

THE CROCUS SOLOQUY.

I waked ere bluebirds sang so trill-
When peony buds in slumber lay,
And wild winds whistled loud and shrill
Across the sunset bay!

THE POCAHONTAS TALE.

TRUE VERSION OF THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL LEGEND.

Pocahontas Did Not Save John Smith's Life, but Interceded in Behalf of One of Her Lovers, Who Was Doomed to Die and Whom She Did Not Marry.

"It is strange and incomprehensible, nevertheless a fact, that raconteurs, from the time of the first liar down to the present age of Multatons and Munchausens, with a wonderful unanimity persist in falsifying and twisting the truth into an unrecognizable quantity."

We were speeding over the beautiful sea green waters of the Chesapeake bay on the steamer Ariel from Norfolk to Richmond. I made the acquaintance on board of the gentleman who gave utterance to the above sage remark.

As we rounded the wide bend of the river, and the church, the sole remaining relic standing on the scene of the romance of Captain Smith and Pocahontas, hove into view, the colonel resumed his conversation, or rather monologue:

"You must have noticed in your lifetime how a story will grow as it is repeated from lip to lip—how the truth becomes distorted and subjected to innumerable alterations of fact. In illustration of this," said the colonel thoughtfully, "I will relate you an Indian legend recalled to my mind by that old ruin," pointing to the church wall which the boat was just then gliding by.

"The story, as I heard it, was told me by an old farmer, well known in the neighborhood, on my last trip up the James river, just before the war."

POCAHONTAS' REAL NAME.

Jamestown vanishing from sight, the colonel and I returned to the cabin, sought seats away from the crowd of passengers and I settled myself comfortably to listen to the tale.

"When Captain John Smith made the first settlement in Virginia, the white and red man lived on terms of amity and confidence," began Colonel George "Caucasian and Indian mingled with each other and were held in mutual esteem. Until the outcropping of the greediness and avariciousness of the Englishmen became apparent, peace and prosperity smiled on the hardy settlers."

"In the village ruled by Powhatan there dwelt a lovely Indian maiden. Her skin was the color of polished copper, her hair of raven's hue and her eyes parkled as the morning star veiled behind a gathering storm cloud. Warriors from far and near sought her hand in marriage, but her heart remained invulnerable to all vows of love and devotion. However, when the white man invaded the habitations of the Indians, among their number was a youth comely to look upon, famed for his courage and many qualities. Tetehee, in the course of her many visits to the newly founded village on the James river, cast her eyes on handsome Homer Castalwan, and, lo! the little Indian god of love pierced her heart with his arrow, and she loved him with all an Indian maiden's fierceness."

"Now, Chief Opechancanough, one of Powhatan's tributary rulers, had a son who was madly in love with Tetehee, the Morning Star Bankee (Black Bear) was a cruel and vindictive Indian, and when he learned that Tetehee's heart belonged to a despised white man he swore vengeance upon his tomahawk against Homer Castalwan."

"In the soft Indian summer, with nature aglow with variegated colors, Tetehee, in company with the other maidens and squaws of the village, was gathering the golden ripe maize for winter use from the fields of the king. While the maidens were at work Bankee raided the cornfields of the powerful Powhatan, carrying off to his own village the object of his savage affections. He meant to coerce Tetehee into marriage while in his power, raise a war party, attack the settlement of the white men and exterminate it."

"Castalwan, upon hearing of the threatened danger of his lovely Indian bride-to-be, accompanied by Captain John Smith, supplicated King Powhatan for aid to rescue her. This was granted. So, with a war party composed of Indians and settlers, under the leadership of Smith, Opechancanough's village was surprised in the midst of his son's wedding festivities, Tetehee rescued and Bankee captured and carried before King Powhatan."

"Then it was that his fate was decreed—death by beheading, so to speak. As Bankee's head lay on the stone, a huge Indian standing over him, Pocahontas rushed between the upraised club and prostrate man and begged her father, the king, for his life—not from love, however, but simply through pity and weakness of heart."

"This is the true version of the world wide famous legend of Captain Smith and Pocahontas, which poets and historians have handed down to generations. It is a sample of what a truth undergoes—how it is garbled as related by one and another in the course of narration. The accuracy of the story is undoubted in my mind, as it is a well authenticated fact in the neighborhood in which the old farmer lives, that he is the last living descendant of Homer Castalwan and Tetehee, the Indian maiden."—Atlanta Constitution.

The Ivory Nut.

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MONKEY ACTORS.

A Trainer Must Become a Monkey to Be Able to Teach Them Tricks.

The training of monkeys for stage performances demands peculiar talents and a curious psychological ability on the part of the instructor. Brockmann probably the most successful monkey trainer that the world has seen, once described thus the necessary method of approaching a monkey pupil:

"To the monkey man is a strange and incomprehensible being. I therefore must adopt as far as possible the monkey's way of regarding persons and things. The monkey must find in me one of his own kind—a monkey like himself, only a much stronger monkey, whom he must obey. Then he has something which he can understand; he accustoms himself to it, and he voluntarily takes more pains to comprehend me than he would take to comprehend a being who made on him about the same impression that a monster from another world would make on us. I adapt, therefore, all to his mode of life. If he disobeys and rebels against me I do not strike, because he does not strike; but I bite because he bites."

