

SOME CURIOUS CHURCHES.

Congregations Which Meet in Inns, Windmills and Boats. A public house is one of the last places one would expect to be used as a place of worship.

There are two or three instances of public houses which have been converted into churches, and there are also two or three theaters which are now places of worship.

The chapel at Milton Bryant is situated in the village pond. The reason for the selection of this strange site was because no landowner would grant any other position.

The "windmill" church near Reigate is familiar to London cyclists. Not so familiar is the underground church at Brighton.

USING HIS WITS.

Showing How People May Be Guided by Inference.

"You see," said the man with the bulging forehead and prominent nose, "if people would only be guided more by inference it would save lots of useless trouble."

"I don't understand you," said the man who had been tickling a pimple on his chin.

"Why, for instance, I passed a frozen pond one winter day. On the ice I saw a pair of skates, a boy's cap and a mitten. Out in the middle of the pond the ice was broken. Did I jump to the conclusion that a boy had been drowned and raise a great hullabaloo about it?"

"Of course you did, or else you ought to be prosecuted. You don't mean to say you passed on and said nothing?"

"I do," calmly replied the man of the forehead. "I inferred instead of jumping to a false conclusion."

"But you had to infer that the boy was under the ice," protested the other.

"Not a bit of it. If the boy had fallen in, the skates and cap and mittens would have gone with him. I simply inferred that he had seen a rabbit and given chase. I was right too. In the course of five minutes I met him on the road."

"Oh, you did! And maybe you inferred something else."

"Of course I did. As he had the nose-bleed, I inferred that he had fallen over a log in the chase and got left, and he admitted that such was the case."

"Then you ought to have wound up the performance by inferring whether it was a male or female rabbit."

"It wasn't necessary, my captious friend. As I passed on I found the rabbit, dead from overexertion, and it was a male."—Washington Post.

Historical Divisions of Time.

For convenience time is, by historians, usually divided into three great eras—ancient, mediæval (or middle) and modern. The ancient period is considered to extend from the earliest times down to the fall of the Roman empire in the west in A. D. 476; the mediæval from that date to the discovery of America by Columbus in 1492 and the modern from that time to the present.

An Absurd Superstition.

A popular belief is that the sound produced by a little insect known as a "death watch" portends the death of some relative or friend. That the noise made by this little creature resembles the ticking of a watch is undisputed, but that it in anywise foretells the dissolution of a human being is absurd.

Then and Now.

In these days of cheap literature, when the masterpieces of English writers can be had for 6d., it is interesting to note that just 1,000 years ago the Countess of Anjou gave 200 sheep, one kind of wheat, one load of rye and one load of millet for a volume of sermons written by a German monk.—London Standard.

Anxious to Be His Friend.

"There are plenty of men in this world," said the head of the firm, addressing the clerk he had summoned into the private office, "who can trace their successes directly to what they at first considered failures. I knew a man who 20 years ago was a clerk in a clothing store. His employer discharged him for incompetency. He hunted through all the clothing stores in town trying to get another job, but couldn't find one, and at last, almost starved, he got a place as a brakeman on one of the railroads. Today he is practically the head of that road, draws a salary of \$25,000 a year and regards the man who discharged him long ago as the best friend he ever had. Now, he is only one of hundreds of men who have had similar experiences. So you see what at first seems a misfortune may often be a real blessing in disguise."

The young man hid a yawn behind his hand and, thinking of the live broiled lobster he had the night before hoped a certain soft eyed creature to remove from the scene, languidly replied:

"Yes; I know that has frequently happened. Did you want to speak to me about anything in particular this morning, Mr. Yamsley?"

"Oh, no; nothing of special importance," the old gentleman replied, "only I'm going to give you a chance to look back some day and regard me as your best friend. Goodbye. I hope you'll have all kinds of success at whatever you decide to go at."—Chicago Herald.

Panics and Religious Books.

There is one kind of business, according to a New York man prominent in it, that does not enjoy easy financial conditions. It is that of publishing devotional and religious literature. This publisher explained this anomalous condition as follows:

"When everybody is prosperous, there is no very great demand for our publications. People are happy, and they do not go to church to any great extent. Preachers will tell you that church attendance is never so good in prosperous times as it is in periods of financial straits."

"Let a panic come on, however. At first our business feels it as keenly as any other line. People suddenly cease buying everything except what they are obliged to have. As times fall to improve, people take more to going to church. Attendance increases very perceptibly. In a few weeks we can tell it in our business. There is a greatly increased demand for devotional books of all kinds. The business increases, and at the very height of the financial troubles we do the largest business. As times get better you can see our trade in this line of publications gradually drop off until, when prosperity again comes round, we settle down to a normal business quite different from the boom we had been enjoying."—New York Times.

Life Aboard an Arctic Boat.

