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BEN JONSON AND THE GOOSE.

Ben Jonson having heard that Lord Craven was very anxious to see him went to his lordship's house. Being in a somewhat tattered condition, the porter refused to admit him, and gave him some impertinent language, which Ben did not fail to return. While they were wrangling Lord Craven happened to come out, and desired to know the cause of the quarrel. Jonson immediately said: "I understand your lordship wanted to see me?" "You fiend!" replied the lord; "who are you?" "Ben Jonson," replied the other. "No, no; you cannot be Ben Jon on who wrote the 'Silent Woman;' you look as if you could not say boo to a goose." "Boo!" cried Ben. "Very well," said his lordship, who was better pleased at the joke than offended at the affront; "I am now convinced that you are Ben Jonson."

"SAR BRAS WAS A PUBLISHER."

Lord Byron once gave his publisher, Murray, a handsomely bound and embellished bible, with a very flattering inscription, as a birthday present. It was somewhat ostentatiously displayed by the grateful publisher upon his center-table, and the attention of all callers directed to it. One evening, as a large company were gathered around the table, one of the guests happened to open the New Testament and saw some writing on the margin. Calling to Murray, he said: "Why, Byron has written something here!" Closer inspection proved that the profane wit had erased the word "robber" in the text and substituted the word "publisher," so that the passage read "Now Barabbas was a publisher."

SEVERE SATIRE.

Professor Porson, a short time before his death, was in a mixed company, among which were many distinguished literary characters. One of the number, a person of some celebrity, had a very high opinion of his own talents, and when the conversation turned on some of his productions, as usual he began to extol their merits. "I will tell you, sir," said Mr. Porson, "what I think of your poetical works. They will be read when Shakespeare's and Milton's are forgotten," every eye was instantly turned on the professor, "but not until then!"

MILTON AND THE DUKE OF YORK.

James II. when duke of York, made a visit to Milton, out of curiosity. In the course of the conversation, the duke said to the poet that he thought his blindness was a judgment upon him, because he had written against Charles II, the duke's father. Milton replied: "If your highness thinks that my misfortunes are indices of the wrath of heaven, what must you think of your father's tragical end? I have only lost my eyes—he lost his head!"

SITTING FOR A PORTRAIT.

When the bacchanalian propensities of Jarvis, the painter, had rendered him rather an unequal, if not an unsafe artist, he was employed by a gentleman to paint his wife—a miracle of plainness, under the stipulation that a pint of wine at a single sitting must be the extent of his potations. Jarvis consented, and in a short time produced a perfect fac simile of the lady. On exhibiting it to the husband, he seemed disappointed. "Couldn't you have given it," said he to the painter, "a little less—that is, couldn't you give it now a little more—" "If you expect me to make a handsome portrait of your wife, I must have more than a pint of wine at a sitting. I couldn't get up imagination enough to make her even good-looking under a quart at the very least!"

BARRY, THE ACTOR.

It was said of Barry that he had a voice so sweet that he could allure a bird from a tree, and at the same time an address and a manner the most prepossessing and conciliating. The Dublin theatre, of which Mr. B. was proprietor, failed, and he was considerably indebted to his actors, musicians, etc. Among others the master carpenter called at Barry's house and was very clamorous in demanding his pay. Barry, who was ill at the time, came to the head of the stairs and asked what was the matter. "Matter enough," replied the carpenter; "I want my money and can't get it." "Don't be in a passion," said Barry; "do me the favor to walk up-stairs, if you please, and we will speak upon the business." "Not I, Mr. Barry," cried the carpenter; "you owe me a hundred pounds already, and if I come up you will owe me two before I leave you."

LONG-WINDED.

Burke was sometimes provoked into humor. David Hartley was remarkable for the length and dullness of his speeches. One day when Burke was prepared to take an important part in the debate, he saw, to his intense vexation, the house melt down under Hartley's influence from an immense assemblage to a number scarcely sufficient to authorize the speaker's keeping the chair. In the course of this heavy harangue Hartley had occasion to desise that some clause in the riot act should be read at the table. Burke could restrain himself no longer. "The riot act," said he, starting from his seat; my honorable friend desires the riot act to be read! What would he have? Does he not see that the mob has dispersed already?"

THE LAST ARGUMENT.

Though Pitt's moral or physical courage never shrank from man, yet Sheridan was the antagonist with whom he evidently least desired to come into contact, and with whom the collision, when it did occur, was of the most fretful nature. There was a thousand instances of the keen encounter of their wits, in which person was more involved than party.

