

Less Profanity Than Formerly.
The habit of swearing is not as common as it used to be in this country. Gentlemen no longer use the language with the unvarnished freedom of the days of Sheridan, when a gentleman was accustomed to consign himself, collectively and in sections, to the lowest depths of perdition in the presence of ladies while paying tribute to their charms. Undoubtedly many youths who were not brought up to swear do swear now and then under provocation, but there is, all things considered, an increasing respect for the English language.—Washington Times.

Korean Mourning.
Koreans wear full mourning for their fathers. The dress is of hemp cloth, with a hempen girdle. A face shield is used to show that the wearer is a sterner and must not speak to any one unless addressed. The costume is retained for three years, the shield for three months. This is worn for a father only. Secondary mourning is worn for a mother and no mourning at all for a wife.

A Practical Connoisseur.
Mrs. Cobwiger—What a beautiful collection of antiques you have, my dear! Mrs. Parvum—It should be. My husband knows all about such things and had them made to order.

Brides Who Perch In Trees.
Among the Lotos of western China it is customary for the bride on the wedding morning to perch herself on the highest branch of a large tree while the elder female members of her family cluster on the lower limbs armed with sticks. When all are duly stationed the bridegroom clambers up the tree, assaulted on all sides by blows, pushes and pinches from the dowagers, and it is not until he has broken through their fence and captured the bride that he is allowed to carry her off.

Her Sorrow.
One of the closest friends of Princess Mathilde was Count Benedetti, the French ambassador whom the king of Prussia was said to have insulted at Enns. Her words on hearing of his death, after he had been her intimate counselor for more than forty years, are worth recalling. "Alas," she said, "now there is no one left who will dare to contradict me."

She Understood.
Mr. Misit—It's no use trying to explain things to a woman. She can't understand scientific terms. No, there is—Mrs. Misit—Oh, yes, I can, Charles! Herodity is what a man blames his father and mother for, and environment is what he blames his wife and children for!

The Coast Line of the Pacific.
Although the Pacific covers more than half the surface of the globe and has an area estimated roughly at 90,000,000 square miles, yet its coast line, even including that of the Indian ocean, is but 47,000 miles, or about 8,000 miles less than that of the Atlantic. The shores of the Atlantic are very deeply indented by large seas, of which the Baltic and Mediterranean are the most remarkable. Besides these, the greatest lateral seas and gulfs in the Atlantic are the gulf of Mexico, Caribbean sea, Hudson bay and the bay of Biscay. If we take from the Pacific the Red sea, Arabian sea and bay of Bengal, which are part of the Indian ocean, we have it with a remarkably straight coast line, with the exception of a few deep indentations on the coast of Asia.

It is owing to a free impregnation of land and water and consequent ease of communication between one country and another that the most civilized nations of the world, with few exceptions, have lived and now live on the shores of the north Atlantic and its lateral seas.

Bob Toombs' Way.
General Robert Toombs was as impulsive as he was courageous. Once, in the midst of a hot political campaign, a stump orator said something about the general's arrest by Robert E. Lee for insubordination, frightfully distorting the incident. Toombs wrote one of the hottest letters of his life and was about to seal it when a friend entered his office and, seeing him much agitated, inquired the cause. The letter was handed to him to read, and when he had finished it he remarked, "You don't intend to send that to him?" "I do," said Toombs. "Better wait till tomorrow and think it over, general." "Never, sir! I have known him to be a liar, a blackguard and a thief all his life, but never before had cause to tell him so. The opportunity is now offered, and I wouldn't miss it for the senatorship. Wait till tomorrow? Think it over? That is to throw away the chance of a lifetime. Strike while the iron is hot, sir! Bob Toombs is the iron! Bob Toombs is hot! Toombs will strike!"—New York Press.

