

BALDNESS HEREDITARY.

So Says a Hairdresser in a Learned Discourse on the Subject.

"About bald heads, now," said a hairdresser who professed to know all about hirsute deficiency and its causes, "they are as much due to heredity as they are to red heads, black heads, curly heads or heads that are not curly. And why are men so commonly bald and women bald so uncommonly? There are doctors and men of science who point to that fact to strengthen their well known high hat theory of baldness. They affect to believe, and insist on their belief, that the high silk hat and the hard felt hat are responsible for most of the baldheaded men, the unyielding pressure of such headgear constricting the blood vessels which nourish the hair bulbs, and thus destroying their vital properties, the result being death of the roots and unavoidable capillary scantiness. Women, say these scientific speculators, do not injure the vitals of their hair by such means, and thus are rarely chronically bald.

"Maybe they are right, but I don't believe it. Everybody knows that man, as the head of the family, has to go to the front and stay there in the capacity of the breadwinner. The strain of life comes the most severe on the man in that respect. He it is who suffers the anxieties and battles against the disappointments of business, speaking of life in general. What makes men prematurely old? Just these anxieties and struggles. If prematurely old, why not prematurely bald, which is a natural accompaniment of untimely age? Woman has less brain stress. Her sympathies with the man in his struggle may be great, and usually are, but they do not make the demands on her organization that tell so severely on the system of the man.

"I account for much baldness among men by this theory of nervous exhaustion, but then what will explain its prevalence among men whose circumstances do not require them either to indulge in business anxieties or undergo business disappointments? Thus we see the easy going man about town, not yet in his prime as to years, with no haunting thought of tomorrow, yet as bald as his grandfather was at seventy. We see the pampered child of fortune, son of a millionaire father, who toils not, neither doth he spin, yet Elijah, whom the bad boys mocked, at the same time the she bears came out of the wilderness and dined upon them, was not arrayed in less hair than one of these. Some might explain this by the sweeping charge of dissipation, but it will not do. I have among my patrons youth of this kind who are models of sobriety, propriety and simple living, and yet they are as bald as doorknobs.

"Heredity is the only explanation that can be made of this mysterious departure of the hair in early life, although Professor Eaton, an English scientific person who has made investigation on the subject a specialty for years, does not believe it, and stoutly declares that the cause of baldness is no nearer discovery than it was a hundred years ago.

"But whether I am right or wrong in my theories I know I am right in this, and that is when a man is once bald he is always bald, unless his hair has fallen out from the effects of fever. In that case it will generally return in time of its own accord. But a head that has gradually lost its hair while the owner of it is in good physical condition has lost it for good. If it wasn't so do you suppose there would be so many bald-headed doctors and barbers?" - New York Sun.

How an Elephant Eats.

An elephant's digestive functions are very rapid, and the animal therefore requires daily a large amount of fodder - 600 pounds at least. In its wild state the elephant feeds heartily, but wastefully. It is careful in selecting the few best trees which it likes for their bark or foliage. But it will tear down orchards and leave half of them untouched. It will strip off the bark from other trees and throw away a large portion.

As it is a nocturnal animal, it selects its trees by the senses of touch and smell. Its sense of smell is so delicate that a wild elephant can scent an enemy at a distance of 1,000 yards, and the nerves of its trunk are so sensitive that the smallest substance can be discovered and picked up by its tiny proboscis.

An elephant's palate is very delicate, and the animal is whimsical in selecting or rejecting morsels of food. - Youth's Companion.

Diarrhea and Digestive Troubles.

The connection between teething and diarrhea has been considered until of recent years as beyond question. But even this is very doubtful. For ourselves, we should have no difficulty theoretically in supposing that painful teething might upset the digestion, just as in nervous older children and adults we see excitement and mental anxiety produce like results. But actually, the more the cases are examined the less certain is the relation of the bowel trouble to the supposed cause. Here again developments in the digestive organs may have an influence, and the effect of heat, either directly upon the nervous system of the child or by injuring food, is shown by the prevalence of these diseases in summer. - Dr. Henry D. Chapin in Babyhood.

Weeping Trees.

The literature of "weeping trees" is enormous, much of it being plainly mythical, but there is a large basis of fact upon which most of these marvelous stories rest. Many travelers have described the famous "rain tree" of Padradoca, Isle of Ferro. John Cockburn, in 1735, describes a tree at Vera Pas, Central America, from which pure water continually dripped from every leaf and branch. - St. Louis Republic.

Chinamen cannot become citizens of the United States because the right of naturalization is limited to free white persons and Africans or people of African descent.

THE RIVAL MINSTRELS.

Haroon-al-Rasheed loved his harem's maid; He loved his garden, with their wending shade;

He loved to watch his crystal fountain play; He loved his horses and his courtiers gay; He loved all royal sports that please a king; But most he loved to hear his minstrels sing.

And so it happened that his fame had brought Two rival singers to the caliph's court.

Who pleased him best, full well each minstrel knew; Would be proclaimed the greater of the two. So well they pleased him that they found him loath To choose between them, for he loved them both.

"Let all the nation judge," at length said he: "Who pleases best my people pleases me." Through all the land the rival poets sang; Their names and music were on every tongue. Until at last they never reached a door Where Fame had not sung all their songs before.

Ben Olaf sang of deeds the caliph wrought. The riches and the splendors of his court; The mighty warriors every nation boasts, And armies vanquished by the prophet's hosts; How Islam's valor was beloved and feared; And when he finished, listening thousands cheered.

