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SOME ODD BELIEFS.

QUEER SUPERSTITIONS THAT EXIST
THE WORLD OVER

Singular Notions That Connect Bees
With Death in the North of Eng-
land—The Fear of the Fairies That
Exists in Ireland.

Of all the unaccountable superstitions that prevail the most unreasonable per- haps are those that relate to bees. Throughout the north of England and especially in rural Yorkshire the belief is firm that bees always know in advance when misfortune will befall their owners. Whenever, therefore, they buzz in a certain, low, disconsolate fashion, the owner of the hive if a true northerner has never a doubt but that disaster is at hand for him or his. If there be illness in a house in the Yorkshire dales, an anxious watch is always kept on the hives. One by one the members of the family will creep down to the garden to see what the bees are doing. If they are found to be at work as usual, quietly gathering honey, it is held to be a sign that the patient will recover, but if they are buzzing around in a state of unrest then it is known that there is danger, and weeping and wailing begin at once. If they seem inclined to desert their hive, that is the worst sign of all, the sign that there is no hope of recovery. If in that part of the world the owner of a beehive dies, some member of the family always goes off at once to tell the bees. The messenger kneels down by the side of the hive and whispers in the ear of the bees, "John Metcalf is dead, and I am come to tell the bees." He—or more often it is she—repeats the words three times and then hastens back to the house, for a piece of crape must be found and tied to the top of the hive before sunset. If the bees are not told of the death of their owner with due ceremony, too, or if their badge of mourning be not hoisted at the proper time, they will all die within a month—so at least it is believed by their northern kith and kin believe firmly.

No Irish nurse will willingly weigh a baby, no matter what the doctor may say or do. She will assure him that she has weighed it; will tell him its weight to the fraction of an ounce, but which it will not, for if she did it would surely die within a year, she would tell you with a ring of firm conviction in her voice; and she will string off a long list of babies she has known that have been weighed and have died. There is another thing that she cannot be induced to do, and that is to cut the nails of a baby before it is 3 months old; if they grow too long, she bites them. Not that she thinks the baby would die if she did cut them, but she knows that it would grow up to be a thief. Reasons for this conviction of hers she has none. No amount of coaxing will induce her even to try to explain what honesty can possibly have to do with uncut nails, but none the less no charge of hers ever has its nails cut.

There are some superstitions that are fairly universal, as, for instance, that of the death tick. In England, France, Germany and Austria—possibly other countries, too—whenever that little tickling sound, the ticking as of a watch in the distance, women, and men, too, sometimes look at one another with fear in their eyes and wonder whose doom it is that is being sounded. Then sailors of all nations pin their faith to a certain candle as they call the St. Elmo lights that play around the masts of ships in stormy weather. Any one on whom a candle lights they regard as a man marked out for drowning, and if the candles run down on to the deck the ship, too, they look on as doomed, doomed never again to enter harbor. The superstition with regard to magpies is also one that seems to prevail throughout Europe and always in precisely the same form. North, south, east and west the peasants believe that it is unlucky to see one magpie, lucky to see two; that to see three means a wedding and to see four a birth.

