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The Town to Be Born In.

In the German town of Klingenberg, near Aschaffenberg, Bavaria, in addition to having no rates to pay for the upkeep of the town, those actually born in the parish receive from the municipality a sum of £12 15s. a year. This sum, if invested regularly at, say, 3 per cent, would entitle the owner to receive about £1,500 at the age of sixty—a very handsome old age pension. Were it not necessary that the inhabitants should prove that they were born in the parish before becoming entitled to this payment the popularity of Klingenberg as a place of residence would doubtless be enormous.—Westminster Gazette.

Anglo-Saxons.

The term "Anglo-Saxon" comes from the fact that England was largely settled, after the old Briton rule, by the "Angles" and "Saxons" from Germany. The Saxons were, of course, from Saxony, and the Angles took their name from a town near Sleswick called Anglen. The Anglo-Saxons are, therefore, of Germanic breed. It may be said in passing that the Germans, English, Americans of English ancestry, Danes, Dutchmen, Swedes and Norwegians are all of the same stock.—New York American.

Two Definitions.

Man—A being of such lofty powers and ideals we wonder he does not do better and of such low and sordid instincts we wonder he does so well; the maker of destinies he plays with and the player of games he takes seriously.

Woman—Another kind of man; once man's slave, then his comrade, now his competitor. She is the first word in humanity because the mother of it, and she bids fair to be the last word as well as to have it.—Woman's Home Companion.

Famed For Their Tattooing.

The Maoris used to be noted for their tattooing, which was designed to clothe as well as ornament the body. Who ever refused to undergo the protracted tortures of tattooing required at every important event of his life was regarded as a person by his own consent foredoomed to slavery. The men were actually depilated in order to increase the surface for tattooing, while for the young women the operation was limited to the lips, whence the term "blue lips" applied to them by the English.

Must Keep It Dry.

The teacher had explained to a primary class the difference between solids and liquids and illustrated her points by objects kept on a table. When she thought her pupils had grasped the idea she held up her watch and asked, "Now, children, must I put this among the solids or among the liquids?" "Among the solids, teacher," a bright little boy replied. "Why not among the liquids?" she asked. "Because," replied the little fellow—"because if you do you will get it wet."

Weather and Conscience.

Old Zeb Hawkins sat on a log near the bridge one Sunday morning, casting anxious glances at an uncertain sky now and then. His willow fish pole and a can of bait lay at his feet. Before he had quite decided on the weather the minister came by, having taken a short cut owing to the fear of a sudden shower. "Well, Brudder Zeb, is you gwine to chu'ch or is you gwine fishin'?" he asked. "Ah dunno yet," said Zeb. "Ah'm jest a-wrastlin' wif ma conscience."

Taking Dogs Abroad.

In Great Britain there is a strict prohibition against the admission of dogs from other countries. The only way in which a dog can be landed in Great Britain is through a permit from the British agricultural department, which must be secured before the dog can be taken ashore on British soil. The quarantine against dogs in other countries, too, is more or less strict, but little difficulty will be encountered in getting them landed. The usual fee for the transportation of a dog across the Atlantic is \$10.—New York Post.

Sheridan Made the Rime.

The prince regent, afterward George IV., once offered £50 to any one who could find a rime for "porringer." This was merely child's play to Sheridan, who happened to be present. With scarcely a moment's thought he said: The Duke of York's daughter had. He gave the Prince of Orange her. And now, by zounds, I'll take your pounds, For there's a rime to porringers!

Temperate.

Grimsby—So you want to marry my daughter, sir! What are your principles? Are you temperate? Fledgely—Temperate? Why, I'm so strict that it gives me pain even to find my boots tight.—London Tit-Bits.

Handicapped.

"You ought to save money for your family." "Yes, but"— "But what?" "My family won't let me."—Cleveland Leader.

Hermits in Italy.

There are still hermits in Italy, about a thousand, who live solitary lives in mountain caves.

Some English!

From a Japanese guide book for English tourists comes this alluring description:

"In Hakone draft of pure air suspends no poisonous mixture and always cleanses the defilement of our spirit. During the winter the coldness robs up all pleasures from our hands, but at the summer month they are set free. Moonlight on the sky shivers quartz luster over ripples of the lake. The cuckoo singing near by plays on a harp, and the far viewing of light shaded mountains may be joyfully looked at through wide unobstructed space of the sea."—Woman's Home Companion.

London's Once Fashionable Church.

St. James', Piccadilly, once the most fashionable church in London, was built mainly at the expense of Henry Jermyn, the earl of St. Albans, who gave his name to neighboring Jermyn street and probably married Queen Henrietta Maria, the widow of Charles I. It is hideous externally, but the interior, for which alone Wren was really responsible, is considered one of the great architect's masterpieces. Few parishes have had so many distinguished rectors, among them being several archbishops and bishops and Dr. Samuel Clarke, the eccentric divine, who took his daily exercise by jumping over chairs and tables.—Westminster Gazette.

