

She Meant Business.

From the Detroit Free Press. A Connecticut man was looking over a list of figures while his wife sat near sewing away at a great rate when all at once he exclaimed: "By Ned Sarah, would you have thought that?"

"Thought what?" she asked with that strange obtuseness of wives which is so provoking to their husbands.

"Why, by this table of population, just issued by the Census Bureau, I find that there are 89,672 more men in Michigan than there are women."

"And we have seven unmarried daughters, Josiah," she said, putting down her work.

"Yes," he replied, vaguely. "Well, what are you sitting there saying 'yes' for?" she asked, pettishly. "Why don't you get up and go to packing? I'm going to move right into the State of Michigan before that surplus 89,672 is all taken up."

I have been a great sufferer from dry catarrh for many years, I tried many remedies, but none did me so much benefit as Ely's Cream Balm. It completely cured me. M. J. Lally, 39 Woodward Ave., Boston Highlands, Mass.

After using Ely's Cream Balm two months I was surprised to find that the right nostril, which was closed for over twenty years, was open and free as the other, and can use it now as I could not do for many years. I feel very thankful.—R. H. Cressingham, 275 18th St. Brooklyn. 7-22-21.

Perennial Poverty.

From the Detroit Free Press. He laid down his Sunday paper gently.

"I had no idea," he said to his wife earnestly, "that at this season of the year there would be so much want in the city."

"Poverty is perennial," she replied axiomatically. "Like death, it hath all seasons for its own. What does the paper say about it?"

"Why, just look there," he said, spreading four or five pages of "want ads." before her sympathetic gaze, and then dodging a book she threw at him with promptness and dispatch.

The Genuine Merit.

Of Hood's Sarsaparilla wins friends where-ever it is fairly and honestly tried. Its proprietors are highly gratified at the letters which come entirely unsolicited from men and women in the learned professions warmly commending Hood's Sarsaparilla for what it has done for them.

Why He Flagged the Train.

From the Detroit Free Press.

One of Michigan's railroad companies decided to establish a freight and ticket office at R—, a small flag station in the southern part of the State, and the grocery-keeper of this hamlet was commissioned as agent. The first morning he awoke about 5 o'clock, and, hearing the "limited" whistle in the distance, hurriedly slid into his trousers, and, without stopping to finish dressing, dashed down the stairs, flag in hand, ran out upon the platform and began wildly waving the flag across the track. The train stopped; the conductor alighted, and seeing no one but the agent in sight, turned to him with the inquiry: "Where's your passengers?"

"Haven't any," replied the agent, as he made another grab to keep his trousers from dropping down.

"Then why in thunder did you stop us?"

"W—well, I—I—thought perhaps there might be someone who would want to get off here."

A lady, whose hair came out with every combing, was induced to give Ayer's Hair Vigor a faithful trial. She did so, and not only was the loss of hair checked, but a new and vigorous growth soon succeeded that which had gone.

How to Begin.

From the Boston Post.

"The way to succeed," said the little philosopher, "is to begin right; begin right me boy."

"I suppose you mean that I should have been born rich, as you were," said the young man.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures liver complaint, rheumatism, and all diseases of the blood.

Not Tempting as an Income.

From the Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch.

The Kansas wheat fields are ripe for the harvest, but laborers are few and wages of \$2 and \$3 a day with board are offered without takers. The trouble is that too many men are trying to get rich by legislation.

The American Eagle must be a gay old bird—he is bald. If you don't want to be bald, use Hall's Renewer, and you won't be. Try it.

The Stump of Genius.

From the Somerville Journal.

More good things have been written in literature with the stump of a half-dulled lead pencil than were ever put on paper with the finest of pearl-handled gold pens.

THE STAFF OF LIFE.

NO TWO COUNTRIES USE THE SAME KIND OF BREAD.

The Englishman Looks With Disfavor on American Hot Bread—French Leaves the Shape of a Card—Wood's Stick—Varieties of the Oriental Baker.

A broad assertion is made, but it is nevertheless a true one, that there are no two countries in the world where the people make and eat the same kind of bread. Even in such closely kindred countries as England America there exists a decided difference of opinion in regard to the consumption of this staple article of food. The American custom of eating biscuits as hot as they can be handed from the oven is regarded by John Bull with even a greater measure of disfavor than that of swallowing big tumbler of ice water at our meals. Mr. Bull, he of the cellular of fine old crusted port, the daily round of roast beef, carrots, mince pie and Gorgonzola cheese, thinks the thinness, the nervousness and the dyspepsia of his Cousin Jonathan comes largely from these twin evils of hot bread and ice cold water.

In France the ordinary loaf assumes the proportions of a roll the size of a man's fore arm, and four feet long. In any French village, about meal times, grown people and children may be seen walking sedately along the streets with a four-foot stick of bread thrust under each arm. A careless youngster sometimes forgets himself to the extent of letting the hindmost end of the stick trail along the ground.

