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A Firm Believer in Honesty.

There was an occurrence not long ago in the city of Minneapolis which well illustrated the making of virtue a necessity and profiting thereby. A lady, than whose name there is none better known in the theatrical world, was playing an engagement at the Grand. She stopped, of course, at the West. One day she was engaged in looking over her wardrobe, or a portion of it, in her room, and, being busy, had her luncheon sent to her room. When it came her stage diamonds, made of the purest paste, were scattered about on the table, among them being a large cross, heavily set with sparkling diamonds. It caught the eye of the waiter who brought up the tray, and, by a little juggling with his napkin, he secured it.

He rushed downstairs as soon as possible, to, in vulgar parlance, "hock" it, but found that he could raise but fifty cents on it. He was a "smooth guy," so he hastened back to the hotel, only to find that the lady had departed for the matinee performance. To the theatre he went, and, securing admission to the stage entrance on "pressing business from Miss ——, —— hotel," he found the lady and restored to her the diamond cross, which, he plausibly set forth, had become entangled in a napkin. She had never even missed the ornament, but she was so delighted with the fellow's honesty that she bestowed on him a five dollar bill. This is a true story, and one which will not be incorporated among those in the Sunday school books under the title, "The Reward of Honesty."—St. Paul Globe.

No Sampling Wanted.

While in Canada recently I went into a candy store to make a purchase, and, at I had always done at home, sampled some of the varieties piled on the counter. And what do you think I found? Cayenne pepper! At first I supposed it was some candy made for April fool's day, but when I sampled two other piles which looked tempting, and from which, had they pleased me, I should have purchased, I found that cayenne pepper was in each piece. "In order to stop customers eating candy they don't pay for," said my companion. I tell you I was mad; and when I thought of the way in this country, where one is asked to sample everything unknown before buying, I told the clerk I didn't want the caramels.—New York Tribune.

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Harper's Bazar: "Please sir, I am starving. I've had nothing to eat for four days. "Won't you give me a dollar?" "A dollar? That's a good deal, isn't it?" "Not to keep a man alive for four days, your honor."

A Sequel to It.

He had a push cart full of "the latest and best" novels, says the New York Sun, and had just opened up on the corner of Third avenue and Twenty-seventh street when a young woman stopped and inquired:

"Have you a real good book?"

"I have, lady," he replied. "Here is the latest thing out and just what will please you. Let's see!"

"Is it real entertaining?"

"The entertainingest book published for a year, miss, as I'm willing to swear to. I was so interested in it that I sat up all night and never went to the bank next day. Ah! here it is: 'How She Won Him.' Tells you all about how a young woman of—of well about 24, miss, and the very picture of yourself, begging pardon, won a lovely husband that he was so rich he gravel-roofed his stable with pearls and diamonds. It gives you an insight into—

"How much?" she interrupted, as she took out her purse.

"Fifty cents, miss, and as I was going to——"

"I'll take it."

She dropped him a half, took the book, and passed on, and the old fellow had a twinkle in his eyes as he looked after her and mutteered:

"She will be along again in three or four days, and then I'll sell her the sequel to it: 'How He Skipped Out After He Was Won.' Got to study human nature in these dull times."

The Heroism of a Child.

In the Bodlean Library at Oxford is the most touching record of heroes and self sacrifice on the part of a child.

The lower door of St. Leonard's Church, Bridgeworth, was left open, and two young boys, wandering in, were tempted to mount to the upper part, and scramble from beam to beam.

All at once a joist gave away. The beam on which they were standing became displaced. The elder had just time to grasp it when falling, while the younger slipping over his body, caught hold of his comrade's legs. In this fearful position the poor lads hung, crying vainly for help, for no one was near.

At length the boy clinging to the beam became exhausted. He could no longer support the double weight. He called out to the lad below that they were both done for.

"Could you save yourself if I were to loose you," replied the younger lad.

"I think I could," returned the elder.

"Then good-by, and God bless you!" said the little fellow, loosing his hold.

Another second and he was dashed to pieces on the stone floor below.

His companion clambered to a place of safety.—Chatterbox for March.

