

HOW THE BEE WORKS.

Busy Insect Not Only Makes Wax and Honey But Also Fertilizes Plants with Pollen.

John Burroughs says that when a bee brings pollen into the hive he advances to the cell in which it is to be deposited and kicks it off, as one might his overalls or rubber boots, making one foot help another.

PEN SYSTEM LAUDED.

Under It, It Is Claimed, Percentage of Chickens to Be Raised Can Be Increased.

In raising chickens, I have found the "pen system," as we call it, the most satisfactory and successful way of all in handling the hen and her brood.



THE MODERN PEN SYSTEM.

Within the pen when completed, a stout water and vermin proof coop is placed for the hen and her brood. But, it is necessary to remove the outer or flight feathers of one wing of the mother hen, so that she cannot fly out.

Preparing Bones for Poultry.

Fowls always prefer bones that are broken or cut (not ground) into small pieces, with meat either raw or cooked adhering to them.

Eggs Absorb Bad Odors.

An experienced "henologist" says: Eggs in a way as just as susceptible to bad odors as is milk.

An Average Temperature.

It was evident that the tenant was lazy. "That flat!" he exclaimed. "What about it?" asked the agent.

A Dirge.

The flight of time invites despair, Yet bids us strive anew;

BREAKING IT GENTLY.



The Doctor—My poor boy! I'll tell you the worst! You'll be well just at the time school opens again.

Puzzling.

He is a fool who in the cup His sorrow tries to drown.

Wouldn't Seem Natural.

"I have an idea," he announced suddenly. "Well, you'd better not let anybody know about it."

Sort of Business Agent.

"Yes," said the family doctor to the guest, "I have always insisted upon it that my daughters must learn to make cake and pie—especially pie."

Pretty Far Gone.

Clara—Do you think Algy is really and truly in love? Dora—In love? Why, the poor fellow is so desperately in love that his latest made-to-measure suits hang on him like ready-made clothes.

Her Imagination.

"That young lady must have a very vivid imagination," said Willie Wishington.

As Well as He Could.

"Do you think I covered the ground?" asked the lawyer when he had concluded his presentation of the case.

Modest Beginning.

"Young man," said the pompous individual, "I did not always have this carriage. When I first started in life I had to walk."

That Was an Easy One.

Instructor (in despair)—Well, at least you can tell me where the Magna Charta was signed?

An Easy One.

"But how am I to know when I am in love?" asked the young debutante.

As Good as Ashes.

Servant—Here's a sample package of breakfast food that a man left for you to try.

The "Jew" Mamma.

Papa (an ex-widower)—Come here, Bessie, and see the new mamma I promised you.

Sure as Fate.

"There is one thing certain," remarked the Observer of Events and Things. "A man may have a long face without having a long head."

Not Worth It.

Wibbleton—Well, there's one thing—you can't henpeck my soul.

SUPPLIED OCULAR PROOF.

Now a Resourceful Missouri Lawyer Easily Won Over the Jury in a Slander Case.

"Resourcefulness in a lawyer in the actual trial of a case is as necessary as the same quality in a general on a battlefield," said Representative Champ Clark.

"Ball had for a client a wizen-faced, shambling, wild-eyed old tie-chopper named Sam Barnes, slim as a racer and short of stature.



HON. CHAMP CLARK. (Missouri Congressman Who is Famed as a Story Teller)

had forced Barnes in his own cabin, in the presence of his wife and children, to hold out his foot for measurement to see if it would fit certain suspicious tracks.

"Barnes was poor as Job's turkey, but Ball is a sort of heaven-appointed attorney general or the poor. They are always with him, both in court and at the polls.

"The jury scowled on Barnes and smiled on Boothe, and Boothe beamed oleagiously on everybody.

"Then he asked a jurymen, who was six feet four inches high, to stand up, and he passed him through that sash. The demonstration was complete and his triumph assured.

GOVERNOR GARVIN.

Rhode Island's Chief Executive Is Mr. Bryan's Choice for the Presidential Nomination.

Dr. Lucius F. C. Garvin, governor of Rhode Island, who has been suggested by Mr. Bryan as good democratic presidential timber, was the only democrat



DR. LUCIUS F. C. GARVIN. (Mr. Bryan's Choice for Democratic Presidential Nomination.)

ic candidate to be elected governor last fall north of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi. He is extremely popular in his state, and in the course of 20 years, during which he has been more or less in politics, he has served in the legislature many times when he was about the only democrat in that body.

The administrator of the Fair tale says that at Paris a \$30 imitation sable cloak was substituted for the real thing—one of the most valuable cloaks in the world—among Mrs. Fair's effects; also, that Mr. Fair was in his lifetime, to use a slang phrase, "just puddin'" for Parisian jewelers, who sold him what was supposed to be valuable strings of pearls, but which turn out to be imitations. It seems that it takes experts to tell the difference. At which the average comment, as the Indianapolis News views it, would be: "What's the odds?"

