

Democratic Watchman.

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A New "Uncle Remus" Story.

"Wen you git a leetle bit older dan w'at you is, honey," said Uncle Remus to the little boy, "you'll know lots mo' dan you does now."

The old man had a pile of white oak splits by his side and these he was wearing into a chair-bottom. He was an expert in the art of "bottoming chairs," and he earned many a silver quarter in this way. The little boy seemed to be much interested in the process.

"Hit's des like I tell ye," the old man went on; "I dun had de spence uv it. I dun got so now dat I don't believe w'at I see, much less w'at I hear. It gits ter be whar kin I put my han' on it an fumble wid it. Folks kin fool deys ef lots wuss dan yuther folks kin fool um'en ef you don't b'lieve w'at I'm a-tellin' you, you kin jes ax Brer Wolf de nex time you meet 'im in de big road."

"What about Brer Wolf, Uncle Remus?" the little boy asked, as the old man paused to refill his pipe.

"Well, honey, 'tain't no great long rigamarole; hit's des one er deze yer tales w'at goes in a gallop tewe it gits ter de jumpin' off place."

"One time Brer Wolf wuz gwine long de big road, feelin' mighty proud en highbriht. He wuz a mighty high-um-pan in dem days, Brer Wolf wuz, an mos' all de yuther creturs wuz feard un'im. Well, he wuz gwine 'long lickin his chops en walkin' sorter stiff-necked, w'en he happen ter look down 'pon de groun' an dar he seed a track in de san'."

"Brer Wolf stop, he did, en look at it, an den he low'."

"Heyo! w'at kind er cretur dish yer? Brer Dog ain't make dat track, en needer is Brer Fox. Hit's one er deze yer kind er creturs w'at ain't got no claws. I'll des 'bot foller 'im up, en ef I sketch 'im he'll sholy be my meat."

"Dat de way Brer Wolf talk. He folloed long after de track, he did, en he look at it close, but he ain't see no print er no claw. Bimeby de track tack'n w'en out de road en go up a dreen whar de rain dose wash out. De track was plain dar in de wet san', but Brer Wolf ain't see no sign er no claws."

"He foller en foller, Brer Wolf did, en de track git fresher en fresher, but still he ain't see no print er no claw. Bimeby he come in sight er de cretur, en Brer Wolf stop, stock-still and look. De cretur wuz mighty quare lookin', en he wuz cuttin' up some mighty quare capers. He had big head, sharp nose, en bob tail; en he wuz walkin' roun' en roun' a bib doz-wood tree, rubbin' his sides ag'in it. Brer Wolf watch 'im a right smart while he act so quare, en den he low'."

"Shoo! dat cretur done bin in a flight en los de bes' part er he tail; on w'at make he scratch hisse' f'at away? I lay I'll let 'im know whar he foolin' long wid."

"Atter while, Brer Wolf went up a leetle nigher de cretur, en he holler out: 'Heyo, dar! w'at you doin' scratchin' in yo' scaly hide on my tree, en tryin' er ter break hit down?'"

"De cretur ain't make no answer. He des walk 'roun' de tree scratchin' his sides en back. Brer Wolf holler out: 'I lay I'll make you year me ef I hatter come dar whar you is!'"

"De cretur des walk 'roun' en 'roun' de tree, en ain't make no answer. Den Brer Wolf hail 'im ag'in, en talk like he mighty mad."

"Ain't you gwine ter min' me, you impudent scoundrel? Ain't you gwine ter moxy out my woods en let my tree lone?"

"Widat, dar Brer Wolf march todes de cretur des like he gwine ter squash 'im in de groun'. De cretur ruf hisse' f'at ag'in de tree en look like he feel mighty good. Brer Wolf keep on gwine todes 'im, en bimeby w'en he git sorter close de cretur tack'n 'n sot up on his behime legs des like you see squir'ls do. Den Brer Wolf he low, he did."

"Ah-yi you beggin', is you good? But t' ain't gwine ter do you no good. I mouter let you off er you'd a-minded me w'en I fus' holler atter you, but I ain't gwine ter let you off now. I'm a-gwine ter larn you a lesson dat I'll stick by you."

"Den de cretur sorter wrinkle up he face en mouf, en Brer Wolf he say: 'Oh, you nee'n'ter swell up en cry, you 'ceftful yilun. I'm a-gwine ter gi' you a frailin' dat I boun' you won't forget.'"

"Brer Wolf make like he gwine ter hit de cretur, en den—"

"Here Uncle Remus paused and looked all around the room and up at the rafters. When he began again his voice was very solemn."

"Well, suh dat cretur des foteh one swipe dis way, en'n'er swipe dat away, en mos' 'fo' you can wink you' eye-balls, Brer Wolf's hide wuz mighty nigh teetotaly tord off 'im. Atter dat de cretur sa'ntered off in de woods, en 'gun ter low' his 'ron 'n'er tree."

"What kind of a creature was it, Uncle Remus?" asked the little boy.

"Well, honey," replied the old man in a confidential whisper, "hit want no body on de top-side er de yeth but ole Brer Wilcat."—From "The Creature's with no Claws," by Joel Chandler Harris, in St. Nicholas for October.

It is only in the comic newspaper that the small boy gets doubled up eating green apples and gives the undertaker a job. The small boy in real life will start out nutting in the morning, and before he returns home in the evening he will have found in Hood's Sarsaparilla a positive cure for rheumatism. This medicine, by its purifying action, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, and also builds up and strengthens the whole body.

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Household Notes.

If ribbons need renewing, wash them in cold soap suds, cover with a clean cloth and iron when damp.

