

The Filting Widow.
 Jock Anderson was industriously wooing a wealthy widow, who was fair, fat, and forty, with every prospect of a successful issue, for his affections were abundantly returned. But in an evil moment one of Jock's chums mentioned that a gentle hint, suggesting flirtation on the part of the lady, would constitute a piece of irresistible flattery. This idea Jock put immediately into practice by writing a long amorous letter which, no doubt, would have captured both the widow and her money had he punctuated properly.

This is the sentence that settled poor Jock's chance:
 "I consider you brutal and jealous though you may fancy me a little addicted to flirting."

On perusing the above sentence the widow immediately visited Jock; she stormed at him, swore at him, and eventually swooned. Jock explained, and punctuated the objectionable sentence with tadpoles, making it read:
 "I consider you, brutal and jealous though you may fancy me, a little addicted to flirting."

But nothing could induce the widow to see aught but a slight on herself and her stoutness, punctuate as he would.

The widow is no longer a widow, but, alas! Jock is not her husband.

Quarrelsome Musical Minds.
 Something in the musical mind seems to be very primitive and quarrelsome, inviting doubt as to the celestial origin of the "heaven descended muse," and suggesting that it is a juice of the basement and not lichen from the top stories of the brain. Parrots and mocking birds, when it comes to whistling and singing, are some success, and are both as spiteful and jealous as devils and monkeys.

Anecdote from Real Life.
 "Forty years ago I started in life without a dollar."
 "Say on."
 "And now I have four hundred dollars in the bank, and a job lot of furniture worth as much more."

Maybe Scalp Exercise.
 Perhaps beef handlers give their scalp exercise by carrying meat—to some extent upon their heads—and such use of the scalp would seem to prevent badness by strengthening the scalp and hair.

Onionology.
 After eating onions a girl should immediately sit down and peruse some work of fiction that is calculated to take her breath away.—Chicago Daily News.



CHILD'S ONE-PIECE DRESS.
 Pattern No. 3234.—Spring, summer, autumn, winter, at all seasons, is the pretty little one-piece dress in fashion, but when it can be made of some one of the new and effective wash fabrics, then it shows forth at its best. The pictured model is box-plaited and closes at the center back, a Dutch collar in two sections finishes the neck, and a belt slipped through straps attached under the arms gives the little garment a trim look.

The pattern is in 4 sizes, 3 to 9 years. For a child of 5 years the dress requires 2 5/8 yards of material 36 inches wide.

How It Was.
 Against an old Georgia negro, charged with stealing a pig, the evidence was absolutely conclusive, and the judge, who knew the old darky well, said reproachfully:
 "Now, unole, why did you steal that pig?"
 "Behase mah pooh family wuz starvin', yo' honor," whimpered the old man.

"Famly starvin'," cried the judge. "But they told me you keep five dogs. How is that, unole?"
 "Why, yo' honor," said unole, reprovingly, "you wouldn't 'sperct mah family to eat dem dogs!"—Harper's

Spread of the Movement.
 Mrs. Rawler—The last time I saw you, I think, you were attending a cooking school to learn how to make vegetable dishes taste like meat.
 Mrs. Crossway—Yes, but the feeling against the trust is so strong now that you are learning to make vegetable dishes taste utterly unlike meat.

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"The fact that the royal cars, both in England and in Germany, may so easily be distinguished is an indication of the confidence which exists between the monarchs and their respective peoples," says the Gentlewoman. "In less happier times it would have been courting danger to have carried such marks of distinction, and even now in less fortunate lands the rulers dare not travel so openly."

Deep Water North of Alaska.
 The chief object of the arctic expedition of Captain Mikelsen, who recently returned to Copenhagen, was to settle the question whether there is land or a deep sea to the north of Alaska. In March of last year Captain Mikelsen, Mr. Loffingwell and the mate made a sledge expedition over the ice. Fifty miles from the coast they found crevices, through which they sounded to a depth of 2,640 feet without reaching bottom. Sixty miles further on the result was the same. Turning then toward the southeast, they found the edge of the continental shelf. The conclusion is that deep water exists north of Alaska, at least to a great distance.

