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His Grace the Duke of Norfolk.

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likes of you that keeps the likes of us out of many a fine place!"

"It was the Duke of Norfolk and owner of the demense whom they were addressing. But his innate courtesy stood the nobleman in good stead.

"Why, certainly, ladies," he said, quietly. "I didn't mean to give offence. I'll stay on the path hereafter."

And stay on the path he did until he was out of sight, when he took a short cut to the castle across another lawn. But the two indignant visitors did not see him this time. Norfolk loves to tell this story on himself. As like as not he will next show the sixpence he wears on his watchchain.

"The first and only money I ever really earned," he says, as he displays it proudly.

One day he chanced to be standing outside a railway station in his shabbiest attire. A lady bustled out of the waiting room, apparently in a very great hurry. Casting an eye at the poorly clad figure in the ill-fitting clothes she promptly surmised that

the man was hanging around for any odd job he might pick up.

"Here, you!" she called, "fetch me a cab, and be quick about it! I'm late now."

She didn't know that she was addressing the first of all the peers of England. The Duke didn't let her know, either. Instead, he meekly trotted off like a hard-up porter and brought a cab around quickly. He gratefully accepted the sixpenny bit the lady thrust at him, touched his cap, and carefully closed the cab door for her! That sixpence is one of the most cherished possessions to-day.

What might be an embarrassing situation for both parties is always saved by the Duke, who takes such little contempt as part of the joy of living. He is so used to them now that he can get away with it without the quiver of an eyelash. He turns what might be a most uncomfortable moment into something amusing—for himself, at least.

In Rome once he was waiting for his train. There was a pile of luggage waiting to be assorted and an insistent crowd of passengers trying to unravel the tangle which is inevitable with an Italian railway journey. As the Duke was trying to pick out his own bags and boxes a lady from America bustled up.

"You are one of Cook's men, aren't you?" she began, and without waiting for an answer, "please help me with my luggage. I'm in a very great

hurry."

The Duke helped. But this time he didn't get a tip. This was greatly to his displeasure, because he would have liked anything, no matter how small, to string on his watch-chain with the famous sixpence.

One of his own countrymen gave him a bit of a shock in Portsmouth. He chanced to enter a shop to buy some little thing he needed, when the proprietor strode toward him. That day the store had advertised for a floor walker, and the owner assumed that the shabby looking individual who had just come in was an applicant for the position.

"See here, you," sneered the tradesman, "it's no jolly use of you going to the office in those togs. No man can get a job here unless he dresses like a gentleman!"

"I'm not looking for a job, answered the Duke, meek as Moses, "I just wanted to buy a few trifles."

The storekeeper begged pardon and sent a clerk to attend to his customer's wishes, but with little grace. He rather fancied to have only smart folk's trade. But the Hereditary Earl Marshal of England didn't let him know that he had been quite sharp with a nobleman—and the premier of them all, that.

"He might have had an apoplectic fit," explains the Duke, as he tells the story, "and that would have been, to say the least, just a bit annoying."

These are only a few of the Duke's experiences. He has been ordered, when acting as Earl Marshal in his unconventional garb, to get out of the way of his own carriage. He was mistaken for the chief undertaker at Queen Victoria's funeral. When he was Postmaster-General of England he could only secure attention from a very self-important young clerk at St. Martin's-le-Grand by addressing a telegram, signed "Norfolk, Postmaster-General." And another time, when he was signing a check, the smart clerk at the bank remarked, "My dear sir, we want your signature, not the place where you live!"

When the Boer War started Norfolk promptly went to South Africa and fought beside "Tommy Atkins." His uniform "wasn't a bit smart," declared certain other officers, but Norfolk fought just the same. But when it came to taking part in the great Roman Catholic procession in London in 1908 it was the Duke of Norfolk in all his robes of office who escorted Cardinal Vannutelli through the streets of London—he is England's foremost Roman Catholic peer. In fact, Norfolk's influence had much to do with the words "superstitious and idolatrous" being expunged from the coronation oath which George V. is to take, all of which refers to the Roman Catholic faith. In fact, he is the unofficial Ambassador of the Vatican at the Court of St. James's. The English followers of the Catholic Church think he is the finest peer in Christen-

dom, even if he doesn't dress very well.

