

The Ultimate. He-Do you know what I am going to say to you? Drop it!

Grass on the Lawn. Grass seeds germinate in from fourteen to eighteen days. A quart of seeds is sufficient to cover 800 square feet.

Shipping Day Old Chicks. As They Need No Water Nor Food For Sixty Hours It Is Easy. When little chicks come from the shell they need neither water nor food for sixty hours.

Gangary's "Treason." How startling was the difference in the customs of the English and the Scots even less than a century ago is shown in the story of the way in which the famous highland chief, Alastair Macdonell, of Gangary frightened George IV. out of his wits.

Stavens's Wife. A half caste sailor once said, "Mr. Stavens is good to me, like my father, and his wife is the same kind of man."

King Tembinoke said of Mrs. Stevenson, "She good; look pretty plenty chench" (sense).

Our Coal Supply. The United States coal supply is nearly one-half that of the entire world. Estimates put the available coal supply of the United States at 3,338,500,000,000 tons.

Too Pushing. "I had an idea I'd grow up and own this business some day," said the discharged justice boy.

Forgiveness. Walter-Beg pardon, sir, but-ahem-the gents here usually remember my services. Guest (pocketing all the change)-Do they? They ought to be more charitable and forget them!

Clever Sheep Shearers. Averaging everything, from young wethers, which are hard to old ewes, which are easy, experts in Australia will shear about 90 or 100 sheep a day.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT. Diet For the Aged. The aged should have food at frequent intervals-little and often should be the rule-food every three or four hours.

BOILED THEM TO DEATH.

How Poisoners Were Punished in the Good Old Days. Our forefathers deemed hanging too good for people who went about deliberately poisoning other people.

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Tanned Skin.

In the majority of cases tanned skin is an indication of health. It is a condition resulting from the action of chemical rays or of the ultra violet rays of the sun on the pigment of the skin.

Early American Theatricals.

The earliest attempt to introduce theatrical performances in this country was made about 1688 in New England, but Increase Mather wrote and spoke so forcibly in opposition to the project that it was speedily abandoned.

A Live Flagstaff.

A tree of the eucalyptus family that is apparently as slender as a reed rises to the height of sixty-five feet in the center of Los Angeles, Cal., and carries at the top, just beneath its tuft of foliage, an American flag.

A Thorough Test.

"Inspector, that woman I said was always listening on my party line must have quit."

A Sensible Start.

"My wife has joined the reform movement."

Thankful.

Mrs. Nextdore-That girl across the way has a singular voice, Mr. Nextdore-Thanks be it's not plural.-Philadelphia Ledger.

THE GIRL ON THE FARM.

Why Not Give Her Some Attention as Well as the Boy? In recent years the problem of keeping the boy on the farm has been thought serious enough to arouse considerable discussion.

OTHER PEOPLE'S AFFAIRS.

Unless You Have Real Tact Don't Try to Be the Third Party. Have you a reputation of being a third party where two persons are vainly trying to manage their own affairs? It is only the most tactful sort of persons who can successfully play the role of third party without doing more harm than good.

Animals Attack the Lungs.

Watch any flesh eating animal when it is attacking its prey or watch two animals having a fight to the death. But it really isn't. It is the most considerate thing you can do sometimes to shut your eyes and let things take their natural course.

Russian Folk Songs.

Concerning the folk songs of Russia, Cesar Cui wrote in his "Musique en Russie." "Russian folk songs are usually written in a very restricted compass and only rarely move beyond the interval of a fifth or a sixth.

Care of Birds.

In an English treatise on the "Hygiene of Bird Keeping" attention is called to the thoughtless practice of hanging birds in cages just above the level of the sashes of windows and to the mistaken kindness of hanging a cage in a corner of a sitting room or a kitchen near the ceiling.

Not Fussy.

"There's one thing I'll say for them, they're not a nervous family."

True.

"Charity begins at home."

Preparedness.

Mother-Tom, dear, you'd better not go to the dance this wet night. Your rubbers leak. Tom-That's all right, mother; I've got pumps inside of 'em.-Boston Transcript.

HUMOR ON THE STAGE.

