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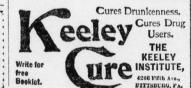
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THE MAJOR'S VENGEANCE.

McKinley and the Reporter Who Persistently Assailed Him.

During one of his congressional campaigns Major McKinley was followed from place to place by a reporter for a paper of opposite political faith, who is described as being one of these "shrewd, persistent fellows who are always at work, quick to see an oppor-tunity and skilled in making the most of it." While Mr. McKinley was an noyed by the misrepresentation to which he was almost daily subjected, he could not help admiring the skill and persistency with which he was assailed. His admiration, too, was not unmixed with compassion, for the reporter was ill, poorly clad and had an annoying cough. One night Mr. Mc-Kinley took a closed carriage for a nearby town at which he was announced to

thus described:
He had not gone far when he heard that cough and knew that the reporter was riding with the driver on the exposed seat. The major called to the driver to stop and alighted. "Get down off that seat, young man," he said. The reporter obeyed, thinking the time for the major's vengeance had come. "Here," said Mr. McKinley, taking off his overcoat, "you put on this overcoat and get into that carriage." "But, Major McKinley," said the re-

speak. The weather was wretchedly raw and cold, and what followed is

porter, "I guess you don't know who I am. I have been with you the whole campaign, giving it to you every time you spoke, and I am going over tonight o rip you to pieces if I can."
"I know," said Mr. McKinley, "but

you put on this coat and get inside and get warm so that you can do a good job."-Chautauquan.

THE MAGIC NUMBER.

A Suggestion by the Cynic That Set the Others Thinking.

"I often hear of the magic number," said some one. "What number is it?" "Why, nine, of course," replied some one else. "There are nine muses, you know, and you talk of a nine days' "There are nine muses, you wonder. Then you bowl at ninepins, and a cat has nine lives."

"Nonsense!" broke in another. "Seven is the magic number. Seventh heaven, don't you know, and all that; seven colors in the rainbow, seven days in the week, seventh son of a seventh son-great fellow-and"-

"Tush, tush!" remarked a third.
"Five's the number you mean. A man has five fingers on his hand and five toes on his foot, and he has five senses, and"-

"Three is undoubtedly the magic number," interrupted another, "because people give three cheers, and Jonah was inside a whale three days and three nights, and if at first you don't succeed, try, try again—three times, you see!"

This was received with some contempt by the company, and a soulful

youth gushed out: "Two, oh, two is the magic number-oneself and one other, the adored

one-just two!" A hard featured individual, who had been listening to the conversation hitherto unmoved, here remarked in a

harsh voice:
"The magic number is number one in this world, and if you want to succeed never forget it."

An interval of deep thought on the part of all followed, after which they

went in silently to supper.-Pearson's.

No Word For Love. In comparison with the English tongue foreign tongues seem parsimonious in some ways of expression and wasteful in others.

For instance, it is impossible to "kick" a man in French. You must give him a "blow with the foot." The Portu-guese do not "wink" at one; they "close and open the eyes."

In the languages of the American Indians there is no word with which to convey the idea of "stealing," perhaps because the idea of property is so vague. It is related of one of the early missionaries that in attempting to translate the Bible into Algonquin he could find no word to express "love' and was compelled to invent it.

A Spelling Bee. Some of you who think you are well up in spelling just try to spell the words in this little sentence:

"It is agreeable to witness the un-paralleled ecstasy of two harassed peddlers endeavoring to gauge the symmetry of two peeled pears."

Read it over to your friends and see how many of them can spell every word correctly. The sentence contains many of the real puzzlers of the spell-ing book.—London Tit-Bits.

His Everyday Suit. Dixon—I don't believe young Short-leigh is half as extravagant as people

say he is. Hixon-Perhaps not, but I've noticed that he has a suit of clothes for every

day of the week.
Dixon—Is that so? Why, he has always had the same suit on every time I met him.

Hixon-Well, that's the one.

"Ah, my friend," sighed old Skinflynt, who was dying, "I'm going a

long, long journey."
"Never mind," replied the friend, who knew him. "It's all down hill."—Phila-

A Wicked Insinuation. Miss Sereleaf—Fashion seems to tend toward costumes of the last century. Miss May Budd-How nice! Some people will be able to make over their

first in pity and the last in help.-Chi-

old drasses .- Town and Country.

ABOUT GAS METERS.