Not until one gets down to the principalities of the Balkan peninsula does any really noteworthy innovation occur. Here one finds the medium between Asiatic and European methods of making bread. The medium is far from being a happy one, however; no more execrable bread is to be found the whole world round than is served up to a traveller at the wayside melians of Bulgaria. Beside being villainously heavy and well nigh black, it is coarse and repulsive, almost as wet saw dust to the palate; sand, moreover, enters very largely into its composition from carelessness in handling and milling the wheat.

This style of bread confronts the disgusted European traveller for the first two hundred miles beyond the Bosphorus, until one gets pretty well out of the Greek and Bulgarian settlements in western Apatolia, where another decided change is experienced. Here we come suddenly into the realm of the simon pure unleavened variety of Asia. Bread is now called ekmek, and takes the form of flat cakes or sheets about two feet in diameter and the thickness of ordinary blotting paper.

The necessities for the preparation of this ekmek are coarse wheat flour, water, mixing trough, rolling pin, a large thin griddle and a slow burning substance called tezek for a fire. Taking these simple ingredients outside the house early in the morning, the Turkish or Armenian female kindles the fire, mixes the dough, rolls it out, bakes it and stacks enough of it up to serve her household for the day. When fresh and warm this bread is tough and cloggy; a few days later it loses something of its cloginess, but retains its toughness, and as it advances in age it becomes brittle and hard. It is as indestructible, healthful and useful an article of food as the hard tack issued to the ancient mariner and the old man of the sea.

In Asia Minor, as in all other countries, however, the luxurious requirements of city-bred people demand some kind of improvement on the drivers and goat herds. Therefore, in gratification of their epicurean tastes, the ingenious Oriental baker has conceived and prepared little hoops or rings of bread about the size of the rope quito aboard an Atlantic steamer. These novel preparations are made of finer and whiter flour than the ekmek, and are rendered light and aristocratic by the addition of sour dough or other leavening substance.

This sort of bread prevails throughout the cities of Asia Minor, and the use of ekmek extends eastward among the peasantry of western Persia as far as Tabree. Here the staff of life undergoes another transformation, and in many respects a change for the better. The nuts of the Persian city bazaars is really excellent bread, most Europeans giving it preference over every kind they are acquainted with. Nuns is turned out for proper consumption and approval in the forms of flat cakes a foot broad and three to four feet long. The baker takes a lump of dough of the proper size and rolls it dexterously into the proper shape and thickness on his bare forearm. He then flips a light shower of water over its surface, and with a masterly toes spreads it over a bed of heated pebbles.

Contact with the almost red hot pebbles quickly converts it into a cake of nicely browned indentations and spongy risings that render it almost as light as if leavened with yeast. The peasantry of eastern Persia and Khorassan make a coarse imitation of this same form of bread, which is also very palatable and wholesome when eaten fresh. The cakes are smaller and thicker than those of the city baker, and their baking apparatus is altogether different. The oven is a huge, upright earthenware jar. This is heated to the proper consistency by inserting live coals and covering up the top. The dough, being patted out into a cake by the hands, the woman sprinkles it with water, dabs it against the inside wall of the jar and then quickly replaces the cover; in a few minutes the cake is nicely baked.

In Afghanistan the people adopt the Persian method of bread making, without possessing the same skill or exercising the same care and trouble in its preparation.

Jay Gould carries in his purse a ten-cent piece which he declares at one time was all that stood between him and a dead-broke condition.

Senator Coke, of Texas never wears a necktie or cravat, but he can get away with a paper of fine cut quicker than any of his colleagues.

THE TIRED YOUNG MAN.

How He Awoke Under Pressure and Then Went to Sleep Again.

The tired young man went yachting last Sunday on his friend's cutter. He didn't seem to know anything about boats, and even the captain of the crew almost smiled as the young man tumbled over the coils of rope that seemed to be all over the deck.

The breeze was "sou'-so'-west, sir," with hot puffs every other minute. When the tired young man had looked all over the shapely craft, he went below, filled a pipe and smoked contentedly.

The trip from East Boston to Hull was made with the mainsail, jib and staysail all set and the lee rail under water most of the time.

After dinner on the yacht off Hull, all hands, except the indifferent youth, lent a hand to furling the mainsail, housing the topmast and then pulling up the anchor, for there was no time to use the windlass.

The air stiffened till it was nearly a gale. Water poured in over the leescupper. The faithful deckhand was away out on the footrope under the bowsprit, and by some means or other his boot had become tangled in a trailing sheet-line.

Somebody must go to help him out of his unfortunate predicament. Every time the boat rode over a wave it plunged again, and the deckhand got a lively ducking.

The captain didn't care to leave the tiller, and the other fellows thought it was all a good joke.

"Beastly shame!" cried the tired man. "Somebody ought to go to him."

"Go yourself!" was the only consolation he got from his critics. "Jove, I fancy I'll have to," he answered, and went up forward.

