

that notwithstanding the kindest heart in the world, the suave manners of the member for Rural Dell are but a veneer that the too honest man beneath rubs off at awkward moments with a liability to let all sorts of cats out of family bags. But I had my way, and persevered with wonderful results, and can proudly say that to-day I lead society in Rural Dell, and give the best entertainments, am frequently asked to head subscriptions and be a lady patroness when one is required to lend the weight of purse and influence. I might go into greater detail, but I find after all I have forgotten if I ever struggled for a position, though I do remember being very active in church matters, and forming desirable acquaintances at sewing societies and thanksgiving teas, and how history does repeat itself. I have to be most particular in crushing the advances of pushing people one meets at these semi-public gatherings, though I am obliged to be polite to more people than suits my exclusive nature, for fear of losing votes for my husband.

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A POINTER FOR HENRY GEORGE.

Here's a perfect antidote to Poverty—the three T's: Toil, Thrift, and Temperance! Specific compounded by W. R. Huntington, D.D.

POINTERS IN MYTHOLOGY.

(FROM THE BACK OF GRIP'S NEW DICTIONARY).

BRIAREUS. Seems to have introduced the use of the briar-root pipe into Greece. He had a hundred hands; but fortunately for the men of that time, poker-playing was then an unknown art.

ORION. Thought by some to be identical with the piper that played before Moses,—cf. Petzholdt, Anson, Epigr., V., 323. Supposed to have emigrated to Ireland, and to have founded the illustrious house of the O'Ryans.

ARGUS. Used to make it a practice to write stupid letters to all the newspapers of the prehistoric age,—sometimes signed them "Veritas," and "Constant Reader."

CENTAURS. A kind of mounted police. Commonly called "cents," in the mythical age. Compare our use of the word "cop," a contraction of "copper." Both these names were originally bestowed as an indication of value.

DELPHI. Famous for its crockery and porcelain.

PROCRUSTES. A baker, who refused to employ union men.

IO. Changed into a cow,—hence Io, the cow. Nowadays a man says Io the pump, for it is largely to the pump that we owe the modern milk supply.

PRIAM. The first housebreaker.

CALLIOPE. An ancient *prima donna* who made a great reputation as a whistle on a tug. She afterwards joined a circus.

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A MEDICAL PHENOMENON.

"HELLOA, Wigglesworth!" exclaimed an Austin man, meeting an acquaintance on the avenue; "you are as grey as a rat. What's the matter with you?"

"It's terrible, isn't it? Last night I experienced a severe fright, and my hair turned to its present silvery hue immediately."

A few days after this the Austin man again encountered Wigglesworth wearing beautiful, resplendent, coal black locks.

"Why, Wigglesworth, what's the meaning of this? The last time we met your hair was snow white, now it is dark as the raven wing."

"Yes; you see my hair turned grey from sudden fright. Yesterday, a man paid me ten dollars he had been owing me for a long time, and the pleasurable emotions were so violent that they turned it back again to its original color."—*Texas Siftings.*

TORONTO'S FAME.

"I have just returned from abroad; and while away I often heard of Toronto—of its instincts for order and peace," etc., etc.—*Sir A. Campbell's speech on reception.*

"BEGORRA, ye've got the wrong word," says O'Brien, "If its inshtinct for 'peace' they shpoke av, they're lyin'! Look at Lalor's shop windys—remember the mob Wid their brickbats,—its inshtinct for 'pieces,' be gob!"

LORD LAWDEDAW ON THE TRUE BASIS OF THE COLONIAL CONNEXION.

Aw—I obsehve undah the above heading a wemahk-able sensible ahticle in last Saturday's *World*. It is, aw—anent the connexion with the—aw—Mother Country, and the witah of the ahticle shews—aw—cleahly that the twue bond of connexion is not commauce—aw—sentiment naw anything in fact that we have hithehto supposed it to be. The—aw—bond is—aw—a *human* bond. Aw—that is to say, that the pwopah spehah of Canadians is to bwedd and waise *men* law wah puhposes. That is—aw—in the case of Bwитай engaging in war, instead of Canada supplying her share of money—she could supply—aw—*men*. Now it stwikes me this is an excellent pwoposition. Bwитай has, befaw now, as this witah twitely wemahks, hired faweign mehcenawies to win her battles. Now why not make mehcenawies of her own sons? Aw—there is sound political economy in this—aw—idea. In the ffirst place it must be plain to the most supehfical obsehveh, that when Canadians get thowoughly imbued with the idea that they are being raised as soldiers faw the use of Bwитай—aw—it will at once put an end to this absuhd cwaze faw highah education. A fellow who feels that he is being waised and fed and taken care of genewally—as food for cannon or a target for the most impwoved style of wiffe, is not likely to be very ambitious faw higher education. Again—we are continually hearing of ovehcwowed pwofessions—well, a dwaft on! Canada