

## THE HORSE.

He is So Stupid That He Can Be Taught Any Habit.

There have been on exhibition at various times horses that are apparently prodigies of mathematical insight—that can do anything with numbers that the trainer can do. Yet we absolutely know that no animal can so much as count at all. Furthermore, it is always the horse that performs these marvels, though the horse is the most utterly stupid of all the dumb creatures that man has made his friends.

That is precisely why the horse is always taken to be made into an arithmetician. He is so stupid that he can be taught anything—any habit, that is—and, having no mind to be taken up with his own affairs, can be relied on to do exactly as he is told.

All these arithmetical fakes, whatever their details, are worked in essentially the same way. The horse is taught, by endless repetitions, some mechanical habit. A given signal, and he begins to paw the floor. Another signal, and he stops. Press the proper button, and he takes a sponge and rubs it over a certain spot on a blackboard or picks up a card lying in a certain position. That is all he does. The meaning of the act exists for the spectator only. The pawings count the answer to a problem in addition, the card bears the reply to a question, but the horse does not know it. He merely follows a blind habit, just as he will stop when you say "Whoa!" though you interpolate the word into your recitation of the Declaration of Independence.—McClure's Magazine.

## IT CAME TRUE.

The Large Party and the Calamity That Followed.

"You can't make me believe," Uncle Abner Jarvis was saying, "that there isn't something in fortune telling."

His auditors were grouped round the stove in the corner grocery store. "Ever have any experience with it?" asked one of them.

"That's what I was going to tell you," resumed Uncle Abner. "Once when I was at the county fair I saw a little tent with a sign on the outside of it that said 'Mime.' Somebody or other would tell your fortune for 25 cents. I stepped inside just for fun.

"A woman with a thick veil over her face was sitting in a chair on a raised platform. I gave her a quarter, and she looked at my hand. One of the things she told me was that I was going to have a large party at my house in less than a month and that it would be followed by a calamity.

"I laughed at that. Thinks I to myself, 'We hadn't had any parties of any kind to our house for two years, and I don't reckon we'll have one quite as soon as that.'

"But it did come true. In about two weeks my wife's Aunt Jane came to visit us, and if you think she ain't a large party you ought to see her. She weighs 287 pounds."

"But how about the calamity?" inquired the man who was sitting on the nail keg after a long pause.

"Well," said Uncle Abner slowly, "she broke down our spare bed the first night she slept in it."—Youth's Companion.

## Had Forty Homes.

Yollon, the painter, was a unique personage even among the odd characters of Paris. While he was essentially a bohemian, there were times when even his patience was taxed to the utmost, and to obviate the necessity of meeting unwelcome people he conceived the idea of multiplying his lodging places. At the time of his death he owned no less than forty homes, all in apartment houses, situated in all the out of the way corners of Paris, plainly furnished and with just enough accommodation for himself. He changed from one to the other all the time in order to escape importunate acquaintances and to take refuge from his friends. It was in order to throw them all off the scent that he engaged rooms all over the city. He finally died in the Rue de Dunkerque, where he had as many as three different apartments, all within a stone's throw of one another.

## The Stone Houses of Easter Island.

The remarkable stone houses of Easter Island are built against a terrace of earth or rock, which in some cases forms the back wall of the dwelling. They are built of small slabs of stratified basaltic rock piled together without cement. No regularity of plan is shown in the construction of a majority of them. The average measurement is as follows: Height from floor to ceiling, 4 feet 6 inches; thickness of walls, 4 feet to 10 inches; width of rooms, 4 feet 6 inches; length of rooms, 12 feet 9 inches; average size of doorways—height, 20 inches; width, 19 inches.

## Skeptical.

"I kind of agree with the folks who say that story about George Washington and the cherry tree is a myth," said Farmer Cornstossel after a thoughtful silence.

"For what reason?" inquired his wife.