The behavior of a troop of monkeys trained by Brockmann would undoubtedly strengthen the convictions of the Russian Duroff, who gave up teaching in a high school to instruct pigs and geese, and who holds that, of all pupils, human pupils are the least docile. A man once behind the scenes of Brockmann's monkey theater wrote:

"I have always regretted that Brockmann did not give his performances on a perfectly open stage, so that the audience could see the waiting performers. The conduct of the quadruped actors while awaiting their parts was much more fascinating than their best acting before the audience. Like a company of gnomes or lilliputians the little performers sit there dressed and made up, perfectly well behaved, each in the proper human attitude on his tiny chair, each following with undivided attention and eager anxiety the progress of the play so as to be ready at the exact moment for his appearance. No person is near them, no servant or attendant to distract them, and no prompter to whisper at the proper time."

"Franklin Lehmann, look out! You come on immediately!" or, "Herr Schulze! Where is Herr Schulze? Quick! Quick! You must go on!"

"Every one knows his part perfectly. Every one is acquainted with the progress of the plot and with the stage of the development at which he is expected to appear. Without a catchword or motion he hurries down from his tiny chair and out on the stage, plays his little part, and without a bow for the approval of the audience turns back to his place, not to leave it before duty calls him again before the footlights. Here all alone and unwatched these little fellows never forget their roles so far as to settle down on all fours, cover in monkey fashion, or indulge in the pranks of their mercurial natures."—New York Sun.

Lively Fly Paper.

Unfortunately we are all familiar with the sticky fly paper, which, despite its nastiness and horrible appearance when covered with its victims, holds its own purely by its undoubted efficacy in ridding a room of these most annoying pests. One of these most annoying pests. One of these most annoying pests.

"Good gracious!" said the matter with that paper? "said 'Auntie' jumping up suddenly from her chair as the family were seated at luncheon and pointing to a piece of fly paper that was circling wildly around in the middle of the room, apparently blowing this way and that in the most lively breeze, there being not a particle of wind stirring."

The Sunday Breakfast.

Among the many practical methods devised by kindly Christian people to reach and help the poor and criminal classes, one of the most effective is the Sunday breakfast in Philadelphia.

At 9 o'clock every Sunday morning a room is opened in one of the most degraded quarters of the city within easy reach of sailors, emigrants and that unnumbered class who are homeless and hungry.

The room is clean and warm, a pleasant refuge in stormy weather. The table is set, and each man or woman who enters, no matter how filthy or degraded, is heartily welcomed. The breakfast consists of two substantial sandwiches and a cup of strong hot coffee.

After the meal is over there is music, and one or two hymns are sung, while the men and women of all sects go quietly about among their guests and try to find out the special misery in their lives, and to make them their friends.—Youth's Companion.

How Egyptian Women Paint.

Loret says the ancient Egyptian women had blue hair, green eyelashes, painted teeth and reddened cheeks. He says the modern Egyptian women are much the same; they tinge their hands with henna, and prolong the eyes by means of kohl; they stain the nails brown and paint blue stars on the chin and forehead. "One hesitates a little about putting his hand into a hand—even very small—which extends itself to you painted a brick red. One is a little timid about looking too long into eyes—even very tender—when the blue star between them makes you squint." Loret, however, got bravely over his hesitation and his timidity, and thinks the fashion out altogether bad.—Popular Science Monthly

WHEN THE HAIR

Shows signs of falling, begin at once the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. This preparation strengthens the scalp, promotes the growth of new hair, restores the natural color to gray and faded hair, and renders a soft, glossy, and healthy.

"We have no hesitation in pronouncing Ayer's Hair Vigor unequalled for restoring the hair, and we do this after long experience in its use. This preparation preserves the hair, cures dandruff and all diseases of the scalp, makes rough and brittle hair soft and pliant, and prevents baldness. While it is not a dye, those who have used the Vigor say it will stimulate the roots and color glands of faded, gray, light, and red hair, changing the color to

A Rich Brown

or even black. It will not soil the pillow-case, or a pocket-handkerchief, and is always agreeable. All the dirty, gummy hair preparations should be displaced at once by Ayer's Hair Vigor, and thousands who go around with heads looking like the fretful porcupine should hurry to the nearest drug store and purchase a bottle of the Vigor."

The Sassy Sock, Atlanta, Ga. "Ayer's Hair Vigor is excellent for the hair. It stimulates the growth, cures baldness, restores the natural color, cleanses the scalp, prevents dandruff, and is a good dressing. We know that Ayer's Hair Vigor differs from most hair tonics and similar preparations, it being perfectly harmless."—From Economical Housekeeping, by Eliza R. Parker.

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Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmon, Postmaster of Idaho, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for I had feet aching from kidney and liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "I had Electric Bitters to be the best remedy for my liver and stomach troubles. I feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c a bottle at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s Drug Store."

A Mystery Explained.

