

**Strange Spirit Manifestations.**  
One of the best authenticated instances of ghostly visitation is connected with Dr. Kerner's so-called Seeress of Provost. Dr. Kerner for many years conducted an asylum for the insane at Weinsburg, in Southern Germany. These came to him for treatment a Mrs. Haufler, a lady in delicate health, of great nervous irritability, and with a mind which was, to say the least, not too well balanced. Wherever this afflicted woman went, and Dr. Justinus Kerner is authority, she was pursued by a variety of strange noises. Chinaware and glassware, tables and chairs were mysteriously moved in the presence of witnesses. A medicine vial rose slowly into the air and had to be brought back by one of the bystanders.

On several occasions an easy chair was lifted up to the ceiling by unseen power and then returned slowly to the floor. On one occasion the great skeptic, Dr. Stranz, was one of her visitors, and during his stay Mrs. Haufler fell asleep on her sofa when there immediately arose long, fearful groanings close by the doctor's side and in the vicinity of his amiable but remarkable hostess. The strange suffering woman was the only one who knew the cause of these phenomena. She ascribed them all to a dark spirit who appeared to her as a black column of smoke with a hideous head, whose unseen approach oppressed even the bystanders.

Dr. Kerner relates countless mysterious phenomena which occurred in this patient's bedroom. He beheld Mrs. Haufler's shoes pulled off by invisible hands while she was lying almost insensible in a trance on her bed. She revealed secrets which, upon writing to utterly unknown persons at a great distance, Dr. Kerner proved to be correctly stated.—Philadelphia Press.

**Helping the Maids.**

During the War of the Revolution, while the American and British armies were contending in Pennsylvania, General Washington was in the neighborhood of Marietta, Lancaster county. General Lee, with two or three aides-de-camp, rode in advance, and stopping at a wayside inn, informed the landlord that General Washington and his staff officers would quarter at his house for the night.

This news, of course, caused great confusion among the inmates of the establishment. They wanted to do honor to the beloved commander, and bustled about to have all things in readiness upon his arrival.

"Here, you," said the genius who presided in the kitchen to General Lee, ignorant of his rank in the army, "just go out to that woodpile and split an armful for me. I must hurry up this fire, or I cannot get a good supper for General Washington."

The officer, enjoying the joke, obediently took up the ax, and soon the chips were flying in all directions. He was busily working away when Washington and his staff rode up to the tavern.

"Why, General Lee," said the commander-in-chief, "what in the world are you doing?"

"Oh," replied Lee, lifting his head, "I am helping the maids in the kitchen. General Washington and his officers are coming here for supper to-night."

Both generals burst into a hearty laugh, in which their companions joined; and even the landlady, who had set the general at work, enjoyed the joke after she had recovered somewhat from her mortification.—Youth's Companion.

**The Bridegroom Had a Dog License.**

People who have lived in cities where marriage licenses are required often have great difficulty in understanding the system in vogue here. They cannot realize that the services of a minister or alderman are all that is necessary when the parties have reached the proper age. A German whose knowledge of the English language is limited wished to get married not long ago, and being under the impression that a license was necessary he started out to secure one. He wandered around the postoffice and the various municipal and county buildings for an hour or two, unable to find the place where licenses were to be had.

Finally he managed to explain to a policeman that he wanted a license, although he was unable to make it clear what kind of a one he was after. The officer directed him to the place where dog licenses are issued, and the happy suitor paid his fee and received the precious paper.

That evening the German and his blushing affianced went to the house of a minister to have the Gordian knot tied. When the bridegroom proudly handed over his dog license the worthy pastor could hardly perform the ceremony for suppressed laughter. The couple, however, were none the less firmly married because the paper allowed the husband to keep a dog instead of to wed a wife.—New York Tribune.

**London as It Was.**

Haydn's "Dictionary of Dates" makes the statement that the old name of the city of London was written Lynden or Llyndin, meaning "the city on the lake." An old tradition gives us to understand that London was founded by Brute, a descendant of Aeneas, and called New Troy, or Troynovant, until the time of Lud, who surrounded the town with walls and named it Caer-Lud, or Lud's town. This latter is probably the correct version of the story, if for no other reason because it is an easy matter to detect a similarity between the expression Lud's town and London. It is claimed by some writers that there was a city on the same spot 1,107 years B. C., and it is known that the Romans founded a city there called Londinium A. D. 61.—St. Louis Republic.

**A Comparison.**

Jack—I have come to believe that there's a good deal of similarity between a car porter and Cupid's arrows.  
Nellie—Gracious! How do you make that out?  
Jack—Well, neither is effective unless tipped with gold or silver.—Pittsburg Herald.

**TACT IS THE THING.**

**How a New York Boy Got a Position When Times Were Different from Today.**  
Tact is one of the first qualifications of a business man, and the following incident in the history of one of the most successful merchants shows a development of this trait early in his business career.

Coming to New York from the country, without friends and with very little money, he found his way to "lower Wall street," and walking into the store of W. & Co., passed back into the counting room and waited modestly and patiently till he should divert the attention of Mr. W., who was at the moment busily engaged with some friend. At last the frank, open face of the boy attracted his notice, and he addressed him with:

"What can I do for you, sonny?"  
"I want a place, sir."  
"Well, what can you do?"  
The boy answered eagerly:  
"Most anything, sir."  
Mr. W., partly for a joke and partly to rid himself of the almost too confident boy, said:

"Ah, ah! Well, just go out and borrow me a couple of thousand dollars."  
The lad placed his hat on his head, walked out of the store, then passed slowly down Front street till he came to another large store in the same line of business, our friends of the past, Messrs. S. C. & Co., then, with a bold but honest look, he walked up to the head of the house and said:

"Mr. W., of W. & Co., sent me down to borrow \$2,000."  
"He did, my son? How is business up at your place?"