"Well, human nature is purty much the same in all generations, and if I had a boy who picked up an ax and voluntarily went out to chop wood I wouldn't chide him. I'd hand him a medal."—Washington Star.

## Practical.

"I send you 10,000 kisses," he wrote. "Bah!" she exclaimed, tossing his letter aside. "Why doesn't he come and look over his terminal facilities in person?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

"A stout heart may be ruined in fortune, but not in spirit."—Victor Hugo.

## THE TOWN THAT PUSH BUILT

VIII.—The Up to Date Jeweler



THIS is the jeweler who needed some boots and shoes and wisely heeded

What he was told by the shoe man's ad. And went and bought the best he had. And paid with the hardware merchant's bill

Which came from the furniture dealer's till.

Where it went when the clothing dealer bought

From the dry goods man, which the butcher got

From the grocer who had settlement made

With the money the honest workman paid.

P. S.—The local dealer who's up to snuff will always advertise his stuff.

## When Her Turn Came.

The Journal had taken on a "woman editor," whose duty was to look after the "woman's page." Space being scarce in the "local room," a desk was given her in the managing editor's room, directly adjoining. For a week or two no fault was found with her work, but one morning the managing editor said to her:

"Miss Penfield, your style of writing is a little too terse and epigrammatic for the needs of your department. You must study expansion."

"Very well, Mr. Ringgold," she answered. "I will try."

Thereafter her work appeared to give entire satisfaction, for there was no further criticism. About six months later, however, the managing editor after a morning spent in working at his desk suddenly wheeled in his chair and said:

"Miss Penfield, I want a wife. I want you. Will you marry me?"

"Mr. Ringgold," she responded, with a mocking smile, "that is rather terse and epigrammatic. Don't you think you ought to study expansion a little?"

—Youth's Companion.

## A Word of Warning.

"You never proposed to her on your knees!" cried the veteran married man in dismay.

"Sure I did; sure," the youth repeated, a glad, proud light shining in his eyes.

"Well," said the veteran, "you'll regret it about twice a week for the rest of your life. After you get married the slightest argument, the first impatient word, will cause your wife to say, 'You weren't like this when you went down on your knees and begged me, with tears in your eyes, to marry you.'

"It's pretty bad to have an angry wife read out your old love letters reproachfully," said the veteran, "but that is nothing to being reminded of your kneeling proposal every week till you are a great-grandfather."

"You proposed on your knees yourself?" the youth hazarded.

But the veteran frowned and made no reply.—Los Angeles Times.

## The Seven Wise Men of Greece.

The seven wise men of Greece were Thales of Miletus, Periander of Corinth, Cleobolus of Lyndus, Chilon of Laedaemon, Solon of Athens, Bias of Prienne and Pittacus of Mitylene. Some fishermen of Miletus sold a draft of fishes to a bystander. When the net was drawn in it contained a golden tripod, and the purchaser claimed it was his, while the fishermen contended that they sold only the fish that might be in the net. The dispute was referred to the oracle of Delphi, who awarded the tripod to the wisest man in Greece. Thereupon it was taken to Thales, who declined it and suggested that it be given to Bias. He in turn refused to accept it, and thus it was successively declined by all the seven, and they were thereafter known as the seven wise men of Greece.

## The Number 4.

There are four cardinal points, four winds, four quarters of the moon, four seasons, four rules of arithmetic, four suits of cards, four quarters to the hour, four legs for furniture, most animals go on four legs, the dead are placed between four planks, the prisoners between four walls. We have four incisor and four canine teeth, and our forks have four prongs. All animals when butchered are cut into four quarters. The violin, greatest of all string instruments, has but four strings. Four of a kind is a pretty good hand at poker, even if they are only fours.—Exchange.

The poet's verse slides into the current of our blood. We read it when young, we remember it when old.—Smiles.

