

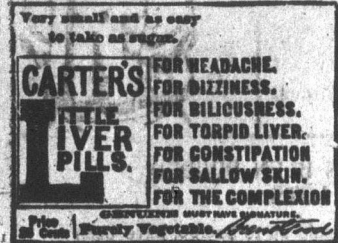
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OLD TIME STICK PLAY.

Pat With His Shillalah and John Ball With His Cudgel—in Old Days Both Were Experts.

The shillalah is the most essential part of the equipment of an Irishman as seen on the stage or in the comic papers. Pat, to be recognized as a genuine Hibernian, must wear knee breeches, have his pipe thrust through the band of his "caubeen" and must flourish a stout stick, while it is always understood that he is forever sparring for a fight, and so his constant invitation is, "Who'll tread on the tail of my coat?" The picture is of course grossly overcolored. One might travel many miles and many days in Ireland without meeting an Irishman with his pipe in the band of his hat; but, on the other hand, if the shillalah is not forever in his hand, he is certainly familiar with the article.

The shillalah was much more in evidence in the riotous days of old—the days pictured in the novels of Lever and Le Fanu and in the amusing if not too faithful pictures of Irish life drawn by Trench and other writers of the middle of the last century. Those were the days when faction fights flourished and the maxim "Whenever you see a head hit it!" was faithfully observed. Fighting was just "diversion."

In days gone by Englishmen were just as ready and as expert at stick play as an Irishman is still supposed to be. The play with the cudgel was one of the oldest of English rural sports, the word "cudgel" itself being one of the oldest words in the language. At village sports, fairs and other occasions and places of merry-making the cudgel once played a prominent part, and at times broken crowns were as common an accompaniment of village rejoicing as in any Irish hamlet. The play with the quarterstaff was a sport of the same class, though of course the quarterstaff was much longer than the cudgel and needed a peculiar kind of skill for its expert use. In 1717 Lady Mary Wortley Montagu wrote of something being as natural "as cudgel playing or football to our British swains." And much later Sir Walter Scott in his younger days was an expert cudgel player. Football survives and flourishes more than ever, but combats with the quarterstaff and the old forms of cudgel play are about as extinct as the dodo. Any rough and tumble fighting with sticks which may now take place on village greens bears little resemblance to the old sport, which required great quickness of eye and the utmost dexterity of wrist.

The Irishman's favorite stick was and is a blackthorn; in England oak or ash was the wood most in esteem. A provincial Englishman was as anxious to be expert with the cudgel as with his fist. In towns the "oaken towel," as it was facetiously called, was a favorite weapon with the bully and hired bravo with which to "wipe down" his victim.—London Globe.

A Passion for Forgiveness.

The statement is not too strong that "the passion for forgiveness is universal to religion." Not only are prayer and hymn in the higher types of religion instinct with the desire for forgiveness, it is also pathetically expressed in primitive religions by sacrifice and offering. It is found everywhere in the literature of religion. What is meant by the desire for forgiveness? It means that we desire to stand on the same terms with God as if we had never done wrong. To consciously receive the forgiveness of sins is to receive and retain the impressions upon our inmost souls that God loves us and gives us his smile and peace, though we have been transgressors—that he is on our side, though we have done wrong, and have wandered into forbidden paths. There is forgiveness, the Psalmist reminds us, with God; an inexhaustible store from which sinners may draw. And how blessed to know that the Lord is "good and ready to forgive!" There is forgiveness—full, free and immediate—through Jesus Christ. "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world."

Is Porridge a Fad or a Food?

The condemnation of porridge as an article of diet by a London physician, has raised a storm of protest among Scotsmen. Scores of hale old Highlanders are writing to The Daily Mail to say they use nothing else, and know nothing better. Strangely enough, it was a Scottish doctor who first raised the trouble. He tells the anecdote of Dr. Johnson, who defined oats as "in England food for horses; in Scotland food for men," whereupon a witty Scotchman retorted, "Aye, an' whaur will ye find sic horses or sic men?" "I charge the oatmeal craze," said the Doctor, "with being responsible for the innumerable cases of rickets among children in Glasgow. Oatmeal is reputed to be a fine bone-forming food. If this is really true, how can you account for these cases? Rickets is caused by an insufficiency of bone-forming food. As oatmeal is the staple food of the Glasgow children, you may draw your own conclusions."

