

Democratic Watchman

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They Were Used in Palestine as Early as the Year 850 B. C.

Professor George A. Reissner of Harvard university discovered among some specimens of earliest Hebrew writing in the excavations of the city of Samaria, in Palestine, a most interesting record of the first pure food laws in history. He also found ancient writings dealing with the first instance on record of the keeping of wines in a government warehouse under bond.

Dating back to the period of King Ahab, 850 B. C., these inscriptions are considered to be one of the greatest finds of the Harvard Palestinian expeditions which delved into the city of Ahab and Omri for three years. They found labels on wine and oil jars. These mention the year in which the wine was laid down in the cellars of the palace storehouse, and they state the vineyard from which the wine came. Important facts that are recognized equally well by vintners today.

On the oil jars the label runs, "A jar of pure oil," with the mention of the district from which the oil came. The bits of pottery on which the descriptions were written were not parts of the jars, but were evidently intended to be attached to the necks of the receptacles, just as are labels or seals at the present time.—New York World.

WOOL, SILK AND LINEN.

Tests That Will Determine the Quality of the Fabrics.

If you wish to find out whether the material sold to you as all wool or all silk is really so make a 5 per cent solution of caustic potash and in this boll your sample of silk or wool. If the entire sample is consumed in the boiling your material is what it pretends to be; if there is a residue that residue is cotton. The caustic solution consumes the animal fibers.

If you wish to find out whether the silk that seems to be heavy silk is weighted with mineral burn the sample and the ash will show you how much mineral weighting there is. The pure silk will be wholly consumed.

In buying supposed linen goods of toweling or suiting, dip your sample into concentrated sulphuric acid for two minutes and wash it out carefully. The cotton will have been consumed. The linen will have resisted the action of the acid. This test is one that should be made with precaution, as vitriol is not a thing to be tampered with.—Mary Henton Vorse in Success Magazine.

Right and Wrong Exercise.

The word "exercise" covers a multitude of sins. It is a very loose term used for any form of physical exertion, be it sweeping out a factory, walking home from the office or lifting dumbbells. To say "Exercise is beneficial" is a very inaccurate remark and a very dangerous belief. It is necessary to distinguish between right and wrong exercise. As often as not big muscles in arms, chest or legs are a calamity, for they actually shorten life unless the vital organs are proportionately developed to take care of them. Men are constantly wearing out their hearts and arteries with some form of violent work they call "exercise." If continued they would die of arteriosclerosis. A pretty good general rule for these men to go by is to take no form of exercise after they are grown up that they cannot keep up with until they are old men.—J. Edmund Thompson in National Magazine.

Needed the Money Badly.

A newspaper man of Washington was approached one morning by a friend who wanted to borrow \$5. The newspaper man, assuming an expression of great sorrow, pulled 20 cents out of his pocket and remarked:

"I'm sorry, old man, but I struck me just before pay day, and I'm broke."

Having made this crafty excuse, he, mentally speaking, pinned a gold medal on himself for having "vaded the prospective borrower."

"When is your pay day?" asked the friend.

"Tomorrow afternoon," replied the newspaper man.

"All right," said the friend. "I'll come around then."

And he did.—Popular Magazine.

Merely a Test Case.

A burly negro came to the doctor of a West African missionary settlement, dragging his reluctant wife with him.

"Doctor, pull one of my wife's teeth out," said he.

The doctor examined the woman's mouth and found only sound teeth.

"Oh, that makes no difference," said the interested negro. "Pull one anyway. If it doesn't hurt her too much then you can pull my tooth that is aching."—Success Magazine.

The Borrowing Neighbor.

"Say, John, yer haven't been over ter my home since my birthday gatherin', jest a year ago tomorrow."

"It ain't that I have hard feelin's ag'in you, but you have so confounded many things what belongs ter me that when I come it kind o' makes me homesick."—Pittsburg Times.

Mistaken Identity.

Walking down St. James' street, Lord Chelmsford was accosted by a stranger, who exclaimed, "Mr. Birch, I believe?"

"If you believe that, sir, you'll believe anything," replied the ex-chancellor as he passed on.—"A Book About Lawyers," by Jefferson.

TOMBS OF SAND.

Cape Cod's Treacherous Shoals and the Prey They Grip.

Secrets of the sands of Cape Cod are constantly being disclosed by the sea. In the many storm tides that flood the desolate beaches the bulk of stanch ships lost along the coast on the half hundred miles of beaches between Monomoy at Chatham and Wood End at Provincetown are frequently exhumed from tombs of sand.

Sometimes a wreck appears that has been buried a century or more, as in the case a few years ago of the bones of the British frigate Somerset, whose timbers of oak were disclosed to view back of Provincetown, near the life saving station in Dead Men's Hollow. The Somerset was lost on Peaked Hill bars Nov. 2 or 3, 1778.

Once a vessel is gripped by the sands the process of entombing her goes on with great rapidity, the craft appearing to sink steadily in the yielding beach. All around the doomed vessel the sand piles up in great drifts, like snow. Every crevice of the hull is quickly filled. The sand rises in a solid barrier outside it and flows about as the tides flood the shelving beaches. Finally it sweeps over the wreck, and the process of entombing goes on until the entombed craft is covered many feet deep.—Boston Globe.

SURE TO BE MISSED.

A Famous Cook's Lament on the Death of His Royal Master.

