

Tricking a Game Warden. When a game warden bought seven pounds of meat and paid a dollar a pound for it he thought he was getting some pretty convincing evidence against a man in Herkimer county whom he supposed to be a chronic violator of the game law. The proprietor found this particular piece of meat in an icehouse one hot August day, and he spotted it for venison. "What will you take for that chunk of meat?" he asked the owner. "That's a tender piece of meat," replied the woodsman, with a wink at the stranger, "and meat is dear way back up here. I wouldn't part with it for less'n a dollar a pound."

Columns of St. Mark. Two memorable granite columns, known as the columns of St. Mark, brought from the Holy Land in 1120 and standing in front of the quay and landing steps of the Piazzeta, have been associated with the fortunes of Venice for many years. At first they lay prostrate for a long time, while no one would undertake to raise them. But a reward offered by the doge at length induced one Nicolò Barattiero (Nick the Blackleg) to offer his services. He succeeded and claimed as his reward the privilege of carrying on between the columns games of chance, elsewhere prohibited by law. To neutralize this as much as possible it was enacted that all public executions should take place on the same spot. One column is surmounted by the Lion of St. Mark. The other carries a fine figure of St. Theodore, the patron saint of the city, who stands upon a crocodile and with sword and buckler gives token that the motto of Venice is "Defense, Not Defiance."

Montevideo English. A letter from a concern in Montevideo, South America, to a Chicago firm: "My dear sir: We know you ask for agents. We can offer you this. Our office has the representation many articles we can offer the representation your's. We ought to know you; we have placemen and gadders whose business is only to sell our articles. Our business is diffused till some Brazilian villages; where the American articles are worth of the highest attention. Our mind is that, the diffuse of the news is the best middle for the know; all things; and we don't stop in middles for its circulation; we have decided the appear of The Commercial Review next issue where you can be fellow laborers; and we with no one expensiture; that is; to say always; you dispense us any cassines."

He Found His Man. Englishmen are rather fond of poking fun at those parts of Great Britain where other than the Anglo-Saxon element is dominant, and a favorite subject for jest is the prevalence of the Jones family in Wales. One of the colleges of Oxford university was much resorted to by Welshmen. A man from another college looking for a friend went into its quadrangle and shouted, "Jones!" All the windows looking on the quadrangle flew open. "I mean John Jones," said the searcher. Half the windows closed. "I mean the John Jones who has a toothbrush," he explained. All the windows closed but one.—Topeka State Journal.

A Stitch of Pain. A stitch is a sharp, spasmodic pain in the muscles of the side like the piercing of a needle and is very apt to be produced if exercise is taken immediately after a hearty meal. This arises because the nervous energy necessary for the proper working of the muscles in exercise is engaged in another direction—namely, in assisting the digestion of the food. Anything that interferes with the proper supply of nervous energy required for exercise, whether it be debility or the process of digestion or exhaustion arising from overexertion, is apt to cause this spasmodic pain.

Adam's Sister. The palm tree has always been venerated wherever it grows; in some places it is worshipped. "Honor the palm tree," says a Mohammedan writer, "for she is your father's aunt, for this tree was formed of the remainder of the clay from which Adam was created."

The Magpie Ceiling. One of the apartments in the ancient royal palace at Cintra, Portugal, is known as the Hall of Magpies. Painted in the arabesque ceiling is to be found a swarm of magpies. Each has in the mouth a scroll, on which, painted in red on a white ground, are the words, "Por bem." The story runs that King John of Portugal was making love to one of the maids of honor in this chamber and was surprised by the queen. His majesty made the best of the circumstances and explained to the queen, "E por bem mihi scire" ("Oh, it is nothing at all. It is quite right. There is no harm in it"). As to whether the queen was satisfied the legend is silent, but the ladies of the court were deeply interested and were constantly saying to one another with a smile, "Por bem! Por bem!" The king thought it time to act, so he commissioned an artist to paint on the ceiling as many magpies as there were talkative ladies about the court, each holding in the beak the ribbon with the words, "Por bem."—London Globe.

Fate of Portugal's Homer. "The Lusiad" is one of the noblest records ever written of national glory and success. Camoens, its gifted author, determined to do for Portugal what Homer had done for Greece. The great poem was written in the sixteenth century, which has been called the heroic age of Portugal, and its main feature is the rounding of the Cape of Good Hope by Vasco da Gama, while a most interesting episode is the crowning after death of Inez de Castro as queen of Portugal. "The Lusiad" took its name from Lusius, who was said to have founded Lisbon. Its author was born about 1520, and his career, which began brilliantly, was blighted by the death of a broken heart of the lady of his love, for whose sake he was banished from the land. He wrote "The Lusiad" in his banishment and was recalled in 1571, losing on the way all his property except his poem. Pensioned at first by the king, this great epic poet of Portugal died in great poverty in 1570, when his patron was also dead.

