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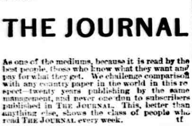

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TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

A CHOICE SELECTION OF INTERESTING ITEMS.

Comments and Criticisms Based Upon the Happenings of the Day—Historical and News Notes.

PRINCE BISMARCK keeps the wolf from the door with $170,000 a year.

ALMOST 54,000 Frenchmen belong to the Legion of Honor, 32,021 of them being connected with the army and the rest civilians.

THE snow-shovel factories of New England will start the season with 600,000 snow-shovels left over from last year, and the Middle States and the West stand ready to furnish a tramp for every shovel. Let old Boreas get up and howl.

WAS this the introduction of Freemasonry into this country? Weeden, in his history of New England, says that in 1658 fifteen families came to Newport, R. I., from Holland, bringing, with their goods and mercantile skill, the first three degrees of Freemasonry.

PHYSICIANS say that cases of nervous prostration are less frequent since low heels have come into fashion. They allow the whole weight of the body to rest on the feet, remove the tension to which the muscles are subjected by high heels, and keep the calf of the leg in its normal condition.

SOMETHING new in the way of brickmaking has sprung up at St. Joseph, Mich., where the sand of the beach by a chemical process is being turned into bricks. They are represented to be superior to pressed brick, and large quantities are being put into fine residences and the fronts of business blocks.

ROYALTY is always dear in England. An ebony walking stick which once belonged to Georgius Tertius was lately sold at auction in London for $90. The gold top was engraved with "G. R." and crown, and contained the hair of Princesses Augusta Elizabeth, Mary Sophia and Amelia, and was inscribed as the gift of Princess Mary.

THE Sioux Indians who are looking for an Indian Messiah are under the leadership of an old medicine man named Red Shirt, who is believed to be over one hundred years old. He gets his name from the fact that he has always worn a red flannel shirt, and his extreme old age is inferred perhaps from the evident antiquity of that garment.

THERE are 500 convicts in the Southern Indiana prison, and fifty of them are serving life sentences. Some of these are for murders committed, the most brutal known in the history of Indiana, and among them wife slayers predominate. Many are men serving sentences for the most insignificant offenses. One man is serving a year for stealing a pair of 10-cent socks.

IN some cities classes have been organized to teach the young men and women to read the New Testament in the Greek language. A united effort to get them to read it in English, and do it understandingly, would be more to the point. There is a growing movement toward the æsthetic in religious circles. An effort, as it were, to build up exclusive circles inside the one that should be broad enough to take in "all sorts and conditions of men."

A WRITER on disinfectants claims that the most reliable one that is practicable for families is the vapor of sulphur. To use this put it into an iron vessel, set it on fire and leave it to burn out in the apartment with the doors tightly closed. About two pounds of roll sulphur is required for a room ten feet square with ceiling of ordinary height. The fumes are dangerous to life, and caution must be observed in entering the room before it is free from the sulphurous gas.

AN English newspaper charged a shire councilor with having "tiddly winked the shire funds." The law was invoked and, after consulting all available dictionaries without finding any definition of the term, the Court decided that the phrase was not necessarily libelous. The game of tiddlewinks, which is now in vogue in this country, is one of skill, and an expert tiddlewinker must be gifted with slight of hand. Financial tiddlewinking is a suggestive phrase, and is now introduced for the first time.

AWFUL occurrences cry out from the telegraph pages of the press with startling regularity. There seems to be no interruption in the procession of what was once regarded as horrifying events, but which now, owing to familiarity, are looked upon as matters of course. It requires a stupendous effort of the mind to realize that these violent deaths, murders and accidents which hurl human beings into eternity by trainloads are a necessary adjunct of our civilization and a part of the progress of the age, but so they have come to be considered, and no regular reader of the daily press is nowadays moved to unusual remark by a perusal of these hitherto harrowing recitals.

IN the marriage ceremonies in the Salvation Army the bride is not asked to reply to the question common in most Christian organizations whether she will obey her husband. No exception was made in this respect in the marriage of Gen. Booth's son Herbert to Capt. Carrie Schock, a Salvation lass. Marshal Ballington Booth was asked the reason why the word obey is omitted from the service. The Marshal replied through one of his Captains: "We do not admit the inferiority of women to men in the Salvation Army. That principle permeates the organization from the General down to the meanest private. In fact, most of the married warriors confess that their wives are the better half. So Gen. Booth has made a marriage service and put it in the 'Orders and Regulations for Field Officers,' a big book, as follows: 'Will you have this man to be your wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy state of matrimony; will you love him, serve, honor, and help him in sickness and in health, and never seek to prevent his doing anything that is in his power to do, or giving anything that is within his power, to help the 'Salvation Army,' and so on."

