmarried daughter, Lord Roberts has now no son. Lord Kitchener is a bachelor, and Sir Redvers Buller, who once was regarded as quite in the running for hereditary distinction, has an only child—a daughter.

James Brazil and Mrs. Aggie Turner of Cashion, Oklahoma, have created a record by being married three times in one day. They first sought the probate judge at Kingfisher, Oklahoma, and as there was a contest over the office they got both the candidates to marry them. Not feeling satisfied as to the legality of the ceremony, they returned to Cashion and were married again by a minister.

Martin J. Cass, a man of fifty, has sought and obtained the protection of Judge Carpenter's Court, in Milwaukee, against the wiles of a Miss Ormond, who insists on marrying him whether he desires it or not. He avers that he loves her passionately when in her presence, and that her letters exercise complete sway over his mind, but that when the influence of both has departed he experiences the utmost loathing for the woman.

A funny story is going around in New York concerning a very sportily inclined debutante who is extremely fond of a lute-a-tete. At a recent reception she and one of her men friends, not finding a more convenient place, ensconced themselves in a big mahogany wardrobe in one of the halls, where she was finally discovered by her chaperon, who was looking for her wraps. Not in the least disconcerted, the girl said: "Isn't this a nice quiet place? Won't you come in and join us?"

According to "Truth," a delightful method of dealing summarily with female kleptomaniacs of gentle birth prevails in certain West End shops. Every lady detected in the act is given the option of being prosecuted in a court of law or birched by the manageress, a person specially selected for her birches. The birch is a formidable one. In a shop alone, it is said, 20 ladies have accepted the ordeal of the birch, in addition to two young girls of foreign nationality, who, in consideration of their tender years, were treated to a milder form of chastisement.

The "Indian Daily News" (Calcutta), in describing the Durbar great state ball in the Dewan-i-am, says: "Lord Kitchener took part in the state lancers, dancing with Mrs. Bourdillon. His knowledge of the figures was of the vaguest description, and, in consequence, whenever the call 'Sides' was given, all he succeeded in doing was to tie himself and his partner in the most absurd knot, to the intense amusement of the others in the set and of the large crowd looking on. The hero of Khartoum was beaming with delight, and so he blundered through to the end. When the music ceased he was in the middle of the room, looking for his partner, and laughed heartily when she came up and found him."

Aphorisms.

Cherish your enemies. You may need them as an antidote to your friends.

The man who says he has never told a lie has just added another to the list.

There is nothing perfect in this world—not even a perfect failure.

The things you buy for "next to nothing" are generally worth it.

A truism is a truth so true that it makes you feel tired to hear it.

How many of us good Christians cherish the secret hope that when we get to heaven we won't meet there some of the people we used to know on earth?

A nation does not pay for the end, become one, yet the population increases.

New rendering—the classes and the masses.

It often happens that the richer a man becomes the less he is worth.

The greatest foe of liberty is not the tyrant, but the contented slave.

Honor women, for only from honored women can free men spring.

What we know as history is mostly prejudice in a retrospective mood.

The type of the miser for all time was the dying man who blew out the candle, saying he could see to die in the dark.

The Story of Adam and Eve.

The two compositions which follow were written by two-girl pupils of the New York public schools, and their authenticity is vouched for in the New York "Evening Post."

I.

God made the first person that was a man this man wanted a lady so when he went to sleep he cut out a rib and made a lady. There were a lot of fruit trees and one was an apple tree.

God said they may eat all the fruit but not the apple tree and those two people were forbidden not to eat the apples on the tree and Eve took some of the apples and gave them to Adam Adam ate them and they stayed down his throat.

God saw that some one had been eaten the apples Adam said that Eve gave it to him, and those two people were had to work for their own living.

II.

God made Adam he was fast asleep when God took the side bone and made a woman The woman's name was Eve She was Adams wife. God said they should go to the orchard and get all the fruit they wanted but do not touch the apple plant so Eve took one of the apples and gave it to Adam. He ate it they was a snake that told them that God said that those apples are not to be touched, so God looked down at Adam and said Didn't I say you should not touch them apples So Adam said Eve gave me it so said you must leave this orchard So Adam and Eve left it and Angel gied them out the angel had a saw in his hand.

Dreams.

