

THOMAS A. EDISON'S HABITS.

Not Allowed to Be So Absorbed in Work as Formerly.

An amusing story is told in Success of Thomas A. Edison's first marriage. Shortly after the ceremony he was called away to his laboratory on an important experiment. He plunged into the work. At midnight one of his friends called to see him. He had just accomplished the object of his labors and was preparing to quit work.

"I guess I'd better go home," he said as he hurried into his coat and jammed his hat down on his head. "You know I was married today."

But the days of complete absorption in work have passed for him. The second Mrs. Edison has undertaken the task of keeping the inventor healthy. She will not permit him to neglect his meals or to work more than she thinks is good for him. She insists that he shall leave the laboratory at a certain hour each night, and she undertakes to see personally that he does so. At times Mr. Edison objects, but in a very mild way, to this regime. Not long ago he was deeply engaged in a certain experiment, when Mrs. Edison called for him and insisted upon taking him home. After some resistance he at last consented, saying, however, by way of a final protest as he stepped into the carriage:

"Billy (his pet name for Mrs. Edison), you're a nuisance."

Were it not, however, for the saving influence which Mrs. Edison exercises over her husband it is doubtful if he would accomplish so much.

UNIVERSITY WITHOUT A FIRE

Primitive Conditions of Life That Prevailed in Early England.

In 1200, chimneys were scarcely known in England, one only was allowed in a religious house, one in a manor, one in the great hall of the castle, or lord's house; but in other houses they had nothing but what was called Rere Desse, where their food was dressed, where they dined, and the smoke found its way out as it could.

In King Henry VIII's time the university at Oxford had no fire allowed, for it is mentioned that after the students had supper, which took place at 8 o'clock, they went again to their studies till 9, and then in the winter, they having no fire, they were obliged to take a good run for half an hour to get heat in their feet before they went to bed.

Hollnshed, contemporary with Elizabeth, describes the rudeness of the preceding generation in the arts of life.

"There were," says he, "very few chimneys even in capital towns, the fire was laid to the wall, and the smoke issued out at the roof, or door, or window. The houses were wattle and plastered over with clay, and all the furniture and utensils were of wood. The people slept on straw pallets with a log of wood for a pillow."

Right Shall Rule. Short is the triumph of evil. Long is the reign of right.

The men who win by the aid of sin, The nation that rules by might, The party that lives by corruption, The trickster, the knave, the thief, May thrive for a time on the fruits of crime, But their seeming success is brief.

Sheer if you will at honor; Make virtue a theme for jest; Scoff at the man who strives as he can To seek and to do the best; Make goodness a butt for slander And offer excuse for vice; Proclaim the old lie, the corruptionist's cry, That every man has his price.

Yet know that the truth shall triumph, That evil shall find its doom; That the cause of right, tho' subdued by might, Shall break from the strongest tomb; That wrong, tho' it seems to triumph, Lasts only for a day.

While the cause of truth has eternal youth, And shall rule o'er the world for aye. —J. A. Edgerton in the Denver News.

No Questions to Be Asked. When J. P. Morgan was traveling for pleasure through rural France on one occasion, he engaged a local photographer to take and develop some views of interesting places. The photographer, receiving nothing as a retainer, did not begin the work until he had consulted with the manager of the hotel where Morgan was stopping in the neighborhood. Yes—the manager knew Morgan, and thought Morgan all right.

"But, monsieur," said the photographer, "it is such a large order! Can I safely trust this American for 300 francs?"

"Mon Dieu!—300 francs!" exclaimed the manager. "Trust him!—yes; for anything and everything under heaven he may take it into his head to dream of! He is pre-eminent ly a reliable man!"

Strain Is No Greater. The question has been raised whether it should be practicable to attain to a speed of 100 miles or more an hour by rail, the engineer could stand the strain. It has been affirmed by a physician that such fearful going would wear out his nerves in a little while. The question has been answered already by one experienced engineer before a meeting of scientists. Asked as to the probable effects, in case of a common accident, of a speed of more than sixty miles an hour, he said: "A smash-up at sixty miles would make splinters of everything; at 100 miles the splinters might be finer but the destruction could not be more complete." That is to say, when an engineer runs his engine at sixty miles he is under as severe a strain as he would be at any other speed.

Let the seraph and the poet change places if you would judge these singers aright.

THE MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH. Grain, Flour and Feed.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Wheat-No. 2 red, Rye-No. 2, Corn-No. 2 yellow, etc.

Dairy Products.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Butter-Elgin creamery, Ohio creamery, etc.

Poultry, Etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Hens-per lb., Chickens-dressed, etc.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Green Beans-per bus., Potatoes-Fancy white per bus., etc.

BALTIMORE.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour-Winter Patent, Wheat-No. 2 red, etc.

