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Continuation of Shoe Sale

Hundreds of pairs of Shoes being sold at cost, not because they are out of date or old stock, but because in taking stock we found several styles that we will discontinue, hence, this cut in prices. We don't want a few pairs of a kind lying around, and you can't afford to let us keep them at the prices we are selling them at.

Rubber Goods at Cost.

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OIL CITY, PA.

No serious Drawback.

Bridget was engaged to be married to a young plumber, Terence Dolan by name, and when, two weeks before the day set for the wedding, she fell down the cellar stairs she was in the depths of woe.

"I've broke out one of my front teeth," she wailed to her mistress, "and my teeth has been my best beauty, ma'am! Manny's the time Terence has had me show 'em to his friends and remarked how fine they were! Oh, what'll I do? How'll I do?"

"Tell Terence all about it when he comes tonight, and I'm sure he'll say he's only glad you were not more severely injured," said her mistress, but Bridget shook her head and refused to be comforted.

"I would be better for me if I'd broke some of my bones," she said gloomily, "and maybe all of 'em."

That evening after Terence had come and gone Bridget appeared before her mistress, the gloom gone and her face set in a broad smile.

"I told him all about it," she said gayly, "and he says to me, 'What's a tooth more or less when it comes to cooking?' he says carelessly and passed on to Cassidy's work as if 'twas no matter at all!"

A Fish Story.
"Talk about fish and things of the sea!" said he who claimed to be a seafaring man. "Twas in the year—well, it was a good while ago and we were floating somewhere around—well, one of the oceans. One day we were heading south by south-west, latitude I forget exactly—when a ripple in the water suggested the presence of a shark. You can always tell a shark by its ripple. He's got one of his own. We never landed a good specimen, and when he showed his head I could well tell he was a ten footer. I always was quick and precise. A knife in me mouth, a jump, and I landed headfirst between the shark's jaws. With me a flash I turned around. Quick as my legs and arms through his sides for my legs and holes to pass through and swim back to the ship. Well, he was a fine morsel, that fish was, and we lived on him for weeks. Is it true? Well—and he displayed a splinter from the handle of the knife.—Harper's Monthly.

The Racing Camel.
The ordinary camel, which will never hurry under any circumstances, has been transformed in southern Algeria into an animal so different in size, temper and appearance that it may almost be looked upon as a different race. This is the racing camel, prized for its speed. The result of many generations of careful breeding, which has been encouraged by valuable prizes, it can be depended upon for nine or ten miles an hour, which it can keep up for sixteen or seventeen hours, almost without a stop. Its value is five or ten times that of the beast of burden. The camel races are popular sport and are made exciting by the evident interest of the creatures themselves in winning.

Warm Advice.
Author—Oh, well, if you don't choose to publish my story I have other irons in the fire.
Publisher—Oh, you have? If I were you, I'd put this story in with 'em.

All Kinds.
Customer (to grocer)—How much is your butter a pound?
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A Lack of Firmness.

A very matter of fact old gentleman the other day called to see a neighbor, an old Irishwoman, who had been ailing for some time, when the following conversation took place at the door:

"And how do you find yourself today, Bridget?"
"Sure, your honor, I'm mighty bad. This shocking weather 'll be the end of me. I'll be a dead woman before long."

"Hoots, toots, woman! Ye've been saying that for the last twenty years! I'll tell ye what it is—ye want firmness o' mind. Em' a day for yer deeing and stick ta it!"—London Telegraph.

Good Teeth.
Don't fail to ponder occasionally on these facts: That without good teeth there cannot be thorough mastication. Without thorough mastication there cannot be perfect digestion. Without perfect digestion there cannot be proper assimilation. Without proper assimilation there cannot be nutrition. Without nutrition there cannot be health. Without health what is life worth? Hence the paramount importance of good teeth.

