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For Thin Hair

that their slaves were likely to seize the boon of freedom, unless denied the encouragement towards self-emancipation that knowledge would surely afford. The fables about Cannada brought to the North by the run-aways, especially from the more southern slave states, well illustrates both the ignorance of the slave and the apprehensions of his master. William Johnson, who fled from Virginia and passed over our branch of the road, said that he had been told before he started north, that the Detroit River was over 3,000 miles wide and that a ship starting out at night would find herself in the

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morning "right whar she started from." In the light of his later experience Johnson said "we knowed jess what de tole us and no mo." Some had been told that "nuthin but black eyed peas growd in Cannada." Others were warned to let no British nigger get near him lest he should be slain "jess like on de battle field."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### Speed of Birds.

Frequently arguments arise as to the speed with which wild birds fly, and many men of science have sought to determine something about it. Naturally it is impossible to fix the record made by such birds as grouse, quail and snipe when they first arise, but it is safe to say that they are not going one-half as fast as the luckless gunner who misses them. With the migratory fowls of known fast flight, such as ducks and geese, something more nearly accurate is known. The green-winged teal is about the speediest of them all. It does something like ninety miles an hour as readily as a sparrow dives into an inviting rain-spout. The canvasback is only a trifle slower, probably eighty-five miles being its limit, while the black duck, mallard and redhead fall below this, being timed at about eighty miles. Still this is plenty fast enough to insure lots of misses unless the fellow with the gun looks down the "lb straight and falls the trigger at the right time.

#### Elephants and Mice.

An elephant is usually afraid of any small animal to which it is unaccustomed. A dog or cat, and sometimes even a mouse, will cause him annoyance, especially if it runs between the animal's legs. The noise of a mouse running through the hay will often cause an elephant to become excited, but I have never known or heard of a mouse getting on an elephant's trunk. The terrors of the mouse to a larger animal is an old story, and many foolish superstitions have arisen from it.—St. Nicholas.

#### A Synonym.

"Being a printer, Mr. Dash," said the hotel proprietor, "maybe you can advise me. I want to get a sign painted. 'Writing Room Free to Our Patrons,' or something like that."

"I don't like 'patrons,'" said Mr. Dash.

"No? Maybe that doesn't sound just right. What would you suggest?"

"'Victims!'"—Philadelphia Ledger.

#### His Own Experience.

"Many a man would give a great deal for your opportunities," said the earnestly ambitious man.

"Of course," answered Senator Sorghum. "I had to give a great deal for 'em myself."—Washington Star.

The defects of the mind, like those of the face, grow worse as we grow old.—Rochefoucauld.

#### Refined.

Mrs. Nuritch—I think I'll take this bracelet. Are you sure it's made of refined gold?

Jeweler—Oh, yes.

Mrs. Nuritch—Because I do detest anything that isn't refined.—Philadelphia Ledger.

#### Work is the soup, fame the entrée, fortune the roast and oblivion the dessert of most lives. There is no cordial.

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#### SOLAR MOTION.

*The Little We Know About Where the Sun Is Going.*

Can we find out anything about the motions of our solar system? The old astronomer, before the invention of spectroscopic methods, could attack the problem only by a consideration of certain stellar motions. It has been found that these motions are not altogether casual in character, as we should expect, but there is a tendency to a grouping of the motions—an arrangement other than fortuitous. It appears that the individual stars forming the so-called constellations on the sky are slowly closing up near a certain point of the heavens and as slowly opening out near a point diametrically opposite. This is just what we should expect if the solar system is approaching the point where the stars are opening out. The phenomenon has been compared to what we see when a regiment of soldiers marches toward us. At first there is visible a confused mass of men only, but as distance diminishes the ranks open out until each individual becomes at last plainly visible.

In this way it has been possible to determine approximately the position on the sky of the "apex" of solar motion, or that point toward which our solar system is at present traveling. It is in the constellation Hercules. We are obliged to assume that our path is for the moment a straight line. But we mean that "moment" which began when James Bradley commenced the first star catalogue of modern precision, about 1750, and which will end long after present generations of men have passed away. So mighty is the orbit in question that many centuries must come and go as moments before we can hope to detect the orbit's curvature.

We are like travelers in the famous "cockscrew" tunnel of the St. Gothard railway. Trains enter on a low level and after going around a huge curve cut in the mountain emerge from the tunnel again on a higher level and at a point almost directly above the entrance. Passengers while in the dark tunnel often amuse themselves by watching the needle of a pocket compass, which makes a complete revolution during the passage. But without the compass they could not know whether the train was moving on a straight or curved track, and so we passengers of the solar system, too, cannot know by observation whether our great cosmic track is straight or curved until, like the compass, the astronomer's instruments shall tell us the truth.—Harold Jacoby, Ph. D., in Harper's Weekly.

#### The Soldier's Idle Time.

Military life is necessarily made up largely of loafing. You cannot keep a man continuously at drilling, marching or any other branch of military training for eight hours a day and five or six days a week. You have to invent a great many other jobs for him, even to make a pretense of keeping him occupied. But these jobs are nearly all "loafing" jobs, and when it is all done the soldier has a great many more idle hours on his hands per diem than any other man in the same rank of life. I do not know whether it is possible to arrive at any remedy for this, but, if it is, the direction in which I should look for the remedy would be to make every soldier work at some other trade for a certain number of hours each day. The number of hours might be shorter in the summer, when there is more opportunity for training and military exercise, and longer in the winter. If this were practicable, no doubt it would make an enormous difference to the value of the soldier as a citizen when he leaves the ranks.—London Truth.

