

**Why Shoes are Thrown at Weddings.**  
The custom of throwing one or more old shoes after the bride and groom, either when they go to church to be married or when they start on their wedding journey, is so old that the memory of man stretches not back to its beginning. Some think it represents an assault, and is a lingering trace of the custom among savage nations of carrying away the bride by violence; others think that it is a relic of the ancient law of exchange or purchase, and that it formerly implied the surrender by the parents of all dominion or authority over their daughter. It has a likeness to a Jewish custom mentioned in the Bible. Thus in Deuteronomy we read that when the brother of a dead man refused to marry his widow she asserted her independence of him by "loosing his shoe." Also in Ruth, when the kinsman of Boaz gave up his claim to the inheritance of Ruth and to Ruth also he indicated his assent by plucking off his shoe and giving it to Boaz. It was also the custom of the middle ages to place the husband's shoe on the head of the nuptial couch, in token of his denunciation.—[American Register.]

**Heirs to \$25,000,000.**  
M. Steenacker, who was postmaster-general under the Tours Delegate Government and is now a member of the French Chamber, has taken up the cause of the claimants to \$25,000,000, which they contend is due them by the state. In 1876 a Frenchman named Thery deposited \$400,000 in the Bank of Venice, and then died. For some time after his decease nobody came forward as his heir. Some windfalls, by means of forged names tried to get hold of it but failed.

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**Lovely Lassies on Horseback.**  
We wish the Quinlan girls would indulge more frequently in the graceful and healthy exercise of horseback riding. Girls look pretty on horseback, and we love to see them. We popped the question to the lady we now board with while we were gaily cantering side by side in the long ago. She jumped at the chance, and we've been jogging on together ever since. In a town like ours, where horses are plenty and other outdoor amusements not very numerous, we think all the girls should be encouraged to become accomplished equestrians. Let your girls ride horseback. It will make them healthy, strong, active and self-reliant, and, gracious, don't they look handsome prancing along on a spirited charger.

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**The Dying Cardinal.**  
Cardinal Newman is reported to be dying of old age. The poet cardinal is nearly 85 years of age, and, despite his increasing infirmities, makes the most vigorous efforts to continue his duties. For some years he has been compelled to sleep fourteen hours daily, and he has gradually curtailed the period he used to devote to receiving friends. The author of "Lead, Kindly Light," was one of the most popular as well as one of the most brilliant clergymen in the church of England prior to his going over to Rome, and, while there has been a good deal of bitter feeling toward his fellow-seceders, he has never ceased to be a favorite with Protestants and Catholics alike.

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**Stories of Angry Statesmen.**  
There is lovely story in Count Deust's memoirs about Prince Bismarck which deserves to be recalled just now when the great chancellor's speech is ringing in our ears. "What do you do?" he asked Count Deust, "when you are angry and grieved? Don't you find it a relief to destroy something when you are angry?"

"I was over there once," he pointing opposite to where the emperor lives, "and I flew into a rage. In going out I slammed the door and pulled out the key, which I took with me into Count Lehndorff's room close by, and threw into the basin, which Count Lehndorff asked 'are you ill?' I was. That cured me."

How natural this and how childlike. But what a blessing it would be if statesmen could always cure their anger by smashing a basin! Sometimes, like Lord Randolph, they smash a cabinet, or, like Mr. Chamberlain, a party. But even these modes of relief are innocent compared with the usual methods of emperors and kings, and of Deust himself, all of whom find war occasionally necessary as a vent for their spleen.

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**Moral and Legal Marriage.**  
Just now the Chicago public is busy with meditations, debates and horror over marriages come and coming. The elopement of a young girl and her marriage at midnight to the boy or lad of her choice, moved not a little the inmost soul of a few hundred thousand persons who reside in Cook County; but this commotion was a calm in comparison with the tumult caused by the illusion which came suddenly over the mind of a rather noble girl, an illusion which assumed the form of a desire to wed one of the leading anarchists now in the County Jail under a death-sentence.