The most successful book that was published during his first year of business, says Mr. S. M. Ellis in his biography of the English author and publisher, was a cookbook. It was "The French Cook," by Louis Eustache Ude, "the Gill Blas of the kitchen."

This unique study of the culinary art brought in a handsome sum to the astute young publisher who had purchased the copyright, and the book was in the hands of every gourmet in London.

Ude had been chef of Louis XVI., of

Mme. Letizia Bonaparte and then of

the Earl of Sefton, at a salary of 300 guineas a year. At another time he presided over the culinary department of the Crookfords, but his favorite master was Frederick, duke of York. When the royal gourmand died his bereaved chef pathetically ejaculated:

"Ah, mon pauvreduc, how much you will miss me, wherever you are gone to!"

Odd Word Survival.

Far away back in the days when the English language was in its infancy there were poets who wrote of the blossoms on the trees in the spring. They didn't write "blossom," however, but used the word "blowth" and made it rhyme with snow and flow. When they wished to sing of the beautiful mass of apple or hawthorn flowers they called it the "blowth." This word is found in the dictionaries, which assert that it is obsolete, but it is very much alive in Stockingham county, N. H., and York county, Me. The orchardist thereabout speaks of a "full blowth" or "light blowth" on his trees in May and predicts a good or poor "set" of the fruit in consequence.

"Orts" are supposed to be refuse of some kind, but in the valley where the Piscataqua river mingles with the sea "orts" is the name for "swill."—Ex-change.

Tricking the Bobby.

A Dublin eccentric a short time ago entered a purveyor's shop and bought a ham. Having paid for his purchase, he requested that it should be hung outside the shop door, saying that he would call back for it. The customer then paced up and down outside the shop till a policeman came in sight and just as the man in blue caught his eye he grabbed the ham and bolted. The constable, however, soon caught the thief, as he thought, and hauled him back to the shop. Having explained the nature of the alleged crime to the shop assistant, he asked the latter to charge the offender.

"But," said the assistant as he realized the joke, "it's his own ham. He was quite at liberty to take it in any circumstances he chose."—London Answers.

Weatherwise Birds and Fish.

The seagull makes a splendid living barometer. If a covey of seagulls fly seaward early in the morning sailors and fishermen know that the day will be fine and the wind fair, but if the birds keep inland, though there be no haze hanging out toward the sea to denote unpleasant weather, interested folk know that the elements will be unfavorable. Of all weatherwise fish the dolphin is the most remarkable. During a fierce gale or a storm at sea the mariner knows that the end of it is near if he can see a dolphin or a number of that fish sporting on the high sea waves.

Faith Destroyed.

"I'll never believe in phrenology again."

"Why?"

"We had a phrenologist in our house the other night and got him to feel the cook's head. He said her bump of destruction was small."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Easy.

"Women," remarked the grocer, "are not hard to please."

"So?" interrogated the bachelor.

"Yes," continued the grocer. "All you have to do is to let them have their own way."—Chicago News.

That which comes after ever conforms to that which has gone before.—Marcus Aurelius.

Shopping For a Railroad.

Strict economy in buying is the only qualification that can insure a position as shopper for a railroad.

The woman who can be talked into paying a cent more a yard for cotton or woolen goods than is absolutely necessary need never apply for the job," said a woman who holds a railroad job. "It is my business to buy clothes for people who have been injured on our road. Pending recovery the road pays all expenses, and when patients are ready to leave the hospital they are provided with a complete set of clothing, even to rubber overshoes. Unless the patients are unreasonable in their demands we provide the kind of clothes they ask for, and no doubt many of them leave the hospital better dressed than they have ever been in their lives. Since those outfits have to be duplicated a good many times in the course of the year it is obvious that needless extravagance cannot be tolerated. The railroad insists upon purchasing all supplies, and it is imperative that the woman who does the buying knows to a thread the kind of material she wants and what she ought to pay for it."—New York Sun.

The Short-lived Pin.

By a series of experiments conducted on his estate a French investigator has discovered that pins go the way of all flesh and are resolved into dust. Hairpins, which the experimenter watched for one hundred and fifty-four days, disappeared at the end of that time, having resolved into a ferrous oxide, a brownish rust, which was blown away by the wind. Bright pins took nearly eighteen months to disappear; polished steel needles nearly two years and a half; brass had but little endurance; steel pens at the end of fifteen months had nearly gone, while their wooden holders were still intact.

Pencils, with which he also experimented, suffered little by exposure; the lead was unharmed, and the cedar almost as good as new.

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Medical.

Hidden Dangers.

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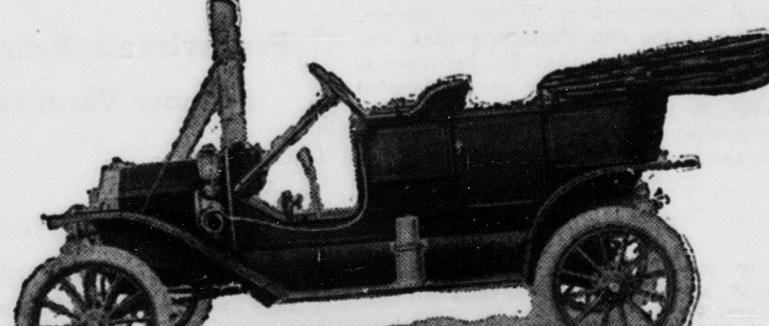
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