

QUEER JAMAICA WAYS.

How One Woman Failed in Rome to Do as the Romans Do. "When in Rome, do as the Romans do," says the old dictum, but in these days of universal travel it is somewhat necessary to know beforehand the manners and customs of the native inhabitants of the countries that are visited.

STOCK GAMBLERS' LOGIC.

They Know Brokers' Concerns Their Capital, Yet Pretend to Play. Two traders were sitting in a Wall Street office as had been their wont day after day, week after week for three long years. The stock ticker, which records quotations that bring either joy or sorrow to speculators, was momentarily silent.

A CYNICAL SUMMARY.

This world is but a fleeting show, And little joy he gains Who curiously undertakes To look behind the scenes.

DIAMONDS EN MASSE.

A Gravel Pit Full of the Gems Found to Southern Ontario. Girard Drouillard and James Martin, prospectors and reputable citizens, have just arrived at Tower, Minn., with their pockets full of diamonds.

THE HONEST FINNS.

Life and Property Are Both Thoroughly Secure Among These People. Life and property are thoroughly secure in Finland. Trunks and parcels are left for hours in the street, to be found when wanted by the owner.

NEW SUBMARINE BOAT.

A Cigar Shaped Vessel That Has Just Been Finished in France. A submarine boat has just been completed by M. Goutet on the Seine for a foreign government, which it is said, will solve the problem of marine locomotion.

FASHION IN OLD JERUSALEM.

The Jewesses of Ancient Times Were Gaily Arrayed Indeed. As far back as seven centuries before the Christian era there were very gaily dressed women in Jerusalem. The Prophet Ezekiel tells of them. They had garments of silk adorned with brocade work.

MILLIONAIRES IN TROUBLE.

In Each Case, Too, a Woman Is the Cause of the Difficulty. Rich men have no end of trouble these days. Zella Nicholas, falling to get \$40,000 from George Gould, her first suit, now sees him for \$50,000 for striking her, as she alleges.

IS THIS FACT OR LEGEND?

A Queer Story About the Way in Which "Leonie" Was Written. In the house of a gentleman in this city we recently saw a poem written on the fly leaf of an old book. Noticing the initials "E. A. P." at the bottom, it struck us that possibly we had run across a bonanza.

HYPNOTIZING BY MAIL.

The Fee Only \$10, and Success Is Absolutely Guaranteed. This is the day of long range fighting is well illustrated by the following "personal ad." "We will teach you how to hypnotize by mail; guarantee success; only college of hypnotism in America."

MRS. PEARY WAS FRIGHTENED.

It Was When She Went Hunting Walrus. Mrs. Peary, wife of the famous arctic explorer, declares she has had more than enough of the polar regions, and is determined that her husband shall never repeat his travels in those frigid lands.

A Historical Farm Sold.

The farm known as the "Old Temple farm" on the York river, at Yorktown, Va., has just been sold to a gentleman from Columbus, Ga. Next to Jamestown, Va., the Temple farm is the most historical and in ways the most celebrated of any farm in the United States.

David R. Hunt Views.

In his letters to the students in Michigan Senator Hill advocated four changes in the United States constitution—one term only, of six years, for the president, the election of United States senators by the people, a proportional vote for individual items in appropriation bills, and a prohibition of issues of paper currency.

Boat for Her Own Gown.

They tell a story of an unfortunate society woman, who, being terribly pushed for a gown to wear at a great occasion, sold seven gowns for the price of one to Miss X. Among these gowns was one hardly rumpled, and which, though very magnificent, had evidently been worn at most only once.

Costume and Mortality.

A remarkable effect of costume on mortality is shown in a very instructive manner by one of the English registrar general's reports. It appears that among children aged from 1 to 5 years there is an equality in the number of deaths by an equal number of boys and girls.

Women Pray For Voters.

Women made a new political move in Olympia, Wash., last week. There was an election there, and for a few days previous to it an advertisement appeared in the Olympia asking "the women of the city" to meet at the Presbyterian church at half past 9 on election morning.

