

THEY WERE ONLY ABSENTMINDED!

AMUSING STORIES OF LAPSES OF MEMORY.

If You Are a Forgetful Person You Are At Least in Good Company.

Lord Fisher, in his latest volume of memories, tells us an amusing story of the famous Lord Kelvin, the great scientist of Glasgow. Lord Fisher says that Kelvin was always very keen on saving time, and so used frequently, whilst doing one thing, to be thinking about the next he meant to do.

His busy brain thus often got ahead of his hands, so to speak, and one day, whilst dressing, and being engaged in thought, Lord Kelvin actually tied his pocket-handkerchief around his neck and went off to work with his necktie in his pocket! It was only when he wished to use his handkerchief that he discovered what he had done.

Oxford still delights to tell the story of one of its leading professors before the war, whose forgetfulness often led to most laughable results. This don, who was blessed with several young children, one day met a nursemaid in Christchurch Meadows, wheeling a beautiful child in a basket.

The professor, admiring the baby very much, and finally asked whose child it might be?

The girl looked at him in some surprise, for it was his own, and she was the nurse employed in his home! However, she replied smilingly:

"Why, sir, don't you know little John?"

The don stood irresolute a moment, trying to remember the name. Then laughingly he said: "Oh, yes, of course!" and passed on. But at lunch he mentioned the meeting to his wife, and said:

"Do you know, my dear, I met such a beautiful child being wheeled by a nurse in the Meadows. The nurse said his name was Little John, and that I knew his father. But I can't say I do. For the life of me I can't remember any Little John! Can you?"

Waiting For Daddy.

Lord Fisher had another friend whom he met one morning immaculately dressed—so far as his clothes went! But, as Lord Fisher mentions, the man had his trousers thrown over his arm instead of a light overcoat! At any rate, whatever had made him overlook the fact, they were not on!

Sir Henry Havelock-Allan, M.P., used to relate an interesting story concerning himself when a child, and his famous father, the great Havelock of Indian Mutiny renown.

It seems that the celebrated general one morning went out for a walk towards Westminster Bridge, taking the little boy with him, the latter being some six years old at the time. Just as they came to what is now the corner of Whitehall, a friend came up to the general and told him he was wanted for a few minutes at the House of Commons.

Ordering the boy strictly to stay just where he was, under the lamp-post, and not to move away at all till he returned, General Havelock accompanied his friend.

By the time this interview was ended, Sir Henry had altogether forgotten the small boy he had left under the lamp-post! He had lunch, and went to a club, where he stayed till tea-time. Getting back to his home in the West End about half-past five, Lady Havelock immediately desired to know where little Henry was?

"Great Heavens!" exclaimed the general. "Why, I told him to wait for me! I'll bet he's there yet!"

They hurried off, and found the boy waiting patiently, though very tired and hungry. A policeman was carefully watching over him.

"Yes, sir," said the bobby. "We tried to get him to come with us to the station. But he said his daddy had gone into the House of Commons, and told him to wait there till he came back, so he wasn't going to leave till daddy came for him!"

A Recollection.

I like to think about the place where as a child I played. In fancy often I retrace the paths where once I strayed; As cherished memories I recall Amid the haunts of yore, I seem to prize above them all The good old grocery store—Where you could sit and take your ease And eat the crackers and the cheese, And browse around the bounteous shelf

And when inclined, just help yourself I see the shadows in the pool, I hear the distant bell, Which, with its summons back to school.

I heeded none too well, Yet whatso'er may be the spot I linger to explore, My dreaming cuts across the lot To that old grocery store—Where bacon from the rafters hung And fruits in gay festoons were strung;

Where you could get without a thrill Some change back from a dollar bill

To Identify Criminals.

For future identification of criminals a Paris physician has suggested subcutaneous injections of wax to form permanent membranous cysts.

HOW TO TREAT STOMACH TROUBLE

A Tonic Medicine is Needed to Build Up the Digestive Organs.

The old-fashioned methods of treating stomach diseases are being discarded. The trouble with the old-fashioned methods was that when the treatment was stopped the trouble returned in an aggravated form.

The modern method of treating indigestion and other forms of stomach trouble is to tone up the stomach and glands to their normal work. Every step toward recovery is a step gained not to be lost again. The recovery of the appetite, the disappearance of pain after eating, the absence of gas, are steps on the road to health that those who have tried the tonic treatment remember distinctly. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a tonic every constituent of which is helpful in building up the digestive organs, and therefore the very best remedy for simple or chronic cases of stomach trouble.

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You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail, post paid, at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Dimensions.

I took a turn in Frostland (There—on the window pane), Where picture vales and mountains Are in the self-same plane, And where the pleasure gardens Are bathed in argent light, And leaf and stem and blossom Are all as candid white.

