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A Noteworthy Race.

The population of St. Kilda, the most westerly of the inhabited Scottish Isles, is a unique one in many respects. The people are the most lonely in the United Kingdom, there being very little communication with the mainland and sometimes not for months at a stretch. Socially the islanders are practically a commune. If the head of a household is injured or loses his life among the rocks, his widow and family share in the proceeds of their labor as if he were there to take part in it. If family illness prevents any one joining in the day's work, he is asked to stay at home, and his interests will not be lost sight of. All questions, complaints, etc., are determined by their mode, or local parliament, whose judgment is final. Early morning conferences usually determine the day's tasks.

St. Kildians are a most industrious and active as well as a religious people, and on the island at any rate the vexed problem of church attendance has been solved. Every man, woman and child capable of leaving the household goes regularly to church, and only some serious disability will keep any person at home.—Scottish American.

Influence of Children.
Childhood in its weakness is often a strength that resists the strain of all the passions, and that holds even when deep hatred exerts its power to drive asunder.

"If it were not for the child, I would not live with you another day," I heard an angry husband say to his wife, when righteous indignation drove him nearly to distraction.

That was quite a number of years ago, and now they have two more children to strengthen the bond between them. This little episode of domestic infelicity was recalled by some statistics that recently emanated from Berlin and which speak volumes.

These statistics have been carefully gathered from the divorce courts, and show that out of 1,000 divorces 540 were granted where there were no children, 214 where there were one child, 139 where there were two children, 65 where there were three children, 25 where there were four children, 12 where there were five children and 10 where there were six children.

He Wasn't Too Deaf.

Deafness is largely a matter of habit, says a writer in the New York Press. I know men who cannot hear you two feet away, though you bawl at them, yet at the distance of a block they will grasp your faintest whisper. Some are deaf for convenience, some for fraud, some for hypocrisy. Beware of the deaf man. One of the noted deaf men was old Matt Griffin, long ago an assemblyman from Griffin's Corners, Delaware county, N. Y. By courtesy deaf members receive front seats in the assembly, while others usually draw lots. When old Matt was excused from drawing a fellow member hotly protested. "But the old man is as deaf as a post," said the house leader. "Deaf!" exclaimed the protestant. "Matt Griffin deaf? Why, bless your honest soul, he could hear a ten cent tinplate rattle in a bag of feathers!"

The First Iron Ship.
The first iron ship has more reputed birthplaces than Homer, according to Chambers' Journal. Both the Clyde and the Mersey claim pre-eminence in this respect. Sir E. J. Robison of Edinburgh designed an iron vessel in 1816, which was not launched till three years later, and it is said that an iron boat was worked on the Severn even as far back as 1787. Steel was not used in the construction of merchant ships' hulls until 1859. Old salts were not alone in their belief that wood was meant by Providence to float, but iron to go to the bottom. A naval constructor of some repute once said: "Don't talk to me of iron ships. They are contrary to nature." Now none but small craft are built of wood in England.

The Poor Dog.
A Parisian clothes dealer kicked a dog out of his shop. The dog shot out with some rapidity and knocked over a woman with a jug of milk. The woman broke the jug and upset an elderly gentleman, and the jug cut both of them. At that moment a cyclist arrived and was thrown off his machine by the prostrate figures, and simultaneously a cart came up and smashed the bicycle. The magistrate blandly advised the entire squad to proceed against the dog, and they are now looking for it.—London Globe.

Pleanty on Hand.
"You would get along a great deal better if you didn't get so excited," said the calm man to his irascible friend. "Can't you learn to keep your temper?" "Keep my temper! Well, I like that!" retorted the other. "I'd have you understand that I keep more temper in one day than you have in your possession during a whole year!"

It Wasn't All in Him.
"Johnny," said his mother severely, "some one has taken a big piece of gingerbread out of the pantry."
Johnny blushed guiltily.
"Oh, Johnny!" she exclaimed, "I didn't think it was in you."
"It ain't all," replied Johnny; "part of it's in Elsie."

Two Problems.
"Dorothy always begins a novel in the middle."
"What's that for?"
"Why, then she has two problems to be excited over, how the story will end and how it began."

Fortune smiles on the few. To the majority she gives the laugh.
Necessity is the argument of tyrants. It is the creed of slaves.—Pitt.

Lame Back for Four Months.

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Loved a maid whom his father, em-
phatic,
Forbidden him to wed.
"Tis the style!" the prince said,
"For combines to be Morganatic!"

Her Achievement.
"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Perkins, "you know you said we ought to put something by for a rainy day."
"Yes."
"Well, don't you think this bargain rain coat is perfectly lovely?"

