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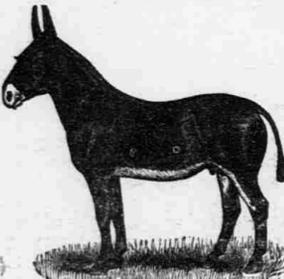
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OLD TIME LEGAL METHODS.

When the Evidence of Ghosts Sufficed to Hang Men.

The testimony of a ghost would not now count for much in a court of law, but the day has been when it has sufficed to hang a man. There was a ghostly accuser in a case with which the readers of Scott are familiar. Soon after the "45" an English soldier wandering near Braemar met a violent death. Years passed and then came a story of a communication from another world.

A farm servant declared that in the night a spirit had appeared to him declaring itself to be the ghost of the soldier, whose bones, it is said, lay still unburied. The Highlander must see to their decent interment and have the murderers, two men named, brought to justice. The Highlander promised, but did not keep his word, and a second and third time the spirit appeared and upbraided him for his breach of faith. Alarmed at last and no longer daring to delay, the man called a companion and went to the spot which the spirit had indicated and there found the bones of the murdered warrior concealed in a moorland tract called the hill of Christie.

The story of the Highlander came to the ears of an anti-Jacobite, who caused the matter to be brought to trial before the court of judicary, Edinburgh. There the tale was corroborated by a woman who had seen a naked figure enter the place on the night spoken of by the man. It was an age of superstition in a district more than commonly given to superstition, and the jury seemed disposed to find the two men charged guilty of the murder, but it happened that the principal witness spoke only Gaelic. "Now," said the counsel for the defense, "in what language did the ghost speak?" "In as good Gaelic as I ever heard in Lochaber," was the reply. "Pretty good for the ghost of an English soldier," said counsel, and that question and comment saved the necks of the men at the bar. The jury could believe in a ghost, but not in an English ghost speaking Gaelic.—London Standard.

NAMING A TOWN.

How Abilene Came to Be Selected by Mrs. Hersey.

Abilene was named by the wife of the founder of the town, T. F. Hersey. With her husband she had come to central Kansas in the spring of 1857. They lived in a log house on the west side of Mud creek and were the first settlers on the town site, although no town then existed nor was there one until 1860. Then C. H. Thompson, who had moved to the county from Leavenworth, bought from the Kansas Pacific Railway company a tract east of Hersey's and laid out a town.

When it came to the naming of the future city Mr. Thompson went to Hersey and asked him to suggest a name.

"No," was the reply, "let my wife do it. She is a great reader."

Mrs. Hersey was a graduate of a seminary in the east, and her little library, which she carried with her in her wanderings, was one of the ties that bound her to the girlhood life. She was a devout Methodist and knew her Bible from "cover to cover." When she was asked to name the town she turned to the New Testament for suggestion. There, in the third chapter of Luke, first verse, she found this: "Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judaea . . . and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene."

"Call the town 'Abilene,'" said she. "It means 'City of the Plains,' and that exactly describes the location."

So Abilene it was, and in the fight for the county seat, wherein it contested with Newport, Smoky Hill and Union City, all long since passed away, good fortune attended it, and the new town became the county capital for the 378 dwellers then in Dickinson county.—Kansas City Star.

Fleshmaking Food.

Cream gruel, according to an eminent English authority, is the ideal nourishment for thin folk. A teaspoonful taken at night immediately before retiring is said to give marvelous results. To be at its best it must be perfectly made, then thinned with sweet cream. Taken in that condition and warm, it is agreeable as well as fattening and produces just that sense of satisfied hunger essential to ideal rest. It is claimed that perseverance in the treatment yields such apparent results that the cheeks can be seen to expand from day to day.

The Pepper Vine.

The pepper vine grows best in a wooded valley where there is plenty of moisture and abundant foliage to protect it from the heat of the sun. It is given a rude sort of cultivation. The growers plant it, keeping the grass from its roots, and when the tree near which it is planted has no lower branches strings or poles are placed in proper position to enable the vine to climb the tree. It needs no further attention.

Sarcasm.

"Yes, my dear; I believe in transmigration of souls. I may be a brute in my next life."

"Wouldn't that be discouraging—or don't you care for a change?"—Houston Post.

In Plain Words.

"What," asked the judge, "was the cause of the altercation?"

"I didn't see anny, yer honor, but it was him callin' me a liar that started the fight."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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MAJOR GENERAL WOOD.

His Rapid Rise in the Army and Brave Record.

Major General Leonard Wood, who has been criticised on account of the attack upon the Moros in the battle of Mount Dajo, has had a remarkable career, and his rapid promotion in the army has made for him many enemies. His advancement to the rank of brigadier general in the regular army by President McKinley aroused much criticism, and when President Roosevelt advanced him to the major general's rank the hostile comments broke out afresh. General Wood is not a graduate of West Point and was a surgeon in the army at the beginning of the



MAJOR GENERAL LEONARD WOOD.

Spanish war, when he organized and assumed command of the famous regiment of rough riders in which President Roosevelt was lieutenant colonel. General Wood holds a congressional medal of honor which was awarded him for bravery in a campaign against Apaches. His career is a notable illustration of the pranks of fortune. An old friend of General Wood once said: "Some time in the fall of 1897—I don't recall the exact date—I received a letter from General Wood. He wound up by saying that he was thinking strongly of making a trip into the Klondike country, which was then the sensation of the hour. The exact wording escapes me, but the inference was that the future looked rather blank—in short, that he would have to do something then, if ever, and the Klondike seemed to offer a chance. In less than four months after getting this despondent letter the Maine was destroyed, and the circumstances were in motion that were destined to put a general's stars on the doc's shoulder straps, and surfeit him with glory. If he had made the necessary arrangements in 1897 I dare say he would be sitting today in a miner's cabin."

