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How the Hotel Clerk Could Spot Them Every Time.

"Do tell us how you can spot them so quickly," said one of the girls who had been standing near the hotel clerk who was relating some of his experiences, taking it all in. "then I shall know what to do and how to conceal my identity as a bride when I come to Quebec sometime—perhaps," she laughed.

"Well, there are ways and ways of telling," said the clerk confidently. "Some brides always wear new shoes even with their last season's traveling suit; then others have a whole new outfit from top to toe; of course if they have their gloves on, we can tell by a new and shining wedding ring."

"There was a bride here last week," he grinned, "who thought she was going to fool every one; she wore old clothes and carried a battered old traveling bag. Her shoes showed signs of wear, and even her wedding ring was old—probably her mother's. She didn't call her husband 'dearest,' nor give him any languishing looks; she even went off and left him to smoke alone, while she sat on the other side of the room and read a book. She knew how many lumps of sugar he took in his coffee and didn't blush when the English waiter called her 'Miss,' and if the thing hadn't happened nobody would have known but what she had been married five years."

"But after she'd been here two or three days, she came up to the desk one evening and asked if a parcel had not come for her from the furrier's. Said she'd been expecting one since the day before, and they said down there that it had been sent, but it hadn't been sent up to her room, and she thought I must have overlooked it."

"What was the name?" I said, as I went to look over the heap of boxes waiting to be delivered. Mrs. C. C. W., she said. I looked them all over. "None here, ma'am," I said. "There's only one from the furrier's you mention, and that's for Miss Hayward." "Oh," she said, "That's mine!" Why, how's that? I began, when she turned red as a beet and said, "I-I forgot and gave them the wrong name; you see, I have only been married since Thursday," and she snatched the box from me and fairly ran to the elevator, not even waiting for me to ring for a boy to take it up for her."

"Now, wasn't that a nice giveaway?" he grinned, delightedly. He went on to give other whys and wherefores, but they shall not be given here for the best of reasons, namely the initiated already know how to tell a bride, and the uninitiated ought to learn by experience, and not from a newspaper."

Why an Indian Paints His Face. Every paint mark on an Indian's face is a sign with a definite meaning, which other Indians may read. When an Indian puts on his full war paint, he docks himself not only with the honors and distinctions won by his own bravery, but also with the special honors of his family or tribe. He may possess one mark of distinction only, or many; in fact, he may be so well off in that respect that like some English noblemen, he is able to don a new distinction for every occasion. Sometimes he will wear all his honors at one time. Then he is a sight worth traveling far to see.

Among the Indian tribes is one designated by the symbol of the dog-fish, painted in red on the face. The various parts of the fish are scattered about on the surface of the face: the long snout is painted on the forehead, the gills are represented by two curved lines below the eyes, while the tail is shown as cut in two, and hanging from either nostril. When only one or two parts are painted on a man's face, it is an indication of inferiority; when the whole animal appears, even though in many odd assorted parts, the signs indicate a high rank.

Very peculiar are some of the honorable symbols painted on the Indians' faces. There are fish, flesh, and fowl of all kinds—dog, salmon, devil-fish, starfish, wood-peckers, eagles, ravens, wolves, bears, sea-lions, and sea monsters, mosquitoes, frogs, mountain goats, and all manner of foot, claw or beak marks—each with a special meaning of its own in the heraldry of the woods and plains; however little they signify to the white man's eyes.

Analysis of Canned Meats. The analysts of the Marine Department have just completed an analysis of 99 samples of canned meats. Of this number one meat in three others it was slightly spoiled, and the remaining 94 were in good condition. One of the slightly-spoiled samples contained boric acid. With this exception all samples containing preservatives were found to be in good condition. The only preservative discovered was boric acid, which was found in 21 samples, representing the products of W. Clark & Company, Montreal; Canadian Packing Co., London; Laing Packing Company, Montreal, and Bardsley & Sons, New York. In no case did the quantity of boric acid found exceed the limit fixed by the British Parliamentary commission, viz., .05 per cent., and in most cases it fell markedly below that amount.

Northwest Colleges. Edmonton's Methodist College is assured. It is to bear the historic and honored name of McDougall, and Professor Riddell, of Winnipeg, has been chosen for Principal. The college seems destined to be denominational. Its promoters are anxious to have a residence one of the features. The Western Canada College, at Calgary, has made a fair start, but the Presbyterians who launched the scheme have abandoned the modified form of denominationalism which was at first proposed for it. The Presbyterian Church, none the less, is distinctly friendly to the project.

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OUR SICK HEADACHE.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

John H. McMulken, a prominent resident of Indianopolis, N.B., was drowned. The strike at the Bell Organ & Piano Co.'s factory at Guelph has been settled. William Woodard, aged fifteen years, was drowned at Tillsonburg while bathing.

John Shaver, 84 years of age, was killed at Harrison on the Ottawa & New York Railway crossing.

The made-in-Canada exhibition will be opened at Hamilton to-day by Lieutenant-Governor Clark.

A Norwegian jailbird named Larson was sentenced to seven years in penitentiary at Kingston for stealing cattle.

Premier Combes of France was received with a show of hostility while unveiling a monument to Ernest Renan at the latter's birthplace.

A report that the White Star Line would withdraw from the International Mercantile Marine Company was denied by officials of both lines.

The body of Hugh Mann, who was killed while experimenting with his track-laying machine on the Canadian Northern, has been shipped east for interment at Acton.

The physicians of the late Pope Leo now say that he died of tuberculosis cancer, but Cardinal Rampolla forbade them, at the time, to state the nature of his illness.

A special excursion train on the Wisconsin division of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railroad ran into a washout at Kempton, Wis., early on Saturday, and three passengers were killed and a number of others hurt.

