

# FREAKS OF MEMORY.

## Language of the Intellect Destroyed by Aphasia.

### Changes of Word - Memory Through Brain Disease.

When disease affects the brain, says Professor H. C. Wood in the *Century*, alterations of word-memory are something very strange. In the most complete form of so-called aphasia the person cannot understand words, he cannot think in words, and cannot talk words. Usually, however, words are remembered sufficiently to be recognized when heard or seen, but although the idea is there, the person cannot speak in words. I recall the case of an old German woman who had aphasia. When asked how old she was, she would indicate sixty with her fingers. If asked how many children she had had, she would indicate seven. If two of the fingers were turned down she would get angry and insist upon the seven. She was able to understand questions. She knew what the figure "7" meant, but had not the power to say the word "seven." It is a very curious fact that in these forms of aphasia the language of the emotions may be preserved while the language of the intellect is destroyed. Very often a profane man, when he has aphasia, is able to swear. This German woman, when excited, could say "Gott in Himmel!" Besides this there was left to her but one little fragment of each of the two languages which she had known. She could not say the English "no," but could say the German "nein"; she could not say the German "yah," but could splutter out the English "yes." The forms of aphasia known as word-blindness and word-deafness are very strange. The sufferer for word-blindness can write and will understand what is said to him; he will talk to you and perhaps talk you to death; but hand him a book, a newspaper, or even the letter he himself has written, and he cannot read a word. Thus an active man of business having written a letter, giving directions for an important matter, attempted to read it, in order to see if it was correct, but was astounded to find that he could not make out a single word; he had been suddenly stricken with word-blindness. The sounds of the words and the words themselves had remained to him, but the recollection of the written forms of the words was gone. In a case of word-deafness the person can talk and can write, but although his hearing is perfect he cannot recognize the spoken words. The sound of the voice is plain to his sense, but conveys no thought to him. The records of the past—the unconscious memory so to speak—exist in the brain; but for conscious recognition these must be dragged out before the consciousness. It is doubtful whether there is such a thing as a bad memory, i. e., as a badly kept brain record. The difference in individuals as to the power of recollecting probably consists in the relation between consciousness and memory. One man has the power of going into the library in his brain and picking up at once the leaf he wants, and glories in his good memory. Another cannot in a moment find what he desires, but when the floods of disease come, then spontaneously float up those things which he had thought were gone forever.

# HUMOROUS.

Silence is golden; but it is the other fellow's silence that is meant. The switchmen's interest in the railroads they represent seems to be flagging. Better be good than great. You'll have less competition. The latter business is overdone. "Poets must suffer before they can write," says a philosopher. After that it is other people who suffer. Judge—How dare you come into court so? Take your hat off. Accused—But, Judge, you know I am no stranger here. Mrs. Gazzam: "Here's an article about an organ with fifty stops." Gazzam: "Um! I wish that piano next door had even one!" "You will observe one thing about New York property," said the real estate man—"a front foot is more valuable than a back yard."

Alice—Pa says you have no home, and that it would be foolish for me to give up a good one to marry you. Algernon—But, my dear Alice, I don't ask you to give up your home, I merely ask to share it with you. "Time is money," the sages said in the good old times. And it finds a modern echo when we punish petty crimes. When the judge pronounces sentence this is the well-worn phrase: "The decision of the court is ten dollars or ten days."

### Why the Admiral Stood.

At the theatre the other night it chanced that the orchestra between two of the acts played the "Star Spangled Banner," and as the music was turned on one tall and stately old gentleman arose in the midst of the parquet and continued to stand erect for some minutes. Two pretty young women who sat on either side of him finally began pulling at his coat tails. "Papa! Papa!" they whispered nervously. "What are you standing up for?" "Do you see any one you know?" The old gentleman said not a word, but remained standing as before. "Papa, you are attracting attention," the young ladies whispered again, yet more anxiously. Still the old gentleman continued in his upright attitude. Finally, when the orchestra had brought the piece to a conclusion, he sat down again. "What were you standing up for, papa?" asked the pretty young women. "Were you looking for somebody?" The old gentleman smiled. "My dears," he replied, "it is in all civilized countries save this the invariable custom for the whole audience in a theatre to rise to their feet and remain standing while the national anthem is being played. Incidentally to my lifetime of naval service I have become in many lands so accustomed to the observance of this rule of etiquette that I instinctively got upon my legs when the band began the 'Star Spangled Banner.' And, having risen, I thought I might as well pursue the formality to the end, even although I was the only person in the house who exhibited that mark of patriotic respect. I was not afraid of attracting attention, for a man in my position can afford, if their be occasion, to set the fashion." The old gentleman's explanation was cut off at this point by some one who leaned over from the row of orchestra chairs immediately behind and addressed him as "Admiral."—*Washington Star.*

