

# POOR DOCUMENT

## Circus Clowns.

HOW THE STYLE HAS CHANGED—WHAT HE MUST DO AND WHAT HE SAYS.

"Has the system of consolidation shown under acres of canvas made any change in the business of the clown?"

"It has changed it a great deal. In old times a talking clown was the monarch of his profession. While this style was the rage Nat Austin was a great success, but the big shows killed him, and no one ever hears him now. There is no use trying to talk from a rink to 10,000 people and the managers have found that out. In the big shows now, if a clown was to make a hit in talk, he has to talk to his audience in sections. I do it frequently. I begin on one side of the ring, lose a gag at them, and when they begin to laugh, skip over to the other side to give the people there a show for their money. But now-a-days a 'knock-about' clown who tumbles through the tricks and falls all over himself and everybody else in a clever make-belief that he can't possibly do feats performed by the leopards and gymnasts. Talk won't win any more. The clown must act to catch an audience in the big tents. And it is harder work to talk or act in a ring than it is upon the stage. You don't feel as if you were removed from the people at all. There they are all around you, and a fellow actually seems to feel the weight of the crowd when he runs into the ring, and finds the people stretching right down on to him from the highest seat to the edge of the circus. Now, while we are talking about audience, I am going to tell you something that you may not be ready to believe; I've always found it easier to catch an audience in the cities than in the country towns. The cities are fields for talking clowns. You can hit them with a little conundrum, and they'll laugh and applaud. You've got 'em, and your work is easy. But in the country, conundrums don't go. There they want to see the clown do something, and they never let up on him until he does. A story that would go in the city slick as grease you couldn't shoot into a country audience, so as to catch a laugh, with a 15-inch cannon."

"How do you rank the salary list in the profession?"

"The clowns and the riders receive the largest salaries. I have known clowns to be paid as much as \$500 a week, and as little as \$25 a week for the season, which always lasts twenty-six weeks, if the sheriff don't get the show in the meantime. Performers of any note have little reason to fear a loss of their salaries in these times, however. The big shows all have too much property to let the bottom fall out, and about the only sufferers are the Jim Crow performers, who have to go with six by nine shows or leave the business. The average salary of the clowns who are worthy of the name will run from \$75 to \$100 a week; yet few of them save any money. They are high-livers when in prosperity, but as a class they do not drink to excess. The money goes through."

"And then what becomes of the clown when he grows old?"

"Well, a clown lives about as long as anybody, and, as a rule, he manages to get enough together to buy a little farm to retire to when he is too old for the ring. Clowns have a great fondness for farms to do on. That's about what happens when he buys a farm. About as soon as you hear he has got it you hear of his death. I am not quite ready to get a farm yet, myself."

BALDNESS.—Dr. Dio Lewis accounts for the baldness of men in a simple way—

their habit of keeping the head constantly covered. He says you never see a man lose a hair below where the hat touches the skull. It will take off as clean as you can shave it down to exactly that line, but never a hair below, if he has been bald fifty years. The common black stiff hat, as impervious as sheet iron, retains the heat and perspiration. The little hair glands, which bear the same relation to the hair that the seed wheat does to the plant above ground, become weak from the moisture and heat, and finally become too weak to sustain the hair. It falls out and baldness exists. A man with a good head of hair needs very little protection where the hair grows. "And yet," says, "two men wear immensely thick fur caps, and what amounts to sheet-iron hats, and do not dare step out in a chilly atmosphere a moment, lest we take cold. It is silly, weak, and really a serious error. The Creator knew what He was about when He covered a man's head with hair. It is a very important function in protecting the brain. Baldness is a serious misfortune. It will never occur in any man who wears such a hat as I do, a common white silk hat, with 500 holes in the top, so that there will be more holes than hat. This costs nothing; the latter will do this when you purchase your hat. If the nap be combed back the wrong way, and after the holes are made it may be combed the right way, no one will observe the peculiarity. The hat will wear quite as long—the latter say considerably longer—because it is dry instead of moist; in short, there is not a single objection to it, while it will certainly prevent baldness, keep the top of the head cool, and prevent much headache."