"I leave," said Pit, at the conclusion of an attack of this kind, "I leave the honorable gentleman what he likes so well, the woman's privilege—the last word." Sheridan started up. "I am perfectly sensible," said he, "of the favor which the right honorable gentleman means, in offering me a privilege so peculiarly adapted to himself; but I must beg leave to decline the gift. I have no wish for the last word; I am content with having the last argument."

"JACK ROBINSON."

Mr. Fox, in the course of a speech in the house of commons, when he was enlarging on the influence exercised by government over the members, observed that it was generally understood that there was a member employed by the ministers as manager of the house of commons. Here was a general cry of "Name him! name him!" "No," said Mr. Fox, "I don't choose to name him; but I might do it as easily as to say Jack Robinson." John Robinson was really the member's name.

The Happy Dry Goods Clerk.

He clerked in a store,
And the way he tore
Off calico, jeans and brown sheeting,
Would have tickled a calf,
And made the brute Laugh
In the face of a quarterly meeting.

He cut quite a dash
With a darling mustache,
Which he learned to adore and to cherish;
For one girl had said
While she dropped her proud head,
That 'twould kill her too see the thing perish.

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AN ITALIAN EVANGELINE.

The Remarkable Romance that a Mohawk Reporter Relates.

From the Amsterdam Recorder.

A gang of Italian laborers have for months past been employed on the West Shore railroad a few miles below Amsterdam. They are very quiet, industrious and well behaved, and seem to be above the average of Italian laborers. Among them was one whose form was slender and symmetrical, complexion fair with a slight olive tint, eyes dark and lustrous, and hair long dark hued and wavy. An Evening Recorder reporter who visited the spot a couple of days ago gleaned from persons well acquainted with facts the following romantic story:

The fair personage was a woman. Her name was Angella Lourino. Her lover, Franko Patrido, came to America, like many of his countrymen to better his fortune. The fair Angella pined in his absence, and finally determined to join him in the far-off America. To carry out her plan she disguised herself in men's attire, and having no money with which to pay her passage, she stowed herself away upon an ocean steamer bound for the United States. After the steamer sailed she was discovered and willingly did a sailor's hard duty to work her passage across the broad Atlantic. At length she arrived in New York city, only to learn, after patient investigation, that her lover had joined the army of Italian laborers upon the West Shore railroad.

Nothing daunted, she, too, became a railroad worker, and labored for her daily bread at various points along the West Shore railroad, ever keeping the object of her life—to find her long-lost lover—in view. During her wanderings she came near meeting him. Once she caught sight of his form on the deck of a canal boat which passed near the spot where she was at work, but the overseer kept her at her task, and the boat went onward. At another time she caught a glimpse of him as he was rapidly whirled by the Amsterdam railroad station on an express train. In the course of her wanderings and changes she was finally located with a gang of Italian laborers a few miles below this village. Her constitution, naturally delicate, was unable to endure the exposure and hard work and she fell a victim to typhoid fever. The fatal disease made rapid work and the poor girl who until her sickness had strictly kept to herself the secret of her sex, rapidly succumbed to its ravages. As the end approached, Angela awoke to consciousness from her feverish delirium and saw her lover bending over her. He had been detailed to work at this spot and arrived only in time to see her die. She fixed her eyes on the face of her lover with a look of love, and faintly murmured, in the language of her native land: "At last we meet, only to part forever. Farewell my dearest." With these words she died.

The remains of Angella were laid upon a platform covered with a cloth, and stones placed beneath her head. For four days and nights the body was kept in this position, while the lover kept a ceaseless vigil beside it. At the expiration of this time the body was wrapped in a winding sheet and buried in the "dump" of the road bed, the remains being covered with earth from the dumping carts.

The Severe Simplicity of Cardinal McCloskey's House.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.

NEW YORK, Sept. 28—I had occasion to stop at the cardinal's house a few minutes the other day. It has just been finished, and he has moved in. He and his secretary and the servants form the household. The house is of great size, of white marble, Gothic in design. It is behind the cathedral in the same block, and being built of the same material does not impair the background of the great pile. I had not looked for elegance in the cardinal's house, but I was not prepared for the simplicity (I had almost said cheapness or bareness) that met my eyes. The walls and ceilings were plain and white, with here and there an oil painting—usually of a saint or priest. There are plain thin carpets, with chairs and lounges with padded horsehair seats. The carved doors, door and window frames and mantels redeemed the cheerless mansion. They were rich and handsome. The cardinal has the second floor, consisting of a bedroom, reception room, study and bath room. Above this is a great chapel-like hall, with stained glass windows—the principal device in the biggest window being the insignia of the pope. In this great chapel are stored the books that make up his famous library. A house that differs from the cardinal's only in the absence of this library is on the other corner of the same block. It is to be the home of the clergy and of the vicar general, who, with the five priests connected with the cathedral, now occupies a brown stone house in Fiftieth street, opposite the cathedral.