Those gardens have their music, Through tubes of crystal blown, Or picked on tense strung viol—But all is monotone!

I dreamed that Frostland dwellers Were with this lot content, Save one—a sage or prophet, Whose thought far roving went. He said—but none attended: "If I have deemed aright, There is, though past our vision, A ray beyond the white; And, past our audient threshold, Are tones of rare delight!"

And I, who knew the rainbow, The octave's singing light—How well I could have answered, If my answer might! But—as a warm breath smote it! That scene dissolved away, My three spaced world enclosed me, Where ill content I stray— I who have heard the rumor (Which I cannot forget) A ray has been detected Beyond the violet, And tones (perchance elysian) By us unguarded yet.

Is there in Space Outlying, Whose ear those tones can gather, Whose eye that ray can see?

The "fire" of an opal is due to the presence of water in the gem. Thirty years ago Ontario farmers, killing hogs on the farm and peddling them to local consumers, got \$3.50 a hundred pounds for the dressed meat. Now the live hog, under modern packinghouse methods of marketing, brings them \$16 a hundredweight without the trouble of doing a butcher's job!

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No. 9231—Ladies' Waist. Price, 25 cents. With or without yoke; two styles of sleeve. Cut in 7 sizes, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inch bust measure. Size 36, with collar, 1 1/2 yards 36 inches wide, or 1 1/2 yards 40 inches wide; without collar, 1 1/2 yards 36 inches wide, or 1 1/2 yards 40 inches wide.

These patterns may be obtained from your local McCall dealer or from the McCall Co., 70 Bond St., Toronto, Dept. W.

In the Firelight.

I love the firelight's ruddy glow, A comfy chair that's soft and low, And 'cross the hearth, within my view The lovelight in your eyes so blue.

I love the crackling of the logs, To watch sun playing with his dogs— The things of home so warm and dear— And hear our children's laughter near.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

British Roads to Stay Under Control.

The British railways will continue under Government control for another year at least. General Sir Henry Thornton, a member of the Railway Advisory Board, the other day made this statement:

"Nationalization of the railways is now only a remote possibility. On the resumption of normal conditions British railways will be operated upon a plan that lies between nationalization and private ownership. The individual companies will continue to administer the separate lines with representatives on and acting in conjunction with a central board, composed of Government representatives and representatives of railway labor."

The new scheme will come into operation in about eighteen months. Although the Railway Advisory Board still is debating the personnel, the power of the board of control probably will follow some of the lines of the present board. The effects of the change from this system to the new will not be felt for some time.

Reduction of fares or freight charges cannot be anticipated for some years to come. The present board acts merely in an advisory capacity; decides disputes, arbitrates between companies and their men, and managers of individual lines only refer to the board in times of emergency.

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A satisfying food, greatly pleasing to taste, full of rich nourishment and ready to eat without cooking.

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War Eliminated Plaster Cast.

The war has almost completely eliminated the age-old plaster cast from the instruments of surgery. The surgeons at the front were working first of all for speed in healing men and getting them back to the front. They found that the plaster cast, by keeping the patient almost rigid through the week of bone knitting, made necessary a long period of convalescence to get rid of the stiffness resulting from the inactivity.

An ingenious surgeon invented a system of frames, splints and braces, whereby the bone actually fractured is held firmly set, and at the same time the patient is enabled to move the rest of his body. For instance, if the upper arm is fractured the patient is able, with the help of carefully balanced pulleys and weights to move his arm to the shoulder, the elbow and the wrist. When the bone is knit the patient has full use of his arm, and the tedious period of exercising the stiffness out of the limb is eliminated.

The elimination of the plaster cast is but an example of the changes which the war has wrought in surgery.

STORMY WEATHER HARD ON BABY

The stormy, blustery weather which we have during February and March is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mother to keep them in the house. They are often confined to overheated, badly ventilated rooms and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against this a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep his stomach and bowels working regularly. This will not fail to break up colds and keep the health of the baby in good condition till the brighter days come along. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The Sandman.

When the hot, hot day is over, And the sun drops down the west, And the childish hands are weary, And the childish feet must rest, The Sandman steals through the portals

Where the dying sunlight gleams, And touches the tired eyelids, And lulls them into dreams.

Even so, when life is over, And the long day's march is past, We wait in gathering shadows Till the Sandman comes at last; Sad are our hearts and weary,

And long the waiting seems; Lord, we are tired children, Touch Thou our eyes with dreams. Take from the slackened fingers The toys so heavy grown, Give to Thy tired children Visions of Thine alone! Then, when at length the shadows Darken around the west, Send to us Death, Thy Sandman, To call Thine own to rest.

