

All Sorts.

Illustration is frequently the result of an overdose of medicine; in other words, to be caught in a passing rain often insures auring pain.

Darlington, England, with a population of 27,723, has 1,000 houses vacant, and only 109 medical officers, or one doctor to every 250 persons, instead of 1,200, as formerly.

It used to be believed with your friends' secret, for no matter how faithfully you may keep it, you may be liable in a thousand contingencies to the suspicion of having betrayed it.

A Los Angeles boy has a new idea of the refrain. Being asked in Sunday school what is the meaning of "Selah," he replied that it was ancient for "Wait, I know."

A British paper states that abominations and fiendish acts are the only two words in the English language where the five vowels follow each other in their proper order.

An ambitious young writer having asked, "What magazine will give me the highest position quickest?" was told: "A popular magazine, if you contribute a fiery article."

Victor Hugo says that, in the twentieth century, war, capital punishment, monarchy, dogmas and frontiers would all disappear. There would be for all one great country, the earth; and one great hope, heaven.

"Spitrope, how old are you?" "Twenty-two, your Honor." "Twenty-two? Your papers make out that you were born twenty-three years ago?" "So I was; but I spent one year in prison, and I don't count that—it was lost time."

On the front of the house where Lincoln died, when he was carried across the street, the people who gathered around placed a marble tablet giving his name and the date of his death. The house is now occupied as the office of the Washington Sentinel.

Mrs. E. M. Pike is said to be the first woman who ever started a daily paper in England. She is the publisher and proprietress of the Derby Daily Telegraph. It is an excellent evening paper, and the first duly published in the town of Derby.

Mr. Mitchell, brother of "Ik Marvel," has a small farm-house at New London, with which he has produced a unique effect by painting it and the fence and outbuildings in India red, having a yellow lattice-work along the planks. A row of sun flowers adorns the river bank.

When we read of a man forsaking his wife and children, our first thought is that he is a scoundrel, regardless of the fibs he tells; but second thoughts show how much worse he is than we thought. He certainly could do no more noble and generous act than relieve his family of such a burden of cussedness.

Puck: It's funny! but a soft-painted woman can pass a plate of hot chicken soup to her neighbor at the head of the table, and the neighbors are equally fond honey while a man with hamshocks us a crocodile's back will drop it to the floor and howl around like a Sioux Indian at a scalp dance.

George B. Scott, an Englishman connected with the Indian Survey Department, the first European who has scaled the peak of Saraman, 15,000 feet; the highest point in the world, in the Kail range. The last 4,000 feet of the ascent had to be made by cutting steps in the snow with an Afghan knife.

A Yankee mother lately indulged in the following little bit of the pathetic: "Gentlemen, if my father and mother stood where you do, and didn't buy these boots—these elegant boots—when they were going for \$1, I should feel it my duty as a son to tell both of 'em that they were fit for themselves and false to their country."

"That's where the boys fit for college," said the professor to Mrs. Partington, pointing to a school-house. "Did they?" said the old lady with emotion. "Then if they fit for college before they went, they didn't fight afterward?" "Yes," she said, "and for the most part, don't the soldiers with the head, not with the hands?" "But did they?" asked the old lady.

An exchange of Portland, tells of an old farmer who, having eaten an oyster stew for the first time, said: "I like the soup pretty well, but I don't like them polly-wogs." This recalls the story of the Coosier who hunched with General Jackson and had among other things champagne and oysters. "General, you say, stop slapping the old hump on the back, for I like the older, but—your plums!"

A devoted mother, sending her 7-year son for the first time to the district school, was considerably surprised to observe when he came back a look of utter disgust and mortification. "What's the matter, darling?" she said; "Did they hit you?" "Yes," he answered, "I do, but all the boys have got patches on their pants, and they laugh at me; and—(sobbing) if you don't put some on mine, I won't go again."

Miss Ada Gilman, the popular New York actress, is the wife of D. L. Richardson ("Bimble"), the well-known author, who, it is said, would have been killed and scalped by bloody minded Indians some years ago. At the time of their marriage he was but 17 and she 16. Not leaving the necessary capital to set up her housekeeping according to their desires, they wisely concluded to combine work in their respective spheres.

The Capital Washington D. C., says the woman of the future must be embodied with all the beauties of the past, but invested with the necessities of the present, to sing, to dance, to paint to tell the truth—when advisable—should be confined studies; but there is a very great deal to study in the life behind them. These should be taught from them, as boys are taught, that they must, in the end be self-reliant and self-supporting. Un-coach as it may seem to many, still, when reduced down to solar calculations, the value and necessity of the above is apparent. The girl in the so-called Miss Nancy style—in art, science, trade and professions, is eminently potent, and it is written in the experience of the world, that it has grown to be actually essential."

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