The boy, having seen the appearance of large shipments, answered quickly:  
"Very good, sir."  
"Two thousand dollars did you say? Will that be enough?"

"Well, \$2,000 is all he told me, but if you have plenty I think he would like it if you sent him \$3,000."  
"Just give this boy a check for \$3,000 for W. & Co.," remarked Mr. S. to his cashier.

The boy took the check and with it returned to Mr. W., walking back into the office with an air of successful pride and said:  
"Here it is, sir."  
Mr. W., taking one look at the check and then at the boy, said:  
"Young man, come in here; you are just the one I have been looking for."

And giving him a desk he set him to work.—New York Recorder.

**Odd Epitaphs.**

While strolling in the fields near a small hamlet not thirty miles from Rochester I came across an antiquated graveyard overgrown with ivy and mosses, the stones of which bore dates between 1796 and 1820. I scraped the mold from a few of the stones and brought to light these inscriptions. This one is modest:

My body to the grave I give,  
My soul to God I hope is fed;  
When this my children  
You do see, remember me.

This, on a child's grave, is not without pathos:

This lovely bud so young and fair,  
Cald hence by early doom,  
Just caught to show how sweet a flower in  
Paradise would bloom.

This one also preserves the phonetic method:

Youth like a morning flower,  
Cut down and withered in an hour.  
Notice the unexpected word division in these:

To worlds of spirits I am gone,  
And left my friends behind to mourn.  
My body lies here in the dust,  
My soul is stationed with the blest.

Hark, my gay friends, to my voice has been,  
Refrain from folly and forsake your sin;  
Still from the dead I fain would send my cries,  
Trust in the Saviour, don't His grace despise.

This one is as good as any I have seen

A thousand ways cut short our days,  
None are exempt from death.  
A honeybee by stinging me,  
Did stop my mortal breath.  
—Rochester Union.

**A Whiphoisting Drum.**

A novel machine called a whiphoisting drum has been invented in Rhode Island for unloading lumber and other freight from vessels, and is found to be a great improvement on ordinary methods in the saving of time and labor. The machine has three drums which operate two derricks and a central line which runs to the hold of the vessel; the power is furnished by an electric motor of ten horse power, the capacity of the motor being 500 volts and making 1,600 revolutions to the minute.

A belt connects the motor with the shaft which operates the drums, the power being transferred to the drums by what is called a paper friction; each drum is operated by a lever, and can be stopped in an instant. The motor is a self oiling machine, a drop of oil falling on the bearings every thirty seconds. When the lumber is drawn from the vessel, a large hook from the wharf derrick is attached, and the sticks are transferred in the most ready manner to any part of the yard.—New York Sun.

**Queer Provisions.**

The will of the Earl of Pembroke, of the English civil war notoriety, does not portray a mind exactly in the state it should be when he proceeds to say: "As regards my other horses, I bequeath them to my Lord Fairfax, that when Cromwell and his council take away his commission he may still have some horses to command. Above all, put my body beneath the church porch, for I am, after all, a man of birth, and would not that I should be interred there where Colonel Pride was born."—San Francisco Argonaut.

**A Cold Day.**

Gentleman (on railway train)—Pardon me, madam: is this seat beside you engaged?  
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**Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.**  
From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd of Groton, S. D., we quote:  
"Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am now a well and hearty woman." Trial bottles free at F. G. Fricke & Co's drug store, regular size, 50c. and \$1.00.

**Startling Facts.**  
The American people are rapidly becoming a race of nervous wrecks and the following suggests the best remedy: alphonso Humplung, of Butler, Penn., swears that when his son was speechless from St. Vitus Dance Dr. Miles great Restorative Nerving cured him. Mrs. J. L. Miller of Valparaiso, J. D. Taolnr, of Logansport, Ind. each gained 20 pounds in an taking it. Mrs. H. A. Gardner, of Vastulr Ind. was cured of 40 to 50 convulsions easy and much headache, dizziness, backache and nervous prostration by one bottle. Trial bottle and fine book of Nervous cures free at F. G. Fricke & Co., who recommends this unequalled remedy.

**The causes of headache are many.** Some grave headaches are due to cerebral disease—meningitis, tumor, abscess softening of the brain. In these cases there will be other symptoms pointing to the cause. Other causes are overfulness of the blood vessels, caused by the condition of the heart; a plethoric condition of the body; mental excitement. Such cases are marked by a flushed face, glittering eyes, a beating in the ears and giddiness on stooping.

**It is imagination, rather than reason, that distinguishes man from brute; and no person who is devoid of imagination can know extremes of happiness or misery. Happiness greatly depends on the faculty for forgetting.**

**No age is so old fashioned as childhood.** That childhood was happy may be one of the illusions which is fostered, if not engendered, by lapse of time. Of the happiness of second childhood there can be no question.

**Humboldt calculated the mean level of North America to be 748 feet above the sea, and he found that in 4,500,000 years the whole of North America might be worn down to the sea level.**

**The young czarvitch of Russia has been a most industrious student, and is now one of the best informed men of his age in Eastern Europe. He is especially well versed in the higher sciences.**

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