PHILADELPHIA.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour-Winter Patent, Wheat-No. 2 red, etc.

NEW YORK.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour-Patents, Wheat-No. 2 red, etc.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Prime heavy, 100 to 1000 lbs., Medium, 1200 to 1300 lbs., etc.

Hogs.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Prime heavy hogs, Medium weights, etc.

Sheep.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Extra, medium wethers, Good to choice, etc.

Lambs.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Lambs clipped, Lambs, good to choice, etc.

Calves.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Veal, extra, Veal, good to choice, etc.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Transportation Worst Feature—The Railroads Unable to Handle Business Coming to Them.

R. H. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Settlement of the coal strike removes the only serious handicap to industrial progress. Five months of restricted fuel production had begun to check the wheels at many manufacturing centers.

While the grain crops are being moved the supply of rolling stock and motive power will prove insufficient, although every effort is made at the shops. Liberal premiums being offered for early delivery. That the railroads are well occupied is evidenced by earnings for the first week of October, 3.5 per cent. above 1900. Inadequate supplies of fuel caused further banking of furnaces, but the effect of a decreased output of domestic pig iron has been partially abroad. Practically no price can be named for immediate delivery of home iron, and there is no disposition to make concessions on distant contracts owing to the abnormal coke situation.

Fortunately there has been little interruption at finishing mills, and the output of rails, structural material and kindred lines well maintained. Consumers not only find difficulty in securing steel from the mills, but encounter further delay on the railroads which are unable to handle freight promptly. Orders come forward freely for the heavier lines, numerous contracts being offered for steel rails for next year's delivery, and the plans for building and bridges keep a lot of business in sight in beams, channels and angles. Plates for ship yards are also sought freely, prices tending upwards on tank steel. Higher freight rates have checked imports of finished steel. Footwear shops are actively engaged, many producers having added to their long lists of orders, and while practically all the New England manufacturers are assured full time to the end of the year, they are also taking orders for deliveries in March. Leather is slightly weaker owing to the sharp fall in hides which has been accentuated by the poorer quality now coming on the market. In cotton goods the feature was a purchase of about 250,000 pieces of print cloths. While quotations were not altered the tone became decidedly firmer. In other divisions of the market buyers are only interested in meeting current demands, future requirements being held back by evidences of weakness in the raw material. Failures for the week numbered 206 in the United States against 229 last year and 24 in Canada compared with 31.

Bradstreet says: Wheat, including flour, exports for the week ending October 16 aggregate 5,240,838 bushels, against 5,645,779 last week, 5,536,073 in this week last year and 3,736,643 in 1900. Wheat exports since July 1 aggregate 78,371,180 bushels, against 95,103,917 last season and 55,302,165 in 1900. Corn exports aggregate 150,974 bushels, against 180,353 last week, 640,033 last year and 2,886,993 in 1900.

WHITE HOUSE CANES.

Call for Souvenirs That Cannot Be Compiled With.

Colonel William H. Crook, the veteran disbursing officer of the White House, sometime ago arranged to give a few canes of historic value to his friends. When the interior of the Executive Mansion was being torn to pieces by the contractors who are remodeling the building, Colonel Crook obtained some of the flooring in the room used for so many years by presidents. He was especially careful in selecting portions of the flooring over which Lincoln had walked, sat and done business in the trying days of the country's history. No man in Washington knew better the habits of President Lincoln around his office than Colonel Crook, whose first work at the White House was as bodyguard for the great war executive. Many a day and night Colonel Crook, who was then a policeman on the city police force, remained with and near to President Lincoln. His mind is full of reminiscences of just how the famous President worked, what kind of a desk he used, how he handled himself, and other details of personal interest. On obtaining the flooring from the particular spot he had selected Colonel Crook sent the timber to a wood workman and had a dozen or so canes made for presentation to his friends, who appreciated most highly the gifts because they were confident of their historic value. Mention of the canes was made in the Washington Star, with the consequence that during the last two months Colonel Crook has been unable to meet the demand, and he has been kept busy with a gratuitous correspondence. Several famous organizations of a benevolent and charitable nature in Washington have gathered hundreds of pieces of timber and almost every article from the wreck of the interior of the White House, and propose to convert them into small souvenirs to be sold here and elsewhere, the proceeds to be used by the organizations in their work. The relic hunting at length interferred so seriously that visitors to the grounds had to be shut out, and the few who were admitted got in by a card from the superintendent in charge.

Quaint Uses of Common Words.

Crowd yas the old English name for fiddle or violin. Good-by is a contraction of "God-be-with-you." Fashion was the old name for a certain disease of the horse. It is alluded to in "The Taming of the Shrew" where Petruchio's horse is said to be "infected with the fashions." The complaint is a common one now, but not among horses.

