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PHRASE THAT FITLY DESCRIBES BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

Difficult to Shape a Sentence That Would Characterize Him More Perfectly Than Remark Made by Thomas Carlyle.

It would be difficult to shape a sentence which would characterize Franklin more perfectly than the remark made by Thomas Carlyle when, looking upon a portrait of Franklin, he said: "There is the father of all the Yankees."

Beginning, as he did, an untaught boy, rude in manners and unacquainted with those who had practiced the arts of the gentle life, but with an eager appetite for learning, with unbounded ambition and desire to make a place for himself in the world, it was inevitable that his first adventures should be a mixture of good and ill fortune.

Diamond Salesman's Secrets. "There is no line in which more care must be exercised than in selling diamonds," remarked one of the oldest dealers in Cleveland.

Saved His Precious Relics. The third floor of "The Orchard," Francis Wilson's place in New Rochelle, is fitted out as a miniature theater, and there the actor has a wonderful collection of paintings, books, old play bills and theatrical relics gathered in the last score of years.

Keeps Them Awake. "Yes," said the man who sometimes lets out an audible thought, "they are the biggest fakers on earth."

UNCLE SAM'S WORST SENTENCE.

"Dismissal with ignominy" Means the Most Absolute Disgrace.

The severest sentence which the United States government can inflict is undoubtedly "dismissal with ignominy," which is meted out to officers of the army and navy who are guilty of great offenses.

It is the nearest thing to ostracism that can be reached in the modern state. When the sentence "dismissal with ignominy" is passed upon an officer it means that his brother officers may never speak to him again during his life.

And when the sentence is once passed it is unchangeable. A man who simply violates the laws of the country even to the point of treason has a chance for pardon, but once he receives the document bearing the phrase "dismissal with ignominy," it stands just as long as there is breath in his body.

Even if he wishes to enlist in the service as one of the men in the ranks this would not be allowed. When caught he would be punished for "fraudulent enlistment."

In the old days the greatest punishment was to cashier an officer. Then he would be taken out before an assembled body of troops or sailors and his insignia of rank would be taken and his sword broken.

It is ordered by the president that notice shall be sent to all members of the service and the crime and the punishment is published in the newspapers not only around the headquarters where he was last on duty, but also in the state from which he comes or in which he usually makes his home.

A Technical Explanation.

It is said that unless one can impart information one does not really possess it. The late Prof. Angelo Hellprin used to tell a story, says the Washington Star, illustrative of this point.

Two commercial travelers on the way from Reading to Philadelphia once got into an argument over the action of the vacuum brake.

"It's the inflation of the tube that stops the train," declared the first traveler.

"Wrong, wrong!" shouted the second. "It's the output of the exhaustion."

So they wrangled for an hour. Then, when the train arrived in Philadelphia they agreed to submit the matter for settlement to the engineer.

"Well, gents, you're both wrong about the workin' of the vacuum brake. Yet it's very simple and easy to understand. When we want to stop the train we just turn this 'ere tap, and then we fill the pipe with vacuum."

Working the "Rope Trick."

How the "wonder worker" of India performs his "rope trick" is told by a correspondent who witnessed the feat in a busy street of Surat in broad daylight.

"Then it's better not to show a colored stone, such as a ruby or an emerald or a bluish diamond in connection with other diamonds. If you show some customers a colored stone and then put it away and show him a good white diamond he will declare that the diamond is off color. It does not seem to be a whim so much as the effect on the eyes of the colors in the stones."

When Every Man Is Coy.

Feminine proposals are nothing new—in leap year or otherwise. It is said on good authority that Eve set the example when she baited Adam with an apple—or lemon, as certain excellent authorities claim of late.

Punctilious Etiquette.

He—Did you have an informal discussion at your club, my dear?

She (primly)—Our discussions are never informal. We take up no subject which has not been properly introduced.

Not Diminishing.

"Mrs. Gadder has such a way of backing people without saying anything outright."

"Yes, I was just a-sayin' the other day that she always was ready with a diminuendo against somebody."