Adelaide.

Adelaide enjoys the distinction of being the oldest municipality in Australia. It was named after the Queen of William IV., in whose reign it was founded, and its principal thoroughfare bears the name of King William street. Its oldest newspaper, the South Australian Register, was first published in London as the organ of the South Australia Association, the body under whose auspices the pioneer settlers and founders of Adelaide were dispatched from England. The pioneer colonist were in sore straits when valuable copper mines were luckily discovered near Adelaide. The late Sir George Grey, who was appointed its governor at the early age of twenty-nine, materially helped to pull the place out of the slough of despair and rescued the infant settlement from imminent bankruptcy.

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BOGUS NAMES CHEAT

"That's a bogus name," said a directory official when someone complained that he had been unable to find such-and-such a person at an address given in a compilation of names, trades, businesses, etc., published for general use. "Directory publishers," he added, "insert a number of bogus names in order to catch the thieves who pirate their work. We cannot prevent by law any person from publishing a directory similar to ours, provided he does it honestly, by getting up original lists of his own—a very costly business; but when a thief steals our work and copies the bogus names we have direct evidence of infringement of copyright, and can punish accordingly. Where a city directory has been published for a number of years by a certain party a sort of franchise is established, and no one cares to invade the field."—New York Press.

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GHOST OF NATIVE

The steamer Aorangi, which arrived at Victoria, B. C., the other morning, from Australian and Honolulu ports, brought news from Honolulu that an entire district of Hawaii is panic-stricken because of the reported appearance of a ghost. When Shem Uneaka, a well known native, died, his relatives buried him in the ground, instead of in a cave in accordance with the native custom, and they claim that on this account Shem had returned to haunt them. The ghost is said to have appeared on New Year's eve first. A feast was being held, when a native shrieked and pointed to the roof. He declared that he saw Shem's ghost. Other natives looked and ran, and since then the spirit of Shem is said to have made sundry appearances. The natives are terrorized and Kahunas have been sent to endeavor to lay the ghost.

That Gold Spoon.

There are some men who seem to be favorites of fortune. They are industrious, cheerful workers, full of overflowing of the energy of splendid health, and success seems fairly to drop into their hands. It is of such as these that the less hardy and less successful man says enviously,



"That fellow was born with a gold spoon in his mouth." And yet on analysis it will be found that this success is largely due to splendid health, the endowment of a healthy mother.

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TOMMY ATKINS IN CANADA.

Fine for Establishment of British Corps in the Dominion.

The last issue of the Canadian Gazette, of London, to hand contains the following letter from Major-General Dashwood:

"Please allow me to reply to the letter signed 'Roderick Campbell' in your last issue. The writer says, 'Why should one of the most loyal British colonies be burdened by having to maintain British troops where they are not required?' Now, neither at the present time, nor in former days, when British regiments were stationed in Quebec, Halifax, Montreal, and other parts of Canada, did it cost the Canadian Government one cent; all charges were paid for by the Home Government, as they are now at Halifax. So far from being 'a burden,' a British regiment spends about £30,000 a year. How would Halifax like to be denuded of troops and the navy?"

It was a mistake not to leave a British regiment at Quebec and another, say, at the capital, Ottawa. As it is, in the province of Quebec one hardly ever sees any flag but the French on anything but over an official building! The sight of a British regiment marching through Montreal, Ottawa or Quebec would be exhilarating to any Englishman. Further, discharged men made excellent colonists.

Hospitality in New Brunswick.

The crowd was discussing hospitality as each had enjoyed it in different sections of the country. North, South, East and West has been canvassed when it came to Congressman James M. E. O'Grady's turn to contribute.