There is a Boy I Can Trust.

We once visited a public school. At recess a little fellow came up and spoke to the teacher: as he turned to go down the platform, the master said: "That is a boy I can trust! He never failed me." We followed him with our eye and looked at him when he took his seat after recess. He had a fine, open manly face. We thought a good deal about the masters remark. What a character had that boy earned. He had already got what would be worth more to him than a fortune. It would be a passport into the best store in the city, and, what is better, into the confidence and respect of the whole community. We wonder if the boys know how soon they are rated by other people. Every boy in the neighborhood is known, and opinions are formed of him; he has a character either favorable or unfavorable. A boy of whom the master can say, "I can trust him he never failed me," will never want employment.—Our Dumb Animals.

What keeps the Bicycler Upright

Let us suppose a cyclist mounted on his wheel and riding, say, toward the north. He finds himself beginning to tilt toward his right. He is now going not only north with the machine, but east also. He turns the wheel eastward. The point of support must of necessity travel in the plane of the wheel; hence it at once begins to go eastward, and, as it moves much faster than the rider tilts, it quickly gets under him, and the machine is again upright. To one standing at a distance in front or rear, the bottom of the wheel will be seen to move to the right and left, just as I moved the foot of the skeleton frame a moment ago.

I conclude, then, that the stability of the bicycle is due to turning the wheel to the right or left, whatever way the leaning is, and thus keeping the point of support under the rider, just as a boy keeps upright on his fingers a broomstick standing on its smallest end—Charles B. Warring, in The Popular Science Monthly.

"Proverbs" of Medicine.

People who are fond of taking medicine may gratify their taste and put money in their pockets at the same time. A homeopathic college pays persons to take drugs and keep a record of their effect. These drug-takers must be sound in health and not habitual users of tobacco, tea, coffee, or alcohol stimulants. For converting their stomachs into laboratories the "orovers," as they are called, receive $5 a week.

Torture in Mexico.

Torture is probably not infrequent in Mexico today. It is known to have been used in some instances within comparatively recent years to extract details of suspected political crime. The Mexican method is the bow-string or cord drawn around the victim's neck, and slowly tightened until the sufferer is ready to tell the story. This is done in the dungeons with which Mexican prisons abound, and which are relics of the days of Spanish occupation. Mexicans would no doubt indignantly deny that torture is a part of their judicial procedure. But as reliable Americans state that they have seen the victims before and after the infliction, the denial amounts to very little. During the days of the Tudors, when the rack was in constant operation, its use was contrary to English law. So it is in the Spanish American countries where despots are a law unto themselves. The Middle Ages are not as much the past ages as they might be in a good part both of Europe and America, letting alone the barbarous regions of the world.

"Plon Plon's" Nickname.

Illustration American: Prince Napolean was dull, he was incapable, he was a coward. Helpless, hopeless, he was the degenerate bearer of a great name. The public hurled great epithets at him. He returned from the Crimea to the Palis Royal to be received as Craint Plomb, (fears lead) which afterwards became Plon Plon. Not satisfied with tacking this nickname on him, the press tore his reputation to pieces, and so it was that when his engagement with the Princess Clothilde, daughtes of Victor Emmanuel, was announced, all Europe and America was shocked.

Purity of Sea Air.

Professor Roster, of Florence, has recently examined the air of the island of Elba, and come to the following important and practical conclusions: 1. The air of an island, even when of considerable side, contains fewer bacteria than the mainland. 2. When the wind is off the sea the number of bacteria is enormously decreased. 3 A comparatively narrow arm of the sea is sufficient to purify the air blowing over it. 4. Atmospheric bacteria increase in proportion to the velocity of the wind. 5. Rain is the most important factor in purifying air of its contained germs.

An Old Settler.

An English naturalist who put in two years in a boarding house spent the next five in tracing the bedbug back to his native lair. He found perfectly authentic information to prove that the insect existed and was full of business in the year 120 B. C. He was even found in the camps of the army and no war fleet was deemed fitted out without a liberal sprinkling.

The first Bank.