Men counted him a dreamer? Dreams are but the light of clearer skies. Too dazzling for our naked eyes. And when we catch their flashing beams We turn aside and call them dreams. Oh! I trust me every thought that yet In greatness rose and sorrow set— That "time to ripening glory nursed, Was called an "idle dream" at first. —Ernest Jones.

"Idi" mused the simple fellow, spelling out the word on window of the restaurant, "that's ice—On, that's on, of course—parle, Oh! that's talk, and, of course, the other word's French. French talk on ice! Wish I understood it—always heard it was pretty warm."

Fortune Telling

does not take into consideration the one essential to woman's happiness—womanly health. There is many a woman whose future seems absolutely unclouded who is marked by her own condition for future disappointment and distress.

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THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

THE MINSTRELS.

The plan for the big Football Minstrel production is now open.

The curtain on Monday evening will rise at 8:15 sharp and the program be proceeded with.

See the souvenir programs now being distributed.

THE GLICK STOCK CO.

The Glick Stock Company presented the California Detective, a sensational play of merit. The fire scene in the first act being a really fine effect. The play being a strong one, the company was seen at its best and gave the best of satisfaction.

James Godley in the dual roles of Gerald Grey and Joe Blossom being up to the standard of this really fine actor's ability. M. J. Kennedy as Lester Blake, Robert Turner as Mosier the Jew, Davis as Furbish being again well cast; Geraldine Godley as Blanche the Orange Girl, and Ella La Fleur as all that could be desired; from the bands of this clever little lady the meeting of the lovers in the third act, Bethoven Joe and Miss La Fleur being particularly strong and created much applause. Miss Bannister as Kittie Loraine and Miss Glick added greatly to the success of the play. Again the singing of the sweet matinee Saturday at 2 p. m.; 10c to all parts of the house, the funny play Wanted A Baby and specialties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—

Feb. 23—Glick Stock Co. for the remainder of the week.

March 2—City Football Club Minstrels, local production under the musical direction of Wm. H. Brackin.

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Were you ever troubled with food and gas rising in your throat? Have you ever had an evening spoiled by the objectionable matter coming between you and an agreeable conversation? When it was the greatest of agony to keep it down and the height of bad breeding to do anything else?

Have you bewailed the fate that doomed you to such torture? If you did, you were wrong. It's not fate at all, it's your own stupidity. Others have been in a similar fix and have got out of it. How? Simply by using Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. They are so pleased they are telling others about it every day. W. H. Harmer, of Avonmore, N. B., is one of them. Listen to what he says:

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No man can tell whether he is rich or poor by turning to his ledger. It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich or poor according to what he is, not according to what he has.

Curious Bits of News.

At the International Congress of Americanists Dr. A. F. Chamberlain, formerly of Toronto, described the contributions of the Algonquin Indians to the spoken and written English of America. More than 130 of our words, he said, had this origin. Among the more common of these words are chipmunk, hickory, hominy, mugwump, powwow, racoon, skunk, squash, Tammany, terrapin, toboggan, totem and woodchuck.

Recent statistics prove that the United States possesses the most polyglot press in the world. Outside journals published in English (or American-English) it has been ascertained that there are 743 published in German, 63 in Swedish, 60 in Norwegian, 39 in French, 38 in Czechish, 37 in Italian, 37 in Polish, 37 in Spanish, 19 in Hebrew, 16 in Dutch, 12 in Slav, 8 in Finnish, 6 in Portuguese, 6 in Lithuanian, 5 in Armenian, 5 in Hungarian, 5 in Croatian, 4 in Chinese, 2 in Japanese, 2 in Greek, 2 in Latin, 2 in Russian, 1 in Iroquois, and one in Gaelic. Babel must take second place to this.

It may be doubted whether the dictates of fashion have ever led to anything more cruel and repulsive than the practice described in a French medical publication as the one adopted to procure those sinister-looking animals whose fierce and hideous attitudes are reproduced in the jewelry worn to-day by fashionable Parisian beauties. The artist who provides these morbid designs lives in a village near Paris, and in different cages keeps cats, rats and many other animals whom he slowly starves to death. Though he lives among his victims, the artist has grown callous to their cries, and as the wretched animals writhe in their agony he gets the horrible and fantastic forms he desires for the jewelry destined to adorn the beautiful women of the French capital.