In a twinkling he was far out on the bowprit, while every time the nose of the boat ducked he got a soaking; but he helped the man, and by the time he got back into the standing room everybody was praising him for his courage.

He seemed to overlook them. He was very much bored. He lighted his pipe and looked rather doubtfully at a pair of new spring trousers thoroughly drenched.

Clambering down in the cabin his friends heard him bustling around in the fore-cabin.

"What are you doing in there?" asked Nat, who spied him watching a weather worn flatiron on the naphtha stove. "Never do to go back to town, this way, you know. Must put a crease in these trousers!" and nodding was heard but the hiss of the iron on the wet cloth.—Boston Herald.

Got the Best of the Trade.

Major M. A. Steele and J. C. Nicholson, Esq., two of the cleverest gentlemen of Boonville, have returned from an absence of nearly a year in the State of Kansas. We accord the Major with a story illustrative of the estimate in which land in Western Kansas is held by an unfortunate settler. A westward bound traveller met a "prairie schooner" drawn by a sorry-looking team and followed by a mangy-looking calf. "Hello, friend," said he, addressing the proprietor of the schooner, "which way?" "Going back East." "What are you doing with the calf?" "Oh, I traded my farm for it." "How much land?" "Eighty acres—no, a hundred and sixty acres. The contract called for eighty acres, but the fellow couldn't read so I slipped the other eighty in on him."—Boonville Democrat.

Art in Harlem.

Miss Dauber, a Harlem artist, having finished a picture of a sunset which looked very much like an exploded vermillion factory, took the gem under her arm and proceeded to Mr. Smith's book store on One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

"Mr. Smith, I desire to furnish the public an artistic treat. I will leave my picture here on exhibition. I wish, however, you would put a card on it informing the public that it is not for sale."

"Do you think it necessary, Miss Dauber?" replied Smith, after he had examined the picture carefully.—Texas Sittings.

Safe All Around.

Teacher—Tommy, you know what I told you yesterday—that if you didn't run right home and tell your mother you had played truant last week I would give you a good whipping.

Tommy—Yes'm; an' I told her. Teacher—What did she say? Tommy—She said if I hadn't told her she would have licked me, too.—Puck.

Just as Well.

Miss Pinkerly (before the good night)—It's raining so, now, Mr. Tutter, you had better take my umbrella.

Tutter—Thanks, Miss Pinkerly, I don't know but I will. But (brightly) I will try and bring it back with me to-morrow night.

Miss Pinkerly—Oh, you needn't trouble yourself, Mr. Tutter, you can just as well send it.—Cloak Review.

No Time Then.

Kingley—Well, old man, I see your daughter has got married. Allow me to congratulate you.

Bingo—Please don't do it now, old fellow. Wait for six months.

Kingley—Why, what's the matter.

Bingo (despondently)—The bills for her trousseau are just coming in.—Cloak Review.

No Contradiction.

"Here's a commendable miss-deed," observed Dinwiddie.

"Isn't your statement rather contradictory?" asked Gaswell.

"Not at all. I refer to the transfer of some real estate from my maiden aunt to your humble servant."—Texas Sittings.

An Improvement.

Husband—How do you like your new girl?

Wife—Well, she works me a little harder than the last one, but she is more respectful.—New York Weekly.

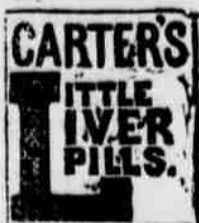
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A Sorrowful Fact.

One of General Foster's friends incautiously stated a few days ago that the new secretary of state was the president's mainstay during the Chiñan difficulty. According to recent revelations this is a signal and sorrowful fact. Or perhaps it would be more accurate to say that Mr. Harrison and his attorney general were the mainstay of Balmaceda's agent during that unhappy crisis.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

It Has Been Badly Fooled.

The condition of affairs at Homestead, Republican newspapers frantically appealing to the men responsible for that condition to restore the old rate of wages until after election, combine to show to labor that it has been fooled by Republican pretensions long enough.—Syracuse Evening News.

A Campaign of Blunder.

With the slap in the face of the Blaine men and the appointment of a foreign claim agent as his premier, Mr. Harrison has inaugurated a campaign of blunder which promises to be brilliant in that line.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Malodorous Spree.

Commissioner Raum says he is to be one of the issues of the campaign. In discussing this issue campaign orators will be allowed to hold their noses.—Chicago Mail.

The Campaign Fund Involved.

If Mr. Harrison had to give up breakfast for the force bill, which would he retain? Perhaps the high tariff, as that involves the campaign fund.—Courier-Journal.

Good Protectionists Never Think.

If Mr. McKinley will read the news from Pittsburg he will learn something which will make him think.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Clarkson Will Get Even—Later.

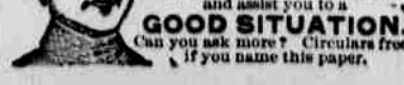
Mr. Clarkson is now engaged in pointing out the exact rose spot where Harrison kicked him.—St. Louis Republic.

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