Some queer perquisites go with such an antiquated office as Earl Marshal. After the coronation, Norfolk will be entitled to claim the King's palfrey, with its saddle and bridle, as well as the Queen's mount. He also has the right to the cloth which covers the King's table. As Hereditary Earl Marshal of England he is entitled to receive a goblet of solid gold as reward, inasmuch as the King and Queen do not go to their coronation a-horse, there are no palfreys, but the Duke always demands, and receives, the drinking cup of gold. He has one now—that bestowed upon him by Edward when Norfolk staged-managed his coronation—and he will get another from George V. at the proper time and place.

He managed the funeral of Edward VII. with dignity, reverence and beauty. He was present in the balcony when King George was proclaimed. Afterward he received the royal thanks for the way in which the funeral was so impressively conducted. All the ceremonies of the coming coronation have already been left to his capable hands.

The Duke of Norfolk is one of the richest men in England. He has an income of \$7,500,000 from his London holdings alone, which includes a large portion of the Strand, London's famous shopping street. From the city of Sheffield he gets \$500,000 a year more. He owns 50,000 acres of the fairest countryside in all Great Britain: Arundel Castle, the great feudal estate, has been improved to the extent of \$5,000,000 since he has held it—he inherited the title at the age of thirteen. The neighbourhood was once the home of Alfred the Great, and the castle has been the home of Norfolk's family since the Anglo-Saxon days, long before William the Conqueror's time.

The Duke has been married twice. His first wife, daughter of Lord Donington, died in 1887, leaving an heir who was deaf, dumb and blind, as well as an imbecile. The boy died at the age of twenty-three, so that the Duke's younger brother, Lord Edmund Talbot, was next in line for the dukedom. The Duke married in 1904 the Honorable Gwendolyn Constable Maxwell, daughter of Lord Herries. He has now another son and a daughter. When the boy was born, in June, 1908, the Duke shed tears of joy. The boy was christened the next day by Father Vaughan, brother of the Cardinal, and the name given to him was Bernard Marmaduke. He is now known as the Earl of Arundel.

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That letter brought to light the fact that if twenty-one years is not exactly a common age for a lark, it is by no means a unique one. The writer has owned canaries that exceeded the twenty-one years of the skylark, and one bullfinch he possessed reached the age of sixteen years.

Exhibition or "fancy" bred birds, on the other hand, are comparatively short-lived, and the variety known as the "Scotch Fancy," the canary with the half-moon shaped body, is decrepit when two or three years old, and is becoming extinct.—C. E. World.

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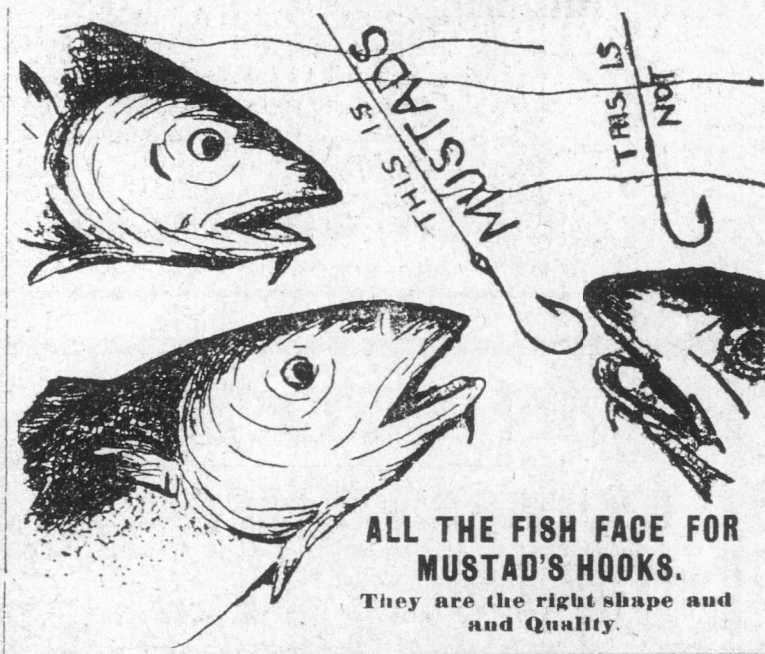
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