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A Naval War.

When William E. Chandler was Secretary of the Navy he issued an order that officers should not permit their wives to reside at the foreign stations to which their husbands were attached. The order was promptly rescinded upon the receipt by the Secretary of the following from Commodore Fyfe, in command of the Atlantic squadron: "It becomes my painful duty to report that my wife, Elizabeth Fyfe, has, in disobedience of my orders, and in the face of regulations of the department, taken up her residence on the station, and persistently refused to leave."

Free Doctors Under German Law.

Under an insurance law enacted in Germany several years ago 30,000,000 people receive in return for a nominal sum free medical attendance. The theory was that suffering humanity would receive cheap and effective relief from its bodily ills, but in practice there are many drawbacks. The doctors hired by the State hold that they are expected to do too much for the pay they get. In Munich they get only about \$75 per annum. In order to keep down expenses the doctors are inclined to impress upon the patients that nothing is the trouble with them.

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From among the numerous unsolicited testimonials which have been received in praise of St. Jacobs Oil we select that of Mr. Arthur Harrison, of Wilford Crescent East, Nottingham, who suffered from a sprained knee for 3 1/2 years. He says: "I had been suffering from a very bad sprained knee for 3 1/2 years, through playing football. I had been under the doctor's care twice, and had used all kinds of oils and embrocations, when I was recommended to try St. Jacobs Oil. After trying two small bottles I am pleased to say my knee is now as perfect and strong as ever. I should have written you before, but wanted to give it a thorough trial, and am glad to inform you that since using St. Jacobs Oil I have never felt another twinge of pain."

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STORIES OF OLD SONGS

FACTS COLLECTED BY THE LATE CHARLEY WHITE.

First Singing of "The Star Spangled Banner"—"Beautiful Snow" Attributed by the Minstrel to H. W. Faxon—Poor Rewards For Some Song Writers.

Among the extracts from the diary of Charley White, the old time negro minstrel, published in the Sun, was the history of the famous song, "Dixie." White spent much time in tracing the history of other songs, and in his diary he gave the results of his work. Some of these song histories are interesting, and a few of them are printed below: The words of "The Star Spangled Banner" were written, as every one knows, by Francis S. Key during the bombardment of Fort Mifflin during the War of 1812, but the history of the music to which they were set is less familiar.

"The verses," wrote White, "were printed in ballad form and scattered through the camp on Federal Hill, Baltimore. One evening one of the soldiers picked up a copy and read it aloud three times, until the entire division was electrified by its patriotic idea.

"An idea struck Fred Durang, an actor, who hunted up an old volume of flute music which he found in his tent. He impatiently whistled tune after tune, just as they caught his quick eye.

"One called 'Anacron in Heaven' struck his fancy and riveted his attention. Note after note fell from his lips. With a laugh and a shout he exclaimed:

"Boys, I've hit it, and fitting the words to the tune there rang out for the first time the song of 'The Star Spangled Banner.'"

"Getting a short furlough Ferd and Charley Durang sang it on the stage of the Holiday Street Theatre. The music was first published by George Willig, Jr., of Baltimore.

"Ferd Durang died in New York in 1830. I well remember Tom Blakely, an actor, saying to his wife, 'Poor Ferd Durang is dying.' Durang was born in Harrisburg, Pa. His father was a Frenchman and a fair musician. Durang died in extreme poverty and for his co-laborers on the stage he would have found a pauper's grave.

"The Hunters of Kentucky" was very popular in my early days. It was written by Samuel Woodworth, a typesetter. 'The Hunters' was written just after the Battle of New Orleans, in 1815. The tune is from an old English ditty, 'Unfortunate Miss Bailey.'

"It was sung for many years by an actor, Noah M. Ludlow, who died in 1855 or 1856 in St. Louis at the age of eighty. Ludlow came near having his brains knocked out on the stage while singing the song in New Orleans. An Englishman threw a large piece of gas pipe at his head, but fortunately missed his mark.

"Woodworth wrote funny verses as advertisements for a keeper of a fancy store in New York for a long time, Joe Bonfanti, who made a fortune from his poetry. When the California fever broke out in 1849 Woodworth went to the Pacific slope and was engaged as a reporter on the Alta. He died there and his remains lie in the Home Mountain Cemetery.

