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Coincidence.

Now that the government mint has begun coining gold pieces once more with the old time motto, "In God We Trust," it is of interest to recall the significant coincidence that the panic of last year began just about the time the new coins without the motto made their appearance. We may indulge the hope, therefore, that coincident with the appearance of the coins now being minted we may note a marked boom in our reviving national prosperity.—St. Louis Republic.

TORTURED FOR SIX MONTHS

By Terrible Itching Eczema—Baby's Suffering was Terrible—Soon Entirely Cured by Cuticura.

"Eczema appeared on my son's face. We went to a doctor who treated him for three months. Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor for four months, the baby never getting any better. His hands and feet had big sores on them and the poor little fellow suffered so terribly that he could not sleep. After he had suffered six months we tried a set of the Cuticura Remedies and the first treatment let him sleep and rest well; in one week the sores were gone and in two months he had a clear face. Now he is two years and has never had eczema again. Mrs. Louis Beck, R. F. D. 3, San Antonio, Tex., Apr. 15, 1907."

Better Colored Glass.

An improved ornamental glass—more transparent than the old and designed to reflect and transmit light of substantially the same color—has been developed by Fritz Puhl and August Wagner of Berlin. The gold or silver panes in mosaic work have been made by pouring melted glass upon a metal film and then causing a thin sheet of glass to adhere to the film by heating, the product being a glass reflecting gold or silver light, but almost opaque, the feeble light transmitted being of a dirty yellow or gray color. In the new process the metal is made to thoroughly coalesce with the glass. The film is applied to the first layer of glass mechanically or by chemical or electrolytic method, and melted glass is then poured on to form the second layer, giving perfect union and great transparency. The panes have a beautiful golden or silvery luster by reflected light, while the transmitted rays are more or less colored and give a pleasing antique effect. Mosaics may be made up with both the new glass and the old, and the new material is adapted not only for windows, but for lanterns, lamp chimneys and other uses.



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Strange Habits of Plants and Insects

By JOHN Z. QUININS.

What's this I hear
About the new carnivora?
Can little plants
Eat bugs and ants,
And gnats and flies?
A sort of retrograding:
Surely the fare
Of flowers is air
Or sunshine sweet;
They shouldn't eat
Or do ought so degrading.

The fact remains, however, that there are several hundred carnivorous plants that catch and eat insects. The dogbane catches flies, and the silenes and phloxes are furnished with a sticky gum which never fails to catch insects. The mosses flower catches bumblebees, and the Venus flytrap is the greatest and most successful fly-catcher of all. The trumpet-leaf plant, huntsman's cup, Indian dipper, side-saddle flower and pitcher-plant are all successful catchers and greedy eaters of insects of the smaller kind.

Speaking of insects reminds me that they, too, have some peculiar habits and customs; for instance, the dragon-fly will eat his own body when offered to him, and the insect known to most of us as the walking-stick has no trouble in replacing lost limbs when, through accident or some other cause, its legs or arms have been cut off.

It certainly is a curious sight to see an ant's head walking off by itself, yet this can often be seen in places where the ant-decapitating fly abounds. These flies lay their eggs on the neck of the ant, and when the egg hatches the little larvae bores right into the head of the ant and after eating out the brain and growing in the cavity, the head breaks off from the body of the ant and is propelled about by the growing insect inside.

There are some bugs and beetles whose beaks and nippers are strong enough to pierce the human skin, all of them belonging to the assassin-bug species, of which there are about 2000 varieties. The kissing bug, which gained so much newspaper notoriety a few years ago, belongs to this vast army.

Coming back to the plant world, I suppose there are not many persons who know that the mold we sometimes see on old bread is really a tiny mushroom, so small that thousands cover a space an inch square, and that it is a very similar kind of mushroom growth that fastens flies onto the window panes in fall or early winter.

We all like winter for the change it brings us from the heat of summer, and so we need never be sorry when we hear the noisy, crested titmouse, for we know that when they are noisier, the snows and wintry days will soon be here. "Heedle-dee, petopeto, daytee-daytee," he chirps and sings as he flits from tree to tree. Surely the name given him, "Jack Frost's trumpeter," fits him well.

Winter brings ice, and I'm sure not one of us could or would want to live or sleep in a block of ice, but there is one fish up in the waters of Alaska whose vitality is so great that it can be frozen for weeks, and when thawed out will be as lively as ever.