#### Catbirds and Black Snake.

A writer in the Scientific American says: "I witnessed a pair of catbirds making a bold defence against a black snake bent on devouring the contents of their nests. At first the snake was inclined to disregard the distressed birds as they fought to drive it away, but the blows of their wings and bills became so annoying that the thief had to seek refuge in flight. On reaching the roots of the tree, from which the river had washed the dirt, the snake started to climb, only to be driven beneath them and then out to an old stump, under which the baffled and beaten reptile took refuge."

#### The Useful Banana.

Immense fortunes have been made out of the banana business. Revenues do not accrue alone from the sale of the fruit, for the leaves are used for packing, the wax found on the underside of the leaves is a valuable article of commerce, Manila hemp is made from the stems, and of this hemp are made mats, plaited work and lace handkerchiefs of the finest texture. Moreover, the banana is ground into banana flour. The island of Jamaica and the West Indies generally yield great crops of this useful fruit.

#### Never Weary of the Hearing.

"I overheard him telling her a story last night which I know she has heard fifty times before, but she didn't stop him."

"She is long suffering, surely?"

"Oh, I don't know. He told her she was the prettiest girl he had ever seen."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

#### Making Chills Useful.

Mrs. Newwed—My husband has the chills and fever, but they come in handy.

Mrs. Oldwed—How so?

Mrs. Newwed—Whenever he has a chill I put a rattle in his hand, and it amuses the baby.—Chicago Journal.

Idleness and poverty always dwell together, and misery and crime are their natural offspring.—Maxwell's Tallman.

#### OUR FIRST REPUBLIC.

*It Was Not the United States, but the Louisiana Republic.*

The first republic in this hemisphere to succeed in compelling recognition of its independence was, of course, the republic whose proud capital is Washington. But there was an earlier one which died soon after its birth, of which little or nothing is said in our American histories.

When France, in 1764, ceded Louisiana to Spain, the subjects of King Louis XV. objected to the transfer without their consent. The local government submitted the question to the council, which, under the lead of Nicholas Chauvin de Lafreniere, rose in revolt. Lafreniere called a convention of the people at New Orleans, while the new Spanish governor was on his way to the colony, and the convention selected a delegate to go to Paris to dissuade the French king from his course. Louis XV., however, rebuffed the delegate and sent back word that the people must recognize the authority of Spain.

It was then that the people of Louisiana resolved on a radical course. On the night of Oct. 28, 1768, the rebels took possession of the French forts and the gates of the town in the name of the republic of Louisiana. The old French governor offered no resistance, while the new Spanish governor took refuge on a ship and sailed for Havana. On Oct. 2, 1768, the council at New Orleans adopted a formal declaration of independence, officially named itself the republic of Louisiana, elected Lafreniere "protector" and prepared a written constitution. This interesting government lasted from October, 1768, to July, 1769, when a Spanish squadron of twenty-four vessels, with an army of 2,600 men, arrived at New Orleans. The new republican state was destroyed and five republican leaders, including Lafreniere, were put to death. Then all the republic's official papers, including its declaration of independence and constitution, were burned in the public square.—Springfield Republican.

#### A BOWERY INCIDENT.

The invited guest who was called before the Feast.

The missionary had finished his talk to the crowd of derelicts in a Bowery mission and went around the room to shake them by the hand. There was one man sitting on a bench whose face was so utterly loathsome that the missionary's gorge rose in his throat, and he was compelled to pass him by. The man's dulled eye marked the look of disgust, and in a tone of mingled dejection and resentment he cried out:

"Say, mister, why don't you shake hands wister?"

The young missionary turned, conscience stricken, looked into the sin-scathed features and grasped the man's hand.

"Really, brother, you must forgive me," he stammered. "I—I couldn't help it when I saw you—your face. But I'll make amends. You must take dinner with me tomorrow night."

The broken man glanced at his ragged confusion, blushed like a girl and gasped:

"Wat! Me take dinner wid you? Me go to your house! Me!"

"Yes, I mean it. I'll come tomorrow night and get you."

True to his word, the missionary presented himself at the lodging house the next evening and inquired for the man. A corpse was lying on the table, a handkerchief spread over its face. The clerk jerked his thumb in the direction of the body.

"That's Wilson," he said. "He had fixed himself up and was waitin' for you; dropped dead half an hour ago."—New York Press.

#### Embarrassing.

The Squire's Pretty Daughter (examining the village school)—Now, children, can you tell me what a miracle is?

The children looked at one another, but remained silent.

"Can no one answer this question?" the new curate asked, who was standing behind the squire's daughter.

A little girl was suddenly struck with a brilliant idea. She held up her hand excitedly.

"Well, Nellie?" the squire's daughter asked, smiling approvingly.

"Please, miss," the small child replied breathlessly, "mother says 'twill be a miracle if you don't marry the new curate.'"—London Globe.

#### Recognized It.

"This," smiled the fond young wife as she passed a plate of dessert to her husband, "is cottage pudding. I made it myself."

The man tasted it.

"I'd have known it was cottage pudding," he asserted.

"You would?" she asked, delighted.

"Yes, I can taste the plaster and the wall paper. What did you do with the shingles and the bricks of the chimney?"—Judge.

#### The Sweet Girls.

Kittie—Paul told me last evening I was the prettiest girl he ever saw.

Bessie—Oh, that's nothing. He said the same to me last year.

Kittie—I know, dear, but his taste may have improved since then, you know.—Boston Transcript.

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