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Pinto's Scheme.

It was Mr. Streeter, a London jeweler, who was instrumental in exposing the notorious old time swindler, Pinto, who claimed to have discovered the philosopher's stone. His method consisted in having a bag of gold dust concealed up his sleeve, from which, by an ingenious contrivance, he was able to squeeze the powdered metal unnoticed into the crucible. By this means he was able to melt a sovereign and produce three or four times its weight in metal.—London Mail.

The Orchid.

The orchid is a peculiar plant, for, strange as it may seem, there is no distinctively orchid odor. One smells like the violet, others like the rose, the hyacinth, the daffodil. Orchids are the monkey, the mimics of the vegetable world, in odor as well as form and tint. No other flower resembles an orchid, but orchids are forever aping butterflies, panes, roots, spiders, pith plants, birds and what not. And they are not absolutely certain to look just the same twice in succession.

A Collapsible Method

By SADIE OLCOTT

Summer is the time for outdoor sports, winter the time for indoor games. Yes, they are games—not sports—the best that can be done to pass the time when we are housed. Yet they may serve another purpose.

Phillis and I were in the library. We had fixed a table for pingpong, called by some parlor tennis. The name is an aspersion on the real tennis, which is one of the finest games played. Phillis was at one end of the table batting a little celluloid ball with a tiny wooden racket, I at the other doing the same thing.

"Forty love," said Phil on making a point.

"What did you call me?" I asked.
"I didn't call you anything."
"You said forty something. It didn't sound like Bob, but you may have intended it for Bob."

"Dear me, how you do hear things! You'd better get an ear trumpet."
She won the game, and we proceeded to the next. I had gained nothing by my attempt to introduce a love scrimmage and had given her a love game. We each made the same number of points and Phil cried:

"Deuce!"
"That's like a girl," I said. "One moment you call me love and the next devil!"

"I've called you neither!"
She made a point and said, "Vantage!"

"It's all advantage with a girl," I remarked. "She can call a fellow 'love' and not mean it, whereas if the fellow does any spooning he's held to a strict accountability."

"That's only when he's a desirable part!"
She enforced the words with a ball that hit me in the face.

"I have made no such pretense."
Whether it was the sting of her words or of the miserable little globe, there was some asperity in my disclaimer.

"Who accused you of making a pretense?"

"Though I was endeavoring to turn the subject from the game to something very near my heart, I could not seriously accuse her, so I made no reply."

"That's the end of the set," she said.

"Shall we play another?"

"I'd much rather sit by the fire."

She tossed her racket on the table and, going to the fireplace, stood before it, rubbing her hands as if they were cold. They were not, as I soon learned. She knew what was coming, and it rattled her a bit. Rather, I should say, she hoped for what was coming. I had worked up to the declaration point a number of times and stuck there. It's one thing to tell a girl you love her when she has been struck by lightning and falls into your arms in a critical condition; it is quite another to do the deed in cold blood. At any rate, my efforts had all been failures.

"Why did you intimate," I asked, going to her and leaning against the mantel over the fireplace, "that I am not a desirable part?"
"I didn't."

Stuck again.

I looked through the window at the snow piling up in drifts. If one finds a task difficult under certain circumstances he thinks it would be easier under other circumstances. I was in a comfortable room with a cheerful open fire before me, but I thought I could get out what I wanted to say out in the snow.

"Let's go out and snowball," I said.
She looked disappointed, but acceded to my request. She donned a warm jacket and a woven hood, and we sallied forth.

"You stand there," I said. "I'll stand here. You throw the first ball at me."

How I was to make a proposal while pelting her I didn't know. I hoped something would turn up to help me. It did, but Phillis turned it up; I didn't.

Phil made a snowball and threw it at me. I dodged it. I threw one at Phil. It went wide of the mark. She hit me on the chin. Something—perhaps it was the sting—put an extra amount of force into my arm as I threw the next ball. I couldn't see that it had hit her, but she put her hands to her eyes and sank down on the cold snow with a moan. I ran to her.

"Phillis, dear! Sweetheart! Forgive me! I am a beast to have hurt you!"
I pulled away her hands, and she looked at me with inexpressible sweetness. I kissed the wounded eye.

Now, that eye should have been either inflamed or cold or snow wet. It was neither. A few bits of snow were on her shoulder. The snowball I had thrown was squashed against the fence directly behind her.

"Phillis, dear, let us go back to the library."

I supported her into the house, and we stood again before the fire.
"Oh, Phillis!" I exclaimed. "Suppose I had darkened that dear eye forever!"
She shuddered.

"If I had I should have devoted my life to you. Would you have let me?"
"Yes, Bob."

I drew the sofa before the fire, removed her wrap, and we sat down to the happiest hour of my life. The deed was done.