Montana's Oil Belt.

A petroleum belt has been discovered in Montana's new county, Carbon. It is near the headwaters of Butcher creek, a tributary of the Little Rosebud river.

Wants Part of New York.

William Edwards, an attorney of Alexandria, Ind., has gone to New York to lay claim to an estate that is valued at \$30,000,000. It lies in the central part of the city and is covered by a 99 year lease, in many respects like that of the famous Harlem estate claim. He says it is by no means a myth and that he has it already worked out and ready to present John R. Houdart of Munich, he says, is one of the heirs.

A FASHIONABLE RUSE.

That Things Are Not Always What They Seem Evidenced in This Case. The season of weddings takes the ingenuity no less than the purses of fashionable deities. The deceptions to which many of the so-called upper crust resort to disguise social obligations are almost incredible in their figures and in their variety.

LEONIE.

Leonie! Angelic named her, And they took the light Of the laughing stars and framed her In a suit of white, And they made her hair of gloomy Midnight and her eyes of glowing Moonshine, and they brought her to me In the silent night.

A Double Action Job.

Dumas fits bill of a double action job which he played on Meisner, who was a botanist in his hours of leisure. The famous dramatist sent him a paper containing the dried rose of a herring, telling him that it was the seed of a very rare plant.

Mexico's Exposition Postponed.

Mexico's proposed international exposition has been postponed several months. According to the revised program, the opening will take place next fall. By that time the capital's big drainage canal will be in operation in connection with the city's improved sewer system.

Would He Dared on Some Men.

A peculiar, Puritanlike sentence was imposed on three offenders in Norristown, Pa., a few days ago. They were accused of assault and battery and were released on their promise to accompany their accuser to church on each of the 18 succeeding Sundays.

Rabi Rabi Rabi Nothing.

When the members of this illustrious class of '99 become seniors, '00 will be juniors, '01 sophomores, and '02 freshmen.—Boston Journal.

Fiji Island Marriages.

Marriage is not a failure in the Fiji islands, for an unmarried man or woman, of marriageable age is something that is rarely seen there. The natives believe that if a person dies while in an unmarried state his or her soul is doomed to wander through the endless ages of eternity in an intermediate region between heaven and hades.

Ancient Prepared Papyrus.

The parchments and papyrus used by the ancients seem to have had a special preparation, by virtue of which they described the ink and thus caused the writing to be almost indelible.—Nashville American.

Dogged Perseverance.

A Maine editor has sent little Marion Cleveland a poodle. Most of the editors have been giving her father pointers.—Galveston News.

Wonderful Strength of the Beetle.

A noted entomologist who has been writing on the wonderful feats of strength as exhibited in the beetle family tells the following: "I selected a common black water beetle weighing 4.5 grains and found that in comparison with a load of shot in a small bag, the whole weighing 84 ounces, or exactly 858 times the weight of the bug. If a man weighing 150 could carry as much accordingly he could shoulder a 45-ton locomotive and then chain a train of cars together and take the whole lot across the country at a five mile an hour rate."

The Rooster's Crow.

The crow of these birds, which may seem to the unobservant a very unvaried sound, discloses to those who have loved and studied them at least half a dozen distinct modifications. In the delightful manner in which they vary the spirit of their kind, and who goes through his performance in the adrover way, it is a cheap and often pitiful call. From the open roost in the trees, where the birds are gradually aroused by the slow caw of the half awakened cock, as full of the sense of slumber as the speech of a sleeping man.

As Epidemic of Toothache.

One of the most curious features of the Chitral campaign was the extraordinary prevalence of toothache among the officers. The matter is receiving the serious attention of the medical authorities, and it is hoped that some very interesting statistical results will be gained from the careful investigation which is now taking place. The epidemic first made its appearance after the active operations were over and the various regiments had received orders to stand fast for the summer, and reached its most violent form just before the long expected order to partially evacuate the country had arrived. It was an epidemic of toothache something very unusual, and it is believed to be a new variety.