### Not a Nice Plant.

A horrible pest, a stinging plant, is the *Jatropha urens*, one of the Euphorbiaceae. It has a thick green stem and leaves, resembling those of our common garden geraniums in shape, and a small white flower, and is covered with fine sharp bristles, which sting most abominably. To gather specimens they had to be lassoed with a string, kicked up by the roots, and carried on board carefully slung on a stick. The stinging sensation produced by the plant lasts for more than two days, the pain being like that of the nettle, but far more intense.—"*Voyage of the Challenger.*"

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Deep in the heart of the wilderness To mankind all unknown, Safe from the ax of the lumberman For ages it had grown. At last one day through the forest came Stout woodsmen by the score, And ere the light of that day had fled The monarch's reign was o'er. Straight to the core of the patriarch The keen-edged blades were sent, And prone to earth with a mighty roar The giant crashing went; Then of the huge weather-beaten limbs The prostrate trunk was shorn, And to the mill by the rapid stream Its severed lengths were borne. Forth to the world went the woodland king Rent in a thousands parts, Borne from its home in the northern wood Out to the busy marts; Part went to form a laborer's cot, Part framed a mansion fine, And many things for the good of man Came from the old white pine.

—Frank B. Welch in *Detroit Free Press*

Writing about the Bangala cannibals of the Upper Congo, Africa, Herbert Ward says in the *Ledger*: Among my first experiences after taking command of the station was that of submitting myself to the ceremony of blood-brotherhood with Mata Bwika; a form of cementing friendship and a guarantee of good faith, popular with all Upper Congo tribes. In the presence of hundreds of the savages owning the sway of Mata Bwika, we were seated upon the low wooden stools placed opposite each other. Silence being commanded by the beating of the big redwood drums, which gave forth a hollow sound that can be heard for miles, a charm-doctor appeared, arrayed in all his mystic apparel. An incision was made in both our right arms, in the outer muscular swelling just below the elbow, and as the blood flowed in a tiny stream, the charm-doctor sprinkled powdered chalk and potash on the wounds, delivering the while, in rapid tones, an appeal to us to maintain unbroken the sanctity of the contract; and then our arms being rubbed together, so that the flowing blood intermingled, we were declared to be brothers of one blood, whose interests henceforth should be united as our blood now was. The witnesses of this strange ceremony expressed their agreement with the utterances of the charm-doctor, and gave way to boisterous expressions of approval of what had been done already, ere setting to work to drink the huge earthenware jars of fermented juice of the sugar-cane, known as "masanga," which had previously been prepared to celebrate the event.

### Unhealthy Parlors.

"I never call here but I feel so stuffy." "Stuff! that's just the word. I was wondering myself why it is. The rooms are large and well furnished." "Too well furnished for health," quickly chimed in the first speaker. "The house is so full of antiques and rare curios that it is never aired for fear some dust might get in through the open windows or doors. I don't believe a ray of sunshine is ever let into this house. I never call but I feel like a mummy myself and get so nervous before I leave that I feel as if all the antiques were coming down in a body to inhabit me. The sunshine is shut out, the rooms are never aired and the antiques give an unpleasant odor which oppresses me, especially when coming in out of the fresh air. I don't think I shall ever call here again."—*Times-Star.*

### A Queer Sheep.

George Sevinge, of Stoverton, Ohio, is the owner of a rare specimen of the sheep kind. It has the nose and feet of a dog, but is in all other respects a sheep. Instead of having the ordinary teeth of the sheep species the animal's mouth, both upper and lower jaws, is filled with long and sharp wolf-like fangs, rendering it extremely difficult for it to pick grass like other sheep. It gets its chief subsistence from twigs and young shrubs, the bark and tender wood of which it devours greedily.—*St. Louis Republic.*

According to information gathered at Pekin, the Emperor of China in his early childhood had more than 400 attendants, among whom figured 80 nurses, 25 fan-bearers, 25 palanquin-bearers, 10 umbrella-holders, 30 physicians and surgeons, 7 cooks and 23 scullions, 50 servants and messengers, 50 dressers, 75 astrologers, 16 tutors and 60 priests.

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### Six Cents Damages.

"Six cents damages" is one of the verdicts most frequently rendered and least frequently paid. The only use of such a verdict is to force the person against whom it is rendered to pay the costs of the suit. Barring the costs, it amounts to a dismissal of the suit. Occasionally defendants against whom such a verdict is rendered, will, in fine sarcasm, make an ostentatious payment of the sum to the injured plaintiff, but usually no attention is paid to the judgment by either defendant or plaintiff. Possibly a verdict of this sort, left lying loose for a century or two, might be discovered by the plaintiff's heirs and figured up with interest to a sum large enough to pay the fees involved in enforcing its collection. This is not likely, however, and such judgments, left unsatisfied, are not considered liens on real estate, nor has the attempt ever been made to collect such a judgment by seizing the body of the debtor. It is not always the case nowadays that a six-cent verdict carries the costs with it. In New Jersey, for instance, in libel and slander cases, if the verdict is less than \$50, it carries with it costs only to the amount of the verdict, and a man who recovers a verdict for six cents in such a suit has to pay himself all the costs of the suit except six cents. The costs may amount to several hundred dollars, so the satisfaction involved in the verdict is rather expensive.—*New York Sun.*

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