OFFICER AND HEIRESS.

Romance of Lieutenant Scharrar and His Young Bride.

Love, bravery and beer formed a most unusual combination in the case of the beautiful Miss Wilhelmina Busch and the gallant Lieutenant Eduard F. Scharrar. The lieutenant is an officer of the German army. The girl with whom he fell in love is the daughter of the millionaire brewer, Adolphus Busch of St. Louis. He was an ardent wooer and it is said had proposed several times previous to the memorable day on which he took the brewer's daughter on a ride to Belleville, a suburb of St. Louis. She had not said "yes" before, but on this day he was particularly ardent and suggested marriage on the spot. They went to a hotel, and the would be bridegroom wrote on the register "Mr. and Mrs. Eduard Scharrar." How-



MRS. EDUARD F. SCHARRAR.

ever, no marriage took place at that time. While he was trying to arrange for one the young lady in the case called up her father by telephone, and he put in a protest, as the result of which they both returned to St. Louis without being married. Then the daughter was packed off in haste to the California home of the family at Pasadena. There followed a race across half the continent between the lieutenant and the more or less perturbed parent. Papa Busch took a special train, but the young officer got there first and persuaded the fair Wilhelmina to permit a second attempt at matrimony to be made. The marriage was duly solemnized.

THROAT EXERCISES.

Evils That Come From Misuse of the Vocal Organs.

The chronic sore throat is not infrequently produced by the misuse of the vocal organs. Very often that unruly little member, the tongue, is accountable for the difficulty, as it is for a great many other troubles in this transitory life. Many people have a habit when talking of pushing the tongue so far back against the delicate membranes that line the throat that irritation more or less painful is caused, and if it continues any length of time ulcers will form, and so will a doctor's bill.

Control of the tongue is excellent in all senses of the word. Physically this organ may be managed by depressing it into a hollow at a point three-quarters of an inch back of where the tip of it comes when in a natural position in the mouth and at the same time singing very light head tones. This exercise requires some patience at first, but the habit of keeping the tongue down is soon acquired. In speaking or singing it should not be allowed to hoop up and fill the mouth, thus interfering with the free passage of the tones of the voice from the throat to the front of the mouth, where they should strike and then escape clear as a bell. This hooping up of the tongue in the mouth is the cause of much of the indistinct and slovenly utterances to which we are too often obliged to listen.

In many people we notice the line from the point of the chin to the neck is in the form of a right angle. In a shapely throat this line forms a curve, just as a canary's does when the small yellow artist is warbling his carols.

To develop the throat and make this angle a curve stand before a mirror so that you may watch the throat swell out. Now thrust your tongue out as far as it will go, then draw it back quickly and forcibly, at the same time bringing it downward in the mouth as far as you can. Place your thumb and forefinger against the larynx (commonly called the Adam's apple), and if you are making the right movement you will feel the larynx pass downward. For a week or two make the movements lightly. After that time put as much force into it as you can. The exercise should be practiced for a few minutes several times a day to insure rapid and good results.

To fill up the hollows of the neck stand correctly and then slowly fill the lungs with air without elevating your shoulders. As the air is forced upward into the throat hold it there a few seconds and then expel slowly. This exercise is best performed soon after rising in the morning and before retiring at night.—New York Post.

Time and Eternity.

The stream of time never runs dry, and the ocean of eternity will forever send its mighty surges mountain high against the bank of time's little stream, sweeping with each receding billow over its expansive bosom the frail human craft from the shore of time, with earth's happiness, human affection, toil, trials, tears and sin, to the eternal shore of celestial beauty and bliss. Oh, mighty ocean of eternity, your wonderful anthem of life and death brings eternal woe and condemnation to him who is untrue to himself and his divine pilot, but to the trusting, faithful man it sings of endless felicity in the presence of time who has redeemed his people from the bondage of sin and has swept them through the pearly gates.—Ducktown (Tenn.) Gazette.

The Wonderful Diatom.

One of the most wonderful things in vegetable life is a beautiful and minute class of seaweeds called diatoms. They belong to the seaweed family, yet they may be found by the thousands in any roadside ditch, fresh or salt water lake or even in cisterns, wells, springs, etc. Most species of plants are made up of an infinite number of little cells, but with the diatom it is otherwise. Each representative of this wonderful family of plants is formed of but a single cell and this so minute that it would require 2,500 of the most common form, laid end to end, to make a string an inch in length. Some species of diatoms have the power of independent motion, and on that account were for some time believed to be animals.

Candy and the Flag.

The following is accredited to the late Senator Hoar: At a Fourth of July celebration in a Canadian town where both English and American guests were assembled the flags of the two countries were used in decorations. A frivolous young English girl, loyal to the queen, but with no love for the stars and stripes, exclaimed: "Oh, what a silly looking thing the American flag is! It suggests nothing but checkerberry candy." "Yes," replied Senator Hoar, "the kind of candy that has made everybody sick who ever tried to lick it."

Charity.

Charity is a universal duty which it is in every man's power sometimes to practice, since every degree of assistance given to another upon proper motives is an act of charity, and there is scarcely any man in such a state of imbecility as that he may not, on some occasions, benefit his neighbor.—Johnson.

His Advantage.

First Man—How do you do? Second Man—Beg pardon, but you have the advantage of me. First Man—Yes; I guess I have. We were engaged to the same girl, but you married her.

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