London's "Ragged Schools."

The first organized society in the world to deal with the education of slum children and waifs of the street was established in London in 1845 under the name of the "Ragged School Union." The Earl of Shaftesbury was the chairman, and William Locke and S. Starey were the principal organizers. The first "ragged school"—the name popularly given to the free schools for outcast, destitute and ragged children of London and other English cities—was founded by John Pounds, a cobbler, at Portsmouth in 1839. Hundreds of these schools are still in existence, although in London they are being gradually superseded by other institutions.

Fashions in Diseases.

There are curious fashions in diseases. How a doctor would stare at a patient who complained of the eighteenth century migrains! And from Dorothy Osborne's letters it is evident that the spleen was the favorite seat of malady then. If you didn't feel well it was the fault of your spleen. Today, I suppose, there are few men or women who could point to the spot of their spleen or tell what it does or doesn't do. There was a tremendous run on appendicitis some years ago, but the most famous operator for that malady—after he had retired from practice—announced that the operation is usually superfluous.—London Chronicle.

Answered.

The professor of economics was discoursing eloquently on the need of leadership in all things, and from the greatness of the leader he plunged into a discussion of the essentials to leadership. "And what," he exclaimed, "is the great characteristic of all born leaders, the first great essential to successful leadership?" He paused that the question and its import might be fully appreciated. "What is it?" he asked again.

A small voice, coming from the rear of the room, answered cheerfully. "Ready ability to satisfactorily explain what the other fellow says about you!"—Argonaut.

The Horological Revenger.

They were looking over their wedding presents. He pointed to a small bronze clock. "Seems to me," he said, "that I have seen that before." "You have," she returned serenely. "You gave it to my first husband and me for a wedding present. When we divided the things after the divorce he kept the clock, and now he is sending it back to us."—New York Press.

An Expert.

She—How can you be so sure that you are in love with me and with no one else? Even I wonder at times whether there is a possibility of absolute certainty in such matters.

He—You lack experience and the confidence it begets. I've been in love forty times and know every symptom.—Detroit Free Press.

Politically Speaking.

"Shall I see your father?" "Oh, no," said the politician's daughter. "Necessary to a choice, one." "Then I am the groom elect?" "You are. And Harold?" "Yes, dear." "I shall expect you to keep some of these pre-election promises you've been making."—Kansas City Journal.

This Way to the Tyrant.

Johnny was beginning to read. He ran to his father with a story book in his hand.

"Daddy," he asked, not knowing of a recent connubial argument, "what is an 'unreasonable tyrant'?" "Boy," said his father severely, "you'll go to bed for the day if you say another word against your mother."—Woman's Home Companion.

Inconsistent.

Mrs. Hankins (after morning service)—Why didn't you like the new rector? Hankins—I don't think the man is sincere. The idea of choosing the Golden Rule for his text, and then preaching to us for more than two hours!—Puck.

Types of Female Beauty.

In northern Europe, among the Teutonic races, there are distinct types of beauty to be met with in Sweden, Poland, Saxony and Austria. The Swedish type, however, lacks animation, but the mold and figure to some extent atone for this, says the London Globe. The Austrian women possess a composite beauty in which are united the charms of three or four races. Vienna ladies are tall and stately, with great harmony and proportion in feature and figure. The Tyrolean maiden often lacks a good figure, but her face and manner possess all that is most bewitching in the two races of which she is composed, Latin and Germanic.

The Canny Scot's Sense of Humor.

The reason a Scot does not laugh at a joke right away, says Dean Ramsay, is not, as is the popular fiction, that he is "slow in the uptake," but that the canny man will not commit himself. He must think it over before he donates the exact amount of laughter which the joke deserves. The Scot minister, who is Scotland's common public speaker, is aware, consciously or instinctively, of this trait, and his delivery of an anecdote with a point is a thing of unique art.

In the Interest of Good Eyes.

A noted oculist advises against using the eyes immediately after waking; therefore the habit of many young girls of reading or studying in bed is injurious. It is harmful to use the eyes when sleepy, as it is a great strain upon the muscles. If one must read or write when drowsy, rise occasionally and bathe the eyes with hot or cold water. Remember that a quick change from a dark room to a brilliant light is a strain upon the eyes.—New York Press.

Made the Bishop Tired.

The bishop of Peterborough, Dr. Magee, being plagued to go and open all sorts of things—churches, school bazaars, etc.—exclaimed one day to the bishop of Leicester. "I do believe very soon there will not be a young curate in the diocese who has bought a new umbrella who will not apply to the bishop to come and open it!"—London Tatler.

Irish Linen.

Though the Irish undoubtedly made linen before the time of James I, its manufacture was not carried on to a great extent until the time of Charles II. The Scots in Ulster first established linen manufactures during the reign of James, and from this beginning has the business of the present day developed.

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