Making Fun is a Serious Business, Says Charlie Chaplin. "Making fun is a serious business," says Charlie Chaplin in the Woman's Home Companion. "It calls for deep study and concentrated observation."

ELECTRIC HEATING.

The Way Sweden Used Nature to Solve the Fuel Problem. Stockholm, up on the Baltic side of Sweden, is a cold proposition for many months. Not only its far north latitude, but its insular situation conduces to cold climatic conditions.

Counting the Salmon.

The Wood river in Alaska has been closed to fishing for many years and is resorted to for breeding purposes by red salmon escaping the nets in Nushagak bay.

Flowers and Blood.

A superstition dating from olden times exists to the effect that roses and flowers generally attain greater beauty in soil fertilized by blood, especially by human blood, than elsewhere.

Doubtful Assistance.

Editor-George Bump, the merchant, is dead, and I want you to write up an obituary telling what a fine fellow and what a successful business man he was.

Value of Forests.

It has been estimated that if the forests of the earth were completely stocked and scientifically worked they would yield annually the full equivalent of 120 times the present consumption of coal.

Two Factors.

Wills-I've got to cut out this high life while my wife is away. Gillis-What's the trouble now? Wills-The pace and the neighbors are beginning to tell.-Exchange.

No Chances.

Belle-If I were you, Percy, I should tell him just what I think of him. Percy-How can I? The cad has no telephone.-Philadelphia Bulletin.

A MIRAGE IN THE CLOUDS.

The Specter That Gave an Aviator the Scare of His Life. An extraordinary story of a mirage in the clouds is told by a young flying corps officer in the British service.

INDIA'S ARMY ELEPHANTS.

Their Skill in Moving Big Guns That Have Become Stalled. In India elephants are used in many ways in the army, especially in moving artillery. Of their work in this line a British writer says:

How Roots Penetrate Hard Ground.

The extreme tips of a delicate root are protected by a sheath set with minute scales, which as it is worn away by friction against the soil is constantly replaced, so that it acts as a wedge and the root thread is carried down uninjured.

Rambler Roses.

One of the loved roses of summer is the fambler rose, which rambles about scattering its joyous self among hundreds of people in addition to those who grow it.

His Fidelity.

Upon the recent death of a politician who at one time served his country in a very high legislative place a number of newspaper men were collaborating in an obituary notice.

It Does Happen.

"I don't think the truth of that Cinderella story ever came out."

Observes a Medical Maxim.

A variation of 100 degrees of temperature between Manitoba and the gulf goes to show that Uncle Sam observes the medical maxim, "Keep your head cool and your feet warm."

The energy which makes a child hard to manage is often the energy which makes him a manager of life.-H. W. Beecher.

He Lacked Concentration.

Speaking of a man who was a failure because of his lack of concentration and his inability to know his own mind, five minutes at a time, a captain of industry said he remembered him of a hunting dog he once owned.

George and His Legs.

Bit by bit the historical grubbers are digging out the truth about our immortal George. We have heretofore been told that he wore false teeth and that at Valley Forge he unblushingly deceived his ragged and despondent troops with the arrival of ample supplies of ammunition, which consisted of powder barrels filled with sand.

Free Speech.

An old negro woman had lived with a certain family in the south for many years. One day her mistress had occasion to reprimand her quite sharply for something that had gone wrong.

Misprints and Maxim Guns.

The late Sir Hiram Maxim says in his autobiography that when he organized the United States Electric Lighting company with the printer sent home its stationery with the heading, "The United States Electric Lighting company."

Easy Generosity.

Mother (to small son)-Bobby, dear, I hoped you would be unselfish enough to give little sister the candy.

A Generation.

In the long lived patriarchal age a generation seems to have been computed at 100 years (Genesis xv, 1).

Incongruous.

Little Aliek-What is an incongruity, uncle? Uncle William-An incongruity, child, is a divorce lawyer humming a wedding march.

Vegetation in Polar Regions.

The rapid growth of vegetation in the polar regions is attributed to the electric currents in the atmosphere.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Neuralgia. Neuralgia means nerve pain. Neuritis means inflammation of the nerve. In neuralgia the pain comes and goes. In neuritis the ache is steady and sticks closely to the affected nerve.