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A Vivid Imagination.
A furniture dealer tells a little story that shows how some people are constituted. A lady ordered an elegant easy chair of a peculiar kind. It was made and sent to her house. She examined it carefully and critically, finally remarking that it suited her exactly, with one exception—it was too soft. She sent the chair back to be made a trifle harder. It was returned to the shop and put aside. Nothing was done to it. After a lapse of about a week the chair was sent out again. The lady again examined it and now found it too hard. She was sorry, but when she paid so much to get an article for her own comfort she wanted it just right, so she sent it back to the shop for another change. The chair was again put aside for a week or ten days and sent out for the third time without the least alteration. This time it was just right. She took the chair, paid for it and was sorry it had not suited her at first. The poor woman never knew that the chair had not been changed a particle.

Art Criticism.
Amateur—This is my latest attempt at a landscape. May I ask what you think of the perspective? Artist—The perspective is its strong point. The farther away you stand the better it looks.—Chicago Tribune.

Luck In Business.
"I see that somebody says there is no such thing as luck in business."
"He must be one of the lucky ones who have succeeded."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Know Her Dictionary.
"Was it exactly proper to call it a farewell tour?"
"Certainly," answered the prima donna. "I never fared better in my life."—Washington Star.

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AUDITORS' REPORT
Of the Finances of West Reynoldsville Borough for Year Ending March 14, 1904.

G. W. DEMPSEY, Collector, in account with the borough of West Reynoldsville for the year ending March 14, 1904, for taxes due from 1900 and 1901.

To amt of duplicate	\$ 63.02
CR.	
By percent and exonerations	\$ 8.74
By amt paid to treasurer as per treasurer's account	54.88
	\$ 63.02

P. J. WARD, Collector for year 1902.
BORO TAX.
DR.
To amt balance last settlement \$ 23.45 || CR. | |
By amt exonerations	\$ 1.12
By amt Col's % on \$20.33	1.02
error in duplicate	.07
treasurer's receipts	30.00
Balance due boro	\$ 22.81
LIGHT TAX.	
DR.	
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CR.	
By amt exonerations	1.12
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WATER TAX.	
DR.	
To amt of duplicate	\$ 11.67
CR.	
By amt of exonerations	58
By amt Col's % on \$20.33	21
error in duplicate	6
treasurer's receipts	10.20
Bal. due boro	\$ 11.41
	26

P. J. WARD, Collector, in account with the borough of West Reynoldsville for year ending March 14, 1904, for taxes of 1903.
BORO TAX.
DR.
To amt duplicate \$ 296.09 || By amt \$ % added on \$72.81 | 1.29 |
	\$ 297.38
CR.	
By amt of exonerations	4.81
By amt rebate on \$10.00	10.00
By amt Col's % on \$20.33	6.30
error in duplicate	2.28
treasurer's receipts	12.83
Balance due boro	\$ 299.20
LIGHT TAX.	
DR.	
To amt of duplicate	\$ 296.25
By amt \$ % added on \$33.00	1.77
	\$ 298.02
CR.	
By amt of exonerations	4.70
By amt rebate on \$20.14	13.05
By amt Col's % on \$20.14	7.83
By amt Col's % on \$15.14	2.75
By amt Col's % on \$15.00	7.8
treasurer's receipts	307.10
Balance due boro	\$ 306.22
WATER TAX.	
DR.	
To amt of duplicate	\$ 142.32
By amt \$ % added on \$13.61	.28
	\$ 142.60
CR.	
By amt of exonerations	1.83
By amt rebate on \$20.14	13.05
By amt Col's % on \$10.77	3.14
By amt Col's % on \$2.00	1.10
By amt Col's % on \$1.30	.31
treasurer's receipts	122.83
Balance due boro	\$ 134.45
	5.55

