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An old gentleman of pronounced religious views in Scotland, wished to have cut over the door of a new house the text, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." He left the workmen to carry out his wishes during his absence, and on his return his horror was great to find the quotation completed, "But ye have made it a den of thieves." "We had a wee thing mair room, ye see, so we just pit in the end o' the verse," was the explanation given by the Bible-loving Scot.

How He Learned

This story is told for the encouragement of the young. Among the thousand and one questions that United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge has been asked in regard to his book, "The Young Man and the Word," which the Appletons published, was the query:—

"Senator, how did you learn all those things you tell young men in your book?"

The senator's eyes twinkled. "What is the best way to learn?" he asked.

"Experience," hazarded his questioner. "Exactly," replied the Senator.

"But, senator, you point out all sorts of mistakes that it is wise for a young man to avoid."

"Yes?"

"How did you learn about those mistakes?"

"Well," replied the senator thoughtfully and conservatively, "it was not by observation."

A Considerate Prince

Some years ago a British ship was lying in Malta harbor, waiting a visit from the Duke of York. The captain said to one of his officers:

"As soon as you see the prince coming off, man the yards at once, and send for me to my cabin."

Shortly afterwards the captain heard a boat alongside, which was followed by the voice of the young officer saying in a querulous, high-pitched tone to the pass-say, "whom's that prince coming? I wish he'd look sharp; I'm tired of waiting."

"Awfully sorry," was the reply; "I came off on purpose as quietly as I could. I thought you'd want to man the yards or something of that sort. I am a sailor myself and I know what a bore that is when you are busy coaling."

It was the Duke of York.

A Pretty Name

A colored clergyman in Georgia was performing the service of baptism recently, says Success Magazine, when he paused in the midst of the service to inquire the name of the infant. With a pleased smile, the proud mother replied: "We is goin' to call de chile Shady."

"Shady" repeated the minister. "Oh, I see. It's a boy, and his name is to be Shadrach."

"No, sah, it ain't no boy. It's a girl."

"Why give such a name to a girl?"

"It's dis way, sah. Our name's Bower, an' mah husband thought it would be a fine thing to call her Shady. 'Shady Bower' sounds kinder pretty."