THE Cincinnati *Enquirer* very properly calls a halt on "silent alarms" in the case of fire. As a result of a silent alarm in Cincinnati, there was a collision between a ladder wagon and a street car, a number of people in the car having a narrow escape. Silent alarms endanger the lives of those who may happen to be on the street and whose only warning of the approach of the engines and wagons at breakneck speed is the clang of the bell, and frequently this notice is so brief as to be dangerous to the pedestrain. But when the big bells ring out the streets are cleared in advance and there is no danger of a collision or of any body being hurt. There is no good reason for a silent alarm. The location of a fire is something with which every body ought to be made acquainted promptly. Men stop in the midst of their business to count the strokes of the bell, and if it is their property that is being consumed it is their desire and their right to hasten at once to the scene of the fire. In the case of a silent alarm they have no means of knowing of the destruction of their homes and valuables until the mischief has been accomplished. The practice does not prevail in Columbus to a very great extent, but there ought not to be a single instance of it.

Obeyed "De Speret."

An old negro was found casting a net in a preserved fish pond. "I have you at last," exclaimed the owner. "Stand right where you are. If you try to run I'll shoot you. What are you stealing my fish for?"

"Look yere, you doan call dis stealin' feesh, does you?"

"Of course I do, you trifling scoundrel!"

"Wall, ef dat's de case dar's er p'int o' diffunce betwixt us. I call it 'ligion, sah."

"You call it what?"

"'Ligion, sah; dat's what I calls it. Peter and John an' all de 'ciples, when da felt 'ligious, tuck er net an' went an' kotch some feesh, an' now, when de sperit dun moved me, an' I has come 'cordin' ter de scriptur' an' gunter cast de net, w'y yere you come an' calls me er thief. Ez 'ligious er man ez you ez oughter be 'shamed o' yo'se'f. W'y, I reckon ef you hader libed in de ole days an' hader seed Peter er feeshin', you woulder got after him, too. Dar was jes sich men er libin' at dat time, sah, an' what did da do? Da strayed off atter de golden ca'f o' 'niquity an' let de feesh o' righteousness er lone. De speret moved me ter come off down yere an' cast dis yere net an' now you come an' 'ject ter de speret."

"I object to you stealing my fish, you trifling rascal."

"I ain't stealin' yo' feesh, sah. I jest castin' de net like de sperit tole me to do."

"So you haven't taken any fish?"

"No, sah, cose I ain't; but I kain't hep it if de speret tole me ter cast de net."

"What have you got in that bag?"

"Dis bag right yere?"

"Yes, that bag right there."

"What's I got in it?"

"That's what I said."

"Wall, sah, I put er few feesh in yere jest ter keep 'em frum bein' proud in de flesh. Feesh is monstus proud some time, sah, an' I jes wanter show 'em dar's sicher thing ez pride comin' down putty low."

"Yes, and I'll just show you there's such a thing as going to jail."

"What! 'Caze I follered de speret an' tuck de pride outen de feesh? Wall, I sees one thing mighty cl'ar. Dar ain't no usen er man follerin' de speret deze days. Ef Peter was yere now he'd git 'gusted wid de white folks an' go off down yandar wid de niggers. Now, sah, ef you wanter disgrace yo'se'f by takin' me ter jail I'se wid you."—*Memphis Avalanche.*

An Indian Widow's Hard Lot.

According to the account quoted by Dr. Farrow in his valuable work on the "Mortuary Customs of the North American Indian," the Tokotins, of Oregon, compelled widows to pass through an ordeal to which the suttee would almost be preferable. The body of the deceased husband was kept for nine days laid out in his lodge. During these nine days the widow is obliged to lie beside it from sunset to sunrise, no matter what the season or the temperature. On the tenth day the body is burned, together with whatever property once appertained to it in the way of clothing and arms. The widow must also lie beside the corpse on the funeral pile. On no account may she move until the doctors so order.

This merciful command is never given, however, until the living body of the poor woman is completely covered with blisters. If at any time during the life of her husband she has been known to commit any act of infidelity, or to neglect to minister to his comfort in any way, she is now severely punished. The relatives of the dead warrior will again and again fling her back upon the burning pile, from which her own friends must as many times drag her forth, more dead than alive. When all is over the widow must collect the larger bones, roll them up in an envelope of birch bark and carry them constantly on her back for years. She is now a slave to the whole village, and her least refusal to obey an order is cruelly punished. The ashes of her late husband are collected and buried in a grave, and should any weeds appear upon this grave she is obliged to root them out with her bare fingers, while her husband's relatives stand over and beat her.