The days and weeks pass without our taking any account of them. We get up at 6:30 in the morning. At 7 we feed the dogs. At 8 we have breakfast and at 12 we dine. Then we work till 6:30, when we have supper, after which we smoke and play cards or chess till bedtime. It is not at all cold. Rarely does the thermometer descend below zero. Yesterday the sun shone gloriously. The ice reflected it with a blinding glare and in brilliant colors. The ship has withstood all the assaults of the ice. It is splendid to see how it breaks up ice that is sometimes three or four feet thick. At other times, when it is even thicker, the ship is rushed against it at full steam. The shock splits and breaks it very often for a distance of 40 or 50 yards. The Duke of Abruzzi is always on the bridge and loses no opportunity of getting ahead. Sometimes he does not even come down to his meals. Whenever we get the smallest opening, he orders us to go on, and we are glad of it, because the more we advance at the present time the less we shall have to do next year.—Leslie's Monthly.

Traps in French.

A frequent trap in French for the unwary is the difference of meaning in similar phrases. For example, "faire feu" means to fire a gun, while "faire du feu" means to light a fire; "tomber par terre" conveys the idea of falling to the ground from one's own height, whereas "tomber a terre" means to fall from any height—in other words, to tumble down and to tumble off. In the same way "traiter de fat" means to call a man a fop and "traiter en roi" to treat him like a king. The English word "bore" may be expressed in two ways—"un raseur" gives the idea of an active bore and "une bassinoire" of a passive bore.—Academy.

Most Unwholesome.

"I think I'll have some of those crullers," said Jones at the lunch counter. "Don't you want some?" "No," replied Smith. "They don't agree with me."

"That so?" "Yes; I couldn't even eat the hole in me without getting dyspepsia."—Philadelphia Record.

A Good Beginning.

He (passionately)—What difference does it make where we go on a wedding trip? She—But don't you think we should spend enough money to keep up appearances?—Detroit Free Press.

There are few bearded men in China.

Men who have grandchildren may wear a mustache, and many take advantage of the privilege and are called "old hair men."

Twice a year, in the first week in April and October, the Chinese carry food to their dead.

WONDERS OF WATCHMAKING

Among the treasures of a Swiss museum, inserted in the top of an old-fashioned pencil case, is the tiniest watch ever constructed. It is only three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, and its little dial not only indicates hours, minutes and seconds, but also the days of the month. So perfectly formed is this lilliputian watch that it keeps excellent time and is a marvelous piece of mechanical workmanship.

Two of the most elaborate and curious watches which the world has ever seen belonged to Queen Elizabeth and her unfortunate contemporary, Mary, queen of Scots. Good Queen Bess had a watch made for her in the form of a duck, with beautifully chased feathers, the lower part of which opened. The face was of silver, with an elaborate gilt design, and the whole was kept in a case of brass, covered with black leather thickly studded with big silver knobs.

The ill-fated Mary was the possessor of a watch in the form of a skull. The dial was introduced where the palate should have been, and the works occupied the place of brains in the cranium. In the hollow of the skull, moreover, was a bell which had works of its own and by means of which a hammer struck out the hours upon it.

One of the choicest rarities of the Bernal collection was a book shaped watch. This curious time indicator was made by order of Bogislaus XIV, Duke of Pomerania. In the time of Gustavus Adolphus. On the face of the book, where the dial of the watch is set, there is an engraved inscription of the duke and his titles and armorial bearings, together with the date, 1627. On the back the engravings are also very finely and skillfully executed, among them being the portraits of two gentlemen of the seventeenth century. The dial plate is of silver, chased in relief, while the insides are beautifully chased with figures of birds and foliage. The watch has two separate movements and a large, sweet toned bell. At the back, over this bell, the metal is ornamentally pierced in a circle, with a dragon and other devices, while the sides are pierced and engraved with a complicated design of beautiful scroll work.—London Tit-Bits.

DR. BYLES STOOD GUARD.

It Was a Thanksgiving Day, and the Cause Was Urgent.

One of the most famous of the old Puritan divines was Dr. Mather Byles, who was born in Boston in 1706 and who was the first pastor of the Hollis Street Congregational church, to which he ministered for more than 40 years.

Dr. Byles was famous as a humorist and wit, and innumerable anecdotes are related of his clever quips and retorts. He was a zealous Tory and warmly advocated the cause of "the mother country" against the colonies.

In November, 1777, he was arrested as a Tory, tried, convicted and sentenced to be confined on board a guard ship and sent to England with his family within 40 days. The sentence was afterward commuted by the board of war to confinement in his own house, a guard being placed over him with instructions not to permit him to leave his residence for a moment under any circumstances.

On Thanksgiving morning, observing that the sentinel, who, like many of the colonial soldiers, was a simple rustic, had disappeared and that Dr. Byles himself was pacing up and down before his own door with a musket on his shoulder, the neighbors crossed the street to inquire the cause of this singular spectacle.

"You see," said Dr. Byles, "I begged my guard to let me go out to procure some cider with which myself and family might celebrate Thanksgiving day, but he would not permit me to stir. I argued the point with him, and he has now gone to get the cider for me on condition that I keep guard over myself during his absence."

Actors Who Stutter.

