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WANTING TO FLY.

Aerial navigation has become a fad. The civilized world goes in for these things in regular succession. The last was the automobile, but it has passed the experimental stage and has become an important factor in travel and transportation. But it has not reached this stage without the preliminary developments which always attend such new devices. Men, women and children who knew no more about gasoline and control levers than elephants do of climbing trees acted as their own chauffeurs to the great delight of undertakers and to the sorrow of innocent pedestrians. But the automobile has come to stay and under proper regulations is now proving of value. Since it is no longer an experiment and as the world is bound to have something about which it knows little or nothing, balcons and airships have become popular. Indeed the first international aeronautic congress is now in session in London devising rules and regulations to govern races. In all the countries of the civilized world baloon sheds dot the landscape and would-be inventors full of hydrogen gas, designs for light motors, and high hopes, are sinking their money in oiled silk and skeleton frame works. One man has developed a machine which with a flying start can travel 100 yards. Another manages to go one-third of this distance at the rate of 100 miles an hour. Somebody else took up a load of sixteen people the other day and dropped them so suddenly that the ambulance drivers were kept busy for an hour. Alexander Graham Bell is experimenting with a new fangled kite while his enthusiastic wife is contributing money to another inventor who is proceeding on a different plan. Everybody wants to fly but why on earth they should have such a longing is a mystery. People never were intended to fly or they would have had wings, no more than fishes being without legs are supposed to walk. But it is human nature to be looking for something that we should not have, and people will not be satisfied until they travel by baloon from Montreal to London.

There will be little objection to the new schedule of rates to be charged for water. This department should certainly be self supporting, and the fact that a deficit has been created, even though this is due to exceptional expenditures, indicates that in the past the rates charged have not been quite sufficient. There should be enough money on hand to meet occasional outlays of this nature and the Board of Water and Sewerage is fully justified in asking the consumers to pay a little more than they have been paying.

The statement printed in The Star today showing the expensive result of Conservative interference with dredging contracts is only a fair sample of the methods by which the country's business is disturbed. The loss to Canada in this year's dredging will amount to fully $200,000, simply because Mr. Borden and a few of his friends were not satisfied to permit the work to be done under last year's prices. The same group of obstructionists are causing the country the loss of some thousands of dollars a day by holding up business in parliament. The effect of their policy is noticeable and feeling is such that after the coming general election there will not be a sufficient number of Conservatives left in the House to move the adjournment of the debate.

Britain is making efforts to improve its present system of treatment of criminals. Home Secretary Gladstone has introduced in the House of Commons a bill aiming to reform habitual criminals by conciliatory treatment. He believes that the present system is sufficiently deterrent for from 50 to 60 per cent of the prisoners, but is useless for two classes of offenders, viz: those who prefer to live by crime, and those who are criminal owing to mental or physical deficiency. The former have no regard for the present method. They refuse all efforts made in their behalf and are determined not to engage in honest employment. The bill proposes to follow penal sentences by a period of detention until the authorities are sure that persons will live honestly and until age or infirmity incapacitates them from resuming a life of crime. Mr. Gladstone briefly expresses it that the system is based on hope, and not fear, and that under it time will enable the man to effect his own release.

The Provincial Government has appointed Hon. D. V. Landry, W. W. Hubbard and George E. Fisher to be the Commission on Agriculture. So far as is known the intention in creating this commission is to study conditions in agriculture existing in this Province, to ascertain the needs of the people in the various districts, to find in what ways the farmers are deficient in their methods of work and to study those features which have in other provinces proved successful in order that improvement may be made at home. No doubt opportunity exists here for valuable work. It is to be hoped that the newly appointed commission will find itself capable of dealing with the subject.

It was the day of the ball game, and Willie, the office boy, approached the head of the firm and stammered, "If y-you p-p-pl-please, sir—"

"Come hurry up!" said his employer. "If you have anything to say, say it. Don't take half a day."