"Kathleen Mavourneen" was sold by Crouch, the author, for \$25 and brought the publishers as many thousands. Crouch was hopelessly imprudent and in his later days became a tramp. When Mlle. Titens was in this country a number of years ago she sang 'Kathleen Mavourneen' in New York. A dirty tramp introduced himself as Crouch, was recognized, and thanked her for singing the song so well.

"Life on the Ocean Wave," written by Epes Sargent, was pronounced a failure by his friends. Russell, of a Boston firm of music publishers, took the words from Sargent and the latter tells this story of the melody: "We passed through the music store. Russell seated himself at a piano, read over the lines attentively, hummed an air or two himself and ran his hands over the keys, then stopped as if non-plussed."

"Suddenly a bright idea seemed to dawn on him. A melody all at once came into his brain and he began to hum it, and to sway himself to its movement. Then striking the keys he at last confidently launched into the tune since known as 'Life on the Ocean Wave.'"

"The melody proved a success. The copyright became very valuable, though the author never got anything from it but fame. It was popular in England as well as in this country.

"The Arkansas Traveler." The famous traveler known as the 'Arkansas Traveler' is no myth, but breathes and has his being in that State. The traveler lives in Little Rock and may be seen every day on the streets of the town indulging his taste for music and story-telling.

"He is known as Coloney Sandy Falkner. He was born in Kentucky in 1804. In 1832 he went to Arkansas, and became acquainted with Walter Wright, the original squatter in the song.

"My Maryland" was written by James R. Randall. Randall was described as one of the most delightful men to meet. I met Randall some time ago in Anniston, Ala. He was an editor of The Hot Blast in that city. He said he only received \$25 in Confederate money for his song."

Chabley White did not hesitate to ascribe "Beautiful Snow" to Henry W. Faxon, of the Louisville Journal.

"Old Dog Tray," "Swansea River," "Massa's in de Cold, Cold Ground,"

'Camp Town Races,' 'Old Folks at Home,' 'Ellen Bayne,' 'Willie, We Have Missed You,' and 'My Old Kentucky Home,' wrote White, "were written by Stephen C. Foster. He was a musician almost from his cradle, and at the age of seven he had mastered the fife and drum without a teacher. It is said that one publishing house alone paid \$20,000 for his compositions.

"Foster was very imprudent, and was often forced to sell for a few dollars what brought a fortune to his purchaser. Several of his best songs were composed in the back room of a grocery store on pieces of brown paper. He died in the City Hospital in New York, where he had been removed from a Bowery boarding house, on January 18, 1864.

"Rock Me to Sleep" was written by Mrs. Allen, of Maine. She was paid \$5 for it, and Russell & Co., of Boston, who had in three years gained \$4000 by it, offered her \$5 apiece for any songs she might write.

"The Bonnie Blue Flag" was a popular song in the South. It was written by Harry McCarthy, an actor, in Jackson, Miss., in the spring of 1861.

"Silver Threads Among the Gold" was written by H. P. Danks, an organist, who sold it for \$40.

"Put Me in My Little Bed" and "Come, Birdie, Come," were composed by C. A. White, and fully 150,000 copies of each have been sold.

"Shoo Fly, Don't Bother Me," which was once credited to T. Brigham Bishop, the old minstrel, was written, according to White's diary, by Rollin Howard, actor and minstrel. Some years ago when Rollin Howard composed his song and dance he took his production, of which he felt very proud, to Pond & Co., and offered to sell it to them.

"They looked it over and returned it with the remark, 'We do not publish such stuff as that.' Mr. Howard went to Boston a short time later, where he was engaged to sing in a minstrel company. One night C. A. White, the composer and publisher, heard Howard and offered to publish his discarded song.

"This is how 'Shoo Fly, Don't Bother Me' came to be printed. It soon became popular. The publisher sold 200,000 copies and with the profits established the Boston firm of White, Smith & Co.

"Gathering Shells by the Seashore," by W. S. Thompson, had a sale of over 300,000; 'Dreaming of Home and Mother,' by John P. Ordway, reached a sale of 60,000; 'Mulligan Guards,' by Ed Harrigan, has sold over 150,000, and 'Sweet By and By,' by I. P. Webster, reached a sale of over 500,000 copies."—New York Sun.