On the other hand, many of these popular beliefs are peculiar to some special district. For instance, in East Anglia and apparently nowhere else an odd superstition prevails with regard to slippers. There no prudent mother would ever think of allowing her daughter to walk a pair of slippers for any young man whom she wishes her to marry and above all not for one to whom she is engaged. For it is a saying that "he who is given slippers slips away." There is much the same feeling with regard to giving or receiving scissors or knives, as such presents are popularly supposed to be used by the fates as instruments wherewith to sever the ties between true lovers and friends. Not so very long ago an East Anglian farmer's wife, a practical, common sense woman enough in many respects, burst into tears when her husband brought home from the market a black sheep, for black sheep, she maintained between her sons, always bring with them bad luck. There, too, another superstition prevails, and that is to be regarded as a sign of coming misfortune. In some parts of England, strange to say, robins are regarded as harbingers of woe. If "keening" be heard in Killarney, the natives believe the trouble is sure to come at hand for the district—nay, perhaps for all Ireland. For "keening" is the sound—a sort of low, piteous wailing of the wind—the dead are supposed to utter when mourning over the fate of the living. In that part of the world people think twice—nay, thrice—before going out when the moon is shining, as they are afraid lest if they do they may fall in with the fairies. The peasants there be- lieve in the existence of fairies, and in matter how sorely they may be in need of a potato field nothing would induce them to take possession of a Danish fort. For the Danish forts, certain patches of common land, are supposed to belong to the fairies and to be their favorite resorts, and better for a man to die of starvation, they tell you, than risk offending the fairies.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Change.
The conductor of the outbound Wood- ward car had already yelled, "Barn! all out!" but as the car bumped over the track he yelled again, "Change here!" Whereupon the fat man by the door re- plied: "I guess you'd better too." And the conductor did, having forgot- ten to return the two dimes out of the quarter he had received in payment for fare. Which goes to show that a double meaning is sometimes a good thing.—De- troit Free Press.

The first camp meeting in the United States was held on the banks of the Red river, Kentucky, in 1790.

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That is What the London Papers
Say About Florence Night-
ingale

The Mother of Thirty-three Children
Died in England the Other Day—
This Family was the Largest
in England

The London papers say that the health
of Florence Nightingale is so enfeebled
that she cannot live much longer.

Mrs. Mary Jones, who died the other
day, was said to have the largest family
in England. She was the mother of 33
children.

Miss Belle Henderson, daughter of the
speaker of the house, bears a great re-
semblance to her father both in features
and manner.

Mrs. Carl Strakosch, once famous in
the musical world as Clara Louise Kel-
logg, is now making her permanent home
in New Hartford, Conn.

Isa Bowman, the actress, who as a
child was one of Lewis Carroll's little
friends, and the original Alice in the
stage "Wonderland," is making ready to
publish a book about its author.

Rev. Bessie Veltick is a young woman
of about 25 and is in charge of a Wes-
leyan chapel in Bethesda, England. She
is very successful in her ministry, pre-
aching weekly to large crowds.

Miss Belle Flemming of Paul's Val-
ley, N. T., is only 17 years old, and yet
she has been admitted to practice law
at the bar of the United States court of
the northern district of the territory.

Miss Marie Tempest, the actress, is a
great reader of English, American, and
French novels, and gets through nearly
all the new novels of any merit as they
are published. Her favorite novelist is
Hudyard Kipling.

Miss Georgiana Pope, sister of the
undersecretary of Canada, who is head
of the staff of nurses in the Canadian
contingent sent to South Africa, is a
graduate of the Bellevue Hospital Nurs-
ing school, New York.

Mrs. Sarah D. Marden, a real daughter
of the Revolution, was admitted to the
Paul Jones chapter, D. A. R., in Bos-
ton, the other day. Her father, Richard
Seaward, was a sergeant of marines on
Paul Jones' ship, the Bonhomme Rich-
ard.

Yonkers has chosen a woman as sani-
tary inspector. She is Mrs. J. Van Wag-
ner, a trained nurse, who won from
two competitors after passing the civil
service examination. The citizens hope
that spitting in public conveyances is
now to be stopped, if nothing else.

Louise Michel, who has just entered
her seven-second year, has returned
to Paris. She is very hale and hearty
and full of energy. On one day she de-
livered two lectures at the Bodiniere on
"Concord Between Nations" and "The
Traffic in White Slaves." Her voice
was as resonant as ever.

Aching teeth are ill tenants.
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States was that of the tailors, formed
in 1808.

One of the Buffalo papers runs its
entire plant by electricity furnished
from Niagara Falls.

Queen Victoria is the shortest adult
sovereign in the world, being only 4
feet 11 inches in height.

The screws of an Atlantic liner re-
volve something like 630,000 times be-
tween Liverpool and New York.

According to Liebig, the alkali in
asparagus develops form in the human
brain.

Hair dye deceives people who use it
into thinking they are deceiving other
people.—Chicago News.