Aesop has a fable of a miser who got all his store in the shape of gold, which he buried in his garden. He was wont to visit it and gloat over it. At one visit finally he found the hole empty, and he "troubled deaf heaven with his bootless cries."

"Some time ago," remarks the Tip of the Tongue man of the New York Press, "I had occasion to call upon a friend whose home is luxurious in its appointments. On the way from the 'grand salon' to the 'den' we passed through an intermediate chamber, in the center of which was a table piled with handsome editions of art works. In the collection, like a bottle of beer in a basket of champagne, was a photograph album, one of the 60-cent-marked-down-from-72-cent kind. I said I would present an album in keeping with the surroundings. 'My God! Don't do it!' exclaimed my host. 'That album was given to us last Christmas by our cook. Her soups are symphonies. Her entries are poems. Her desserts are dreams. On her daily trips to and from the kitchen she glances in this direction, and seeing her cabbage the chief flower in the bouquet she thinks she is IT. Should we remove her gift from the place of honor where she placed it that fateful Christmas morning we would have no cook.' I understood, and said no more."

Prof. Richard T. Ely has an article in Harper's on the cooperative town of Greeley Col., in which he comments on the differing social conditions east and west. "The further west one goes," says the professor, "the more democratic becomes society. I must confess that I did not understand true Americanism, in one of its phases at least, until I got far away from the Atlantic coast. Coming to Madison, Wis., from Baltimore, Md., the freedom of intercourse between all economic classes and men of the widest divergence of wealth and intellect attracted my attention; but there are social differences even in Madison which would be scorned in a place like Greeley. Anything like aristocracy seems to be absolutely unknown in Greeley, unless it is the aristocracy of personal merit."

Prof. Theodor Mommsen, the German historian who has just received the Nobel prize for literature, has written a note to the New York Independent, which asked him to give his views on the best way to advance German-American good feeling. "As a German," says the eminent and venerable author, "I am a well-wisher to America, and fully persuaded that the only hope for the future is to be found in cordial relations and trustful alliance between your great republic and my country." He adds modestly that he has not the arrogance to believe that the words of an old professor would change anything in their actual state. But every such expression of opinion makes for peace and good-will.

The division of publication of the department of agriculture gets out over 6,900,000 copies of the Farmer's Bulletin annually. The department is allowed but one-fifth of the total number printed, which is not at all adequate to meet the requests directly to the department.

A St. Louis fortune teller was arrested and fined \$100 after she had informed a bachelor police officer that "his wife was tall and thin. Mythical wives should always be described as pretty, at any rate.

A Chicago savings bank offers to give a metal mantle bank free to anyone who asks for it. Incidentally, to prevent blackkilling in the saving habit, the savings bank retains the key.

This effort to convert molasses into food for horses comes from selfish man using up all the oats for his own breakfast. The poor horse suffers on every side, this time on his inside.

Nails

Had Turned Blue—Limbs Bloated.

Lay in a Stupor From Heart Disease.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Cured Me.

The nails turning blue is a sign of defective circulation as is the bloating of the arms and legs. Other common symptoms of heart disease are shortness of breath from slight exertion, pain in or near heart, smothering spells, palpitation or fluttering, weak, tired and hungry spells, dreaming and nightmare, sudden starting in sleep. In severe cases the brain, stomach, lungs, etc., may become so disordered as to mislead the physician as to the nature of the disease.

"I owe my life to Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. After four doctors met in consultation on my case, their verdict was that I had suffered from heart disease so long that they could do nothing for me and I would surely die. My brother said, 'While there is life there is hope, we will try Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.'

Advertisement for 'Silver Plate that Wears' spoons, featuring an illustration of several spoons and the text: 'When You Buy Spoons... 1847 ROGERS BROS.'

Mascagni says Chicago women are warmer than those of Boston. Well, as a Milwaukeean was heard to say, that only puts them a degree or two above zero.

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The POST, Middleburg.

Advertisement for 'Nails' medicine, featuring an illustration of a man and a woman and text: 'Convenient. He ate of all the patent foods. Nor asked a single question. And drank the patent medicine To cure his indigestion.—Washington Star.'

"And is he married yet?" "No, bedad—and a mighty thing it is for his wife."—Ally Simpson.

Beryl—Do the Smythes live well on their income? "Sibly!—They don't live within it; they couldn't live without it!"—more Herald.

Visitor—Lady Evelyn tells me that you have had four wives. Daniel (proudly)—Esa, zar, I've an' what's more, two of 'em was 'uns!—London Punch.

Wife—Did you ever notice that talker is usually an ignorant person? Husband—Well, you needn't talk loud; I'm not deaf.—Chicago News.

"Ain't dey anything I kin do ter love?" "You might try de absent treat Willie."—Chicago American.

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