

Berry He Spoke.
There is a certain West Philadelphia bachelor who is very fond of children. Recently when he was riding on a Chestnut street trolley car a woman sat opposite him with a baby in her arms. Suddenly the baby began to cry. Every one in the car seemed to be annoyed and a general scowl went around—that is, every one except the bachelor. He tried to show by the benign expression of his face that the crying of the baby was sweet music to him. He smiled at the youngster, but the noise only grew louder. Finally he leaned across the car.

"Perhaps there's a pin sticking him," he said in a stage whisper and after the manner of one who understands all the complexities and troubles of baby life. There was a profound silence in the car until the mother answered:

"No, there's no pin sticking him," she said at last in a tone of scorn and with much emphasis on the last word. Then she continued, "He's scared because you're making faces at him."
After that the bachelor isaped into pensiveness.—Philadelphia Times.

The Starling's Tongue.
It is extraordinary how many persons are under the impression that, in order to enable a bird to talk, it is absolutely necessary to cut or slit its tongue. I have heard that this fallacy had its origin in the following story: A man had a number of starlings in a large cage marked "Fine Young Starlings—Only 1 Shilling Each," and as each would be purchaser arrived the man would say, "There's a fine bird there, sir," pointing out one of them, "but I want half a crown for him, because he's the only one with a cut tongue, so he is bound to be a talker." He would then proceed to catch the bird and show the cut tongue and invariably succeeded in effecting a sale. This dodge would be repeated as each new customer arrived and departed rejoicing at his good bargain. The reader perhaps is not aware that all starlings have a very peculiar formation at the extremity of the tongue, which gives the appearance of a little piece having been snipped out of it.—London Strand.

The Crested Screecher.
"I was surprised to run across an old acquaintance up at the zoo the other day. The last time I saw him was in the lower part of Brazil when I was trying to push Yankee notions," said a commercial traveler. "This acquaintance is known as crested screecher. He is one of the best fighters I ever bet my money on. He is about as large as a turkey and as spry as they make 'em when his fighting blood is up. He has four sharp spurs instead of two, and the odd thing is the spurs are on the wings instead of the legs. The birds ran wild, but the natives tamed them and taught them to fight hawks and other enemies of poultry. They are fine poultry protectors. A fight between two of them is the most exciting thing in the way of sport down there and is more popular than a cockfight."—New York Sun.

A Greasy Charm.
One of the most greasy "charms" is that which was at one time extensively used as a cure for wens. The hand of a dead criminal still hanging had to be rubbed three times over the wen. A correspondent in London Notes and Queries some few years since wrote that many persons were then living who in their younger days had undergone the ceremony, always, they maintained, with complete success. "On execution days at Northampton," he adds, "numbers of sufferers used to congregate around the gallows in order to receive the 'dead stroke,' as it was termed. At the last execution which took place in that town a very few only were operated upon, not so much in consequence of decrease of faith as from the higher fee demanded by the hangman."

Paternal Fortitude.
I was calling, when the little daughter of my hostess came into the room. Knowing that her mother's mother had that morning returned home after a somewhat lengthy visit I said:

"Weren't you sorry to have grandma go away, Pearl?"

"Yes, I was," she answered promptly. "and so was mamma—very sorry. But," and she paused thoughtfully for a moment, "I couldn't see at breakfast but that papa was just as cheerful as ever."

Especially the Police.
Female Mendicant—I'm a poor widow woman with eight small children. Can't you give us some clothes? Lady—The only clothing I have to give away is one of my husband's coats. Female Mendicant—Give it to me, good lady. I might marry again. There are several gentlemen as have their eye on me.—New York Journal.

The One Condition.
Lady Perty—What did Father say when you asked him if you could marry me? The Honorable Gussie—He didn't absolutely refuse, but he made a very severe condition. Lady P.—What was it? The Hon. G.—He said he would see me hanged first!—London Mail.

Not Enthusiastic.
"My boy's back from college."
"How does he take bolt on the farm?"

"I hain't seen him make no cane rush for the wood pile."—Kansas City Journal.

Getting Desperate.
Some of the office buildings in the large cities are constructed apparently with the idea that every possible square foot of space must be utilized for renting purposes. The corridors are narrow, the passageways to the elevator shafts hard to find and the stairways located in obscure corners. The occupants of a room on the seventh floor of a building of this kind, devoted to the uses of a fire and life insurance companies' agent, were surprised one day by the sudden entrance of a wild eyed man who seemed to be laboring under strong excitement.

"Say," gasped the intruder, "will some of you fellows please throw me out of this building?"

"What for?" asked one of the clerks.

"I've been trying for fifteen minutes to find a way out of it, and I can't."

"They did not throw him out, but piloted him to the elevators, and he succeeded at last in making his escape.—Exchange.

Nearly a School Scandal.
What might have been a terrible sensation, calling for public investigation and much newspaperery, was averted by the visit of a shocked mamma to one of our public primary schools. A friend of the mother was calling at the house and asked the little daughter, "How do you like your teacher?"