"But that's just what I was going to ask you if I could take," said Willie.

Edith—And how is Maud getting along with young Brown, that new beau of hers?

Ethel—Don't be talking! Brown is so dreadfully green, poor Maud is quite blue.

"What is your opinion of prosperity?"

"Well," answered the improvident man, "my opinion of prosperity is that it is something for which I am expected to give three cheers because some other fellow has it."

The minister knowing how fond Pat was of wine, offered him a small wineglassful, and said: "Pat, that wine is 100 years old."

"Faith, it's small for its age, then," said Pat.

Weekie—So Slippsy is a defaulter, eh?

Deekie—So they say.

Weekie—By George, I always wondered why he said, "Thank you," so pleasantly every time I made a deposit.

While a penurious grocer was telling his new boy how careful he must be a fly settled on a bag of sugar. The grocer caught it and threw it away. The boy then said:

"If you want me to be careful you are setting me a bad example."

"Why?" asked the grocer.

"Because," said the boy, "you have thrown the fly away without brushing the sugar off his feet."

Would-be Tenant—But there are holes in the roof!

Landlord—Well, I can't help that. If you can't afford a few umbrellas don't take the house.

HANG UP YOUR WATCH.

The question whether it is better to wind a watch at night or in the morning was discussed at a meeting of the British Watch and Clock Makers' guild. The London Express took up the subject and obtained the views of George Russell, an expert on timepieces. "Given a good watch it does not matter in the least whether you wind it at night or in the morning," he told a reporter. "But a watch never keeps the same time when the position is constantly altered. Watches which are sent to Kew and which are tested in several positions rarely keep the same time. The moral to be drawn, therefore, is keep your watch as much as possible in the position in which you wear it during the day. In other words, hang your watch up at night."

SO HE COULDN'T TELL.

"Is it true, pa, that the most sensitive part of the human body is the tip of the tongue?"

"I don't know, my son. Nobody ever stepped on my tongue the way they have on my corns."

BETTER THAN ORATORY.

he Secret of One Clever Lawyer's Unvarying Success.

One of the most common defects of a recently admitted lawyer is a striving for oratorical display. A successful older practitioner endeavors, on the other hand, to give the jury a heart to heart talk. he ways of an eagle in the air, of a serpent upon a rock, of a ship in the midst of the sea and of a man with a mail are as A B C compared with the methods usually pursued by the twelve good men and true. It seems a trifle odd at first that a dozen individuals who separately are shrewd, sharp business men should collectively be guilty of the most absurd performances, but the fact must be reckoned on nevertheless.

A story is told of two farmers who were returning home, one of them from jury duty in a neighboring town. "Lawyer Smith is a great orator," said one—"a perfect Daniel Webster. My, how I hated to decide against him in the three cases he tried!"

"How about Lawyer Jones, who was on the other side?"

"Oh, shucks! Why of course he wins all his cases. I heard every one of 'em, and they were the simplest things. He just explained things to the jury. He didn't have to do any hard talking at all. You couldn't help but agree with him."—Success.

MARRIAGE BY HALTER.

Among ignorant people of English birth it was once the belief that a wife bought with money or goods was legally married if the purchaser led her all the way home by a halter.

Mr. Baring Gould, the English antiquarian, told of a village poet known to him, who bought a wife for a half crown and led her twelve miles to his cottage. The squire and the rector protested to the village poet that he was not legally wedded.

"Why, yes, I be," he replied. "I'll take my Bible oath I never once took the halter off till she'd crossed the doorsill and the door was shut."

The latest instances of such wife sales occurred in 1858 and 1859, when women were sold in Little Horton and in Dudley. In these cases a blue ribbon took the place of the straw halter.

PARIS, June 1—The first international congress of cotton spinners and manufacturers opened in this city today.

LONDON, June 1—A busy social week opened here today with King Edward's last levee of the season at St. James Palace. There was a large gathering of diplomats present.