Farseeing Man.
"Mean!" exclaimed the museum freak. "Why, he's so mean that he broke his engagement to the two head end girl because he was afraid of her millinery bills."

The Original Girl.
She's quite original, they say.
A blithe and winsome elf;
She plays Beethoven in a way
He didn't know himself.

Quite Necessary.
"Well," said the plain citizen, "there are always two sides to a question."
"Of course," replied the diplomat, "otherwise how could we dodge it?"

Good at a Bad Thing.
Bill—That man is a horrible liar.
Jill—Oh, I don't know. I think he's very good at it.

Didn't Try Both.
Chased by a dog, I climbed a tree.
My trousers are a sight to see!
I am constrained, therefore, to write,
"The bark was far worse than the bite."
—University of Michigan Winkler.

The Epilogue.
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Early Political Platform.

It is in the seventeenth century that the first beginnings of the platform must be sought, but these early traces of its use are very slight. That there must have been some little employment of it in a demagogic way may be inferred from the "Characters" of Butler, the author of the ever memorable "Hudibras." He describes "a leader of a faction" as one who "sets the psalm, and all his party sing after him. He is like a figure in arithmetic—the more ciphers he stands before the more his value amounts to. He is a great haranguer, talks himself into authority, and, like a parrot, climbs with his beak." It is probable, moreover, that the first form of the platform was the conventicle or meeting house of the Puritan or Dissenter, for Butler, in his character of "The Seditious Man," says that "if he be a preacher he has the advantage of all others of his tribe, for he has a way to vent sedition by wholesale." But the platform at this time was of no practical account. Such attempts as there were outside parliament to influence opinion were made by means of the press, partly by the book, partly by the pamphlet and partly by the journal.—C. B. Roylance Kent in Longman's.

The First Lawbook.
The well known Assyriologist, Dr. Hugo Winckler, published an account of the legislation promulgated by King Amraphel of Babylon, which, so far as is known at present, was the first book of laws ever given to the world. King Amraphel lived 2,250 years B. C. and is mentioned in the Bible as a contemporary of Abraham, so that his statutes were drawn up fully five centuries before the laws of Moses. They number 282 and contain the following:

"If a woman who sells beverages gives bad value for the money paid her, she shall be thrown into water."
"If a wife be a spendthrift or if she otherwise neglect her duties, her husband may put her away without compensation, but if a man put away his wife for no other reason than that she has no children he shall return her whole dowry."
"If a betrothal be rescinded, the man shall pay the woman compensation."
"A widow with grown up children may not marry again without permission from a judge."—London Express.

Two Kinds of Wag.
In an Iowa law court an attorney was arguing with great earnestness and eloquence. In the midst of his argument he paused a moment, says the Green Bag, and said:
"I see your honor shakes his head at that statement. I desire to reaffirm it, although your honor dissents."
"I have not intimated," replied the judge, "how I should construe the evidence or what my decision will be in the case, and your remark is uncalled for."

"You shook your head," the court replied. "There was a fly on my ear, and I reserved the right to remove it in any manner I saw fit. Proceed with your argument."

Caleb Cushing's Dress.
Caleb Cushing's peculiar manner of dress and his eccentricities were frequently the subject of newspaper articles. Although quite a large and portly man, his clothes always seemed to be two or three sizes too large for him and of the cheapest material. He always during both summer and winter wore a large cloth cap pulled close down on his head and altogether looked anything but the brilliant jurist and diplomat. One day, after reading an unusually caustic comment upon his dress, he remarked to the writer, "I guess by the time that fool is as old as I am he will care more for comfort than fashion."

Seen on an Ostrich Farm.
It is no uncommon thing to see a male ostrich strutting about followed by three or four distinct broods, all of different sizes.—When the incubating process is completed, the cock bird leads his young ones off and if he meets another proud papa engages in a terrific combat with him. The vanquished bird retires without a single chick, while the other, surrounded by the two broods, walks away triumphantly.

Gave Himself Away.
After preaching on the occasion of the reopening of a restored church the bishop thanked the churchwarden, an old farmer, for his share in the good work. "And I must thank your lordship for your sermon," was the reply, "but I could not help thinking, as you talked about sin, that your lordship must have been a little wildish yourself when you were a young man."

Contentment.
One who had tried several times to jump across a stream and had repeatedly fallen in finally succeeded, when he said to a friend, "How much better I am than you in having accomplished a difficult feat."

"Not at all," replied his friend. "I am better than you in not wishing to jump across."

The Difference.
"What a luxury a clear conscience is!" exclaimed the high minded statesman.
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "it's a luxury, but it isn't a necessity."

She Advised.
He—I'm in love with a charming girl, and I'd like to ask your advice.
She—I'm willing to help you all I can.
He—Well, would you advise me to propose to you?

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