General Wolseley's Secret Assistance.

Among other plausible attempts of robbing Sir Garnet of his glory in winning the fight at Tel-el-Keber, I hear it suggested that he was greatly helped by dissensions in the enemy's camp. There is no doubt that to orientals of all classes "backsheesh" is irresistible; and we know that in the last Russo-Turkish war, gates were opened and strong positions sold for money. If the secret history of the recent war ever be made public, we may find that Wolseley did not disdain a single chance of securing success, and made friends of his foes where he could. The knowledge that resistance would be half-hearted may well have braced him to an enterprise which would otherwise have been hazardous, not to say foolhardy, in the extreme. It has been proved to demonstration that the frontal attacks of works defended by the breech-loader is almost hopeless. We have seen it in the latest wars, and that of Egypt ought to have been no exception to the general rule. Tel-el-Kebir, with its double line of skilfully-built, well-armed entrenchments, was strong enough to have cost us half the small force which Sir Garnet launched so gaily against it; for was there reasonable hope of ultimate success, even at the price of a terrible butcher's bill? Without being captious of hypercritical, I am inclined to endorse the suspicions of those who think Wolseley fought with other weapons than those of open war. If he did not, he assumed an awful responsibility, and had he suffered defeat at Tel-el-Kebir, would have been forever disgraced for so lightly encountering such a terrible risk.

Her Majesty Christine.

I am seventy, gray and staid,
I love well a little maid,
And she rules me like a queen;
She has such a royal way,
Whatsoever she may say
I am eager to obey—
Her small Majesty Christine.

She has robes of wondrous white,
She has sashes gray and bright,
Lace and ribbons for a queen;
Golden crown is not so fair
As her grown of golden hair,
Ah, what maiden can compare
With her Majesty Christine!

I have seventy summers told;
She's exactly five years old;
Promptly still obeys mamma;
But no one has ever seen
Such a slave to any queen
As I am to sweet Christine
When she calls me grandpapa.

FAMILY MURDER.

A Philosophical Tailor Strangles His Wife and Four Children.

From the London Times.

For the last two days the first district criminal court have been engaged in the trial of a case which would certainly have afforded De Quincy some interesting material for his essay on "Murder as one of the fine arts." Berlin has not had to listen to such a sensational and painful story of crime for a long time, and certainly the black calendar of the city of intelligence is by no means pleasant reading. The chief actor in the present tragedy was a man named Conrad, aged 34, who began life as a philosophic tailor, somewhat after the style of Kingsley's Alton Locke, and after roaming through the gamut of various occupations, including military service, ended by strangling in one night his wife and four children. The trial of the murderer, which excited the deepest interest, as it was feared the evidence against him might possibly break down, has disclosed a terrible degree of social depravity well calculated to make the humanitarians of the nineteenth century pause and think. Conrad, the "family murderer," as the newspapers term him, is a man for his station in life, of great force of character, intelligent, enquiring, well read, inventive, ready, and of remarkable self-possession. He had been a diligent reader of the poet Schiller and of the naturalist Charles Darwin, and his desultory course of study had ended in making him, like many others of his class in Germany, a believer in nothing whatever. Not only had he renounced all his religious faith himself, but he had compelled his wife to leave the church, and brought up his children in heathen darkness. The struggle for existence grew even harder with him. He transferred his affections from his own wife to another, an unmarried woman. He denied the paternity of two of his children, and his hodsehold became a perfect hell. He wanted to be free to marry the object of his second love, and with one blow he cut the fivefold knot that bound him to his vows. In the night between August 11 and 12 last he strangled his wife and four children while they slept. In the morning the corpses of the mother and her youngest child were found hanging at the back of a door, while the dead bodies of the other three were discovered similarly suspended in the wardrobe. On the mother's bed lay a volume of Schiller open at the poem of "Kindermorderinn" (child murderess), which the father placed there so as to suggest to the officers of justice that his wife had committed both infanticide and suicide. This was the critical point in the whole case—whether the father or the mother had committed the terrible crime, and but for the judicial habits here of cross-qu stioning prisoners, there is no saying how far the diabolical craft and coolness with which Conrad planned and executed the deed, with his calm and self-collected demeanor in court, might not have aided him. A letter of triumph, however, which he wrote to his mistress before the breath could have been long out of his wife's body formed a strong link in an otherwise somewhat fragile chain of circumstantial evidence, so he was found guilty and condemned to death. His own theory was that having had a quarrel with his wife on the night in question, he rushed out of her insupportable presence into another room, where he fell asleep, and that than the mother did the fearful havoc. In the morning he sent for a blacksmith to pick the lock which he himself had fastened, and he made a most dramatic pretence of weeping and fainting when confronted with the results of his nocturnal handiwork. Fiction, however, yielded to reality when the sentence of death was pronounced upon him, and when, altogether collapsing, he had to be brought round with wine.