W. L. JOHNSTON, Treasurer, in account with the borough of West Reynoldsville for year ending March 14, 1904.
DR.
To amt due last settlement \$ 481.20 || rec'd from G. W. Dempsey, Collector | 54.88 |
To amt rec'd from P. J. Ward, Col.	731.31
rec'd from Wm. Burge, Burg's	11.00
rec'd from Co. Treas. (assault)	5.28
rec'd from R. S. Wilson (Sidewalk)	16.42
rec'd for use of lock up	2.00
from Wm. Woodring, cash refunded	1.00
To amt Fm Co. Treas. Licenses	114.00
	120.00
	\$ 1527.00
CR.	
By amt boro orders redeemed	92.77
By amt treasurer's %	18.66
Bal. in hands of Treas.	\$ 941.43
	966.17

WM. BURGE, Burgess, in account with the borough of West Reynoldsville for year ending March 14, 1904.
DR.
To balance due last settlement \$ 1.25 || To amt Fm Co. Commissioners | 10.00 |
To amt P. J. Ward, Police	2.00
To amt J. J. Woodring, for use of lock up	1.00
	\$ 14.25
CR.	
By amt gas bill paid	77
By amt official blank	10
By amt treasurer's receipts	11.00
Balance due boro	\$ 11.87
	2.38

RECAPITULATION, March 14, 1904.
RESOURCES.
Amt in treasurer's hands \$ 396.17 || Amt due from Burgess | 2.38 |
| Amt due from P. J. Ward | 50.19 |
| | \$ 448.74 |

LIABILITIES—None.
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Have an Aim in Life.
Have you no aim in life? Then get one. Study over what it shall be—think, and think deeply. Pray that you may have an understanding of your work in the world, that you may see your beckoning star and that a knowledge may come to you of how to build a highway to it. The materials and tools for the building of this highway lie right at hand. They are not to your liking perhaps—you may call them trouble and bad luck—but just shut your teeth together, shut your eyes, too, if necessary, and hold your breath. Then get a good grip on the situation, and then work with it. And the wonders that will grow out of doing little things well and the understanding of many things that will come to you will make you "stand amazed!" Indeed.—Maxwell's Talisman.

A Singular Creature.
One of the most singular looking creatures that ever walked the earth or swam the waters under the earth" is the world famous man faced crab of Japan. Its body is hardly an inch in length, yet the head is fitted with a face which is the exact counterpart of a Chinese cooly—a veritable missing link, with eyes, nose and mouth all clearly defined. This curious and unnamable creature, besides the great likeness it bears to a human being in the face, is provided with two legs, which seem to grow from the top of its head and hang down over the side of its face.

Rarely Experienced.
"We want a man for our information bureau," said the manager, "but he must be one who can answer all sorts of questions and not lose his head."
"That's me," replied the applicant.
"I'm the father of eight children."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The three things most difficult are to keep a secret, to forget an injury and to make good use of leisure.

One loses all the time which he might employ to better purpose.—Rousseau.

A Poison Factory.
The Stomach is Always Busy Forming Deadly Substances.
The body is a factory of poisons. If these poisons, which are constantly being produced in large quantities in the body, are imperfectly removed or are produced in too great quantity as the result of overfeeding, the fluids which surround the brain cells and all the living tissues are contaminated with poisonous substances which asphyxiate and paralyze the cells and so interfere with their activity. This fact explains in part at least the stupidity which is a common after dinner experience with many persons.

When food is retained in the stomach beyond the normal time, either because of its indigestibility, the taking of too large a quantity of it or a crippled state of the stomach, these changes are certain to take place. This fact explains a very large share of the myriad symptoms which afflict the chronic dyspeptic. The giddiness, the tingling sensations, the confusion of thought and even partial insensibility which are not infrequently observed a few hours after meals in chronic dyspeptics are due to this cause. Here is the explanation of the irascibility, the despondency, the pessimism, the indecision and various other forms of mental perversity and even moral depravity which are not infrequently associated with certain forms of gastro-intestinal disturbances.—London Family Doctor.