A disk or wafer of sealing wax placed in the bottom of a glass bowl will give crushed ice a pretty, delusive glow.

The bread of the hour is called cresseny. It sell at fifty cents a pound, and is served with the soup and cheese courses.

A small piece of paper or linen moistened with turpentine, and put into the wardrobe or drawers for a single day or two or three times a year, is a preventive against moths.

To set delicate colors in embroidered handkerchiefs, soak them ten minutes previous to washing in a pail of tepid water in which a desertspoonful of turpentine has been well stirred.

Hard-boiled eggs served in a hot gravy of vinegar is a recent gastronomic introduction of some of the fashionable clubs in London. The dish is said to have had its origin in India.

The yellow room has had its day, the blue room is passe and the crimson and gold apartment too emphatic to be aesthetic. Now it is the white for brides, debutantes and young mothers.

An excellent way of cooking eggs is to break them in boiling milk without beating; cook slowly, stirring now and then. When done soft pour into a dish and add a little pepper, and salt and butter.

When you boil a cabbage take a bit of dry bread in a bag and put it in the kettle. French cooks say that all the unpleasant odor which makes a house smell like an old drain will be absorbed by the bread.

Do not scrape the inside of frying pans, as after this operation any preparation tried is liable to catch or burn to the pan. If the pan is black inside, rub it with a hard crust of bread and wash in hot water mixed with a little soda.

Unwisely fire places may be converted into spicy, woody, sylvian nooks by a rustic arrangement of balsam, palm, bitter-sweet and mistletoe branches. The greens are piled up on the hearthstone unless they can be interlaced about the fender and apron.

Many people iron towels and put them away before they are dry. This is an error, and some times leads to results not expected. In this damp condition there is a mold which forms on them called odium, one variety of which causes numerous skin diseases.

Newspaper Stories.

"Oh that's only a newspaper story," is an expression that falls with special disfavor upon the ears of the journalist. It is the voicing of a sentiment that finds its growth and development in the increasing recklessness of the effervescent reporter and the laxity of the average editor and proprietor of the daily paper. To get the news first, and to estimate its truth afterwards, is the dominant idea in modern journalism to entirely too great a degree. To such an extent has this evil grown, that, to stamp a statement with the taint of improbability, to give it the cloud of doubtfulness, it is only necessary for it to appear in a daily paper. Our brethren of the diurnal press must curb their reportorial Annanases lest they put their papers in the position occupied by Aesop's young man who cried 'Wolf! wolf!' when there was no wolf.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

John Smith is the happiest man I know, but wasn't he blue, though, not three months ago? "My wife's running down just as fast as she can, and the doctors can't help her," and then this poor man.

Almost cured as he thought of the poor, suffering man who seemed to be losing her hold upon life. "Smith, I know just how you feel," said a friend to whom he told his sad story. "My wife was troubled precisely as yours is. I don't just understand it, because I'm not a woman, but her back pained her, and she complained of dragging-down feelings, and a general weariness, and I know that she had some of those diseases women are subject to, and had 'em bad, too. I read about Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription one day, and the first time I was at the drug store I bought a bottle of it and took home to her. It worked wonders. In a short time she said she felt like her other woman, and she began to hope that there was relief for her, after all. She kept on taking the medicine for a time, and now she's well. Get a bottle of the 'Prescription' and try it on your wife."

"I will," said Smith. And he did, and it cured her and that's why he's so happy to-day.

—THE seat of the bitterest hostility to the Jews has been the city of Vienna, but vengeance seems to have come upon it at last. A great event in Vienna every year has been the International Grain Market, the great market for the continent. But last spring Hebrew resentment was stirred to such a point that 250 firms of Buda Pesth signed a declaration that they would not deal in Vienna, and the movement was supported in various towns of Hungary and in Prague. The Vienna Association, seeing the dangerous extravagance of the anti-Semitic agitation had been carried, petitioned the Emperor to allay it, but the result could not be avoided. The efforts of the Jews have made the corn market of this year a comparative failure. Instead of the 6,000 merchants of 1888, there have been but 2,000, and a proposition has arisen also to establish another international corn market in Paris.

—If the world ever had a golden age, the people of that easy-going era must have been particularly miserable, unless they were constituted very differently from the men and women of the present day. What would we have done in a world where the earth yielded its fruits spontaneously, and to wish was to have? Of course, we could have done nothing, and in doing it must have deplored our too happy fate every hour of the day. Difficulty is the sauce piquante of existence. Without it life is flavorless. In the golden age, say the poets, man had no wants. That's a fib. He wanted occupation. Alexander, when he had completed his conquests, got the blues because there were no more nations to subdue.

Raising Kids For Their Skins.

The raising of kids for their skins is a principal industry among the French mountaineers, and it supplies no small part of their subsistence. Softness, delicacy of texture and freedom from blemish are principal factors in the value of kid skins, and to secure these great pains are taken, says the Harbender. Diet is the principal thing and mother's milk is what keeps the kid in perfect condition for the use of the glove. As soon as the young animal begins to eat grass the value of its skin declines, for with a grass diet its skin immediately begins to grow coarser and harder in texture, and its chief merit vanishes. It is, therefore, kept closely penned, not only to prevent it from eating grass, but also to secure its skin from accidental injury from scratches, bruises, etc., which are fatal to perfection. When the kids have reached a certain age, at which the skins are in the best condition for the use of the glove, they are killed, and the skins are sold to traveling hawkers, through whom they reach the great centres of the tanning industry at Annony-Milbau, Paris and Grenoble.

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