"It is the common observation that the standard of natural health and normal activity, among American women, is being lowered by the influence of false ideas and habits of life, engendered by fashionable ignorance and luxurious living. It is a happy circumstance that Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham has become to the front to instruct and cure the sufferer of her sex

The Depopulation of North Britain.

A series of public meetings are to be held this autumn in the Highlands by Professor Blackie and others to protest against "the depopulation of North Britain." The Scotsman asserts that there has been no depopulation of the Highlands other than the flow of people to the towns, which is going on everywhere. In the registrar-general's report of the census the extent of this process in the ten years from 1871 to 1881 is to be found. He groups the populations under the headings towns, villages and rural districts, and he produces this general result:

	1871.	1881.
Towns	1,051,704	2,305,552
Villages	386,993	447,884
Rural Districts	1,021,321	980,887

There has thus been an increase of 18.20 per cent in towns and of 15 73 per cent in villages, while there has been a decrease of 3 96 per cent in the rural districts. This decrease is not confined to any one part of the country. It occurs in all but six counties—Orkney, Clackmannan, Stirling, Dumbarton, Ayr and Selkirk, in each of which there is a slight increase, and is greatest in Lanark, Edinburgh, Perthshire and other counties which are hardly to be regarded as the highlands.

B. F. Stillwell, Esq., corner Twelfth and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., had been confined to his room for days with a severe sprain. In answer to a San Francisco newspaper reporter he said: "My speedy recovery is due entirely to St Jacobs Oil. My injury was a severe and painful one. Other remedies failed to benefit me. With the use of the Oil the swelling disappeared quickly, as did also the pain, and I am as well as ever. Credit to what credit belongs, I say."

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Removal.

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Proselytes to Judaism.

From the Montreal Star.

The Chenneville street Jewish synagogue was last Sunday evening the scene of a religious ceremony of a highly interesting character, that of the conversion of an English lady of the christian faith to judaism. It was interesting not only on account of the nature of the ceremony, but also from the fact that the making of proselytes is something never countenanced by Jewish authorities, except in extreme cases where the desire on the part of the candidate to belong to the Jewish creed arises solely from religious conviction. It is consequently of a very rare occurrence. The ceremony is one that requires a large amount of study on the part of the candidate, who must not only be thoroughly conversant with the doctrine and laws of Judaism, but also with all their ceremonies. At the time appointed for the performance of the ceremony the candidate is examined before the party who receives the proselyte, and two assistants. The examination over, the candidate is formally pronounced a member of the faith and is granted a certificate to that effect. The ceremony was performed by a Hebrew gentleman from New York, presently residing in Montreal, as the rabbi refused to do so on the ground that the rite is not countenanced by the Jewish church, all the theologians and authorities being opposed to it.

Catarrh—A New Treatment.

From the Weekly (Toronto) Mail, Aug. 24.

Perhaps the most extraordinary success that has been achieved in modern medicine has been attained by the Dixon treatment for catarrh. Out of two thousand patients treated during the past six months fully ninety per cent have been cured of this stubborn malady. This is none the less startling when it is remembered that not five per cent of patients presenting themselves to the regular practitioner are benefited, while the patent medicines and other advertised cures never record a cure at all. Starting with the claim now generally believed by the most scientific men that the disease is due to the presence of living parasites in the tissue, Mr. Dixon at once adapted his cure to their extermination—this accomplished, he claims the catarrh is practically cured and the permanency is unquestioned, as cures effected by him two years ago are cures still. No one else has ever attempted to cure catarrh in this manner, and no other treatment has ever cured catarrh. The application of the remedy is simple and can be done at home, and the present season of the year is the most favorable for a speedy and permanent cure, the majority of cases being cured at one treatment. Sufferers should correspond with Mr. A. H. Dixon, 305 and 307 King street west, Toronto, Canada, and enclose stamp for his treatise on catarrh

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