They Kept a Bible For Luck.
At Sycamore, Ill., a well known business firm makes it a practice to keep a Bible in the safe. The custom was commenced a long time ago, and the big steel box is never locked up unless it contains the book. It is found necessary to remove it occasionally, but it is always carefully replaced.

The men who adopted this queer practice when they commenced business years ago have little to say in explanation. In all their business life their safe or store has never been robbed or entered. They have had a continuous good business and are among the most successful business houses of the town. All of the members of the firm attend the churches of the town, but all are liberal in their religious views, and the prevailing belief in the town is that Holy Writ is kept in the safe principally for good luck.—Chicago Tribune.

Camel Back Riding.
Lord Kitchener of Khartoum is credited with the best description of camel back riding that is known. The soldier gave this description at a dinner party in London which some Americans attended.

"When we asked Lord Kitchener," one of the Americans said, "to tell us what it felt like to ride a camel, he twisted his mustache and said:
"You know the game of cup and ball? You have a ball and a cup, and you throw the ball in the air and try to catch it in the cup, then bounce it up and try to catch it again. Well, when you ride a camel the brute plays cup and ball with you, missing you nearly every time."

A Polite Man.
A man was hurrying along a street one night when another man, also in violent haste, rushed out of an alley, and the two collided with great force. The second man looked mad, while the polite man, taking off his hat, said: "My dear sir, I don't know which of us is to blame for this violent encounter, but I am in too great a hurry to investigate. If I ran into you I beg your pardon; if you ran into me don't mention it," and he tore away at redoubled speed.

All She Needed.
Paying Teller—I can't cash this check, madam, until you are identified.
Mrs. Bright—You mean I have to identify myself? Paying Teller—Yes, ma'am. Mrs. Bright—How simple! Have you a looking glass?—Philadelphia Press.

A Sad Case.
"They are new people?"
"Painfully new. They haven't even any old point lace which has been in the family for generations."—Puck.

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3.00 all wool blankets	3.20
4.50 all wool blankets	3.75
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Men's Underwear.
I have a lot of nice Ribbed 25c Shirts and Drawers I will sell at 19c.
I have a few blue and pink striped underwear I bought to sell at 75c and 85c—you take them for 50c.

\$1.25 all wool fleecé lined	\$1.00
1.35 " " " "	1.10
1.00 " " " "	79c
\$1.00 Jean Pants	75c

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Company.	Assets.	CASH in banks or in hands of Agents.	Loss in Baltimore.
Home of New York	\$ 18,040,793	\$ 2,176,720	\$ 750,000
Philadelphia Underwriters	17,623,177	1,589,780	500,000
Hartford	14,542,951	2,624,374	500,000
Continental	14,192,177	1,673,080	1,000,000
Insurance Co. of N.A.	11,291,000	1,806,308	550,000
Fireman's Fund	5,858,820	1,000,000	250,000
American Central	4,000,000	750,000	175,000
Glens Falls	4,046,681	836,368	200,000
Niagara	3,859,761	609,921	250,000
Greenwich	2,120,000	500,000	100,000
German	4,910,606	654,429	Not Involved
Prussian National	1,019,234	236,494	Not Involved
Totals	\$101,505,200	\$14,457,474	\$4,225,000

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THE STORY OF A DISCOVERY.
How many valuable inventions have been the result of pure accident, while in other cases men have puzzled their brains with study for a lifetime and brought forth nothing!

It happened one night that a big starch factory on the banks of the Liffey, near Dublin, took fire, and great puddles of starch and water were left outside.

Some calico printers who had been out all night and were quite tipsy came along toward morning, and one of them stumbled into one of the puddles. He found it so sticky that all his clothes stuck to him so fast that he had to stay in bed next morning till his wife soaked them out.

The man knew from his trade that the starch and water had formed a very powerful and valuable gum. He went back to the place of the fire and investigated, and the result was the discovery of the adhesive gum now used in sticking postage stamps and which has made many rich. But temperance lecturers need not know it!—Boston Globe.

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