FOR PLATES AND SHEETS.

ALL TOO VIGOROUS

"LAMB" WAS AN EXCEPTION TO GENERAL RULE.

Judge Pitman Found Out Its Character in a Short Time—Book's Description Not Correct in This Case.

Judge Pitman, a short time ago, bought a pet lamb for his little children to play with. It was a pretty good-sized lamb, and strong and vigorous; but the judge said he preferred that kind, because the children would be less likely to hurt it.

On the day that it came home they turned it out into the front yard, where it strayed about nibbling the grass, while the judge tied up his geraniums.

Mrs. Pitman had the children in the house and she was reading to them from a book a description of the characteristics of lambs. The account said that "The lamb is one of the most playful and innocent of animals. So kind and meek is it that its name has for centuries been the synonym of gentleness and sweetness of disposition. It never injures any one, and when it is attacked it always suffers humbly and in silence. There is something so beautiful about the gentle little animal that—"

Just at this point Mrs. Pitman was interrupted by the voice of the judge coming from the front yard. It sounded as if he were in distress of some kind.

The whole family flew out upon the porch, and there they saw that pet lamb, whose name was the synonym of gentleness, engaged in butting the judge. It would butt him in the rear and knock him over, and then it would butt him in the legs, and batter him on the ribs, and plunge its head into his stomach, and jam its skull against his chest. When he rose it butted his shins, and when he stooped over to rub them it butted his head. Then it butted him generally wherever a chance presented itself; and when it had doubled the judge all up under the Norway maple, it butted down three rose bushes, butted a plaster garden vase to fragments, butted two palings off of the fence, and danced off down the street, butting at the tree boxes, the hitching posts and the northwest wind.

Mr. Potter finally knocked it in the head with a club and brought it home to the judge; and subsequently, when they had the hind leg for dinner, the judge observed to Mrs. Pitman that from the manner in which that lamb cut he should believe that it was born during the war of 1812, and that it was, in fact, a terrific old ram. Then he said he should go down to see the man who sold it to him for a lamb and bang him with a club.

The Pitman children will cling to kittens as regular pets.—New York Weekly.

Together in Death, as in Life.

Thirty years ago in an Edinburgh school there were three pupils who were so intimate and inseparable companions that they were designated Faith, Hope and Charity. After leaving school they continued as warmly attached as ever. Indeed, the constant appearance of the trio together "at Kirk and market" became a standing joke. By and by they married within short intervals of each other. They had each three children and the families grew up together in close friendship. Some three years ago one of the three died suddenly and shortly afterward, with equal suddenness, another passed away. A few months later the third died after two or three days' illness. Thus within one short year, in the prime of life, the three, who on earth had been all but inseparable, passed away.

A Credit to Surgery.

The action of the surgeon of the steamship Pannonia of the Cunard line is a high credit to the heroism and skill of surgery. In mid-ocean, in a great storm, the motion of the vessel was suspended to enable Dr. Fraser Orr to perform the operation for appendicitis on a coal-passenger who was in danger of immediate death unless it be then performed. That was successfully done and Dr. Orr was assisted by Dr. Hendrik, who had oversight of some of the steerage passengers on the vessel. The action deserves chronicling and will command admiration wherever the history of medicine and surgery shall be held in honor among men.

Beauties of Our Language.

Two members of the Princeton faculty, according to Harper's Weekly, during a recent hurried trip, were on an electric car when it was stopped by a blockade. As they were near their destination, they decided to get out and walk. The block was, however, soon lifted, and the car overtook them.

Ingenuous.

"When we left the car," said one of them, who, by the way, has a little bit of the Celt in him, "I thought we should get on better by getting off. But, after all, we should have been better off if we had stayed on."

Honored Her Memory.

It was simply a coincidence that made the unveiling of the monument to Queen Victoria at Leith, Scotland, take place on the same day as the publication of her first volume of letters. Lord Rosebery, who made the address at the meeting, declared "not the least of the services that she rendered us is the effect of her training and example on the present king."

LESSON COST HIM JUST \$120.