His Luck.

William Black, a citizen of the Bronx, suddenly disappeared last August. Some weeks after a body was found in the East River and identified as Black's by his grief-stricken relatives. His widow obtained papers as administratrix of his estate. A short time afterward a frightened looking little man applied to the Surrogate's office and asked for a copy of the letters of administration of the estate of William Black, deceased.

"What is your name?" asked the Surrogate's clerk.

"Oh, I'm William Black himself," explained the little man timidly. The Surrogate's clerk pushed back his chair hastily.

"The deceased?" he asked nervously.

"Yes," replied Black, "I suppose so, but you see the man found in the river wasn't me at all. I have been on a little tear, and when I got back I found I had been dead and buried."

The clerk became interested. "Is your wife married again yet?" he asked jocosely.

"No such luck," replied "the deceased," in a most despondent manner.—New York Sun.

Four Alternatives.

Mr. Balfour, in his recent letter to Mr. Plummer, discussed with dialectical union the possibilities of "four educational alternatives." In assuming that there can be more than two, the First Lord of the Treasury is merely following the example of Mr. Gladstone, who, in his "Homer" says: "My decided preference is for the fourth and last of these alternatives." The necessities of expression in English would seem to justify the use of the word in this loose manner. If you are offered four things, one of which you must choose, how are you gracefully to allude to them? May you call them "options," or "choices," or "possible courses?" All of these terms are ugly, and eminent statesmen are, no doubt, obeying a practical instinct in giving the word alternative some extra work to do. Strictly speaking, the word should have no plural, but to the compulsion of giving it one, there is apparently no alternative.—London Chronicle.

After the Earthquake.

As a sequel to the recent earthquakes in Sardinia an enormous chasm has been opened in the earth, while the surface has bulged into a hill of considerable elevation, from which stones and masses of earth are projected. There are also symptoms that the interior of the hill is in an ebullient condition. Scientists incline to the belief that the phenomena observed are volcanic. Another consequence of the earthquake is that Lake Sauto, near Modena, which was about 500 yards long and 100 wide, has completely disappeared.

High Price For a Poem.

The highest price ever paid for a poem was 6000 golden crowns paid to Zananzaro by the citizens of Venice for his eulogy of their city—a poem of six lines only.

POPULAR SCIENCE

Glaciers are rivers of ice fed by the "eternal snows" of high mountain ranges such as the Alps. They wear out their own valleys as rivers do; they transport mud, sand and stones to great distances, in some cases sending them sealed up in icebergs to float far out to sea, and on melting deposit their burdens on the sea floor. Off the coast of Newfoundland northern icebergs are depositing a great mass of "glacial drift."

Harvard College observatory has now 100,000 photographs, making a complete record of the northern and southern skies for the last twelve years. It is an historical library of the sky, so charted that you can find out the condition of any heavenly body at any time within the last twelve years, just as you would go to a library to find a book or to a file of papers to find a date. A new building will be erected shortly in which to house the valuable plates.

Dr. Baraduc, the famous French physician, is reported to have perfected recently an instrument by means of which he can actually measure the vital and nervous force, and mental and physical strength of any person. The machine consists of a copper needle suspended by a piece of silk fibre in a glass case. The needle is so sensitive that it responds to the slightest vibrations. The doctor claims to have photographed the electric or magnetic rays of vitality.

Interesting light is thrown on the approaches toward civilization made by the people who dwelt in caverns in France during the stone age by the discovery of a great number of drawings of animals on the walls of an ancient cave at Combarelles in Southwestern France. Many of the drawings, which represent, with surprising skill, reindeer, mammoths and other animals now extinct in southern and western Europe, have become covered in the course of time with thick layers of stalagmite. Among the most interesting pictures are some which represent horse-like animals belonging to two different species, and some of these animals have halters and other attachments, plainly showing that they had been subjected to the service of man.