Wolves we know are hungrier in winter than in summer, because at that season the kind of food they crave is harder for them to get, so they gather and hunt in packs in order that they may more readily kill the larger game. There is a fish in the sea called the bluefish, which pursues similar tactics, and for this reason is also called the "wolf-fish" of the sea. Swimming in schools, they, like the wolves on land, pursue and cut to pieces and destroy their prey, which often consists of fish much larger than themselves.

The Signal Corps of the Army are not the only ones that can flash signals, for long before they learned how, the antelopes could and did flash signals with the two white patches on their backs, and which look to the uninitiated like two large white chrysanthemums.—Watchword.

The Largest Steam Engine.

The 25,000 horse-power rolling-mill engine installed in the Sharon (Pa.) plant of the Carnegie Steel Company is the largest steam engine in the world and weighs 550 tons without foundation plates and fly-wheel. It operates at a speed of from 150 to 200 revolutions per minute. Being used to operate the rolls in a steel mill, it has to be quickly reversed at the end of each run, and for this purpose the reversing mechanism is run by a small independent engine. Another small engine is used in operating the steam throttle valves, all of these units being under the control of the one engineer.—Chicago Journal.

Ocean Liner Without a Rudder.

It is difficult to cripple seriously one of the big ocean liners. The Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse arrived at Plymouth, on a recent trip, after having steamed 1750 miles without a rudder at a speed of over eighteen and a half miles an hour.

Think.

No matter what you are doing, think your way. Don't go without thinking; think everything out. Don't run without a schedule; have a program and go by it. Think! Think! Think!—The Sunday-school Messenger.

In the Empire.

It is said by statesmen that the sun never sets upon the British Empire. My complaint is that the workers' wages never rise.—Lloyd's Weekly.

The Hobo's Viewpoint.

As illustrating the attitude of mind of the thinking tramp, I cite the following opinion from an earnest friend of tramps, a man who indeed is at present "hitting the road" as a hobo. "Vagrancy is not a national problem in the sense in which you declare it to be; it is a railroad problem. Penalize the railroads every time they kill or carry a tramp, and the railroad companies will solve the railroad phase of the vagrancy problem without any cost to the community or to the state. If a vagrant were paid for his work while in jail, when he comes out he might have enough money to pay his transportation, and would not have to beat the railroad company. He would have enough money to buy himself good clothes, and would not have to beg them. I can prove by reliable, accurate statistics that more than 50 per cent of the vagrants would work if they could get work."

And then, for the time being, we feel that it is not Jack the Hobo that is at fault, but society itself, that offers to the vagrant unequal opportunities, unjust imprisonment, and plenty of unguarded chances for him to be maimed or to be killed.—Orlando F. Lewis in Atlantic.

Tuberculosis Prevention.

Governor Hughes has signed the bill passed by the New York legislature, providing for the report and registration of all tuberculosis cases. Every physician in the state is required to report to the local authorities, within 24 hours after the knowledge comes to him, the name, age, color, occupation, where employed, and address of every person known by him to have tuberculosis. In case of death from the disease the premises must not be occupied again until disinfected and renovated. This last provision shows how far we have progressed toward the intelligent handling of this seriously contagious disease. This new law is a part of the general and growingly effective campaign which is being waged the country over to check and prevent the spread of consumption.—Indianapolis News.

Actual Depopulation in France.

Much has been said about the declining birth rate in France and many conjectures made as to what the tendency may mean to the republic of the future. "Depopulation," however, has been used heretofore only in a relative sense, for at no time has the death rate actually exceeded the birth rate until now. The statistics for the year 1907, just made public, show that, leaving out of account immigration and emigration, the population of France actually declined during the twelve months. There are 793,000 deaths to 774,000 births, to use figures in each case.

Opium Trade in China.

An imperial decree issued by the Chinese government on March 22, points out the evils of opium, and states that the British government has agreed to decrease its exportation for a trial period of three years in order to see whether the cultivation of the poppy and the number of opium smokers is lessened. Should such be the case, importation into China will be further decreased gradually. The decree orders the enforcement of existing regulations and the elaboration of further measures to deal with the evil.—Philadelphia Record.

Exclusive of warships, transports and vessels under 50 tons the ship tonnage entering and leaving the port of Singapore, Straits Settlements, in 1907 was 14,000,000 tons.