"Well," said Mr. O'Grady, "I remember being up in New Brunswick on a fishing trip once, and for free-hearted people go up there. Everywhere you happen to be, you are asked to come in, sit down, and eat. It makes no difference whether the fare is good or poor, you are welcome, and no apologies will be made."

"I remember one place we went where apprehension was felt. We had called to get a drink of water, and as it was supper time we were gravely commanded to come in and sit down. Three or four children were ousted to make room for us. I remember they had some delicious buckwheat cakes with maple syrup, and the way we made them disappear was simply outrageous. At last one little tow-headed youngster could stand it no longer. He had observed us from the kitchen window, where he stood beside a big dog. The pup had his fore feet on the window sill, and looked every bit as disconsolate as his young master.

"Say, Misters; hain't you going to leave one for the dog?" piped the youngster. And we came to."—New York Times.

The Mania for Money.

A man whose cardinal goal in life is to make money will steal. To such a man stealing is a fine art, upon the possession of which talent he congratulates himself. Getting more than belongs to him he considers thrift; causing one man to fail that he may rise he considers self preservation. He is not exactly a highwayman—no, he lacks the criminal chivalry and physical daring of that class of robber. He prefers to be a genteel scoundrel and so works the wax of his egotism into a being whom he esteems to be exempt from the Ten Commandments and immune from criticism. He is encouraged in this hallucination by his fellow townsmen, and as his wealth expands he rises to a loftier plane in society, in commerce, in politics and in religion.—Schoolmaster.

When Trees Go to Sleep.

Trees and plants have their regular times for going to sleep, as well as boys and girls. They need the same chance to rest from the work of growing and to repair and oil the machinery of life. Some plants do all their sleeping in the winter while the ground is frozen and the limbs are bare of leaves. In tropical countries, where the snow never falls, and it is always growing weather, the trees repose during the rainy season or during the period of drought. They always choose the most unfavorable working time for doing their sleep, just as man chooses the night when he cannot see to work.

Seed Sprouting Device.

A simple germinating apparatus can be made from two ordinary plates and a piece of flannel cloth. Fold the cloth and lay it on one plate, placing the seeds between folds of the cloth, which should be moist, but not dripping. Cover the whole with another plate inverted and stand in a warm place. If the test is made during cold weather, care must be taken to stand the plates where the temperature will not fall much below 50 degrees F. at night, and will be about 65 or 70 degrees during the daytime.

Tommy's Bad Break.

"We are going to have pie for dinner," said Tommy Uptown to the minister.

"Indeed!" laughed the clergyman, amused at the little boy's alertness, "And what kind of pie is it?"

"It's a new kind. Ma was talking this morning about pa bringing you home to dinner so often, and pa said he didn't care what she thought, and ma said she would make him eat humble pie before the day was over, and I suppose we are going to have it for dinner."

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Air injected under the skin is said to relieve neuralgia, sciatica and lumbago. It is known that these diseases are affections of the ends of the nerves, which lie just under the skin. The injection of air causes the nerve to lengthen, and thus the pain is mitigated. When the bubble of air is pressed by the finger the air moves along the nerves, giving relief in all parts of the affected region.



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Under the workman's compensation act of England a law provides for compensation to workmen for injuries sustained. One of the most extraordinary claims under the compensation act was heard in Tredgar county court, last week. Frederick Shellard, aged 14 years, employed in Powell's colliery at 10 shillings a week, assisting his father, and the colliery company for compensation for injuries sustained while at work. The father sent the lad on an errand traversing a gallery in the mine. The lad was confronted by two glaring eyes and was so terrified he fainted. He was taken home and developed St. Vitus's dance, owing to the shock and superstitious fright. Since then the boy has been unable to work underground.

Compensation was claimed at half wages. The colliery repudiated the claim. The court held that the injury was sustained in the course of duty. The decision creates no surprise in England, where the public is aware that the compensation act is always upheld by the most conservative juries and judges.

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