Thus Spoke the Cynic.
"Curious thing about a man with a watch is that if you see him take it out and look at it and you ask him two seconds later what time it is he never remembers. He has to look at it again."

Fully Compliant.
"What we require," said the managing editor, "is the services of a man capable of taking full charge of our 'Query Box.' Are you capable of answering all kinds of questions?"
"Well, I rather think I ought to be," replied the applicant. "I'm the father of eleven children."

Stuffed With Food, Starved For Air.
You can live forty days without food, but you cannot live four minutes without air. These things being true, is it wise to stuff ourselves with food and starve ourselves for want of air?—Hallistine.

Must Have Been.
First Chappie—I wonder now, Chole, how the donkey ever came to be used as the—emblem of stupidity?
Second Chappie (with a yawn)—Don't know, I'm sure, dear boy; must have been before our day.

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BACON AND SHAKESPEARE.

The Two Men Separately and the Two in One Being.

Aristotle was an extraordinary man. Plato was an extraordinary man. That two men each severally so extraordinary should have been living at the same time in the same place was a very extraordinary thing. But would it diminish the wonder to suppose the two to be one? So I say of Bacon and Shakespeare. That a human being possessed of the faculties necessary to make a Shakespeare should exist is extraordinary. That a human being possessed of the necessary faculties to make Bacon should exist is extraordinary. That two such human beings should have been living in London at the same time was more extraordinary still. But that one man should have existed possessing the faculties and opportunities necessary to make both would have been the most extraordinary thing of all.

Great writers, especially being contemporary, have many features in common, but if they are really great writers they write naturally, and nature is always individual. I doubt whether there are five lines together to be found in Bacon which could be mistaken for Shakespeare or five lines in Shakespeare which could be mistaken for Bacon by one who was familiar with their several styles and practiced in such observations.—James Spedding's "Essays."

Physiological Autographs.

Every human being carries with him from his cradle to his grave certain physical marks which do not change their character and by which he can always be identified, and that without shade of doubt or question. These marks are his signature, his physiological autograph, so to speak, and this autograph cannot be counterfeited, nor can he disguise it or hide it away, nor can it become illegible by the wear and the mutations of time.

This autograph consists of the delicate lines or corrugations with which nature marks the insides of the hands and the soles of the feet. If you will look at the balls of your fingers, you will observe that these delicate curving lines close together, like those that indicate the borders of oceans in maps, and that they form various clearly defined patterns, such as arches, circles, long curves, whorls and so forth, and that these patterns differ on the different fingers.—"Pudd'nhead Wilson."

Strange Uses For Mirrors.

The celebrated Beau Brummel during the first years of his exile, while yet his fame as a dandy was pre-eminent, had the ceiling of his bedroom covered with mirrors so that even while at rest he could study elegance and assume a graceful pose. For such a purpose a glass ceiling is, however, not unique, and the notorious Duchess of Cleveland had such another constructed to gratify her vanity.

For a far different reason a certain Yorkshire gentleman of the last century had his ceiling paneled with mirrors. Ardently devoted to the sport of cockfighting, he continued to the last to enjoy his favorite pastime and even when on his deathbed his room was the scene of many an exciting fight, which, lying on his back, he saw reflected in the glass overhead.

A Tender Husband.

In connection with a slight affection of Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant's eyes a very pretty story is told indicative of General Grant's tender devotion to her. When he was president, she became somewhat sensitive about her eyes—she suffered from strabismus—and consulted a specialist to see what could be done for her. The specialist told her he thought he could improve her eyes, but the operation would be painful. She consulted her husband to learn whether he would advise the operation. "Don't have it done, dear," said the general, pressing her cheeks with his two hands. "Let those dear eyes stay just as they are. If they were changed, I might not recognize my sweetheart!"

Distance Traveled by Odors.