A telephone church service, whereby hundreds of people can listen to the services while at their own homes, has recently been instituted in an Indiana town. Those who listen can distinguish every word, and the result is altogether satisfactory. "This is the future of all our social services," writes E. P. Powell in "Christian Register." "In my own house my sons frequently play the violin and organ for a grouping of a dozen or more families scattered over a radius of two or three miles. The music is heard as perfectly in the most remote house as in the nearest. In the same way the women of a circuit have established telephone tea-parties. At a certain hour they sit down to their phones, drink their own tea, and distribute the gossip." Imagine how each one puts in an extra lump of sugar!

The case of Judge Campbell of Virginia, who horsewhipped the Rev. Mr. Crawford, is again before the courts. One of the witnesses, John L. Lea, described as a leading criminal lawyer of Lynchburg, gave testimony which throws some light upon the peculiar social relations which the duello creates in the South. On the cross-examination the defendant's counsel, Major Conrad, questioned him as to his personal relations with Campbell. "I prefer not to go into that matter," he said. "I regret, Mr. Lea, that I am instructed to insist," said the major. Then the Lynchburg lawyer answered the question as follows: "My relations with Judge Campbell have been rather peculiar. Some ten or twelve years ago, during the time of my service as commonwealth's attorney, I was forced to shoot and kill his father. I was promptly arrested, promptly tried and promptly acquitted by a judge and jury whose integrity has never been called into question. For months afterward Judge Campbell and I did not speak. Finally Judge Campbell came to me, held out his hand, and said he didn't blame me for what I had done and that he wished to be friends. I was placed in an embarrassing position, but, of course, I shook hands with him, and since that time we have been friendly in a way. There was never any intimacy between us."

As Business Developed.

"But why," asks the lawyer for the defendant of the eminent handwriting expert, "are you so cocksure that your decision on this chirography is correct?"

"Sir," replies the expert with some dignity, "I have had the 'p's' examined by my consulting oculist, the 'p's' by my gardener, the 'b's' by my agent, the 'c's' by a retired ship captain, the 'e's' by a tramp that I picked up some time ago, the 'h's' by a globe-trotter who has done England, the 'j's' by a professional buccoman, the 'k's' by a scientific cheese-maker, the 'g's' by the best teamster I could find, the 'f's' by a renowned musician, the 'l's' by an elevator railway president, the 'm's' by the president of the typographical union, the 'o's' by three shrewd bill-collectors, the 'q's' by a Chinese savant, the 't's' by one of our leading importers, the 'v's' and 'x's' by a committee of bank cashiers, the 'w's' by a green-apple grower, the 'y's' by a few members of a college faculty, and have relied on my own judgment as to the rest."

"Your honor," said the lawyer, "we have no further questions to ask."

"Judge."

Names of Teas.

In the Canton dialect, "Pekoe" means "white hair," and for this kind of tea the very youngest leaves of all are gathered, so young that the white down of babyhood is still upon them—whence their name. "Congo" means "labor;" considerable trouble and labor are taken in its preparation at Amoy, and these are perpetuated in its name. "Bohea" is named after a range of hills in Fokien. "Soochong" expresses no sentiments, but a bald fact, being Cantonese for "the small kind." "Hyson" signifies "flourishing spring."

Uncomfortable.

Finnish—I wonder why it is that those who attain the pinnacle of success never seem to be happy? Cynics—Because the pinnacle of success is like the top of a particularly tall lightning-rod with a particularly sharp point, and those who succeed in perching temporarily upon it usually find that they are targets for all the world's lightning—"Town and Country."

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London	"	"	"	"
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Kingsville	"	"	"	"
Walkerville	"	"	"	"
Dresden	9:05 a	11:00 a	5:40 p	
Wallaceburg	"	"	"	"
Sarnia	"	"	"	"

Arrive at Chatham—From Blenheim, Ridgeway, Kodney, West Lorne, Dutton, St. Thomas, London, 9:05 a. From Leamington, Kingsville, Walkerville, 11:05 a. 8:30 p. From Dresden, Wallaceburg, Sarnia 9:45 p.

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*9.07 p.m. for Detroit, Chicago and west EAST.

*8.32 a.m. for London, Hamilton, Toronto, Buffalo.
*1.45 p.m. for Glenora and St. Thomas.
*2.23 p.m. for London, Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo and New York.
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