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Courier's Special Features of Interest To Every Woman

(Star Weekly)
A good story has been going around the clubs concerning ex-President Roosevelt's schoolboy days. He was rather a duffer at reciting then, and once it fell to his lot to break-up time to "speak a piece."

"At midnight, in his guarded tent, The Turk lay dreaming of the hour When Greece, her knees in supplication, Should tremble at his power."

Young Roosevelt got as far as "When Greece, her knees," and stuck fast for the context.

"Twice the lad repeated "Greece, her knees," and then broke down and gave it up.

The old principal of the school, a bit of a wag in his way, beamed over his spectacles at his snon-plussed pupil, and remarked with unctuous humor:

"Greece her knees again, Theodore; perhaps she'll go then."

The Luck of the Peacock
The idea that peacock's feathers are unlucky is based on superstition according to E. Grogan. The story goes that the tail represents the Evil Eye. Argus was left by Osiris, King of Egypt, in charge of Isis the Queen during the King's absence. Argus with one hundred spies (eyes) became over-powerful and usurped the crown.

Mercury came to the rescue and decapitated the monster. Juno then transformed the headless Argus into a peacock, and put matters right set his eyes in his tail. Condemning the peacock as unlucky is quite modern. It would seem that we of the present day skip right back to mythology for this superstition.

If in the Middle Ages they had been considered evil peacocks would never have been permitted to appear upon the gorgeous robes possessed by Church dignitaries of the highest order. Pope Paschal early in the ninth century owned wonderfully embellished robes, many being covered with precious stones. The most exceptional and beautiful of all was an amber garment embroidered with peacocks. Pope Leo IV had a drape on which was pictured a man noised upon a peacock. The altar of Pope Stefano V. was adorned with four splendid cloths embellished with these proud birds. Time after time they appear wrought into religious designs. The feathers themselves were woven into a mantle sent by Pope Paul III to King Pepin.

It is not conceivable that the peacock could have been of evil omen when it took the form of a Royal Coronation gift. The Queen of Henry III received from her sister, the Queen of France, a quaint and valuable silver peacock of no mean size. Its tail was set with many a sapphire and precious stones. The pretty bird had its use, for it formed a reservoir for "sweet waters" which came from its beak into a chased silver basin.

No other feathered fowl has ever received the homage obtained by the peacock. When dressed for table it was considered "the nutriment of lovers" and the "viand of worthies"

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At solemn banquets for princes, great pomp was accorded our peacock. See the golden dish borne aloft by a lady of high degree, a train of ladies of rank in her company and music in the rear. The hero of the tournament carves, and every soul must taste, if but a morsel. Then he rises to take the oath, and with arms extended over the bird he proclaims his vocation: "daring deed, or maybe a protestation of love."

"I vow to God, to the Blessed Virgin, to the Dames and to the Peacock."

These words prefaced the vow, and the peacock shares highest honors. Surely no evil was dreamed of in connection with his hundred eyes.

In the early Victorian era peacock's feathers were to be seen decorating the mantle pieces of nearly every farmhouse. The care with which these plumes were guarded by the majority of people of all classes proved that superstition concerning good luck was attributed to the bird. Perhaps the "Vow of the Peacock" still lingered and left a dim memory.

The present generation is almost too matter-of-fact to indulge much in ideas of superstition, but for all that we forget the Popes, and the princes, the knights and dames of old and appeal to Argus:

"The peacock is unlucky," we say.

The blouse of cotton crepe, voile or some similar soft clinging cotton stuff, with a touch of vivid color, is a feature of the new season. These models are called "Balkan blouses" and reflect the influence which the present war in Europe is having on feminine costume, for Balkan frocks, blouses and hats are all the rage in Paris now. Some of these Balkan blouses have gay Turkish neckties of crimson or purple silk embroidered with contrasting hues. These ties are drawn softly under the rolling collar, and knotted in tur-in-hand style, the long ends passing under buttoned slashes in the front of the blouse and then falling free to the waistline.

At Miramar, on the island of Majorca in the Mediterranean, a free hotel, where accommodations may be had for three days, upon applications to the agents of the Archduke Luis Salvador of Austria. It is a beautiful spot, and the entire neighborhood is full of beautiful attractions to the traveller. Attendants in charge look after the welfare of the guests, who must, however, provide for their own food. Beds, linen and table appointments they receive gratis, and bread and wine can be obtained very reasonably. It is said that this provision is due to the gratification the Austrian owners felt years ago, when they first came to live at Miramar. Such peace and such loveliness, they felt, should be shared by all lovers of nature who passed the way.