Down In a Coal Mine. To the ear accustomed to the constant sound of a living world the stillness of a coal mine, where the miles of crosscuts and entries and the unyielding walls swallow up all sounds and echo is a silence that is complete, but as one becomes accustomed to the silence through long hours of solitary work sounds become audible that would escape an ear less trained. The trickling murmur of the gas, the spattering fall of a lump of coal loosened by some mysterious force from a cranny in the wall, the sudden knocking and breaking of a stratum far up in the rock above or the scurry of a rat off somewhere in the darkness strike on the ear loud and startling. The eye, too, becomes trained to penetrate the darkness, but the darkness is so complete that there is a limit—the limit of the rays cast by the pit lamp.—Joseph Husband in Atlantic.

Portuguese and Codfish. It is an interesting fact that the fishermen of northern Portugal started and developed the fishing industry on the "banks" off the northern coast of America, and though they now send fewer ships, their taste for salt cod from Newfoundland is unabated—in fact, it is a national Portuguese dainty. It is found in every little grocery shop, hard and brown as a board. A number of Portuguese have made their home on the islands to the south of the mainland of Massachusetts, and there the dark eyes of the Iberian maiden, raven locks and a certain picturesque element in dress are not infrequent. This connection with Portugal dates back many years, the ships of Marthas Vineyard bridging the distance over sea and returning with Portuguese crews.—Exchange.

Adam and Eve. "I hope this expulsion of ours is not going to injure our social position," said Eve ruefully. "I guess not," replied Adam. "They can't stop us from being one of the very first families, whatever they do." "I don't find our names here in the 'Social Register,'" said Eve, looking the volume over. "Look under 'Dilatory Domiciles,' my love," said Adam as he went out and named the jackass after himself.—Harper's Weekly.

A Pithy Sermon. Here is the pithiest sermon ever preached: "Our ingress into life is naked and bare, our progress through life is trouble and care, our egress out of it we know not where; but, doing well here, we shall do well there. I could not tell more by preaching a year."

Wanted It Well Hidden. Little Bobby was too polite to say he wanted a big piece of the turkey, but he said he would like a piece of the chest, where the wishbone was, only he didn't want to find the wishbone too quick.—Browning's Magazine.

It Was This Way. "I suppose the father gave the bride away." "Not exactly. He gave a million away and threw her in."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Excluded. Aseum—Well, well! I congratulate you, old man. And how is the baby to be named? Popley—By my wife's people, it seems.—Exchange. A long, slow friendship is the best; a long, slow enmity the deadliest.—Virgil.

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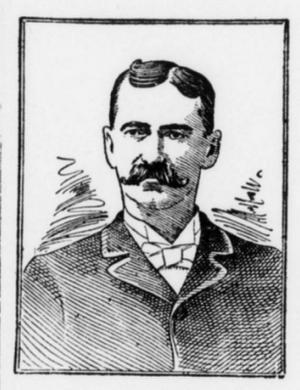
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Notice of Dissolution. NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between Walter G. Morrison and Robert Clark, of the Borough of Emporium, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, under the firm name of Clark & Morrison, was dissolved on the twenty-first day of December, 1910, by mutual consent. All debts belonging to the said partnership are to be received by the said Robert Clark and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment. ROBERT CLARK, WALTER G. MORRISON. Emporium, Pa., Dec. 21st, 1910. n5-4t

Election Notice. CAMERON POWDER MANUFACTURING COMPANY. THE annual meeting of the stockholders for the election of a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them, will be held at the office of the Company in Emporium, on Monday, January 16, 1911, between the hours of one and three in the afternoon. JOHN SCHWAB, Secretary. Emporium, Pa., Dec. 12th, 1910.—44-5t.

Notice of Meeting of Stockholders THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Emporium & Rich Valley Railroad Company will be held at the Law Office of Hon. H. W. Green, Tuesday, January 24th, 1911, at one o'clock, p. m., for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before them. A. C. BLUM, President. Emporium, Pa., Jan. 4, 1911. n7-3t

Administrator's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given that letters testamentary upon the estate of Edward S. Murry, late of Emporium, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Frank H. Murry, of St. Marys, Elk county, Pennsylvania, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. FRANK H. MURRY, Administrator. Dec. 30th, 1910.—47-6t.

Notice to the Stockholders of the Keystone National Powder Company. NOTICE is hereby given, that the regular meeting of the Stockholders, and the election of a Board of Directors, of the Keystone Powder Company, will be held at the office of the said Company, at Emporium, Pa., on Tuesday, the 17th day of January, A. D. 1911, between the hours of one o'clock and three o'clock in the afternoon of the said day. HENRY AUCHT, President. Emporium, Pa., December 31st, 1910.—47-2t.

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