No Sense of Humor.

There are various ways of coming to grief, when one attempts telling another person's stories.

"Annie, tell that anecdote Cousin Olive told, the other night, please," said a young lady to her sister, while they were making a call. When Annie had complied, her sister announced, sympathetically, to the company, "You can imagine how funny it was, because Olive tells a story so well!"

Another unfortunate relater of a borrowed tale was a gentleman who ventured to ask an intimate friend, "Why don't you wear a wig?"

"I'd rather dye," was the answer, and though the pun was an old one it happened to be new to the hearer, and greatly amused him—not so much that he did not speedily forget the point.

That night, on returning home, he said to his wife, "Richardson said an awfully good thing this afternoon. I asked him why he didn't wear a wig, and he said he'd rather commit suicide than do such a thing. Why don't you laugh? But then, women haven't any sense of humor, to speak of!"

Prompt Meals.

Be business-like enough to run your house on schedule time and be prompt with the meals. A hungry man is generally an ugly man, and then is the time to be philosophical. To kiss him at this time is to make him crawl. He wants consomme, not caressing. Be ready to receive him when he comes in to dinner. Be in the doorway and let him see the fire-light or the lamp from the hall. Let him take his overcoat off and his hat and his rubbers, and let him blow his nose if he wants to. Let him solicit a welcome, but don't proffer it if he shows a disposition to get to the fire first. It is execrable taste, but it is the kind he will manifest if his trousers' legs are damp, his feet wet, and his hand cold.—*New York World.*

$400,000 WORTH OF FRUIT.

The Fruit Comes Here, the Money Goes to California—A Great Day's Sale.

Less than six years ago the multifarious delicacies of the glorious climate of California were almost unknown in New York market. To-day they adorn nearly every big and little fruit stand in town. They excel the finest native products in beauty and size, vie with them in flavor, and are not so dear that a workingman cannot afford to buy some for his wife or sweetheart. Only a few years ago Tokays from the Golden Gate brought 50 cents a pound; now they may be had for 10 and 15 cents. This is because California has awakened to the fact that New York is the great fruit center of the world, and pays the highest prices for the best products. At the end of this season she will have poured from her marvellous cornucopia into this and neighboring States 10,000,000 pounds of grapes, pears, peaches, prunes, and plums. That will be just half of what she will unload at Chicago this year, and ten times as much as she sent to us only three years ago. She has got the grip on the affections of the fruit lovers hereabouts by offering them only her best products, and she is going to try to keep it. Our native fruit is not holding its own against the Western invader. This is especially true of pears, which are much inferior to the luscious, clear-skinned California Bartletts that may be seen on hundreds of stands in tempting, picturesque pyramids of gold and rose. The peaches from across the continent don't come up to the best from near-by orchards; but they are big and juicy and fair to look upon.

Nearly all the California fruit that comes here is sold by Auctioneer E. L. Goodsell at his store in Park Place or on the long, roofed pier at the foot of the street. Buyers from Philadelphia to Providence are informed by telegraph of the expected arrival of a train load and come here to bid on whatever part of it they may want. Mr. Goodsell is a tall, nervous young man with the rapidity of utterance characteristic of a good auctioneer. He is an Eastern man and a graduate of Yale, but he is as much of a hustler as the wild West ever produced. He defies anybody—even in Chicago—to beat his record of selling in four and a half hours on September 2, fifteen carloads of fruit, comprising 3,500 boxes of Bartlett pears, 4,000 boxes of peaches, 1,600 boxes of plums and prunes, and 2,500 crates of grapes. Forty men unloaded the cars and piled the fruit in 400 different lots on the pier. Fifty trucks took the fruit away, beginning to load at 11:30 a. m. and getting through the job a little after midnight. Twenty-four hours after the sale occurred every California shipper had the money he obtained from it in his pocket or his bank.

Many of the purchasers who gather on the pier when a trainload is piled there, like miniature mountain chains, are Italian jobbers who sell to the venders and stand keepers. Boxes in every lot are opened, and buyers are allowed to examine the fruit. Every buyer has a catalogue, which tells where the fruit is grown. The Earl Fruit Company is the biggest shipper. There are half a dozen Chinamen in the business, and they dispose of their fruit to the big concerns which send them here. One of the lots sold the other day was made up of two boxes of pears grown by Mr. Quong Wo, who has a reputation as a fine grower. One hundred of his countrymen make a living as growers. In exchange for her tons of fruit the jobbers of this section will send California about $400,000, all of which will be nearly clear profit.