As an illustration of the distance odors are carried it is noteworthy that the fumes and exhalations from the sulphur springs of Colorado can be distinguished at a distance of fully twenty miles. The delicious perfume of the forests of Ceylon is carried by the wind twenty-five miles out to sea, while in foggy weather travelers 100 miles from the land have recognized their proximity to the coast of Columbia by the sweet smell brought them on a breeze from the shore.

His Inheritance.

"And now," said Professor Longhunger as he greeted Mr. Henry Peck, "what shall we make of your little boy—a lecturer? He has a sincere taste for it."

"I know he has," replied the male parent; "he inherits it from his mother."—Schoolmaster.

The Savage's Forebodings.

The savage regarded the first white man thoughtfully.

"If I try to fight him," he said, "he will exterminate me, and if I try to live in peace with him he will cheat me out of everything, and I will starve to death. What chance have I got?"—Chicago Post.

His Clerical Robes.

"Tooh! My papa wears evenin' clothes every time he goes to parties."

"That ain't anything. Our minister wears 's' nightclothes every time he preaches."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Some plants are affected by chloroform just as animals are. The sensitive plant loses its irritability in air charged with chloroform vapor.

As the Stork Sees It.
First Stork—I just left a baby at that millionaire's house.
Second Stork—Funny things, these human beings! I've just delivered three to one woman in a tenement house, and her husband's out of work, and they haven't a cent.—Brooklyn Life.

Weak In Spelling.

The young woman was writing to a masculine friend to thank him for a tiny Maltese kitten he had sent her the day before. "I am glad to say it likes me already," she wrote, "for at this moment it is sitting on my knee, a big pink bow around its neck and its paws folded prettily under it."

"But the bow isn't pink," objected the friend who was looking over her shoulder.

"I know it isn't," responded the writer as she scribbled her name, "but I couldn't spell lavender to save my life, and what's in a color to a man?"

Another young woman was endeavoring recently to tell her mother something by telephone. "I'm going to study 'b-r-r-r,'" was all that could be understood of the communication.

"Spell it!" finally commanded the older woman when the important word was still indistinct after much repeating.

"I don't know how," came back the answer faintly. "Send me one else to the phone." And the same one else discovered that the unspellable thing the young woman was going to study was stenography.—Baltimore News.

Buried on His Horse.

Lord Dacre, who died fighting for the Lancastrians at Towton, England, in 1461, directed that if he were killed in the battle his favorite war horse should be buried in the same grave with him. According to his wishes, when his interment took place in Saxon churchyard after the battle a tremendous grave was dug, and in it the warrior was buried, seated upright on his horse. For centuries reflections were cast upon the accuracy of this tradition, but a few years ago while excavations were being made close by the reputed burial place of Lord Dacre the pick of a digger struck into a great bone, and upon further search being made the skull of a big horse was brought to the surface. As this was found almost at the very spot under which the body of Lord Dacre was said to lie, it was accepted as confirmation of the tradition, particularly as the skull was found to be standing vertically in the soil. The skull was replaced carefully in its original position and the excavation filled up.

Rain In Manila.

"When it rains in Manila," says a man who has been there, "you think the first time you see the spectacle that the end of the world has come. Why, one day in September that I was there it rained thirteen inches. That of that, will you—more than a foot of water! You would think that would weary the elements for some time, but it didn't. The next day it rained half a foot, the day after that seven inches. That month we had fifty-seven inches of rain."

"Where does all the water go to?"
"Right back where it came from," was the prompt reply. "After a down-pour the sun will come out hotter than ever, and you can fairly see everything steam. And yet there are a great many people that wouldn't live anywhere else except in Manila."

The Milk Was Too Blue.

A certain wise youngster of my acquaintance was presented on his seventh birthday with a beautiful blue glass goblet, whereupon said goblet straightway became the indispensable meal companion of said youngster. One evening when George had received his usual allowance of milk in the blue goblet his mother became aware that he was gazing in deeply contemplative fashion at the contents of the glass. What he saw can best be imagined, for he raised his eyes suddenly and said wonderingly:

"Why, mother, this cow couldn't have been ripe!"—Current Literature.

