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CALLING AT THE VATICAN.

Ex-Diplomatist's Views on the Pope's Reception of Strangers.

After the dispatch from Rome stating former President Roosevelt's reasons for not calling on the pope during his recent stay at Rome was read to a well known diplomat, who did not wish his name to be used, he said: "There is nothing surprising in the refusal of the pope to receive Theodore Roosevelt. The same thing has occurred with foreign princes who have visited Rome and is the reason why the emperor of Austria and the king of Spain never go there. Troubles, however, generally arise over the conflict between the Quirinal and the Vatican. If the king of England went to Rome and called first at the Quirinal palace to see the king the pope would refuse to receive him.

"All kinds of devices have been tried to get around this obstacle. Two years ago an ex-president of Brazil went to Rome and called at the Quirinal and then left Rome for a trip-into the country, which lasted a week. On his return he went direct to the Vatican and was received, as it was regarded as a one, second visit to the city. One of the Hohenzollern princes went to Rome a year ago and had an audience with the king. Then he went away for a month and came back to see the pope and was received through the subterfuge of the second visit."

"What is the procedure for an American citizen to pursue in getting an audience with the pope?" he was asked. "The usual way," replied the diplomat, "is to call on Bishop Kennedy at the American college in Rome, and he arranges the audience. The United States embassy has no relations with the Vatican. Numbers of prominent Catholics from the United States take over letters of introduction from Cardinal Gibbons or Archbishop Farley, which they present to Mgr. Bisleti at the Vatican and get an audience with the pope direct.

"Personally he is very well disposed toward Americans and likes them very much. On an average the pope receives from 2,500 to 3,000 Americans a year. Protestants as well as Catholies are included in this number, but naturally the latter are largely in the majority. The audiences are given in the royal suit in the Vatican and are of two kinds, private and in groups, In a private audience the head of the Catholic church shakes hands and converses with the individual to whom it has been accorded. In the groups of pilgrims or other large bodies not exceeding 200 the pope passes down the ticipants in the audience to kiss th ring."

The Case Against Dr. Hyde

TRIAL that promises to arouse almost as much interest all over the country as the Molineux, Leutgert, Gunness and other famous trials of the past is that now engaging the attention of all Missouri-the Hyde affair. With eleven

COLONEL SWOPE. indictments returned against him by the grand jury, three for murder and eight for attempted murder, Dr. B. C. Hyde will be brought .to the bar in the Swope murder cases on April 11. The affair is a startling

Up to the 3d of last October Colonel Thomas H. Swope, the eccentric millionaire bachelor and public benefactor, resided in his beautiful mansion at Independence, Mo., where he made his home with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Swope. As the donor of Swope park, a woodland tract of some 1,400 acres, constituting one of the finest recreation grounds in the middle west, and as a liberal giver to many worthy causes he was considered one of the great benefactors of the community. Colonel Swope provided handsomely for his nephews and nieces, but he liked to talk about his will and to say that he ought to give a million and a half or so to charity-that he was leaving too much to his relatives. He was contemplating a change in the provisions of his will when death overtook him.

The reader will be better able to follow the case if Dr. B. C. Hyde is



A DISAPPOINTED MAN.

The Question Over Which He and the Insurance Agent Split.

Mr. Halloran surveyed the insurance agent with a dark and hostile countenance. The fact that one eye was concealed by a somewhat grimy bandage did not add to the attractiveness of his expression.

"Haven't you made up your prind yet to insure with us?" inquired the agent. "You told me I might chill again in a few days."

"There was two of you at me to get an accident insurance policy," said Mr. Halloran, breathing heavily, "I towld you and him both you might call in again, and he come firrst, day befoor yistherday, and I insured wid his company.

"That very night I met up wid Barney Casey on the way home, which was what I was expecting wud happen." continued Mr. Halloran, raising himself by grasping the arms of his chair with two capable although scarred hands, "and whin we'd finished wid one another I was like this. "Yistherday morning I sent for the insurance chap, and says I to him, 'Look at me,' I says, 'and istimate the damages and pay them."

"He squirmed right out o' the door, saying 'twas no accident I'd had. "Now, if meeting wid Barney Casey afther keeping out o' his way for six months is no accident I'm done wid insurance companies, and the sooner you l'ave this house the betther 'twill plaze me."-Youth's Companion.

HE UNDERSTOOD.

An Interview That Made Matters Clear to the Officer.

"Come, mister, no one can sleep here!" said a policeman the other evening when he found a man lying on a vacant plot of land by the side of the road and aroused him.

"But I have a good excuse," replied the man.

"What is it?"

"See that house over there? Well, please to do me the favor to go and ring the bell and ask if William Dockey is at home."

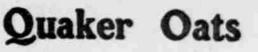
The officer went to the house, as cended the steps and rang the bell. A head was thrust out of a window, and a woman's voice demanded: "Now, who is there?"

"Madam." replied the officer. "i William Dockey at home?"

"No, he ain't, and I don't expect him until daylight," said the woman, and at the same time a bowlful of water descended on the officer's head.

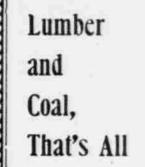
"Well," said the man on the ground is the dripping officer came up, "you

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BOOTS FOR MINISTER GAGE.