WHY THESE ERRATIC INSTRUMENTS DO NOT EXPLODE.

such an Accident Is No More Likely to Happen to Them Than to Milk Bottles or Salt Bags—What Does Happen In Case of Fire.

The proneness of the average newspaper reporter to attribute cellar conflagrations to the explosion of gas meters represents what appears to be an ineradicable race trait. No amount of contradiction and no accumulation of proof that such an accident is an impossibility seems to reach the newsgatherers, who go on reporting the ex-plosion of gas meters, doubtless be-cause the firemen have a tradition that meters are explosive and give this explanation of every fire which they cannot otherwise account for.

For the reassurance of nervous people it gives us pleasure to say that no gas meter ever exploded since the world began, and until they are made on very different plans and contain gas of very different composition from that now used for illuminating pur-poses such an accident is no more likely to happen to them than to milk bot-tles or salt bags.

The domestic gas meter has a more or less well deserved reputation for habitual mendacity, though as likely to lie against the gas company as for it; but it has never done anything to warrant the suspicion that it is liable to go off with a bang. It is a tin box of a little less than one cubic foot capacity, put together with soldered seams and japanned.

Into and through it passes the gas. which enters through the service pipe connecting the main with the house. usually of half an inch diameter. has very little capacity for gas storage, and is not strong enough to carry gas under a greater compression than, say, half a pound per square inch. More than this would bulge its sides. In point of fact the pressure of gas in meters is rarely more than enough to balance a column of water two or three inches high.

If a gas meter is exposed to great heat from external fire, nothing very serious happens. The soldered seams will probably melt, allowing the gas to escape. This gas is not explosive, however. It becomes so only when mixed with air in certain definite pro-

portions. Should this admixture exist in meter, which is almost impossible, its shell is not strong enough to offer any great resistance, and should an explosion occur by reason of fire reaching this admixture of gas and air the meter would be wrecked, but it is doubtful of any other damage would result. None has been wrecked from this cause.

If the seams of the meter are opened by the melting of the solder or by fracture from accident, the gas within it would escape, and, if it had the chance, burn. Outside the meter it might have opportunity to form the explosive mixture with air and do some damage.

What actually happens in the case of fires attributed to the explosion of gas meters is usually this: Gas which has leaked from defective pipes or worked into the cellar from broken or defective street mains accumulates in pockets formed by rafters and elsewhere and remains there until it comes in contact with an accidental fire of some sort. A fire starts in the cellar and the temperature gradually rises until the smoldering rubbish bursts into flame. This reaches the mixture of gas and air along the ceiling and an

explosion follows.

The meter, naturally enough, thrown down and probably torn from its connections, and the conclusion is reached that, instead of being the victim of the accident, the inoffensive meter is the cause of all the trouble and has indulged its inherent propensity to set the house after after lifting it from

its foundations. It is a perfectly safe generalization that the gas which makes trouble in cellars is wholly outside the meter and times explode with fatal results in saw factories, but the excellent old lady who, after reading of such an accident and recalling that there was an old grindstone in one corner of the cellar which had been there twenty years, hired a couple of tramps to carry it to the extreme corner of the garden and pour water on it for an hour, mean-while giving thanks that it had not blown herself and family into eternity "unbeknownst to any of us," was of the type of those who, through fear of gas meter explosions, are all their life-

time subject to nervous chills. There is not a gas meter in use under which it would not be perfectly safe to build a bonfire, provided, of course, there was not a quantity of gas outside of it which the same fire could reach.—New York Times.

Why Snow Is Not Black or Red.
Why is the snow white? is a question frequently asked. Because black snow would be dangerous; so would red or yellow. These are "warming up colors," and they change the sun's core to heat. Such snow would soon rays to heat. Such snow would soon melt again and prove a very poor protection. But white snow throws back the sunlight in just the form in which it receives it, and thus the snow can be long on the ground. Throw dirt on the snow and its dark color quickly makes it eat its way in whenever the sun shines on it. After a snowstorm. once let the horses' feet mingle the dirt of the road with the snow and sleighing will soon by over.—Professor S. C. Schmucker in Ladies' Home Journal.

A hypocrite is like the letter p—the fair lady, but, on the other hand, discretion pity and the last in help.—Chlpromise.-Indianapolis News.

QUAINT COLLEGE LAWS.

Rules Prescribing the Dress of Harvard Students In Bygone Days.