The Duchess of Marlborough recently acquired Little Esher Place, Esher, which was formerly the residence of Lady Ulrica Baring, and is having it prepared as a home of rest for female clerks and typists.

Princess Patricia of Connaught, who added daily to her experiences during her tour with her parents through Canada, is said to be with the exception of the Queen, the most travelled lady in the Royal Family, the Duchess of Connaught coming next. Princess Patricia knows the United Kingdom and practically every country in Europe, and she has visited Asia, Africa and America. Her youth and eager desire to see have enabled her to accomplish part of her journeying in a way not possible to her mother nor, of course, to Queen Mary, whose tours on every occasion were necessarily of the formal order.

Mrs. Sarah Christopher of New York, is the first woman in this country to be appointed an inspector in a fire prevention bureau. Her salary is \$1,200 a year. She has been assigned to the cloak, suit and skirt factories in the metropolis, which number more than 500, and employ about 100,000 persons, mostly women.

OUR GOOD RECEIPTS.
Creamed Carrots.
Creamed carrots will be found especially tasty if they are served in green pepper shells. Cut the peppers in half lengthwise; remove the seeds and fill with the carrots. Sprinkle with crumbs and brown in the oven.

Scalloped Cabbage.
One-half a large cabbage, chopped fine. Put on to boil in salted water until tender; drain. Butter a deep dish and put in a layer of cabbage; then cover with bread crumbs, put bits of butter over the top, a little pepper, then another layer of cabbage and so on until you have the dish nearly full, then pour over one cup of hot milk and bake three quarters of an hour in a hot oven.

Never Fail Gems.
Rub together one egg, one heaping spoonful sugar, one heaping tablespoonful sugarfin one heaping tablespoonful of corn meal; one level teaspoonful of salt. Then add one cupful sweet milk; two cupfuls sifted flour, one teaspoonful soda; two teaspoonfuls cream of tartar. Beat, drop in gem pans and bake in moderate oven. This amount makes 12 gems. They may be eaten by anyone without fear of the meal causing heartburn.

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DATED at Brantford this 31st day of March, 1913.
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ENGINEER'S GRAND

Ontario Government mends Storage 000 Will be S to Complete Great Interest.

Brantfordites will read with interest the report of the engineer who was recently commissioned by the Ontario Legislature to deal with the possibility of local flow characteristics of the Grand River works. The report was made by Adam Beck, from whom the Government will make a grant of \$100,000 for the work. The work carried out thus far is of the greatest importance, not only to the province but to the country.

The report of Engineer Acres is as follows: Through the progressive obliteration of physical influences governing natural control, the flood flows of Grand River have for some years past been gradually increasing in volume and destructiveness. Consequent upon this steady increase in flood discharge, the water flow has been steadily decreasing, so that in addition to a large annual loss by flood damage, there has been a material loss through shrinkage in power capacity. The realization that these conditions would tend to become worse year by year led to the formation of the Grand River Conservancy Commission to solicit the help of the Provincial Government in the matter of investigation for the purpose of devising, if possible, a feasible remedy to serve the joint purpose of ameliorating flood conditions and of increasing the power capacity of the stream under conditions minimum damage.

During the Fall of 1912 a reconnaissance survey was made of Grand River watershed covering an area of 1,000 square miles. The results of this survey are being published in a report which will be available in a few days.

Announcement was made at Brantford, the energetic secretary has placed on a provincial basis that a grant of \$40 per month towards Mr. Axford's work. The time of Mr. S. M. Thomson, recognized as a provincial officer of the Government grand Children's Aid Society, which is in the city. It was through the aid of Mr. J. W. Westbrook, M.P.

SECRETARY A PROVI

Appeal Dismissed
LONDON, April 5.—The Court Appeals to-day dismissed the appeal brought by the White Star Steamship Line against the decision of the Admiralty Court, which found on November 19th last, that the pilot of the liner Olympic was to blame for the collision with the British cruiser Hawke, off the Isle of Wight on September 20. The Court of Appeal confirmed the lower court's judgment that the Olympic was at fault, and held the White Star Line liable for the collision which she could have avoided almost up to the last moment.

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