Tale of Farmer Who Lost His Head During Financial Flurry.

Illustrative of the wrinkles and kinks developed during the financial flurry a story is told by a central Iowa banker who was carrying a time deposit of \$4,000 for a farmer who took alarm and demanded the money, although his deposit certificate did not require payment until January 1 next.

Persuasion and argument proving futile, the banker decided to appease his irate customer by paying his subject, of course, to forfeiture of the interest, amounting to \$80. As a salve to his injured feelings he handed out the money in metal, anticipating that when the depositor saw its bulk he would relent. But the depositor was determined, and shouldering the bag of coin strode across the street to the post office and made a peremptory call for \$4,000 in money orders. "I'll trust Uncle Sam, and nobody else," he declared. He received his orders in due time, a pocketful of them, paying \$40 for privilege of making the post office his custodian of funds. His total cost to protect himself, as he imagined, was \$120.

"Well, I can go home now and breathe easy," he remarked, complacently, as he tucked the orders away.

"Yes, you've got a good debtor," assented the postmaster, "but will you do me a favor?"

"Sure!"

"Well, I've got rheumatism in my back and I've got to get that bag of money over to the bank to deposit it. Just tote it over and I'll be yours truly."

The reassured capitalist complied, but his subsequent conversation was so sulphurous in an earnest effort to express his chagrin to see that the money went back to the bank from which he had drawn it that the town marshal experienced the necessity of taking him in hand.—Los Angeles Times.

Women Defied Church Rule.

Six splendidly clad young women, not the least of their grandeur being represented by the latest examples of millinery art, swept into the First Presbyterian church one night and seated themselves in the most advantageous seats of this the most select house of worship in the city, says the Seattle Times. The six did not resemble conspirators bent on revolutionary and rebellious tactics, but they were and they won their point.

"Ladies will please remove their hats," commanded Rev. Dr. Matthews, when his calm glance over his congregation revealed the fact that one of the standing rules of the church was being violated right under the ministerial nose.

There was no responsive action on the part of the six. The request was repeated in a still firmer tone, but the rebels sat firm, and after a pause of a minute's duration the divine began his sermon while the six sat straight with their plumes flaunting a pean of victory.

Emerson Shows Ready Wit.

I had passed a score of summers when I first met Ralph Waldo Emerson, says Julia Ward Howe in the Delineator. We were fellow-passengers on board the Soundboat, bound for New York, and detained overtime by a snowstorm. A mutual friend had made us acquainted just before starting on our way. I had not desired the introduction, Mr. Emerson's reputation being that of a putter forth of strange doctrines, much in opposition to the old theology which had presided over my religious training. Chance had brought us together, and I, with the zeal of youth, expressed my disapproval of the new doctrines.

"Do you not see, sir," I made bold to say, "that in these theories no account is made of the devil, who goes about, seeking to destroy human souls?"

"Surely," said Mr. Emerson, "the angel must be stronger than the demon."

His Preference.

The famous coup d'etat by which Napoleon III. gained control of France is vividly described in the "Memoirs of Monsieur Claude," published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Among the many anecdotes of the eventful evening of December 1, 1851, M. Claude gives the following: Comte De Morny, the chief spirit of the nocturnal drama about to be performed, was at the Opera Comique in order to allay suspicions. A lady said to him: "Monsieur De Morny, is it true that they are going to sweep out the chamber?" "Madame, I don't know anything about it," he replied; "but if there is any sweeping to be done I shall try to be on the side of the broom-handle."

Ingenuous.

Mrs. Artless—The Bloughboys have a grandfather's clock that's been in the family for more than 450 years.

Mr. Artless—Humph! They didn't have it a year ago.

Mrs. Artless—Oh, no; but you see it was stolen nearly 50 years ago and Mrs. Bloughboy tells me it was by the merest chance they discovered it last week in a second-hand store.—Puck.

Enigmatical.

"That forward Miss Flip openly advocates kissing games. Hasn't she nerve?"

"Well, encouraging osculation is a thing which does require cheek."