"Oh, my teacher is nice," answered Tot, "but she is always asking us for a cigarette."

"What?" cried the lady and the mamma in horrified tones, seeing contamination of the morals of Tot under the teachings of a modern bachelorette of the feminine gender.

"Yes, mamma. She says, 'Cigarette, cigarette!'"

The next day mamma visited the school. As she entered the class room the teacher was calling first to one child and then to another. "Sit erect, sit erect!" while Tot flashed a glance of intelligence and "Didn't I tell you so?" at her mother.—Wasp.

It Is a Wise Child.
An official of the immigration bureau at Ellis island told a story of a wise little immigrant child.

"A little girl came over in the steerage in search of her father, whose name she gave us. We sent for the man, and he came and looked at her.

"I can't tell whether this is my father or not," said he. "I haven't seen Mary since she was a baby about three months old. How can I tell, then, whether this is my father or not?"

"It was a question we couldn't answer, so we looked from him to the child and from the child back to him, remaining silent.

"Finally, when we were all at our wits' end, he look'ed earnestly at the child and said plaintively, 'Am I your father?'"

"And the wise little child answered quickly, 'Yes, you are.'"

"And so we made her over to him." —New York Press.

"Hang on Tight."
When a smoking car with thirty-five passengers jumped the track, a railroad engineer in the car, off duty, yelled to the passengers to "hang on tight," and while the car turned over no one was hurt.

"Hang on tight" is good advice in most upsets. The man who hangs on tight to himself when his temper is upset will get through without hurting either himself or others. The man who "hangs on tight" to his earnings ends with a competence. The man who "hangs on tight" to his place when business upsets come generally holds down his job. The man who "hangs on tight" when discouragement or even disaster upsets others is a man to be hopeful about, because he will keep right side up whatever else turns over.—Philadelphia Press.

Saved by a Dream.
"Hints conveyed by dreams are occasionally worth heeding," says the London Chronicle. "The late Lord Dufferin when in Paris dreamed that he was in a hearse on the way to the cemetery. A few days later, as he was about to enter the elevator of a certain hotel, he was startled to find that the attendant was a double of the driver of the hearse in his dream. He thereupon promptly left the elevator and walked upstairs. The car ascended without him, but as it neared the top something in the mechanism gave way, and the passengers met their death. Had they also, one wonders, been forewarned in a dream?"

A voracious Monster.
The most voracious of all marine beasts of prey is the orca, or killer whale. It reaches a length of twenty-five feet, and its jaws bristle with teeth from four to six inches long and as sharp as a dirk knife. Its digestive power is proportioned to the tremendous efficacy of its jaws. It seems also to be an atrocious glutton, as one specimen examined contained in its stomach thirteen porpoises and fourteen seals.

Full Penalty.
Mrs. Peckem—Henry, what punishment should be meted out to a man who proposes to a woman and then refuses to marry her? Peckem—He should be compelled to marry her.—Exchange.

Didn't Want Trouble.
The Playwright—Honestly, now, what do you think of my new play? The Critic—Don't ask me. You're so much bigger and stronger than I am.

Since thou art not sure of a minute do not throw away an hour.—Franklin.

Got It at Last.
It is told of a distinguished professor of history that, in an address before a woman's club on "Obscure Heroes of the French Revolution," he had reached the point where one of them nobly resolved to essay the rescue of a friend doomed to the guillotine, by a sweetheart before making the almost hopeless attempt. The professor had a moving voice and was eloquent. The assembly of women, many of them already near tears, hung breathless upon his words.

"Biddy, biddy," said he pathetically, then coughed slightly and went back to "Biddy biddy"—Something was evidently amiss. He tried again.

"Biddy biddy biddy doo."

By this time the ladies looked puzzled and the orator desperate. Drawing a long breath and speaking with painful deliberation, he at length conquered the elusive syllables and said:

"Did he bid adieu?"—Youth's Companion.

Unconscious Humor.
Mark Twain, as an example of unconscious humor, used to quote a Hartford woman who said one day in the late spring:

"My husband is the dearest fellow."

"Jim," I said to him this morning, "are you very hard up just now?"

"I certainly am hard up," he replied soberly. "This high cost of living is terrible. I don't know what I'm going to do."

"Then, Jim," said I, "I'll give up all thought of going to the country for July and August this year."

"But the dear fellow's face changed, and he said:

"Indeed, then, you won't, darling. I thought you wanted to buy a bat with an aigret or some such foolishness. No, no, my darling! Jim can always find the money to let his dear little wife go to the country."—Washington Star.