Was Losing Control of Her Mind.

I was losing control of my mind and could not remember names of people caused by female weakness, chronic inflammation of the liver, kidneys and bladder, scalding of urine and non-retention of the same, which had troubled me, making me very nervous, the last twenty years. All the medicines I used only relieved me for the time. You don't know how delighted I am to think I am so much better and stronger all through my system, and Thompson's Barosma, Backache, Liver, Kidney and Lumbago cure did it. I used six bottles. It was worth more than money to me. It gave me health and strength, as I was very weak and miserable before.

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THE OLD RELIABLE

THE THORN AND THE HOSE.

Mrs. Temperton—I've got the dearest old darling of a husband that ever happened. He has an awful temper, and about once a month he gets mad and tears up my best hat.

Miss Singleton—And you call him a dear old darling after that? How can you?

Mrs. Temperton—Well, you see, he always has a fit of remorse next day and buys me a better one.—Chicago News.

Crude Logic.

It is told of an East Indian law student that he once threw his examiners into confusion by declaring matrimony to be an illegal state. "How so? How so?" he was asked by the perturbed examiners, many of them married men. The student smiled beatifically. "Marriage," quoth he, "is a lottery, and lotteries are forbidden by law."

Her Recommendation.

"I don't think very much of your reference."

"I don't wonder, ma'am. My mistress was too busy to write it, ma'am, and so I got her maid to write it for her, ma'am, and she's only been to night school one winter, ma'am, and the pen was a bad one."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Well Answered.

A youthful member of parliament was once advised by a bibulous member of one of his audiences to "go home to his mother." "I think," the young candidate said, "my friend might follow his own advice with advantage, for he does not seem to have outgrown his affection for the bottle."

Life.

It has been said that life is made up of three things—heredity, environment and the will. If the heredity and environment of the child are what they should be, the will will choose the right and do it.

"I'm going to," isn't doing it.—Athenian Globe.

A story told by a western congressman is about two brothers, Ed and Jim, who dealt in wool at their home in Iowa. Jim went to a revival meeting (unthinkingly, the congressman says) and "got religion." In his first burst of enthusiasm he told his brother of how much better he felt since his conversion and urged Ed to come into the fold. The latter pondered gravely for a time and then said: "Ain't no doubt but what religion's a good thing, and I'm glad you've got it, Jim, but I guess you better let me alone just now," he continued reflectively. "You see, Jim, one of us has got to weigh the wool."

NERVOUS ENERGY.

Don't Overdraw Your Account in the Bank of Nature.

You have a deposit of nervous energy placed to your account in the bank of your body. It may be large, in which case you are a millionaire in strength and accomplishing power, or it may be so microscopic as to need careful husbanding and little expenditure to keep it from dwindling out altogether.

But many millionaires become paupers, and some "dime savings" swell into millions. It depends upon the way the capital is managed. You may think you have so much that there is no need to be economical. You get up in the morning and feel the blood bounding through your veins like mountain torrents, and you think you can turn the mill wheels of the world.

You work day and night or you play day and night, which is sometimes more exhausting, and go at the limit of your speed all the time. You are over-drawing your bank account of energy, and that needlessly, for you probably have enough to last a long and useful lifetime. It pays to sit down and sharpen your tools, and to add cent per cent to your body bank deposit.

Another with not half your brains or bustle will get ahead of you in the end, for he makes every act, every thought, go straight to the mark. He wastes no effort. Everything he does means something. It helps toward some given end. You spend a great deal of ammunition on your quarry because you are over-anxious. He keeps cool, takes steady aim and wings his bird.

You get wrinkles and frost tipped temples and become a bankrupt in vitality when you should be in your prime. You have overdrawn the best and most valuable bank account the Lord ever placed on the books of life—the ability "to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars."

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