It would seem that the stage is not only the last profession that would be chosen by a person afflicted by stuttering, but that a stutterer would never dream of selecting that profession. Yet it is a fact that some well known actors and singers labor under this disadvantage.

The strangest thing about it is that the sad impediment which is so painfully evident in private life seems to vanish entirely when they are on the boards.

Victoria Got Her Prioresse.

"The following little anecdote, told by Queen Victoria herself, will show her independence of character," says a writer in "The Country." "Very fond of prioresse and finding none in the royal gardens, she sent word to have some planted. The gardeners, the queen said, made many objections, and, finding shortly afterward that her wishes had not yet been carried out, she dispatched a messenger inquiring the reason. 'I suppose Queen Anne had none,' she said, 'so they did not think it proper for me to have any, but I sent them word promptly that Queen Victoria would have some—and she did!'"

A Financial Quick-sand.

"Would you like an increase of salary, Mr. Smith?" "No, it's no use." "No use?" "If I had more money, I'd have to pay more debts."—Detroit Free Press.

When Mrs. Gilbert Lost Her Spectacles.

The only time I resented newspaper chatter was when I had my spectacles stolen. They were snatched from my belt, the case I wore there being torn away. I spoke of it to Mr. Dorney, and the story went round the theater. Somehow the reporters got hold of it, and they made a great deal about it. It was really too bad of them. I felt it the more because I had managed to keep a much more serious theft an absolute secret. That was at the time when so much fun was being made of the "robbery of jewels" form of theatrical advertisement. I had a very valuable pair of earrings taken from my pocket most cleverly, and I was on my way to play for a charity too! However, I kept my loss quiet to myself. And then to be brought before a sympathetic public as the loser of a pair of spectacles!—From "The Stage Reminiscences of Mrs. Gilbert" in Scribner's.

An Interesting Link.

One curious incident in the siege of Badajos may be related. The day after the assault two Spanish ladies, the younger a beautiful girl of 14, appealed for help to two officers of the rifles, who were passing through one of the streets of the town. Their dresses were torn, their ears, from which rings had been roughly snatched, were bleeding, and to escape outrage or death they cast themselves on the protection of the first British officers they met. One of the officers was Captain Harry Smith of the rifles. Two years later he married the girl he had saved in a scene so wild. Captain Harry Smith in after years served at the Cape as Sir Harry, and this Spanish girl, as Lady Smith, gave her name to the historic town which Sir George White defended with such stubborn valor.—"Wellington's Men."

They Were Attentive.

A clergyman preaching in a country church for the first time was delighted to find the congregation very attentive and told the vergers so after the service.

The vergers replied, "Lor! bless you, sir, we all looking for you to dis-appear!"

"Why, what do you mean?" said the clergyman.

"Well, sir, you see, the pulpit is rotten and hasn't been preached in this ten year or more."—Penson's Weekly.

Some Odd Mistakes.

An urban chemist advertised in his shop window: "Artificial eyes. Open all night." Away down south in front of the postoffice in an inland town may have been seen this legend. "Post here letters too late for the next mail." In a picture of the departure of the pilgrims from Delfthaven the artist placed a large stammer in the distance leaving the harbor under full steam.

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Notice to Taxpayers!

SAVE TEN PER CENT.

Pursuant to an Act of Assembly I will attend the following times and places to receive county, poor, bond, state and dog taxes for the year 1901, to-wit:

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McClain township, Wednesday, June 5, at the house of Capt. North, 2 1/2 p. m., and in Anita, at Hotel McGregor, Thursday, June 6, 8 to 11 a. m.

Oliver township, Thursday, June 6, at Oliveburg store, 1 to 3 p. m., and at Lea House, Cool Spring, 4 to 6 p. m.

Knox township, Friday, June 7, at McCracken's store, 9 to 11 a. m.

Pinecrest township, Friday, June 7, at store of E. West, 2 to 4 p. m.

Cordia township and Union township, Saturday, June 8, at Hotel, Glen, 8:30 to 11 a. m., Sunnyside branch and Clover township, Saturday, June 8, at Central Hotel, 2 to 5 p. m.

Warsaw township, East, Monday, June 10, at Fox's Hotel, 9 to 11 a. m.

Washington township, Monday, June 10, in afternoon, at Hotel, Irving, Westville, and Tuesday, June 11, at Hotel, Irving, 9 to 11 a. m., and in P. S. Clark, at Hotel Lonsdale, Tuesday, June 11, 1 to 3 p. m.

Snyder township and Brockwayville borough, Wednesday, June 12, at Logan House, York township, Friday, June 12, at house of Fulton Street, 9 to 11 a. m.

West, Thursday, June 13, at Hotel, Reynolds, 9 to 11 a. m.

Edged Heath and Belmont townships, Friday, June 14, at Hotel, West, 9 to 11 a. m., Windsor township, Tuesday, June 18, at Imperial Hotel, Reynoldsville.

Raymondville township, Wednesday, June 19, at Hotel, Reynoldsville.

West Reynoldsville borough, Thursday, June 20, at the Laramie, at Rose House, Reynoldsville, Friday, June 21, at Treasurer's Office.

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