## NEW EXHIBITS FOR PITTSBURGH EXPOSITION

1909 Season Will Open First of September

On September 1 all signs will point toward the Pittsburg Exposition, which opens its twenty-first annual season on that date. No matter what may be the trend of the times this greatest of all industrial exhibitions has always served as a magnet to attract pleasure seekers who go there to be amused and entertained. For the past twenty years the opening of the Exposition has yearly been a red letter event in Pittsburg and it can be safely said that the coming season will be no exception to the rule. The cry will be "To the Exposition," and the avenues and streets leading to the big show at the point will be crowded with people from all walks of life hastening to participate in the festivities of the opening night. The great halls brilliantly illuminated with a myriad of dancing lights, the wonderfully attractive displays, the scientific exhibits, the mirth-compelling amusements, the sweet strains of entrancing music vibrating through the air and the joyous merry crowds will all tend to the making of a memorable scene.

Work of getting the Exposition in readiness has progressed with unusual rapidity and the booths have been taken from their winter quarters and placed in position. Decorators and painters are putting on the finishing touches and great changes have been wrought in a few short weeks.

Those who go to the Exposition this year expecting to see something new will not be disappointed. There will be something different to be seen at every hand, but it would take unlimited space to go into details of the various novel features.

Among the new exhibits will be that of the Norfolk and Western railroad, which will have a most interesting display showing the magnificent agricultural lands and the development of the vast industries in the vicinity and along the line of the road. Another feature that will hold and attract the attention of the visitor is the irrigation exhibit which is new here. The subject of irrigation, although little understood in sections of the country where there is an abundance of water, has long been a matter of the most serious consideration in certain sections of the West and Northwest. Inventive men have solved the problem and crops are now raised in places that were barren not many years ago. The object of this exhibit is to show the results of irrigation and how they have been accomplished. All the big electrical concerns will have space to display their work and incidentally give practical illustrations of the latest devices operated by electricity. Many new inventions have been perfected within the past year and the exhibits will in the main be new.

Another new display will be an archeological exhibit, which will include a lot of Indian relics taken from historic Blennerhasset island. This exhibition shows the evolution in many things and it will be instructive as well as interesting.

And the amusements! The music will of course be one of the strongest attractions and the features engaged for Music Hall have not been excelled in former years. The Russian Symphony Orchestra, which made such a profound impression last year, will be the opening attraction. This celebrated company of Russian musicians which recently returned from a triumphant tour to the Pacific coast with Greet's players comes back with a new repertoire selected from the best works of Russia's most eminent composers. From September 1 to 11 the Russian Orchestra will hold forth and then comes Arthur Pryor, the brilliant American bandmaster and his company of American players, appearing from September 13 to 18 inclusive. The famous Walter Damrosch and his orchestra will follow, September 20 to 25, in classical concerts. Other celebrities will appear up to the close of the season, October 23, and music lovers will have over seven weeks of the finest melody heard here.

The hippodrome and the other amusement places will have new and attractive features, all combining to make one of the most successful entertainments in the history of the Exposition.

## The Descent.

"Father, do men descend from monkeys?" asked an inquisitive lad.

"Yes, my boy."

"And what do monkeys descend from?"

"The monkeys descend—all—from the trees!"—London Telegraph.

## Not Guilty.

It is said that within 400 years gold aggregating \$2,000,000,000 has disappeared from circulation, and the government would like to know who has it. We learn that the members of the newspaper fraternity are not suspected.—St. Louis Republic.

## Handicapped.

"You ought to save money for your family."

"Yes, but—"

"But what?"

"My family won't let me."—Cleveland Leader.

## The Family Reunion Season.

This is the season of the year when the papers are full of notices of family reunions, and the spring chicken and cucumber pickle have the center of the stage. Year by year these many family reunions grow in number, while the several family connections likewise grow and flourish like the green bay tree. And what a goodly sight it is to see an aged grandfather and grandmother in the sere and yellow leaf of life, surrounded by their children and their children's children to the number of scores. Well may they count their blessings, giving thanks to a Divine Providence which has ordered their days of usefulness. May the family reunion never die: In it is the true spirit of "Old Home" week.—Brookville Republican.

