

Quaint Old Colonial Document. New Amsterdam had been in British hands for four years when this quaint and curious document, the records in the archives of the city of New York, was discovered.

Instructions for Mr. Cornelius Van Buren, Collector of the Customs in the City of New York, by the Honorable the Earl of Sandwich, Governor, May 24, 1665.

That you or your clerk are to be daily at the Custom House from nine to five in the morning until twelve at noon. There to receive the Customs both in and out, as the Merchants shall come & enter.

A Joke on 'de Jap. The Japanese students at our college in the American Museum of Natural History are being by the other students about in a somewhat peculiar way.

Next morning, when the Japanese student came to the lecture room, he found a group of the boys gathered to give him the morning salutation in Japanese.

Conspicuous and Fresh Air. It is a matter of common knowledge, says an English exchange, that the late Mr. Arthur Clapham was a man of letters.

The Fanny Boy. A man who fractured his funny bone concludes that it is not a funny bone. He says: "The displacement of the bone is accompanied by disfigurement of the whole arm for a long while."

Worse Than Not Stopping. An Englishman on occasion to investigate the running time of the trains that passed through the small place where he was stopping.

Compliments of a Corpse. I spent one summer at an obscure place in the Virginia mountains. I took the business of the place, and I took with me a maid whose home was somewhere near. One day she came to me and asked for a day's leave.

Not So Good. The Princess of Wales possesses a crown which she inherited from her mother, good luck to its owner. It was formerly the property of the king of Denmark.

Very Human. Teacher—Once upon a time there were two rich men, one of whom made his fortune by honest industry, while the other made his by fraud.

Quite a Side Show. Missouri is said to be the best circus state in the Union. This may account for the pleasing tradition that Louisiana has to be shown—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Brides and Wet Weather. A wet wedding is held to signify that all her tears are shed and that she will therefore have a happy married life. I know of no similar belief in the British Isles.

Tomatoes and Cancer. A few years ago an eminent London physician, on my mentioning to him tomatoes as an article of diet for my mother, said: "Why do you eat tomatoes?"

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BOILED IT DOWN. The sign at it was designed and as it appeared. A journeyman letter, a companion of Dr. Franklin, was about to set up in business for himself and wished to have an appropriate sign to put over his door.

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