Gases in Sewers.
 City people who are occasionally startled by seeing a manhole cover blown from the pavement generally ascribe the blame to leaking gas-mains. But there are probably many other sources from which dangerous gases find their way into sewers, and one of these is indicated by an investigation recently reported to the American Chemical Society by Prof. A. A. Breneman. He showed that the entrance of a mixture of gasoline and soap into drains and sewers from garages, factories, and other places where such materials are employed for washing, is sufficient to account for the liberation of much combustible vapor, which may play a part in sewer explosions.

What's in a Name.
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 Hotsell Hotel ... \$9 up
 Hotel Hotsell ... \$14 up
 Hotsell Inn ... \$18 up
 Hotsell Court ... \$21 up
 Hotsell Arms ... \$24 up



BOYS' SAILOR SUIT.
 Pattern No. 3226.—A jaunty sailor suit such as is here pictured, consists of a blouse with removable shield and knickerbockers, having the fullness at the knee confined by elastic-run casings. A deep sailor collar is part of the blouse, and the sleeves are plaited to cuff depth. A slit pocket is made at the left side of the blouse and the knickerbockers have hip pockets.

The pattern is in 5 sizes—4 to 12 years. For a boy of 8 years the suit requires 3 7/8 yards of material 36 inches wide, with 5-8 yards of contrasting material 36 inches wide.

Amputated His Own Toes.
 A German tourist has been found by a gendarme lying unconscious in a stable at St. Sulpice, in the Canton of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. The man lost himself in the snow, and his feet became frost bitten. He crawled to the stable, and in his agony took out his pocket knife, and amputated two of his toes. Then he fainted, and is now in a hospital.

Immortality.
 Nothing except fire burns and pains and inflames like intense cold and frost bites. Neither boiling water nor cold 200 degrees below zero kills the sprout in some seeds. Professor Bequerel found three seeds eighty-seven years old that sprouted. This suggests that life may really be immortal, even to stand the purgatorial and penitential fires.

IS LEPROSY CONTAGIOUS? 1

Specialists Still Doubtful Whether One Person Can Give It to Another.
 There is possibly no disease the presence of which inspires greater fear in the public mind than does leprosy. This is perhaps in a measure due to the loathsomeness of the disease in its later stages, but it is in most cases simply fear of a name.

The disease or diseases spoken of as leprosy in the Bible are popularly supposed to be the same as the leprosy of to-day, and the evident fear the leper inspired in the people of old is held to justify the dread with which he is still regarded. The Biblical descriptions do not, however, fit modern leprosy, so that whether the fear of the "leper" of olden times was or was not justified it should not be allowed to color the view with which the leper of to-day is regarded.

Leprosy is indeed an infectious disease, that is to say, it is due to the presence in the tissues of a bacillus, after the Norwegian physician who discovered it; but whether it is contagious under the ordinary conditions of modern life in temperate climates, at least, is held by specialists in diseases of the skin to be very doubtful.

Of the few lepers known to the physicians in all the larger cities some are cared for in hospitals, others live at home and visit the clinics or the doctor's office from time to time; yet an instance in which another person has acquired the disease from any of these lepers is unknown.

There are many diseases more to be dreaded than leprosy because more rapidly fatal, more painful or more contagious; yet none of them except perhaps smallpox is more feared.

The illogical terror of leprosy may be the cause of great cruelty to those afflicted. There are thousands of people who show culpable indifference to the enforcement of the laws against spitting in public places, although they know full well that the success of the crusade against tuberculosis hinges largely upon care in this regard. Yet these same persons would fly in horror from any place that had harbored a leper.

Thunder and Lightning.
 Mr. William Marriott, with the aid of the bromometer, an instrument invented by the late G. J. Symons, which records the sequence of phenomena in a thunder-storm, obtained a curious record of a remarkable storm at West Norwood, England, on June 4th, last. Ninety-seven flashes of lightning were recorded in 27 minutes, many of them being of a brilliant character. One hundred and twenty-three peals of thunder were recorded in 86 minutes, but many were probably lost by overlapping. The longest duration of an individual peal was 1 minute and 10 seconds.

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