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Famous scientific man has declared that the culture of a nation's civilization may be gauged by the amount of sulphuric acid it consumes, since this acid is essential to the most skillful and economical methods in the mechanical arts. Measured by this standard the civilization of the United States is the highest on earth. Persons on mummy clothes with wool produced only through the use of sulphuric acid are taken as evidence of the high civilization prevailing in ancient Egypt.

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On August 30th and September 27th for one lowest first-class fare will be sold from eastern points to points on C. & M. Ry. for two home seekers' excursions. Tickets will be sold at special railway points as far east as Chicago and Pittsburg. Tickets will be valid within thirty days from date of sale, stop overs will be allowed on all round trip tickets after passing the Missouri River. These excursions enable parties in the east to come west and visit their friends a visit at a very low rate and look over the great productive fields of Nebraska.

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Succeeded Getting Even.

"What are you going to do when you see your man?" asked the visitor. The fellow's face assumed an expression of earnest gravity as he replied, with a voice which was evidently laden with sad memories of the past, "Whip papa."

Thimbles Came to England.

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Toilet of a Cat.

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Not Very Encouraging.

Algy had spent a long evening with Miss Edith. At last he arose to go. Her handshake was not cordial enough to suit him; in fact, it was very limp and exhausted. He was disappointed, for he had expected a very different parting, but in a vein of pleasantry he said:

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Student Dueling.

During the time between the examination and immatriculation in a German university," said Professor Schlienen to a reporter of the Indianapolis News, "the young student is called a mule, because he is neither an ass nor a horse, but something between both. But when he is smart enough to enter one of the students' societies—or 'verbindungen'—he is called a fox—you would call it freshman—becomes later on a burned fox, which indicates that he his been in the fire; then a fellow, and gradually rises to the different honors in his 'crops,' or club, as fox major, who educates the young freshman in the art of drinking, fencing major who drills the foxes in the use of their rapier and sword; and senior, or moss head, after he has been in the crops for half a century.

"Each fox chooses a fellow or a moss head, to whom he attaches with body and soul, for whom he goes on errands, whose boots he blacks, whose debts he pays, whose correspondence he writes, for whom he learns and puts down the lectures; for whom, in short, he does everything short of stealing and murdering. The fellow, in his turn, protects the fox—or, as he is called, his body fox in quarrels of all sorts, accepts duels for him, makes his cause his own whenever the fox is too inexperienced to stand his own ground, and is like an elder brother to him. Friendships like that are to last a life time.

"At my time the clubs, or verbindungen, were all the rage. A student who did not belong to one of them was much despised.

"Those 'verbindungen' were divided into two different classes, such whose members accepted a duel when offered and such who did not. The first class were called 'honorable verbindungen' or 'honorable clubs'; the second 'blasen' or 'debbles,' and their members 'camels.' The honorable clubs are again divided in corps and landsmaanschaften, the names of which were derived from the name of old German countries, for instance, Saevia, Franconia, Saxonia, Borussia, and so forth. The 'bubbles' are divided into 'burschenschatten,' 'fellowship' and simple vereine or clubs, which may be very nice, but don't amount to very much in the eyes of an 'honorable student.' A 'student' who gives you his left cheek when you have slapped him on the right one may make a good preacher in after life; as a student he hardly deserves recognition, and you have a right to slap him right and left.

"The finest verbindungen are the corps. The princes of our royal house have all been corps students in Rome and Berlin. There are crops which receive as members only the highest aristocracy, princes, counts, barons, etc. My corps, Franconia, was a corps more on occount of its principle of students honor than on account of the nobility of its members. Although we were most of us sons of high state officials, army officers, etc., there were, nevertheless, some of the most noble and valiant and highly estemed fellows in the corps—sons of simple citizens bakers, shoemakers—and so on. Bravery was the first paragraph in our codes of honor. A duel was offered the accepted on the slightest pretense. A word, a look, a gesture, was sometimes sufficient to open hostilities which ended in a duel.

"Those duels are frought with three different weapons—the rapier, a straight sword, which inflicts only slight wounds, most in the face and on the head, which are not protected; then the saber, a regular cavalry sword with a broad blade, a very dangerous weapon which under circumstances causes a deadly result, and the pistol.

"Pistol duels are very scarce, and occur seldom between students, but only between army officers and students mostly on account of offense given during the one year's military service. I had six rapier duels and one with the saber; being a very good swordsman I escaped with a very few light scars on the head, over which the moss has grown since."

Wonders of the Human Heart.

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8	-ar-i--n	OCCUPIES THE MOST RESPONSIBLE AND FOREMOST POSITION CONNECTED WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND PROTECTION OF THE PEOPLE AGAINST FOREIGN OR HOSTILE NATIONS
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