The papers contain frequent notices of rich, pretty and educated girls eloping with negroes, tramps and coachmen. The well-known specialist, Dr. Franklin Miles, says all such girls are more or less hysterical, nervous, very impulsive, unbalanced; usually subject to headache, neuralgia, sleeplessness, immoderate crying or laughing. These show a weak, nervous system for which there is no remedy equal to Restorative Nerve. Trial bottles and a fine book, containing many marvelous cures, free at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s, who also sell and guarantee Dr. Miles' celebrated New Heart Cure, the finest of heart tonics. Cures fluttering, short breath, etc.

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Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ind., makes this statement: "My daughter, who is settled on her farm, she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her Druggist suggested Dr. King's new discovery for consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the dose. She continued it and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this great discovery at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s Drug Store, Philadelphia, Pa."

Height of Cruelty.

Nervous women seldom receive the sympathy they deserve. While often the pictures of health, they are constantly ailing. To withhold sympathy from these unfortunates is the height of cruelty. They have a weak heart, causing shortness of breath, fluttering, pain in side, weak and hungry spells, and finally swelling of ankles, oppression, choking, smothering and dropsy. Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is just the thing for them. For their nervousness, headache, weakness, etc., his Restorative Nerve is unequalled. Fine treatise on "Heart and Nervous Diseases" and marvelous testimonials free. Sold and guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co.

For many years Mr. B. F. Thompson, of Des Moines, Iowa, was severely afflicted with chronic diarrhoea. He says: "At times it was very severe; so much so, that I feared it would end my life. About seven years ago I chanced to procure a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It gave me prompt relief and I believe cured me permanently. As I know eat or drink without harm anything I please. I have also used it in my family with the best results. For sale by F. G. Fricke & Co."

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Castoria.

"Castoria is an excellent medicine for children. Mothers have repeatedly told me of its good effect upon their children." Dr. G. C. Osceola, Lowell, Mass.

"Castoria is the best remedy for children of which I am acquainted. I hope the day need not be distant when mothers will consider the real interest of their children, and use Castoria instead of the various quack nostrums which are destroying their loved ones, by forcing opium, morphine, soothing syrup and other hurtful agents down their throats, thereby sending them to premature graves." UNITED HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY, Boston, Mass.

"Our physicians in the children's department have spoken highly of their expert care in their outside practices with Castoria, and although we only save among our medical supplies what is known, as regular products, yet we are free to confess that the merits of Castoria has won us to look with favor upon it."

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GOOD BAR CONNECTED

Latent Diphtheritic Germs.

I might mention many physicians families that have been desolated by diphtheria contracted from them. The occasional latency of diphtheria, and the necessity of a more frequent inspection of the fauces of children who have been exposed to the disease, so as to be able to detect and isolate these walking cases, was forcibly shown by the following instance:

I was once called to a boy with diphtheria, and it occurred to me to examine his sister, who had left the call at my office. She was then in the street with some playmates, and was apparently as well and cheerful as they were. On inspecting her fauces a small but characteristic grayish white patch was observed over one tonsil.—Dr. J. Lewis Smith in Babyhood.

Funny Speeches.

Grose relates that Caulfield, meeting Mr. Thomas Sandby, said: "My dear Sandby, I'm glad to see you. Pray, is it you or your brother?" It was a Spaniard who remarked ingeniously that an author should always write his own index, let who will write the book. Edgeworth relates the story of an English sheep-keeper who did pretty well in the direction of the bull proper, when, to recommend the durability of some fabric for a lady's dress, he said, "Madam, it will wear forever and make you a petticoat afterward." This is quite equal to the Irishman's rope which had only one end, because the other had been cut away.—Temple Bar

A Sufficient Epitaph.

It were a pity that the good sayings and witticisms of Lowell should be lost. I send you one of which he was the author at a medical dinner given in London a few years ago. In his speech he alluded to a distinguished surgeon whose fame was so great that no marble monument was required to commemorate the name. The doctor's friends, said Mr. Lowell, thought it sufficient to lay him in the country churchyard with the simple and famous epitaph on his grave: "Si monumentum quis curis circumspice. (If you seek a monument, look around)." —Cor. St. James' Gazette.

A Simple Cure for Consumption.

An American physician, Dr. Helmer, asserts that a dose of peroxide of hydrogen, twenty drops in water every day, will do more toward curing consumption than anything previously used for that purpose. He further states that sixty drops will sterilize a quart of milk and render it harmless to children. This is applying peroxide of hydrogen to nobler uses than bleaching hair, for which purpose it has been principally used.—New York Recorder

An Apt Reply.

"What is that," said an oriental ruler at his banquet, "which did not come last year, has not come this year and will not come next year?" An officer, unashamed, replied, "It must surely be our back pay." Instead of being punished for his humor the man received what was due him and was promoted to a higher position.—San Francisco Argonaut

The wealthiest insane asylum in America is said to be the Sheppard asylum in Baltimore. It was endowed in 1837 with \$500,000. Since that time the trustees using the interest alone, have expended \$800,000 in buildings and land, and still have a capital of \$600,000.

The largest tuning fork ever manufactured was made at Hanau for the Physiological institute at Leipzig, and weighs twenty-seven kilograms, or a little over seventy-two pounds, and gives fourteen double oscillations a second.