The Brotherhood of Carpenter and
Joiners have 60,000 members, being
one-tenth of the whole number of men
in this trade.

The productive capacity of the labor
saving machinery of the United States
at the present time is equal to a hand
working population of 400,000,000.

Ebenezer Ford, elected to the New
York Legislature in 1829, was the first
man to gain office as a labor candidate.

A few years ago there was as many
as thirty-three vegetarian restaurants
in London. To-day there exist only
about six.

There are 5,000 theatres in the
United States. More than 2,000 are
fairly classable as legitimate and over
1,000 more are devoted to vaudeville.

2,000,000 cases of condensed milk
were put up in this country last year
and most of it was consumed at home.
This indicates that the condensing of
milk may become an important busi-
ness.

The total wealth of the United
States will be nearly \$100,000,000,000
when the next century begins, and
since the country has grown so rich
we have become one of the first among
nations that seek investment in for-
eign lands.

Anaesthetics were known in the days
of Homer, and the Chinese 2,000 years
ago had a preparation of hemp known
as "ana yu," to deaden pain—some-
thing similar to our modern cocaine.

An Italian paper which purports to
give statistics of all canonizations and
beatifications since the year 1500 shows
that there have been no saints in Ire-
land, England or Scotland from that
date.

At a depth of 27 feet a curious dis-
covery was made recently, a Berlin
paper says, on the Island of Gotthard
the skeleton of a sovereign knight in
full armor seated on their horses.
Archaeologists think they date back
to the ninth century.

American capitalists have invaded
the Canadian iron country and organ-
ized a company which will control the
iron, steel, coal and limestone output
of Newfoundland, together with the
Cape Breton coal fields and the Sidney
limestone quarries.

Instead of the bicycle driving the
horse out of business the two have
come to an understanding and do well
together. It is—surprise how these
things do clash for a time and then
get down to both work out the in-
evitable destiny of man.

ALL SORTS.

Sand stored in large tanks from
which it can be shifted automatically
to any or all parts of the building, in
such a manner as to smother a fire ef-
fectively, is a new idea to be used in
Chicago at Indianapolis, Ind.

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change is a Boer delicacy. A great
square silver box, with a gold made of
unmixed metal, and covered with a
thick layer of jam—preferably straw-
berry. A row of sardines is then placed
on top and the oil from the sardine
box is liberally poured over the whole.

A newly married couple in Portland,
Me., who are both deaf, and are trying
housekeeping without a servant, have
devised an ingenious arrangement for
their door bell, by which a caller, when
he presses the button lights the lamps,
and thus makes his presence known.

In Austrian hotels it is still custom-
ary to charge extra for candles. A
man who made a foot tour recently
figured out that at the 24 hotels where
he stopped in the course of 56 days he
paid more than nine dollars for light—
a sum for which he could have bought
133 candles.

The curious fact is revealed by the
discontinuance of the coining of the
thaler of the free city of Frankfurt
that the great actor, Fanny Janaus-
chek, was once beautiful as well as in-
teresting in countenance. She was
chosen queen of beauty at a Frankfurt
schuetzenfest, and her features in pro-
file were chosen for the head on the
Frankfurt thaler.

The largest bell in the world is in a
Buddhist monastery near Canton,
China. It is eighteen feet high and
is forty-five feet in circumference and
is of solid bronze. It is one of eight
great bells which were cast by com-
mand of the Emperor Yunglo about A.
D. 1400, and is said to have cost the
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ity of stealing fortunes.
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others as you would care to be treated
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correct thing this season.

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as the one whose manner is either or-
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brie that she becomes identified with
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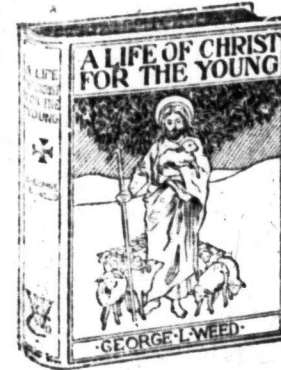
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