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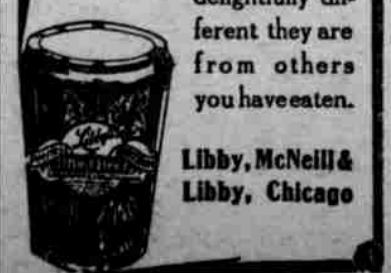
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THE WAYS OF WOMEN.

A Laplander bold fall in love I am told
With a maiden who lived near the Pole.
Their engagement to hallow, he made her
A tallow
Dip-candle (and went in the hole.
For there tallow's expensive, and trade
Not extensive,
Though some say the tallow he stole).
Said he, "Oh, be mine! And this candle
is thine!"
And right here the real tale was begun.
She gave one coy look, and the candle she
took,
And the man thought his wooing was done.
She sat down on the ice and she ate in a
trice
His candle so greasy and yellow and nice.
When he asked for the wick she said, "No,
not a lick!
For you gave and I took. That is Love."
Then she shook
Off the crumbs as she rose to her feet.
"Glad I met you," she said. "Can I get
you some sled?"
And she pointed the way down the street.

Back to Lapland he went, indeed, he was
sent;
And he sadly said as he slid,
"Of all the bold mixxes!
She's sharp as the lynxes!
The game's not worth the candle. I'll
skid!"
Which he did.
—From the Bohemian.



"Young Jenks is a somnambulist."
"I thought his aunt told me he was
a Swedenborgian." — Baltimore
American.

Teacher—"If you are kind and polite to your playmates, what will be the result?" Scholar—"They'll think they can lick me!"—Philadelphia Inquirer.

"I should never have thought that studying would have cost so much money." "Yes, father; and if you only knew how little I have studied." — Judge.

The boy stood on the burning deck,
Upon his face a frown,
'Twas hot to stand upon the deck,
But 'twas hotter sitting down.
—Harvard Lampoon.

"My stenographer can write one hundred words a minute." "So can mine, but she doesn't seem to care what words she writes."—Cleveland Leader.

He—"Do you think it would be foolish of me to marry a girl who was my inferior intellectually." She—"More than foolish—impossible."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Wigwag—"I believe there is a tinge of insanity in all religious enthusiasts." Henpeckke—"Yes, take the Mormons, for instance; any man that wants more than one wife is plumb crazy."—Philadelphia Record.

There once was a Miss, and a Mr.
Whose last name, in truth, it was Kr.
Now this Miss missed a kiss
The Mr. Mister kissed Miss.
—Brooklyn Life.

Mr. Subburbs—"I have just received the plans of our house from the architect. He says it can be built for \$6000." Mrs. Subburbs—"Gracious! And we only have \$15,000 to build it with!"—Philadelphia Record.

"Yes," said the old man, "my daughter is still studying French." "But she can't speak the language at all, can she?" remarked the friend. "She couldn't at first, but now she can speak of it just enough to make herself unintelligible."—Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. Van Stoo—"Where were you so late last night?" Mr. Van Stoo—"I-er-why, I was addressing a political meeting, my dear." Mrs. Van Stoo—"Ah, indeed? And did you have a full house, may I ask?" Mr. Van Stoo (absentmindedly)—"Once, but the other fellow held fours."—Cleveland Leader.

"Physical culture, father, is perfectly lovely. To develop the arms I grasp this rod by one end and move it slowly from right to left." "Well, well," exclaimed her father, "what won't science discover? If that rod had straw at the other end you'd be sweeping."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Won the Bet.

Smith and Jones were passing down Oxford street, London, and before them strutted one of the members of a musical society, who sang as he walked along snatches from ballads and operas, to his own intense satisfaction.

"I bet you a level shilling," said S. to J., "that I give that chap in front of us, who is singing, a terrific kick, which he will not resent, and instead of being annoyed will thank me."

"Perhaps you know him—he is a friend of yours," J. replied.

"I have never spoken to him, and he doesn't know me," said S.

"Right you are, then; I'll take you," said J.

S. advanced to the warbler, and, watching his opportunity, dealt the tenor a terrific kick. The singer turned round, maddened with passion at the unprovoked and unexpected attack. S., in no way disconcerted, raised his hat politely and, with the most profound bow and with the appearance of sincere regret, said:

"Excuse me! I thought from your voice I recognized my old friend Caruso."

