

ODD BATTLE OF SONGS

ONE NOVEL INCIDENT OF THE NAVAL WAR OF 1812.

How a Vocal Contest Between a Batch of Yankee Prisoners and a British Crew Ended—Noise of Rolling Shot as a Punishment.

I have been in a number of full bedged naval actions myself and in many more scrimmages...

The crew of the Prince de Neufchatel was divided into three batches, my father being in the one that was placed aboard the Leander...

Many of the first hours each night were spent in story telling, singing or "rigging" one another...

"One night it was understood that our naval songs were not relished by the officers in the British frigate...

"We allowed them to finish their songs, when we struck up with one in opposition extolling the glories of the Yankee navy...

"At last our fire became so warm that they were compelled to back out of the contest, chortling...

"In a few minutes the officer of the deck came down and with much blustering and many threats declared that if order was not maintained resort would be had to unpleasant means...

"Had this advice been tendered previously to the threatenings it might have had the desired effect...

"If it will be remembered that we were in the cable tier, the great coils of rope being stowed in the bottom of the compartment...

"If he mends his manners he'll have taken enough without troubling himself about cables..."

THE CUNNING FOX.

Indian Legend of Why He is Hated by the Wolf. The wolf hates the fox...

"Nothing daunted by this threat, the prisoners began their singing on the following night as before...

LIGHT WAVES.

Different kinds brought into conjunction produce darkness. Every light wave, as a wave of the sea...

"If two or more sets of waves are caused to traverse the same surface, as by dropping stones into still water...

A Helpful Spirit. There had at first been six names on the list of candidates to be sent by popular vote from the little seaport town to the great fair...

Spreading Gloom. No accusation is commoner among intimates than that of spreading gloom. Each member of a family privately feels how cheery he or she would be if only the others would make an effort to be cheerful too.

The Secret of Whistler's Mastery. It has often been said that Whistler's art was an art of evasion. But the reason of the evasion was reverence.

The Poetical Farmers of Korea. The Korean, who is a poet before he is a cultivator, speaks of his rice as "the golden sand."

Capable Both Ways. Pretty Daughter—So you don't like Jim? Her Father—No. He appears to be capable of nothing. Pretty Daughter—But what objection have you to George? Her Father—Oh, he's worse than Jim. He strikes me as being capable of anything.

Sarcasm. He—If I had known how sarcastic you were, I never would have married you. She—You had an opportunity of noticing it. Didn't I say, "This is so sudden," when you proposed to me after a three years' courtship?

Nothing Truer Than This. What a man can do depends on a good deal upon how much faith some good woman has in him.—Crum.

GORGEOUS MALE ATTIRE.

Laws Against Sartorial Excesses in the Seventeenth Century. Considering the way women are married in these days for their fondness for purple and the linen...

Lincoln to Young Men. He Urged Them to Bear Their Share in Political Life. Abraham Lincoln's belief that young men should get up and show what they can do, without waiting to be sought out by older folk...

Mushrooms on Trees. The Method by Which They are Cultivated in Japan. Mushrooms grown on trees form quite an important article of export from Japan to China.

Picturesque Padua. Padua, in spite of its flat surroundings, is one of the most picturesque cities of upper Italy. And the seeker after gardens will find many charming bits along the narrow canals or by the sluggish river skirting the city walls.

Wherap Sisters Dress Alike. In Yucatan, Central America, sisters dress precisely alike, even to the tying of a bow, the turn of a button or the flower in the hair.

One of Man's Blessings. When a man talks too much his wife pulls at his coat for him to sit down, and it is not until she is dead and he makes a fool of himself that the world recognizes how much of his past good record was due to this coat tail censor.

Responsible. Smith—I am the most reasonable man on earth. Jones—Then why do you always insist on having your own way? Smith—Because it's the most reasonable one.

Deerwits and Nonsense on earth. Said Uncle Eben, "Is de man dat keeps huntin' round to see how many nuns he kin find to kick about?"—Washington Star.

TWO BITS OF LUCK.

An Incident in Which the Good and Bad Tragically Mixed. The late Senator Vest of Missouri used to tell a story of good luck and hard luck without a counterpart, according to the Buffalo Commercial.

Guilts of Thieves. Organized Bodies in China That Thrive on Fees. China is the country of guilts, and the guild of thieves in any district might almost be described as a recognized body.

No Premeditation. Justice of Peace—What do men by saying it was not premeditated, Rastus? You acknowledge that you broke into the plaintiff's hardware store and stole a bunch of keys.

Wages, Forsooth! Mrs. Annex—I'll tell you what I'll do, Bridget. If you'll consent to stay I'll raise your wages. Bridget—Listen to her, wud ye? Raise me wages, indeed! Ye'll increase me salary, that's phawat ye'll do.—Brooklyn Life.

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

It is not much trouble for the wolves to find fault with the sheep. Always remember that a good deal may be said on the other side.

When a husband is mean to his wife he almost always outlives her.

Patience is one of those things of which we don't get enough and every one else gets too much.

Some people say that the cemetery widowers take notice a good deal quicker than the courtesan widowers.

When a girl is as cross as two sticks at home and smiling and pleasant downtown old fashioned women call her a "street angel."

One of the marvels of the age is the little indignation a girl will show at her father's great wrongs and the great indignation she will show at her lover's little ones.—Athenian Globe.

Invention of the Steam Engine. The Marquis of Worcester, while imprisoned in the Tower of London in 1656, invented and constructed the first steam engine of which we have any authentic record and had it publicly exhibited the same year in Vauxhall in successful operation.

Natural Cure for Rheumatism. There is a wonderful grotto at Montsummano, Italy, called the Grotto Giustini, where the natural vapor is stated to be an infallible cure for rheumatism.

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Table with columns for stations (Pittsburgh, Lawrenceburg, New Bethlehem, etc.) and arrival/departure times for Eastward and Westward directions.

Train 101 (Sunday) leaves Pittsburgh 9.0 a. m. ... Train 102 (Sunday) leaves DuBois 4.10 p. m.

Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division. In effect May 26th, 1904. Trains leave Driftwood as follows:

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