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SOME OF THE ODDEST TYPES OF WEDDINGS

The bridal couple who appeared at the altar in an English town the other day costumed like a cavalier and his lady of the days of the "Merry Monarch are certainly more to be complimented on their taste than a Pennsylvanian nuptial pair whose lives were linked decently while the bride was garbed in a dressing-gown and her future lord and master was glorious in pyjamas.

But the range of bridal attire is as large as in some cases it is grotesque. At a wedding at Rugby, England, some years ago, green was the only wear. The bridegroom, a widower, who was making his third experiment in matrimony, appeared in coat, vest and trousers all of a vivid emerald, his lady was radiant in a gown of the same color, and the solitary bridesmaid was also arrayed in green.

AMERICAN CROESUS.

Even less conventional was the attire of an Englishman who was proud of his prowess as a hunter of big game, and signalized the fact by choosing for his wedding-garment a complete suit of bear skins "au naturel," while the lady of his heart wore a jacket from the skin of a "grizzly" who had fallen to her husband's gun, together with a necklace of bear's teeth.

Other bridegrooms of recent years have gone to the altar in khaki, reminiscent of fighting on the velt, and in the full panoply of firemen, lifeboatmen and motorists; while an American Croesus wore at his nuptials not long ago the tattered suit in which he had tramped the streets of New York, hungry and penniless, in the days when Fortune had not learned to smile on him.

SKATING WEDDING.

One cannot read the newspapers without noticing the rapid growth of the craze for unconventional weddings. Within the last few months couples have been united on the top of the famous Washington Monument in the United States; on the summit of Pike's Peak, Colorado; and in a monastery on a remote and lofty Servian mountain. But more remarkable than any of these peculiar weddings was that of an American couple, Miss Gale and Mr. Applegate, who in consideration of a present of $25 and a gas cooking-stove as a contribution to their housekeeping, consented to be made one on the top of the chimney of the Peoria Gas Company, 200 feet above the breathless and admiring thousands of spectators.

At a recent wedding in an American rink Mr. Raymond Barrett and Miss Susan Pierce stood at the altar on roller-skates, the officiating clergyman struggling to maintain his balance on wheels while he linked their lives. Five hundred skaters kept time while the band played a wedding march, and at the subsequent feast the waiters skimmed to and fro on skates to minister to the guests.

PATHETIC CONTRAST.

The racetrack at Wyoming was, a short time ago, the scene of a still more original wedding, in which the ceremony by racing together on horseback round the track to the invigorating strains of I want ye, ma Honey; yes, I do." The climax of this exciting contest came from Mr. Dodge, the hero of the occasion, transferred the bride from her own saddle to his and proudly galloped with her to the altar.

A curious and pathetic contrast to these weddings was one which took place recently in a suburb of Berne. The bridegroom, Stephane Lerozinsky, a Pole, was carried to the church on an ambulance, and wedded to his sweetheart, Irene Dovgerd. After the ceremony Lerozinsky who was actually dying during the ceremony, was carried back to his bed, and a few hours later his young and devoted wife was a widow. A little earlier, at Genoa, a beautiful girl who had been born without arms or legs, was carried to the altar by her lover, a German named Joseph Starker, and plighted her troth nestling in his arms.

GAY SEA DOG.

Of curiously assorted matches recent records furnish some very remarkable examples. Thus, at a marriage at Tarrytown, New York, the bridegroom, a man who turned the scale at 570 lbs., took to his heart a dainty little lady exactly a fifth of his weight. In Kentucky James Hayes, (commonly known as Long Jem) a giant of seven and a half feet, had for a bride Miss Atkins, a lady of 4 ft. 3 in., who could just comfortably hang on his watch-chain. Mr. Andrew Holt, a giddy old gentleman of ninety-six summers, transferred his veteran affections to Miss Green, a young lady, who was cradled after Andrew had buried four wives and celebrated his eightieth birthday; and a little earlier, Captain Clark, a gay sea-dog of eighty, placed the nuptial ring on the finger of a bride of sixteen.