The compliment was too telling, and the singer, overcome with pride at the suggested comparison, replied: "My dear sir, you are too kind." Smith won the bet, but the joke should not be tried upon the same tenor again.—Tit-Bits.

Lot's Wife.
A preacher at Atlantic City has been indulging in some enterprises that have not been panning out just as he had calculated. In order to attract the men to his church and get them interested in religious matters, he has been having some "smokers" at which moving pictures were shown in connection with the talks he gave. One evening the theme drew out Lot's wife in the act of turning into salt, when the minister said, "There she is now, salt, because she turned her head just as any other woman would do. Woman is a creature who cannot resist the command of curiosity."

It was all spoken in a jocular spirit, but when the men told their wives, they didn't tell it as a joke; it wasn't their business; they wanted the full moral lesson to have the effect. And it did. Those women became indignant. The idea of imputing curiosity to women, and to have their husband tell them of it, was too much for the feminine patience to bear.

So the women broke up the smokers; wouldn't let their husbands go any more to hear such horrid things said of them. And then they moved on the preacher; threatened to stop going to church; demanded that he retract, etc. Things became pretty blue for awhile, and the preacher promises to take it all back—that he had mistaken sugar for salt. That was all.—Ohio State Journal.

Busy Days at Mint.

These are busy days at the mint. There are no signs of industrial depression in the big government building at Seventeenth and Spring Garden streets. The activity in that magnificent structure is due to the unusual coinage of gold. Since the panic the New York assay office has sent over \$50,000,000 in gold bullion to the Philadelphia mint to be coined.

Since the first of the current year the inflow of the glittering metal has been so great that it forced the officials of the mint to add more than 40 women adjusters to that department. The mint turns out more than \$800,000 daily, and within the last four months more than \$70,000,000 has been coined, which exceeds the amount coined all last year by \$20,000,000.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

FIVE MONTHS IN HOSPITAL.

Discharged Because Doctors Could Not Cure.

Levi P. Brockway, S. Second Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "After lying for five months in a hospital I was discharged as incurable, and given only six months to live. My heart was affected, I had smothering spells and sometimes fell unconscious. I got so I couldn't use my arms, my eyesight was impaired and the kidney secretions were badly disordered. I was completely worn out and discouraged when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, but they went right to the cause of the trouble and did their work well. I have been feeling well ever since."

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Messages To a Balloon.

On May 13 several officers of the signal corps, with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm as pilot, made an ascent in one of the army balloons from Washington at 1 p. m. and landed at Patuxent, a small place near Baltimore, at 4:10. During the course of the flight, messages were received on board the balloon from the government's wireless station at Annapolis. A special antenna was suspended from the basket, and the latter was also enveloped in a wire netting. So successful was the experiment, that Major Russell believes that balloons will soon be equipped with wireless apparatus, which will enable them not only to receive messages, but also to send them. With this improvement, the use of the balloon will be greatly increased in time of war.—Scientific American.

As History Might Be Taught.

Another way of teaching history which the schools might adopt has apparently not yet appealed to them. A good newspaper, if the teacher knows how to interpret its daily record, may stimulate an interest in history itself. If the pupil can be taught the continuity and relation of events, an awakened interest in daily happenings will arouse a desire to trace them back through preceding stages. It is the break in continuity between the past and the immediate present that deadens enthusiasm. By studying history backward from the immediate present this chasm would be bridged and the passion for tracing effect to cause stimulated.—Boston Transcript.

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Against Cremation.

A court decision that many will consider reactionary has been handed down by the highest Prussian court, to the effect that cremation, as a method of disposing of the bodies of the dead, is without sanction of law and may be forbidden by the police authority in any jurisdiction. According to statistics made public from time to time, the practice of cremation is slowly but surely growing in popularity in America. In thickly populated sections the method has much to commend itself. For those who have no religious or sentimental scruples on the subject, cremation appears a reasonable and proper method for disposing of the dead. Hygienically it has nearly everything in its favor.

The Prussian court elaborates its decision with the statement that cremation is repugnant to religious sensibilities and therefore it is discouraged for more than mere legal reasons. Even though this be the last word of the highest court of Prussia, it would appear more than probable that the decree will be attacked, for the cremation propagandists will not be content without making a fight for reversal or modification of the order.

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