## The Secret of Long Life.

A French scientist has discovered one secret of long life. His method deals with the blood. But long ago millions of Americans had proved Electric Bitters prolongs life and makes it worth living. It purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, rebuilds wasted nerve cells, imparts life and tone to the entire system. Its a godsend to weak, sick and debilitated people. "Kidney trouble had blighted my life for months," writes W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me., "but Electric Bitters cured me entirely." Only 50c at H. L. McEntire's.

## Battle Creek Founder at Chautauque.

Dr. J. H. Kellogg, who has made Battle Creek famous, will speak at Chautauque, New York in the Health and Efficiency symposium on the morning of Saturday, August 14. Dr. Kellogg is widely known as a surgeon and general practitioner and superintendent of Battle Creek Sanitarium. An opportunity to hear him as a lecturer is seldom given and it is doubtful if Chautauquans would have had an opportunity this year were it not for his interest in the general discussion during the week of August 9 to 14.

## Bids Wanted.

Bids will be received for good run of mine coal delivered at the Reynoldsville public school building. All bids to be in the hands of the secretary on or before September 1, 1909. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. W. H. BELL, Secretary.

## Washington Once Gave Up

To three doctors; was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctors failed, then "Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured me," writes John Washington, of Bosqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles its supreme. 25c at H. L. McEntire's.

## WANT COLUMN.

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FOR SALE—Six weeks' old Berkshire pigs. J. R. Hillis.

WANTED—Local agent to advertise and introduce the new educational work, Webster's Universal Dictionary and Atlas of the World. Must be educated and able to furnish good references as to ability and character. The Safford Publishing Company, Akron, Ohio.

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FOR SALE—Distillery 7 barrel capacity; will sell whole or separately; excellent stock; doing good business. Reason for selling, owners have other business and cannot devote time to it. Address J. C. Ford, Secretary, Box 115, Jeannette, Pa.

FOR SALE—Double house, ten rooms, barn and lot, Main st. E. Neff, Agent.

FOR SALE—Two houses and two lots on Pike street, West Reynoldsville. Sold at a bargain. Inquire C. W. Flynn.

FOR RENT—Six room house on Brown st., West Reynoldsville, and other houses and rooms to rent at reasonable rates. W. L. Johnston.

FOR RENT—Eight room house, First avenue, West Reynoldsville. Inquire of M. E. Weed, Keystone Hardware store.

FOR SALE—Glass jars, pints, half pints and pints. Nice for jelly. Will be sold at cost. Reynoldsville Candy Works.

## Notice to Jurors.

The following order of court has been filed by Hon. John W. Reed, president judge: "And now, July 28, 1909, it is ordered that all civil cases set for trial at the August term of Court will be tried the week of August 30th, instead of the 23rd, as originally ordered, and therefore all jurors summoned to appear upon the Court the week of August 30th. This order does not affect the criminal court, which will be held at the usual time, and all jurors (grand and petit) summoned to attend the criminal courts will appear and be in attendance as originally summoned, to-wit, the week of August 9th." All jurors are hereby notified to govern themselves in accordance with the herein rule of court.

B. E. IRVIN, Clerk of Courts.

## What About the Boys?

How many boys in DuBois are learning a trade? We believe not one out of twenty will be placing the ratio very low. What do the boys expect to do when they reach manhood. They cannot be mechanics for they have never learned the art. They cannot be clerks for without patronage from the working people there will be no work for clerks. The boy who learns a good trade now, and learns it right, will be the independent man of the future.—DuBois Express. There are a number of boys in Reynoldsville who should be learning trades that are not doing so.

## Revolts at Cold.

"Your only hope," said three doctors to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, Detroit, Mich., suffering from severe rectal trouble, lies in an operation," then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent appendicitis, cure constipation, headache. 25c at H. L. McEntire's.

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August 12 and 26, and Sept. 1, 1909

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