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Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1901.

The experience that makes a man poorer should also make him wiser.

Money refunded for each package of PURNAM FADELESS DYES if unsatisfactory.

Repentance is too often embodied in the words: "What will people think?"

Victoria's Boundary.

Professor Gregory, of the University of Melbourne, is delivering a series of lectures on the "Geography of Victoria." In one of them he gave an instance of the happy-go-lucky fashion in which business was conducted in Downing street in the olden days. Half a century ago, when the Port Phillip Province was detached from New South Wales and erected into a new colony under the name of Victoria, it was the intention of the imperial government of the day that the River Murrumbidgee should be the Northern boundary. But the clerk in the Colonial office who copied out the enabling document, never having heard of the river with the long aboriginal name, and being uncertain as to its proper spelling, coolly substituted the River Murray in its stead. Nobody noticed the change, but it made a vast difference to the new colony. Victoria would have been twice its present size if the original arrangement had been adhered to, and would have included the valuable pastoral provinces known as Riverina, which stretches from the Murray to the Murrumbidgee. Although Melbourne, the Victorian capital, has always done most of the trade with Riverina, the district continues to be officially ruled from Sydney.

Mysophobia.

The medical profession has conferred no small boon on many sufferers by inventing a Greek, or pseudo-Greek, term for their otherwise democratic complaints. The last of these inventions is recorded this week. The word is mysophobia, and the medical name is mysophobia. The mysophobe he is, when seated by his table, lifts his glass to see if it is fingered and if he detect a smudge uses his napkin to dispose of it. In short, mysophobia is the exaggeration of that respect for cleanliness which convinced Sengval of the madness of England when he surprised the Laird in his matutinal tub. The lady in the play who seized on every one's watch-chain and began rubbing it with chamomile leather was a mysophobe, and the irritating man who begs your pardon and picks some microscopic piece of fluff from your sleeve is another. The servant, though most would benefit by inoculation with the disease, who insists on dusting papers is another, and the disease is widely prevalent among all housekeepers in the spring. It is nice to know at last just what to call it, but the medical press is more inclined to suggest scientific names than remedies.

SCIENCE BAFFLED THE BURGLAR.

A Cyclometer Was the Means of Bringing Him to Justice.

Science sometimes baffles the burglar whose knowledge is not strictly up-to-date. A thief who broke into a house the other day leisurely packed his plunder in a compact bundle, then added a bicycle to the stolen articles and rode off. So far he had exhibited commendable common sense, for it isn't every thief who is clever enough to steal the means of transporting his stealings to his own lair. But he had overlooked the fact that attached to the wheel was a cyclometer which registered the exact distance ridden by the thief on his journey home. When pursuing justice caught up with the burglar he had disposed of all his plunder except the wheel. The little cyclometer's record of distance traveled proved the case against the thief, for it registered the exact distance from the house to the thief's quarters.

Glaciers Getting Smaller.

In Switzerland the studies of many years have determined the fact finally that the glaciers are not only steadily receding, but that their rate of recession is becoming greater each year. There are only a few glaciers that still grow. The Boyevre glacier in Canton Valais is the only one that has increased steadily since 1832. The famous Rhone glacier has receded almost 800 yards since 1876.

American citizens of Polish birth and extraction are interesting themselves in the project for the election in Washington of a statue of Count Casimir Pulaski, the intrepid Lithuanian who served with distinction in the Revolutionary war.

CONGRESSMAN WILBER SAYS

(To The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., of Columbus, O.)

"Pe-ru-na is All You Claim For It."



Congressman D. F. Wilber, of Oneonta, N. Y., writes: The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen—"Persuaded by a friend I have tried your remedy and I have almost fully recovered after the use of a few bottles. I am fully convinced that Pe-ru-na is all you claim for it, and I cheerfully recommend your medicine to all who are afflicted with catarrhal trouble."

David F. Wilber.

Pe-ru-na a Preventive and Cure for Colds.

Mr. C. F. Given, Sussex, N. B., Vice-President of the Pastime Boating Club, writes: "Whenever the cold weather sets in I have for years past been very sure to catch a severe cold, which was hard to throw off, and which would leave after-effects on my constitution the most of the winter."

"Last winter I was advised to try Pe-ru-na, and within five days the cold was broken up, and in five days more I was a well man. I recommended it to several of my friends, and all speak the highest praise for it. There is nothing like Pe-ru-na for catarrhal affections. It is well nigh infallible as a cure, and I gladly endorse it."—C. F. Given.

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"Words but illly describe my surprise to find that within a few days I was greatly relieved, and within three weeks I was entirely recovered. I am never without it now, and take an occasional dose when I feel run down."—Julian Weissitz.

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