A year or two ago there issued from the portals of the Hope Baptist Church, Williamsburg, a bride and bridegroom, (one Otto Nill; a hairdresser) who had not even seen each other half an hour earlier.

NUPTIAL FEASTS.

But even this feat of precipitate matrimony was eclipsed by Miss Fanny Wood and James B. Bennet, who first met at Summit, New Jersey, at ten o'clock one Monday morning. At 10.10 James proposed and was accepted and by 10.29 Miss Wood was in a position to sign her name Fanny Bennett."

That weddings do not impair appetite is proved by many recent accounts of nuptial feasts. At a wedding breakfast at Sevignas, in Brittany, the guests consumed eight cows, seventeen calves, twenty-nine sheep and seven pigs, with the assistance of twenty-one barrels of cider and eighteen barrels of wine; while when Mr. John Eickhorst, a wealthy farmer of West Prussia, gave a banquet in honor of his daughter's nuptials there was the bill of fare provided: 1,500 lb. of beef, 1,200 lb. of pork, 900 lb. veal, 600 lb. of mutton, 250 chickens, 150 geese, 100 ducks, as many turkeys, and 350 loaves of bread. The liquid refreshment was on an equally generous scale.

SAMOS REVOLT QUELLED

Refugees Tell of Methods Used to Put Down the Revolt—Little Sympathy for Samarians

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 31—Advices received here state that a Turkish warship with a commissioner aboard, which was dispatched to the Island of Samos, on the receipt of the news of the revolt there, has arrived. The garrison has been relieved and the governor, who had been deposed, has been re-established.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 30—According to an official telegram from Athens, a mail steamer with 150 women and children refugees from the Island of Samos, has arrived at Syra Island and reports the continuation of a serious situation on Samos. The refugees say that a battalion of Turkish troops recently arrived at Vathy, Capital of the Island, and at once commenced to fire indiscriminately. Many people were killed or wounded. The story of the refugees is discredited and not believed here.

The Greek Government is urging the three powers under whose protection Samos has been since 1852, France, Great Britain and Russia, to send warships to the island. The Porte is anxious for a settlement of the trouble with the least possible bloodshed, and has instructed its officials there to act with the greatest moderation. There is little sympathy here for the Samolaans, who are thought to have brought on the troubles by their own folly.

TWO MORE AUTO VICTIMS

NEW YORK, June 1.—A touring automobile with a party returning from Coney Island early today was overturned while speeding up Ocean Parkway and two of the men were killed. Two others were seriously injured but not fatally. Two other men who were in the car at the time of the accident escaped without injury. The automobile skidded while rounding a curve and overturned.

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DEATHS

HEBERT—At Edmundston, N. B., May 29, Felix Hebert, aged 62 years. Funeral on Tuesday, June 3.

McLEOD—At Penobsquis, Kings Co., Saturday morning, May 30, Gideon McLeod, aged 70 years, leaving a wife and six children.

KAYE—On Sunday, May 31st, Annie Elizabeth, widow of James J. Kaye, Q. C., and youngest daughter of the late George Bousall, aged eighty-five. Funeral at 3 o'clock Tuesday. No flowers, by request.

RYAN—In this city, on May 31st, Michael Joseph, second son of Michael and Ellen Ryan, in the 20th year of his age. Funeral on Tuesday, at 2.30 p. m., from the residence of his father, 201 Duke street. Friends invited to attend.

FARRIS.—In this city on May 31st, J. E. Farris, in the 62nd year of his age, leaving one daughter to mourn her loss. Funeral from the residence of his son-in-law, F. A. Armour, 48 Adelaide street, Wednesday, June 3rd, 1908, at 2.30 p. m.

WARD—In this city, on May 30th, Mabel Louise, second daughter of Frank and Celia Ward, in the 13th year of her age. Funeral Monday afternoon, June 1st, from her father's residence, 250 City Road.