The Bank of England was established in 1693, and is older than any of the institutions of the class in any other of the great nations. It was not the first of the important financial houses, however. The Bank of Venice was created in 1101, that of Genoa in 1407, that of Hamburg in 1619 and that of Rotterdam in 1635. In 1803 the Bank of France was established.

Butter From Cocoanuts.

Cocoanut butter is a new food stuff, which seems to have a useful future before it. According to a report by the British vice-consul at Berlin, the production of an edible fat from the marrow of the cocoanut has been carried on for the last two years by a firm at Mannheim, the process having been discovered three years before by Dr. Schlinck. Factories having the same object are about to be established at Paris and at Amsterdam. The nuts come from the Soute Sea islands and also from certain places on the African and South American coasts. The butter, which is sold at less than half the price of ordinary butter in London, contains from 60 to 70 per cent of fat and 23 to 25 per cent of organic matter. Its color is white; it is of an agreeable taste is suitable for cooking purposes and is being purchased by the poor, who prefer it to margerine. Being free from acid, it digests with greater ease than dairy butter, and is preferable in other ways to the bad butter which too often finds its way to market. It is also a more attractive compound than the various preparations called margerine, some of which have such very questionable origin.

A Logical Sequence.

A tramp, putting his head inside the door of a grocery, asked:

"Please, mister, gi' me a piece o' paper to wrap suthin' in."

A piece was given him; the door closed, but in a second opened again.

"Please gi' me su'thin' to wrap in it."—Judge.

A Twenty-Acre Pond.

A twenty-acre pond bubbled up out of the earth in Center county, Pa., last winter, in twenty minutes. The people round about there thought the foundations of the earth had given away.

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A Living Out of Matrimony.

Talking about queer ways of making one's bread and butter, there are two men in the city hall who manage to make a very substantial living out of their scheme. It is generally known that the average number of marriages in the city hall every year reaches the large total of 1,200. Most of these marriages are devoid of romance, being contracted by the poorer class of Italians. A good many, however, are hasty unions, where the bride and groom have reasons for hurrying down to the hall to have the knot tied. These persons generally come without witnesses. That is just where the two men I speak of come in They can tell a couple who want to get married when they see them approach the hall. Twenty-two years experience and observation has made them infallible in this respect. In a minute they make themselves known to the groom and before he knows it they have the blank certificate drawn up and ready for signature. If the mayor happens to be away they hustle around and get an alderman to perform the ceremony, and in fact, everything connected with the marriage is done by them in a systematic way. Of course the groom generally testifies his appreciation by a tip ranging from $5 to $25. In one case a fee of $50 was obtained. When the duke of Marlborough was united to Mrs Hamersley by Mayor Hewitt the two matrimonal "fixers" expected a big fee. They were chagrined, however when they were left out in the cold They have no use now for aristocrats.—

A Strange Experience.

Merchant—"Anything remarkable happen on your last trip?"

Drummer—"Remarkable! One of the most phenomenal occurences ever heard of, gave me such a start that I haven't got over it yet. It was on the night express East."

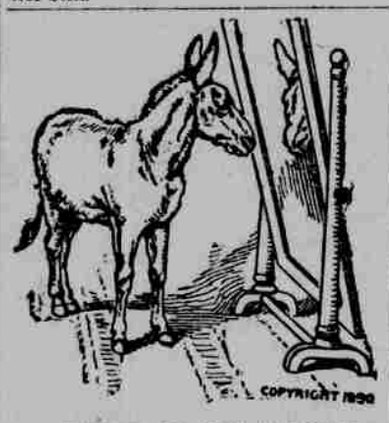
"Well! Well! What was it?"

"The train suddenly stopped, and when the passengers began asking the conductor what was the matter, he didn't rush away, nor hew nor haw, nor anything. He just stood still and told them."—Street & Smith's Good News.

"Here's a pretty good coat, if you wish it," said the warm-hearted woman.

"Your kindness excuses your ignorance, ma'am," answered Mr. Weary Watkins, "but I can't wear no sack coat with this silk hat, See?"

When Colonel Nevermix was asked to propose a toast to Kentucky he arose and said: "Kentucky. Heaven bless her! With all her faults I love her still."



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