The museums of the world contain a considerable collection of specimens labelled meteorites, which are, nevertheless, spurious. Meteorites command a high price. A dollar for an ounce weight would not be too much in certain cases. Certain Corsicans lately manufactured meteorites for the market, taking minerals and covering them with an artificial crust. Of course the fraud was detected at the first analysis, and equally, of course, the Corsicans are now in jail for selling meteorites under false pretences. In 1855 a number of persons in Russia declared that a meteor fall had taken place in their village, and the specimens they produced were purchased by several museums. An analysis has recently shown that all were spurious. In the museum of Cairo is a large "meteorite," found in the Libyan desert, which is, in fact, only a mass of iron which the natives had tried to melt. The catalogue could be much extended.

A remarkable aerial fire ladder has been put into use in Pittsburgh, Pa. It is a fire ladder, a water tower and a chemical fire engine combined. The whole machine weighs 10,000 pounds, but is furnished with rubber tires and roller bearings, so that two horses can draw it easily. In the centre of the truck is a tank containing air under pressure of 500 pounds to the square inch. This pressure lifts the ladder, which is in four sections, each mounted on the side of a heavy steel tube. The tubes telescope into each other so that no air escapes. There is a second tank containing air under 100 pounds pressure. This is used to swing the ladder from one side of the street to the other, or from right to left. The apparatus is strong enough to carry a dozen men. When it is desired to rescue a person from an upper window the ladder is shot into the air as far as need be, the tubes telescope gradually, but quickly, and the person is grounded safely. There is no climbing down the ladder; the rescued person simply holds on and the machine does the rest.

The Schoolboy's Knowledge.

Here are a few extracts from compositions written by boys in a high school of Vienna: "Many a man lies down in good health and gets up dead." "In Rome the bones of the martyrs were collected and torn by wild beasts." "Human beings ceased to walk on all fours, and walked on the hindmost." "He sacrificed a rich woman and other priests."

"Hannibal stood with one foot in Spain, while with the other he beckoned to the troops."

"God's punishment follows immediately after ten years."

Checking Cab Fares.

In Havana, Cuba, there is a device for protecting passengers from being overcharged by cabsmen. The lamp posts are painted various colors, red for the central district, blue for the second circle, green for the third, etc., and thus the "fare" knows immediately when he has passed a legal boundary and pays accordingly.

Often Renders a Wrong Verdict. Courtship is a trial that often gets its verdict wrong.—New York Press.

Enormous Savings of Wage-Earners.

A stubborn fact standing against all that may be said about the condition of the wage-earners is found in the official report from the Superintendent of the State Banking Department at Albany, N. Y., showing that the savings banks of New York city alone have resources on hand to the amount of \$800,000,000 and that they handled in deposits and payments in 1901 the enormous aggregate of \$360,234,083. The amount of savings thus accumulated in the banks of the metropolis would be sufficient to pay the ordinary expenditures of the Federal Government for nearly two years, and would wipe out two-thirds of our national debt.

A Savage Tribe.

The Antaimoro, one of the oldest tribes of Madagascar, possess the secret of making from the pulp of the native shrub a very beautiful and enduring kind of paper, resembling parchment. Each family possesses a few sheets of this paper, on which its chronicles and traditions are recorded, and the same paper is used for transcribing the laws of Mohammedanism. The paper is said to have been invented in the middle of the ninth century by a Mohammedan shipwrecked on the coast, who desired to transcribe his torn and water-soaked copy of the Koran in an enduring form.

Proposed Confederate Museum.

Trusted of the Confederate Memorial Association have definitely determined upon Richmond, Va., as the location of the proposed Confederate Museum. One hundred thousand dollars was donated by the late Charles Broadway Roush, of New York, toward the founding of a battle abbey in the South, provided a like sum could be raised by popular subscription. In the report submitted by the treasurer of the association recently it was shown that all of the additional amount had been obtained and pledged.

Relics in Guatemala.

Explorers in the neighborhood of Chama Guatemala, have discovered treasures during their excavations in search of mines. Coins and jewels decorating corpses buried centuries ago by the Aztecs and Montezumas have been found so far the valuables have amounted to over \$50,000. Workmen on the Chama plantations are wild, and have abandoned their usual work to hunt for buried treasures.

Polaris a Triple Star.

The Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton, Cal., has confirmed the report that Polaris is a triple star. The bright star—the North star—moves about the center of a mass of itself and a dark companion star in 3 days 23 hours and 14 minutes. These two stars also move slowly around another dark star in a long period.

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