Scorns Shiny Pumps and "Lord Fauntleroy Pants" For Court Functions. With eighteen new pairs of long legged boots Henry T. Gage, ex-governor of California, left Los Angeles the other day for King Manuel's court in Lisbon to be American envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Portugal, Governor Gage and his boots are an institution in California, but when his appointment was antailor who makes a specialty of diplomatic outfitting a circular sternly informing him that he must provide himself with smalls, silk stockings and shiny pumps.

According to the best information from the firing line, the newly appointed diplomat threw the diagrams of what he called "Lord Fauntleroy pants" in the waste paper basket and sent out for those eighteen pairs of huge boots.

"I'm going to go dressed as an American," said he, "and in full length trousers, not to mention boots." Since his youth Mr. Gage has stuck to real boots. When he was elected governor his friends chuckled and said that they had him, for they said, "They don't make patent leather boots." But when the inaugural took place the governor elect triumphantly led the grand march in a pair of patent leather dress boots

PREVENTION OF DIVORCE.

Massachusetts Bishop Lays Down Rules to Avoid It.

Bishop William Lawrence, head of the Episcopal diocese in eastern Massachusetts, declared from the pulpit of St. Paul's church in Boston the other afternoon that divorce and unhappy marriage could be prevented by home training and the education of children by their parents.

Bishop Lawrence declared that out of every twelve marriages there was one divorce. The bishop gave five suggestions which he declared would aid in solving the divorce problem. Here are the suggestions;

That children should stay at home more in the evening with their parents and that parents should quit attending theaters and clubs nightly and remain home with their children. That young people contemplating marriage should know each other intimately and have each other's confidence long before the marriage ceremony is performed.

That children should be educated for marriage, That there should be purity before

and after the marriage ceremony. That young couples who are to marry should have a sense of solidarity when joined in wedlock.

Nancy Hanks In Marble,

DR. B. C. HYDE.

now brought into it. He is the physinounced he received from a London cian who is charged with the murder or murders. In 1905 Dr. Hyde clandestinely married Miss Frances Swope, a niece of Colonel Swope, on June 21 of that year at Fayetteville, Ark., against the wishes of her mother, Mrs. Logan O. Swope. As a result of the marriage Dr. Hyde and his wife's family were alienated until a short time ago, when a reconciliation was brought about. The physician's wife, being one of the Swope heirs, would of course inherit all of the old man's vast wealth after the demise of the other heirs. Colonel Swope's health had been a matter of concern to him for years, and for upward of a generation he

had been accustomed to predict his momentary death. So his last days were full of care and trouble. He was weakening under the strain of exhausted vitality, for he was an old man. His race was nearly run. The provisions of his will still failed to satisfy him, and while he contemplated a change in the provisions of that instrument he was suddenly seized with convulsions, following the administration of a capsule at the direction of Dr. Hyde, whose wife, as stated, would inherit a large share of the unhappy old man's wealth.

On Oct. 1 last James Moss Hunton, advisers, who was also named as his icle. executor, died of apoplexy, and two

days later Colonel Swope after suffering great agony also passed away; executor, and Mrs. Logan Swope, bleached too much.-London Globe. mother of Chrisman, instituted an investigation.

In January the bodies of Chrisman and Colonel Swope were exhumed and autopsies held, and the experts engaged testified that the aged man died from strychnine poisoning, Dr. Hyde's declaration of apoplexy to the contrary notwithstanding, and the coroner's jury rendered a verdict placing the responsibility on Dr. Hyde. Later

see how it is, don't you? I'm Dockey. That's Mrs. Dockey."

"I think I understand," replied the officer. "You can remain where you are."-London Answers.

Death, Ancient and Modern. The art of the ancients would certainly seem to show that their conception of death was a much more cheerful one than that which has obtained in later times. It was at one time thought that the old Greeks and Egyptians had no artistic symbol for death. but this was a misconception. Death was almost invariably represented by them as the kinsman of sleep. The Greeks personified it as Thanatos, elder brother of Sleep. The Romans sometimes depicted Death and Sleep as twin children reposing in the arms of Night. The skull and crossbones and the skeleton as emblems of death do not appear to have become common until comparatively late Christian times. It has been suggested that the terrible famines and pestilences which scourged Europe during the middle ages were responsible for the fear or horror with which the modern mind is usually accustomed to look upon death.

Discourtesy Rebuked.

Lord Palmerston expected work to be done well, but Mr. Preston Thomas in his book tells us that of mere peccadillos he was tolerant. Some young gentlemen in the foreign office amused who lived on the other side of the street-that is, by catching the rays of the sun on a mirror and flashing them over the way. The father of the young ladies complained to Palmerston, who thereupon issued this minute:

"The secretary of state desires that the gentlemen in his department will not cast disagreeable reflections on one of Colonel Swope's confidential the ladies opposite."-London Chron-

How to Test Paper.

You cannot test paper as you would from what Dr. Hyde declared also to string, by stretching it. It has been be apoplexy. In December an epi- stretched so much in the process of demic of typhoid fever raged in the manufacture that it won't stand much Swope household, the victims being more. The way to test it is to rub it the cousins and nieces and nephews in the hands. After such treatment of the dead millionaire who were his poor paper is full of holes and cracks heirs. Of these Chrisman Swope died Good paper simply takes the appearon Dec. 6 under conditions that ance of leather. If much white dust caused much apprehension among the is produced we know there are earthattending nurses. John G. Paxton, the ly impurities. If it cracks it has been

On His Own.

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