There should be a school for maidens who are troubled with balky lovers. They should be instructed to collapse and collapse the methods should be given them.

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A Curiosity in Nomenclature.

The negroes in the British West Indian island of Grenada find it very difficult to keep track of their descent and their relatives because of a curious custom they follow in naming children. The father's Christian name is given to the son for his surname. Thus if a man is named John Jones his son may be called James John and that son's son Robert James, and so on to the end of the chapter. Naturally in a few generations families get into a hopeless muddle, and nobody knows exactly to whom he is related.

Curious Courtship.

In the strange land of the Karassan Indians in Mexico the visitor, after attaining something of a friendly footing, may still witness some of the equally strange practices which the first Spaniards observed. In courting the lover goes to the well where his beloved is accustomed to fill her water jar. He holds her shawl until she accepts him, and then with a stick he breaks the jar which she holds on her head and gives her a betrothal baptism of water.

Senatorial Courtesy.

Senatorial courtesy is a term applied to a custom which has grown up in the senate of not enforcing any rules or regulations looking to the closing of debate, the senate, as a whole, giving to each senator practically the right to discuss any question before the senate as long as he wants to. The term has, however, been extended not only to the courtesy of debate, but to denote the general tendency in the senate, irrespective of political differences, for the senators to be very kindly disposed to pet measures and projects of their fellows. By reason of senatorial courtesy there is no closure in debates.

An Impossible Undertaking.

"I hear that you have been laid up with nervous prostration. What's the cause—overwork or worry?"

"Both. I tried to have a photograph taken that suited my wife." — New York Times.

Voter's Catechism.

- D. Have you read the Constitution of the United States?
R. Yes.
D. What form of Government is this?
R. Republic.
D. What is the Constitution of the United States?
R. It is the fundamental law of this country.
D. Who makes the laws of the United States?
R. The Congress.
D. What does Congress consist of?
R. Senate and House of Representatives.
D. Who is our State Senator?
R. Theo. M. Kurtz.
D. Who is the chief executive of the United States?
R. President.
D. For how long is the President of the United States elected?
R. 4 years.
D. Who takes the place of the President in case he dies?
R. The Vice President.
D. What is his name?
R. Thomas R. Marshall.
D. By whom is the President of the United States elected?
R. By the electors.
D. By whom are the electors elected?
R. By the people.
D. Who makes the laws for the state of Pennsylvania?
R. The Legislature.
D. What does the Legislature consist of?
R. Senate and Assembly.
D. Who is our Assemblyman?
R. Wilmer H. Wood.
D. How many State in the union?
R. 48.
D. When was the Declaration of Independence signed?
R. July 4, 1776.
D. By whom was it written?
R. Thomas Jefferson.
D. Which is the capital of the United States?
R. Washington.
D. By whom are they elected?
R. By the people.
D. For how long?
R. 6 years.
D. How many representatives are there?
R. 435. According to the population one to every 211,000, (the ratio fixed by Congress after each decennial census.)
D. Which is the capital of the state of Pennsylvania?
R. Harrisburg.
D. How many Senators has each state in the United States Senate?
R. Two.
D. Who are our U. S. Senators?
R. Boies Penrose and George T. Oliver.
D. For how long are they elected?
R. 2 years.
D. Who is our Congressman?
R. S. Taylor North.
D. How many electoral votes has the state of Pennsylvania?
R. 38.
D. Who is the chief executive of the state of Pennsylvania?
R. The Governor.
D. For how long is he elected?
R. 4 years.
D. Who is the Governor?
R. Brumbaugh.
D. Do you believe in organized government?
R. Yes.
D. Are you opposed to organized government?
R. No.
D. Are you an anarchist?
R. No.
D. What is an anarchist?
R. A person who does not believe in organized government.
D. Are you a bigamist or polygamist?
R. No.
D. What is a bigamist or polygamist?
R. One who believes in having more than one wife.
D. Do you belong to any secret Society which teaches to disbelieve in organized government?
R. No.
D. Have you ever violated any laws of the United States?
R. No.
D. Who makes the ordinances for the City?
R. The board of Aldermen.
D. Do you intend to remain permanently in the U. S.?
R. Yes.

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The Secretary of the Navy has awarded contracts amounting to over \$3,000,000 to a British bidder for 14 and 16-inch projectiles for the Navy because of very much lower prices offered by the English bidders.

We know nothing of the basis upon which the British bids were made, but the public is entitled to know the facts upon which we ourselves bid for this work.

Two years ago we took contracts to make 4,200 14-inch shells at a price of \$1,515,000. Up to now not a single shell has been accepted by the Government, although we have expended, in wages, materials, etc., on these orders \$522,881, and we have not received a SINGLE DOLLAR on these contracts.

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