There is a London mania for fancy pins. One Hungarian had a collection of 800, which he recently sold to a dealer.

## Novel Cure for Neuralgia.

A TENNESSEE PHYSICIAN'S EXPERIMENT WITH ETHER SPRAY.

In the spring of 1869 we had the most severe attack of neuralgia which has been our lot to witness in more than eighteen years of practice: for two weeks we had to confine ourselves to a darkened chamber, and the lightest footfall on the floor caused us the most excruciating agony. All the remedies, local, general, regular, and irregular were tried without any abatement of the trouble. One side of our face was terribly swollen, so much so that it was impossible to extract a decayed molar, to which we charged all our suffering, and it seemed as if we were destined to shuffle off this mortal coil by exhaustion from pain and want of sleep. We finally concluded to incise the swollen jaw, thinking there was an abscess about the root of the decayed tooth, and as the parts were so extremely sensitive, and, moreover, having a vague dread of chloroform, we thought we would try local anesthesia by evaporating ether on the surface until the part was frozen. Our attendant complied with our instruction, and the spray was turned on. The first sensation was one of cutting pain, gradually subsiding until when congelation took place we felt perfectly easy, and ordered the cutting operation deferred. Then for fifteen hours we slept the sleep of the righteous, and when we awoke found the *rubor et tumor, color, and calor* entirely vanished, and we arose and went about our business; and to this good day, although we carry a perfect cabinet of curious teeth in our mouth, have never had a neuralgic twinge or touch of that "hell o' a disease," a toothache. Well, to be honest about it, we did not at the time give the freezing process any credit for the cure; we thought the attack had about spent its force and was going to act well anyway; and we paid but little attention to the matter for a year or more, when a relative, Capt. Harris, was visiting us, and took a spell of neuralgia, which he had for over a year been periodically afflicted with rarely passing a month without an attack. To give him present ease, for we did not think of any permanent benefit, we tried the spray all along the track of the affected nerve, and relief was immediate, and, he has since informed me, permanent. Since then we have used it in fifteen or twenty cases with uniform success, never having to make more than two applications, and it came to be a stock remedy.

Now we must confess that all this sounds very much like the story of the superannuated clergyman who accidentally, while in the West Indies, discovered a cure for consumption, only we don't want any one to send a stamp for particulars. Any physician can purchase a hand-ball atomizer for \$1.50, and try it. They may use either rhigolene or ether, and it will only be necessary to let the spray play upon the part until the skin turns white. We promised to offer no theory for its action, but we will venture this opinion: That the intense cold, by the revulsive effect, causes a complete change in the nutrition of the nerve; what this change is we will not at present venture to assert, only hoping that others who have better opportunities will give the matter a trial and fully test it.

A Little Damp

"Have we had any rain in Indiana this spring?" he echoed, as he turned in his seat.

"Yes."

"Well, it's been a little damp out there," he softly answered. "The day before leaving home I had to hang up 28 of my ducks. They had become so water soaked that they could not swim. During the month of April it rained 29 different days."

"What about the other days?"

"Oh, that was the day on which it snowed twenty-two straight hours."

"How is corn?"

"Well, I planted mine in two feet of water, and 'tween you and me I don't expect over thirty bushels to the acre."

"Wheat looking well?"

"Tolerably well, but the steurgeon and catfish are doing considerable damage."

"Didn't you get any dry weather in May?"

"There was about fifteen minutes one day when it tried to clear up, but I hadn't commenced to bring out the sheep before the rain came down again."

"Grass must be good?"

"Shouldn't wonder, but can't say. When I get back I'm going down in a diving bell to see."

"Got your potatoes in?"

"Not yet; I've got them loaded on a scow, and the scow anchored in the field in three feet of water."

"Then the prospect looks gloomy?"

"Not any, sir—not any. I've got an ark almost ready to sail, and if it will only rain for another week I'll be the best fixed man in Indiana."

Out of twenty New York doctors who were asked to give an opinion of ice water, seventeen declared it a right as a beverage. The other three have all the practice they can take care of.

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