Between October 6 and November 20 Mr. Chamberlain will address eight meetings on the hustings at great political centres such as Glasgow, Greenock, Leeds, Newcastle, Liverpool, Birmingham, Cardiff and Tynemouth. Mr. Asquith will speak as a protagonist of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. He will make the first address on October 8, and will hold six other great meetings between then and November 24. This will be followed by a series of addresses in the south-west of England.

The autumn manoeuvres in Limousin, France, where General de Negrier with an army corps is putting into practice his ideas of tactics for the future, derived from lessons of the Boer war, are resulting in marked success for him. He has during the operations outmanoeuvred, outfought and beaten General Langlois, his adversary, who steadfastly handled his own army corps in accordance with tactics prescribed in France and Germany, the absolute futility of which General de Negrier is demonstrating by actual manoeuvres.

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WOMEN.

The London Express prints this poem with a double reading. Read it as it stands and woman is highly flattered, but read alternate lines (one and three, two and four of each verse) and the sentiment is very much the reverse:

Happy a man may pass his life
If he's directed by a wife;
If free from matrimonial chains
He's sure to suffer for his pains.

No tongue is able to unfold
The virtues in woman you behold;
The weaknesses that in woman dwell
Are almost imperceptible.

In woman's heart you'll see appear
Truth, daring of a heart, sincere;
Hypocrisy, deceit and pride,
In woman never can abide.

A QUEEN'S FAVORITE.

Story of Roger Mortimer, Who Conspired Against Edward II.

Roger Mortimer, after being one of the most zealous adherents of Edward II., conspired against him, and was sent to the Tower. Having escaped to France, he subsequently, with Queen Isabella, the wife of Edward, made a descent upon England. Edward was taken prisoner and murdered in Berkeley castle, his son, Edward III., being placed upon the throne in his fifteenth year. For three years Mortimer exercised absolute power in the name of the young monarch. He assumed a splendor even outwitting royalty, and, like all favorites, grasped at riches and honors. At length the conduct of the Queen-Dowager and Mortimer came so openly scandalous that young Edward resolved to take action. The guilty couple resided in Nottingham castle, where every precaution was taken to secure their safety. A strong military guard was placed at the gates at night, while the keys were conveyed to the Queen. Elated, the governor, however, had been won over to the side of the young King. By him, Edward's followers were admitted through a passage under the castle still called Mortimer's Hole. Making their way to the bedchamber the party burst open the door and killed two of Mortimer's friends who attempted to make a defence. Queen Isabella rushed in terror from her bed, imploring her "sweet son" to spare her "gentle Mortimer." Her tears and entreaties for "her worthy knight, her dearest friend, her beloved cousin," were in vain. The Lord of the Marches and dictator of the Kingdom was led away in custody, and on the morrow brought before Parliament on the charges of having usurped the Royal power, of having procured the death of Edward II., and for many other crimes and misdemeanors. In the infamy of the times Mortimer was not allowed to make any defence. He was declared at once guilty from the notoriety of his crimes, and was hanged at the Elms, near London, on Nov. 29, 1330. Edward then took the Government in his own hands and shut his mother up in her house at Rising, her allowance being reduced to £3,000 a year.

Sketch of Lord Brassey.

Lord Brassey, President of the Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, recently held in Montreal, was born Feb. 11, 1836, son of the late Thomas Brassey, one of the contractors of the Grand Trunk Railway. He was educated at Rugby and afterwards at University College, Oxford, where he obtained the degree of B.A., with honors in the history school. He is also a D.C.L. (hon.) and M.A. of Oxford, and was called to the Bar in 1860. Having entered politics, he was first elected Liberal M.P. for Devonport in 1865, and later represented Hastings from 1868 to 1886, when he was raised to the Peerage. Among the positions he has held are President of the Statisticians' Society, 1879-1880; Civil Lord of the Admiralty, 1880-1883; Secretary to the Admiralty, 1883-1885; served on Royal Commission on Unseaworthy Ships, Defence of Coaling Stations, Relief of Aged Poor, Chairman of Opium Commission; Lord-in-Waiting, 1894; President of the Institution of Naval Architects, 1892-1895; Governor of Victoria, 1895-1900. Lord Brassey married first in 1861 a daughter of Mr. John Allnutt, who died at sea on the Sunbeam in 1887; second in 1890, a daughter of Viscount Malden. Among his publications are:—"Work and Wages," "Naval Annual," "British Navy," "Five volumes," "British Seamen," "British Work and Foreign Wages." Among his recreations are yachting and hunting, and it was on the famous yacht Sunbeam that he came to Canada.

Matthew Arnold's Test.

At Dean Stanley's Mr. McCarthy used to meet many famous men and women. In which connection he recalls how on one occasion the Dean, taking the hand of a new arrival, said: "Come here, Matt, and let me bring you face to face with the man who says you are only a miniature Goethe." The new arrival was Matthew Arnold, to whom Mr. McCarthy had applied this expression in his history. But it was somewhat embarrassing to have the fact recalled in this way. Matthew Arnold, however, happily relieved the situation by the observation: "If you could only convince me that I am a miniature Goethe, how proud you would make me!"—Westminster Gazette.

Six to One.

A well-known English surgeon was imparting some clinical instruction to half a dozen students who accompanied him in his rounds the other day. Pausing at the bedside of a doubtful case, he said: "Now, gentlemen, do you think this is or is not a case for operation?" One by one the students made their diagnosis and all of them answered in the negative. "Well, gentlemen, you are all wrong," said the wielder of the free and flashing scalpel, "and I shall operate to-morrow." "No, you won't," said the patient, as he rose in his bed; "six to one is a good margin; gimme my clothes!"

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