The latter case has aroused an indignation as broad as the normal condition of the local mind, the reverend gentleman continues, in the Chicago Journal, and has awakened an approval as large as the admiring circle around Captain Black and his incarcerated clients. With that small number of persons to whom the murder of eight policemen and the wounding of twenty more was a venial matter, this wedding between a young girl and the leading agent in the bloody riot is also rather a nice thing. The women and men who had sympathy and flowers for the May rioters ought to bring plenty of blossoms for the January wedding. There was no great wrong in the death of the policemen, and much less wrong would there be in the jail-wedding. So argues the Captain Black coterie of mortals—a coterie whose code of ethics is perhaps the most original ever fabricated outside of an insane asylum, which, beginning in the espousal of anarchy as a virtue, culminates in asking a beautiful girl to marry, it being a pity for such a social flower to waste its sweetness on the desert air.

It was a wonderful kindness of heaven to grant to the same city which permitted Captain Black to live and inculcate ethics, Sheriff Matson also to live to prevent the Black idea from becoming epidemic. What would become of us if to his tasks like a lawyer Captain Black were given liberty to weave marriages between the anarchists in jail and the foolish girls out of it? The sheriff has come in as a most timely rebuke to one of the greatest absurdities of the age. A man of good sense has risen up to quite a bedlam.

It did seem for a time as though the marriage being conceded as coming, some clegymen would be found to take his sacred robes in a carpet-sack, and, donning them in the jail, make two loving hearts to beat as one. In the recent runaway match a clergyman was found who would rise at midnight, and for a consideration, rattle over some holy words, and thus place his office on a level with a village squire. That this same clergyman could have been secured for our jail wedding there is no reasonable doubt, for, with him, as with many other preachers, marriage has lost its religious element, and, like a business partnership, is a mere matter of law. This is a strange phenomenon in the Episcopal Church, because a church which is so careful about how a marriage bond shall be dissolved should reveal some preference as to how it should be created. If midnight and solitude and girlish greenness make a good beginning, the manner of ending should be of little importance.

But the Spies' apptials, now only prospective, reveal the ridiculous pass to which marriage has come by help of both law and the gospel. The clergy have helped to degrade the altar. Some of our singers and actresses have been married three or four or five times—the words "till death us do part" having nothing to do with the parting. A silly man and woman can get married in a shop window, or up in a balloon, and at any time of night or day. Three or four dollars, or a dollar and a half even, will sufficiently becloud the moral sense of parson or squire, and on goes the wedding with neatness and dispatch. Our age now completes its hideous work by asking us to admire the orange blossom which a good girl proposes to wear in the County jail for a few moments. The daily papers have done noble duty by expressing, instead of admiration, their indignation at all concerned in the affair, and especially toward those who are old enough to possess some of the admonitions of common sense.

This little paper was begun with the design of suggesting that the clergy should never take part in any clandestine or eccentric marriage. The clergyman's rite is not the legal rite. His wedding possesses a religious element, and if silly people run to him to be married, they should be sent onward toward some magistrate. Some of the Chicago pastors have done this again and again. They have said to runaways and eccentrics: "We cannot perform a legal ceremony; our ceremony must be both moral and legal, and the marriage you seek contains no religious element whatever." In these days of degraded marriage they are no doubt glad that what ceremonies they have performed have been solemnized amid benedictions and flowers worthily placed. If there must be forlorn and wretched weddings, let the common squire have the honor and the glittering fee, but let the clergy step aside until the union can be moral as well as legal.—Rev. David Swing, in Chicago Ledger.

**Feels Lonesome.**  
"I never felt so darned lonesome in my life," said a Back of the Yards man the other day.  
"What's the matter now?" asked a bystander.  
"Nothin's the matter, now, an' that's what bothers me. I've just got well 'o the catch, an' don't have to scratch. I've lost a heap 'o 'musement.—Good-l's Sun.

**Correction of a False Rumor.**  
The report that the joke about the Chicago woman's foot had been taken into dry-dock for repairs was the base invention of the numerous proprietors of another chestnut. The joke about the Chicago woman's foot still spreads itself over the periodical literature of the land, and crushes a million readers daily.—Drake's Traveler's Magazine.

**Is This So?**  
A few years ago a little book fell into our hands, recounting the experience of a certain prominent business man, from which it appeared that, as with most Americans, too close attention to business had broken his health. The doctor said he could not live. He then stated that he used a certain article which effectually cured him, and "out of gratitude for his own recovery he determined to devote a portion of his fortune to spreading its merits before the world."

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