The publisher of the best Farmer's paper in the Maritime Provinces is writing to us states: "I would say that I do not know of a medicine that has stood the test of time like MINARD'S LINIMENT. It has been an unfailing remedy in our household ever since I can remember, and has outlived dozens of would-be competitors and imitators."

A Precise Private.

In one of the camps, an officer was making a round of inspection when he came upon a big, round-eyed private with red hair and a gun that he held in anything but the approved fashion. "Don't you know better," demanded the officer, "than to point an empty gun at me?"

"But it ain't empty, sir," protested the private. "It's loaded."

MONEY ORDERS.

Send a Dominion Express Money Order. Five Dollars costs three cents.

English to be World Language.

In reply to the question addressed by the Northern Peace Society to prominent linguists in various countries as to which language would be the most suitable for world-wide use, M. Carnoy, professor of Louvain University, writes: "English would undoubtedly be the most suitable. The German and French languages have lost their place through the war. The English language is a hospitable one, being a kind of compromise between the Latin and Germanic tongues; also it is simple and is spoken by most progressive nations of the world, and has one of the most beautiful literatures of modern times."

The dynasty of Japan is the oldest in the world, the present ruler claiming to be the 122nd monarch of an unbroken line dating from 700 B.C.

Old newspapers folded about 9 x 12 inches and hung on side of kitchen table are handy when a little food is split on stove or floor. If it is wiped with a piece of paper first, then with the housecloth, or stove-cloth, much work is saved.

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To-morrow.

To meet to-morrow fearlessly, This much I have resolved to do, Though what the year ahead may bring.

Is still unknown to me, to you, The sky is dark, the ages say, Old standards fell before the new, Gone are the things men died to save, The many suffer for the few.

While youth gives answer, "This may be," But have you lost the faith to see, To-morrow is no waning light, No coward's hopeless prophecy, To-morrow is my book to write, Your brightest dream, our glorious fight, And what we make it, it will be— So face the future fearlessly!"

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

There are over 60 known varieties of the banana, with as great, or greater, variation in character as in the different kinds of apples.

No man's abilities are so remarkably shining as not to stand in need of a proper opportunity, a patron, and even the praises of a friend to recommend them to the notice of the world.—Pliny.

"SYRUP OF FIGS"

CHILD'S LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poisons from little stomach, liver and bowels



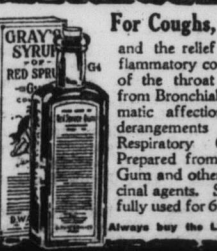
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With the Fingers! Says Corns Lift Out Without Any Pain

Soft corns, hard corns, soft corns or any kind of a corn can shortly be lifted right out with the fingers if you will apply directly upon the corn a few drops of freezone, says a Cincinnati authority.

It is claimed that at small cost one can get a quarter of an ounce of freezone at any drug store, which is sufficient to rid one's feet of every corn or callus without pain or soreness or the danger of infection.

This new drug is an ether compound, and while sticky, dries the moment it is applied and does not inflame or even irritate the surrounding tissue. This announcement will interest many women here, for it is said that the present high-heeled footwear is putting corns on practically every woman's feet.



GRAY'S SYRUP RED SPRUCE GUM

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BITS OF HUMOR



He Didn't Suit.
Youth: "Can you take back the engagement ring I bought her to-day?"
Jeweller: "Didn't it suit?"
"I don't know. I didn't."

A Schoolboy Expounder.
Teacher—"What are the properties of heat and cold?"
Small Pupil—"The property of heat is to expand and cold to contract."

Teacher—"Give me an example."
Small Pupil—"In summer, when it is hot, the days are long; in winter, when it is cold, the days are short."

He Was Beaten.

"Look here!" stormed the proprietor of the travelling menagerie angrily. "Are those your children over there in front of that cage?"

"Only about three of them," replied Farmer Johnson, whose family was large and plain.

"Well, get 'em away from there, quick! They have been making faces at the gorilla for twenty minutes, and the poor beast's having one fit after another!"

"ROSY-FIT"

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Could Not Sleep Eruption Itched and Burned So.

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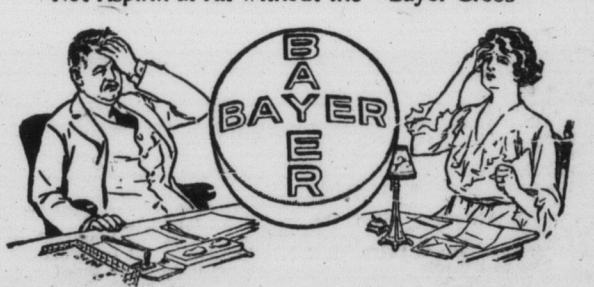
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