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No 1	No 5	No 3	No 6	No 4
a. m.	p. m.		a. m.	p. m.
12 15	7 06	Bellefonte	8 57	4 52
2 20	9 11	Doyle	11 01	6 57
4 27	11 18	Hecla Park	1 01	9 05
6 34	1 25	Dunkles	3 01	11 12
8 41	3 32	Hilltop	5 01	1 20
10 48	5 39	Hamlet	7 01	3 27
12 55	7 46	Clintonville	9 01	5 34
1 1 02	9 53	Huntstown	11 01	7 41
3 08	11 59	Lamar	1 01	9 47
5 15	1 06	Chester	3 01	11 54
7 22	3 13	Mackeyville	5 01	1 01
9 29	5 20	Cedar Springs	7 01	3 08
11 36	7 27	Waco	9 01	5 15
1 43	9 34	MILL HALL	11 01	7 22

WALLACE H. GEPHART,
General Superintendent.
Bellefonte Central Railroad.
Schedule to take effect Monday, Jan. 6, 1910.

WESTWARD		STATIONS	EASTWARD	
Read down	No 5	No 3	Read up	No 4
p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.
2 00	10 15	Bellefonte	8 50	12 50
4 07	12 22	Coleville	11 00	3 00
6 14	2 29	Morris	1 10	5 10
8 21	4 36	Stevens	3 20	7 20
10 28	6 43	Lime Centre	5 30	9 30
12 35	8 50	Hunter's Park	7 40	11 40
2 42	10 57	Pillmore	9 50	1 50
4 49	1 04	Briar	12 00	4 00
6 56	3 11	Waddles	2 10	6 10
9 03	5 18	Krumline	4 20	8 20
11 10	7 25	State College	6 30	10 30
1 17	9 32	Stroubles	8 40	12 40
3 24	11 39	Bloomsdorf	10 50	2 50
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NUMBER ONE.
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Resolved (If the Senate concur), That the following amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That section 26 of Article V., which reads as follows: "Section 26. All laws relating to courts shall be general and of uniform operation, and the organization, jurisdiction, and powers of all courts of the same class or grade, so far as regulated by law, and the force and effect of the process and judgments of such courts, shall be uniform; and the General Assembly is hereby prohibited from creating other courts to exercise the powers vested by this Constitution in the judges of the Courts of Common Pleas and the Circuit Court, but may amend so that the same shall read as follows:—

Section 26. All laws relating to courts shall be general and of uniform operation, and the organization, jurisdiction, and powers of all courts of the same class or grade, so far as regulated by law, and the force and effect of the process and judgments of such courts, shall be uniform; but, notwithstanding any provisions of this Constitution, the General Assembly shall have full power to establish new courts, from time to time, as the same may be needed in any city or county, and to prescribe the powers and jurisdiction thereof, and to increase the number of judges in any courts now existing or hereafter created, or to reorganize the same, or to vest in other courts the jurisdiction theretofore exercised by courts not of record, and to abolish the same wherever it may be deemed necessary for the orderly and efficient administration of justice.

A true copy of Resolution No. 1.
ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

NUMBER TWO.
RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so as to eliminate the requirement of payment of taxes as a qualification of the right to vote.

Resolved (If the House of Representatives concur), That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That section one of article eight be amended, by striking out the fourth numbered paragraph thereof, so that the said section shall read as follows:

Section 1. Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject however to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact:

First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.

Second. He shall have resided in the State one year (or, if having previously been a qualified elector or a born citizen of the State, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.

A true copy of Resolution No. 2.
ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

NUMBER THREE.
A JOINT RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Allegheny County.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That section six of article five be amended, by striking out the following:

Section 6. In the county of Philadelphia all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the district courts and courts of common pleas, subject to such changes as may be made by this Constitution or by law, shall be in Philadelphia judges in five distinct and separate courts of equal co-ordinate jurisdiction, composed of three judges each. The said courts in Philadelphia shall be designated, respectively as the courts of common pleas number one, number two, number three, number four, and number five, but the number of said courts may be by law increased, from time to time, and shall be in like manner designated by successive numbers. The number of judges in any of said courts, or in any county where the establishment of an additional court may be authorized by law, may be increased, from time to time, and whenever such increase shall amount in the whole to three, such three judges shall compose a distinct and separate court as aforesaid, which shall be numbered as aforesaid. In Philadelphia all suits shall be instituted in the courts of common pleas in such manner as shall be provided by rules of court, and each court, to which any suit shall be thus assigned, shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof, subject to change of venue, as shall be provided by law.

In the county of Allegheny all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several numbered courts of common pleas shall be vested in one court of common pleas, composed of all the judges in commission in said courts. Such jurisdiction and powers shall extend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts, and shall be subject to such changes as may be made by law, and subject to change of venue as provided by law. The president judge of said court shall be selected as provided by law. The number of judges in said court may be by law increased from time to time. This amendment shall take effect on the first day of January succeeding its adoption.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3.
ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

NUMBER FOUR.
A JOINT RESOLUTION.

Proposing an amendment to section eight, article nine, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE NINE, SECTION EIGHT.

Section 2. Amend section eight, article nine, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, so as to read as follows:

Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and development of subways for transit purposes, or for the construction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improvements, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to revenue in excess of the interest on said debt or debts and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excepted from the operation of the foregoing provisions of this section, subject to the ratification of such debt or debts by the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking fund for their cancellation shall be established and maintained.

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