EXPLOSION IN ST. LOUIS

CHERBOURG, June 1—A boiler tube in the engine room of the American line steamer St. Louis exploded while the vessel was entering the roadstead here this morning. Three firemen were seriously injured.

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SONS OF ENGLAND DID NOT GO TO CHURCH

Rev. Mr. Hooper's Remarks When the Society Failed to Appear.

The local lodges of Sons of England arranged to attend divine worship in St. Paul's (Valley) church yesterday morning, but owing to the inclement weather the turn out was postponed. Rev. E. B. Hooper, the rector, of St. Paul's, did not receive word of the postponment until five minutes after the usual time for the commencement of the service. In a few remarks the rector said it was for him to offer an apology, as he received a note from the Sons of England saying that owing to the rain they could not attend but would do so next Sunday. He said it was difficult for him to express his feelings with regard to the matter, but would say that "they will not come next Sunday." Rev. Mr. Westgate, a missionary, is to preach in St. Paul's next Sunday.

A number of the officials of the S. of E. state that the route of procession was too bad to parade on yesterday, and that one of their members was relied on to give notice of postponment to the rector of St. Paul's.

One of the officials said that being unable to attend St. Paul's next Sunday would not worry them, as there were other churches in the city.

SUICIDES.

PORTLAND, Me., May 30—Mrs. Edwin R. Scott, the wife of an electrician of this city, committed suicide this afternoon while temporarily deranged. Mrs. Scott was 50 years of age and had been in rather poor health. She had read in the papers an account of a suicide and a few minutes later she went into another room and shot herself through the head, killing herself instantly.

MEDFORD, Mass., May 30—The body of Claude Brown, of Winchester, who had been missing from his home since last Tuesday, was found today in Spot Pond Grove near Forest street in this town. There a bullet hole in his head and a revolver lying close by indicating that Brown committed suicide. Brown was 25 years old. The cause of the suicide is not known.

Little Willie—Say, pa, is fighting prohibited by law in all the States?

Pa—I believe so, my son—except in the matrimonial state.

MAURETANIA BREAKS RECORD FOR A DAYS RUN

Covered 635 Knots in 24 Hours, Using Only Three Propellors

LONDON, June 1—Despite the fact that she is using but three propellors the Cunard Line steamer Mauretania, which left Liverpool May 27, is making a remarkable run to New York. She has already broke one ocean record, that for the best day's run, according to a wireless telegraph despatch received here by the Cunard Steamship Company. She covered 635 knots from noon, May 30, to noon, May 31, averaging 25.5 knots an hour.

JOKING WITH HANDEL.

A musical joke of a stupendous nature was played upon Handel when he was the manager of the King's theater in the Haymarket, says the London Telegraph. It was a constant maxim of the great composer, whose sensitive ear abominated the tunings up of an orchestra, that all the instruments should be placed ready tuned at the music stands and that the members of the orchestra should enter like a troop of soldiers, take up their instruments like one man and at the stroke of the baton begin. One evening a practical joker contrived to have Handel engaged in conversation for some minutes behind the scenes while he himself entered the orchestra and quietly altered the tunings of all the instruments. Nobody was a bit the wiser till the baton was raised, and then the crash came—a crash of utter and supreme discord! Handel was exasperated to frenzy. It is on record that he seized his wig and flung it at the leader of the band, kicked the double bass viols to splinters and demolished the kettledrums, with many more amenities of the same description.

WHERE WERE THE GORDONS.

An old woman of the name of Gordon in the north of Scotland was listening to the account given in Scripture of Solomon's glory, which was read to her by a little grandchild. When the little girl came to tell of the thousand camels which formed part of the Jewish sovereign's live stock, "Eh, lassie," cried the old woman, "a thousand Campbells, say ye? The Campbells are an auld clan, sure enough, but dinna ye see the Gordons too?"

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