The curious laws regarding students' dress which prevailed at Harvard up to the middle of the last century are illus-trated by two eighteenth century waistcoats which are among the collections of the Boston Art museum. One was worn by a member of the class of 1749 and the other by his son in 1784.

The latter waistcoat is olive green in color, conforming to the college regulations, which required either blue gray, plain black, "nankeen"—a kind of buff or olive. The coat and breeches which originally went with it, as one may read in the old time Harvard "Laws," were blue gray. Freshmen of that date were allowed only plain buttonholes, sophomores leaped to the dignity of having buttons on their cuffs, juniors might have inexpensive frogs to their buttonholes except that they might not have them on their cuff buttonholes, and the senior enjoyed frogs, button-holes and buttons complete. Seniors and juniors were permitted also to wear black Oxford gowns, such as are worn at graduation today, and a "night gown," or dressing gown, was permissible on certain unimportant occasions. It cost "not more than 10 shillings" for every appearance of gold or silver adornment.

The rules of costume were changed, of course, from time to time. In 1828, for example, the prescribed dress consisted of a black mixed coat, single breasted, "with a rolling cape square at the end and with pocket flaps, the waist reaching to the natural waist, with lapels of the same length." It is explained that "black mixed," called also Oxford mixed, was black with not more than one-twentieth nor less than one-twenty-fifth part of white. The senior was allowed to support his dig-nity with three "crow's feet" of black silk cord on the lower part of his coat sleeve. Two crow's feet were permitted to the junior, one to the sophomore and none at all to the freshman. The waistcoat was of black mixed or of black or, when of cotton or linen fabric, of white; single breasted, with a standing collar. The pantaloons were of black mixed.

APHORISMS.

Good counsels observed are chains of grace.-Fuller.

The beauty seen is partly in him who ees it.-Bovee.

Admiration is the daughter of ignorance.—Franklin.

In great attempts it is glorious even to fail.-Longinus. The one prudence of life is concen-

tration.-Emerson. The golden age is before us, not behind us .- St. Simon.

Levity in behavior is the bane of all that is good and virtuous.—Seneca. Better be driven out from among

men than to be disliked by children .-Dana. Loving kindness is greater than laws,

and the charities of life are more than all ceremonies.—Talmud. Have you so much leisure from your own business that you can take care of that of other people that does not belong to you?—Terence.

A Rattlesnake's Fangs.

You often hear of rendering a rattle-snake harmless by pulling out its fangs. Then, again, you read of cases where a serpent so treated has bitten persons fatally. The reason for this-is that a poisonous snake is deprived only temporarily of its venomous powers by the extraction of the two incisors in the upper jaw, at the bases of which are the poison glands. Of course you know that the fangs are hollow, so that when the animal strikes the ven-om gushes through them into the flesh of the person struck. Now, by drawing the two teeth the snake may be rendered harmless for a few weeks, but after a short time the two teeth just behind the original fangs move up and take their places, making connection with the poison glands and thus becoming poison fangs as good and ef-

fective as the old ones.

Horses and Cold. Colonel Sir T. H. Holdich, writing in 'The Indian Borderland" of the terrible storms and wind and snow which over-take the traveler on the high passes of the Herat mountains, remarks on the superior power of the horse to withstand cold. In one such storm "over twenty men perished and many mules. All the dogs with the caravan were lead, but, so far as I can remember, ao horses. Yet some of the chargers of the Eleventh Bengal lancers got slowly on their legs the day after the blizzard iterally sheeted with ice as an ironclad s sheeted with steel." It is a fact worth acting that the horse will stand cold where a mule or a camel will not and where a dog will die.

Gates In Norway.
A curious feature to travelers in the highroads of Norway is the great number of gates—upward of 10,000 in the whole country—which have to be opened. These gates, which either mark the boundaries of the farms or separate the home fields from the waste lands, constitute a considerable in-convenience and delay to the traveler, who has to stop his vehicle and get down to open them.

Cruel and Unusual Punishment. Mrs. Boerum (hopelessly)—Mortimer, I cannot make Willie mind.

Mr. Boerum (sternly)—William, do as your mother wishes, or I will make you go and sit in the cozy corner.— Brooklyn Eagle.

She—Oh, Harry, it is awful! Papa has forbidden you the house! He—That's all right. It isn't the house I am after; it's you, darling .-

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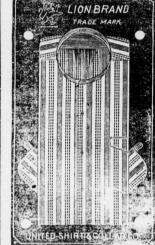
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