Mustapha's songs were all of simpler things; Forgotten was the pride of earthly kings. He sang to them of home and trash and love; How Allah watched his children from above; Close to their hearts the poet's music crept; And when he finished, all the people wept.

For though Ben Olaf charmed them with his arts, It was Mustapha's songs that reached their hearts. - James G. Burnett in Harper's.

Fifty Kinds of Electric Fishes.

According to the statements of the English naturalist, Professor Stirling, there are in existence today upward of fifty species of fishes having more or less specialized organs, the function of which is the generation of electric discharges. The fishes differ widely, sometimes strikingly, from each other, belonging mostly to different families, and occasionally even to different orders of the "Pisces." In structure they closely resemble the other species of the genera to which they severally belong, differing from them, with an occasional exception, mainly in the possession of organs for electric generation.

The well known "electric rays," for example, of which Nicholson mentions three and Gunther six, are the most prominent. These rays are found in the Atlantic and Indian oceans and the Mediterranean sea, and are seen in the English channel, or even farther north; while other electric fishes are still more cosmopolitan, though most of them inhabit limited areas and warm waters. - Electricity.

A Phrase That Is Not English.

"I will give a prize of \$100 to any one who can prove that the expression 'don't you know,' or, as it is often rendered, 'doncherknow,' was ever used in England by a real Englishman," declared a person of the British persuasion the other day.

"The phrase had its origin in Philadelphia, where it is much in vogue, because certain dudes there believe it is English. No Englishman ever says 'Don't you know.' The expression he does use is 'You know,' such as 'I'm going up to London, you know, to get me new trousers, you know.'

"This may be a starter for certain young men about town, who by dint of great practice are able to interject 'doncherknow' at about every ten words in their conversation. I'm sorry to hurt their feelings." - New York Herald.

It Needs No Guards.

The smallest, simplest and best protected postoffice in the world is in the Straits of Magellan and has been there for many years. It consists of a small painted keg or cask, and is chained to the rocks of the extreme cape in a manner so that it floats free, opposite Terra del Fuego. Each passing ship sends a boat to take letters out and put others in. This curious postoffice is unprovided with a postmaster, and is therefore under the protection of all the navies of the world. Never in the history of this unique "office" has its privilege been abused. - Philadelphia Press.

His Election Cost Him Four Cents.

Mr. H. R. Williams may be complimented upon the economy he exercised in seeking re-election to the Middlesex county council, his expenses being set down at twopence. This fairly beats the "record." Mr. Deputy Bedford's election expenses were said to be but ninepence on one occasion, but he made his ineffectual fires before the superior financial prowess of Mr. Williams. - London City Press.

Depth of the Mediterranean.

The Austrian government has made a number of soundings in the Mediterranean, and the greatest depth reached was 2,400 fathoms, which is deeper than any sounding yet recorded for that body of water. - New York Journal.

What He Didn't Eat.

A Yankee on paying his bill at a London restaurant was told that the sum put down didn't include the waiter.

"Waal," he roared, "I didn't eat any waiter, did I?" - London Tit-Bits.

The commissioners of customs in England have taken steps to bring their department into line in the normal requirements of trade, and the customs hours are from 6 to 6, without overtime.

The Boston board of health, in a tour of inspection at night in the North End tenement house district, found nine persons sleeping in one room, with windows and doors tightly closed.

Professor John Marshall, of University college, London, says that yawning "may be accomplished by the will, but is often the result of involuntary imitation."

The stupendous results of the steam engine may all be traced to the boy who sat watching the steam which came from the nose of the teakettle.

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Would use Kemp's balsam for the throat and lungs, it is curing more cases coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup and all throat and lung troubles, than any other remedy. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a sample bottle free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Large bottles 50c and \$1.

I feel it my duty to say a few words in regard to Ely's Cream Balm, and to do so entirely without solicitation. I have used it more or less half a year, and have found it to be most admirable. I have suffered from catarrh of the wo... kind ever since I was a little boy, and I never hoped for cure, but Cream Balm seems to do even that. Many of my acquaintances have used it with excellent results. - Oscar Ostum, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago Ill.

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Some Foolish People.

allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They say "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50c and \$1. Trial size free. At all druggists.

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The population of Plattsmouth is about 10,000, and we would say at least, neo-half are troubled with some affection on the throat and lungs, as those complaints are, according to statisticians, more numerous than others. We would advise all our readers not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggist and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs. Trial size free. Large bottle 50c. and \$1. Sold by all druggist.

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For years the editor of the Burlington Junction, (Mo.) Post, has been subject to cramp colic fits of indigestion, which prostrated him for several hours and unfitted him for business for two or three days. For the past year he has been using Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhea Remedy whenever occasion required, and it has invariably given him prompt relief. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by F. G. Fricke & Co., druggists.

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Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Castle, Wis was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven bottles Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by F. G. Fricke & Co.

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CATHOLIC - St. Paul's Church, bk. between Fifth and Sixth. Father Canney, Pastor. Services: Mass at 8 and 10:30 A. M. Sunday School at 2:30, with benediction.

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EPISCOPAL - St. Luke's Church, corner Third and Vine. Rev. H. B. Burgess, pastor. Services: 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 2:30 P. M.

GERMAN METHODIST - Corner Sixth St. and Grable. Rev. H. L. Pastor. Services: 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School 10:30 A. M.

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