Mr. Goodsell says that California fruit has come to stay. He believes that we shall be receiving within a few years more than goes into the Chicago market. The cars that bring the fruit here are run into the section where the growers are and loaded directly from the orchards and vineyards. The fruit is packed in such condition that it may ripen at the end of ten days, the length of the journey from the Western coast. New York gets the very best quality of the crop, because she pays more for it than the growers can get elsewhere.—*New York Sun.*

Not Forgotten.

A man with a business-like air entered a Chicago book store, and hastily summoning the proprietor, thus addressed him:

"How many volumes of Longfellow's poems do you want?"

"How many do I want!" exclaimed the proprietor, glancing up at a dusty shelf, "by George, sir, I don't want any. I have had a lot of his stuff on hand for about ten years, and if you try to shove off any of his jabber on me you'll have me to whip. He is forgotten."

"How many copies of his 'Building of the Ship' have you?"

"I don't know and I don't care; but what difference does it make when I couldn't sell a dozen for a tuneless song? I tell you that our people don't like Longfellow and won't have anything to do with him."

"They may not care anything for him now, but they will care for him in a day or two; and my prediction is that within a week you will have orders for at least a thousand copies."

"Nonsense," the dealer replied.

"No, it's not nonsense. The Brooklyn School Commissioners have declared that the poet, hitherto supposed to be so gentle and pure, is now dangerously erotic."

"What do you mean by erotic?"

"Oh, vulgarly passionate, for instance."

The dealer sprang over the counter, seized the man and exclaimed: "You have saved me from bankruptcy. Send me 2,000 copies, quick.—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

How Good Habits Become Bad Ones.

Good habits, long persisted in, may and do become bad habits, says Dr. W. S. Searle in the *North American Review.* To some this proposition may appear paradoxical. But it will become clear when we reflect that any routine in habits tends to the over use of certain organs, and to a corresponding lack of the use of others; so that, on the one hand, the former becomes liable to diseases of over-excitability, while the latter are rendered liable to those of torpidity. Thus even good habits may become productive of disease. Indeed, it is so common as to be within the observation of every one that a change from such routine is conducive to health—in fact, often entirely renovates the individual. Hence the benefits of vacations which afford an entire revolution in the scenes and employments of professional and business men. Broadly considered, change which brings about an alteration of vital action is the sole curative principle in disease, whether accomplished by fresh scenes, unaccustomed diet, altered habits, or drugs. As a conservator of health, too, it is pre-eminent.

Grandma's Idea of a $1,000 Salary.

E. W. Winter, general manager of the Omaha Railway, enjoys a good story as much as any man I know, particularly if it be on himself. He tells the following tale with great gusto: "My grandmother is a dear, innocent lady, who lives up in Vermont. She was telling a visitor all about the family, one day, and when my turn came she said, 'Now, there's Erne, he's doing right well,' and her voice sank impressively. 'They do say he's getting as much as a thousand dollars a year, though I don't see how he can earn all that money honestly.'"—*New York Star.*

WOMAN'S INTUITION.

Nearly Always Right in Her Judgment in Regard to Common Things.

An old gentleman over seventy came into the city from his farm without his overcoat. The day turned chilly, and he was obliged to forego his visit to the fair.

To a friend who remonstrated with him for going away from home thus unprepared he said: "I thought it was going to be warm; my wife told me to take my overcoat, but I wouldn't. Women have more sense than men, anyway."

A frank admission.

Women's good sense is said to come from intuition; may it not be that they are more close observers of little things. One thing is certain, they are apt to strike the nail on the head, in all the ordinary problems of life, more frequently than the lords of creation.

"According to Dr. Alice Bennett, who recently read a paper on Bright's disease before the Pennsylvania State Medical Society persons subject to bilious attacks and sick headaches, who have crawling sensations, like the flowing of water in the head, who are 'tired all the time' and have unexplained attacks of sudden weakness, may well be suspected of dangerous tendencies in the direction of Bright's disease."

The veteran newspaper correspondent, Joe Howard, of the New York *Press*, in noting this statement, suggests: "Possibly Alice is correct in her diagnosis, but why doesn't she give some idea of treatment? I know a man who has been 'tired all the time' for ten years. Night before last he took two doses of calomel and yesterday he wished he hadn't."

A proper answer is found in the following letter of Mrs. Davis, wife of Rev. Wm. J. Davis, of Basil, Ohio, June 21, 1890:

"I do not hesitate to say that I owe my life to Warner's Safe Cure. I had a constant hemorrhage from my kidneys for more than five months. The physicians could do nothing for me. My husband spent hundreds of dollars and I was not relieved. I was under the care of the most eminent medical men in the State. The hemorrhage ceased before I had taken one bottle of the Safe Cure. I can safely and do cheerfully recommend it to all who are sufferers of kidney troubles."

"BLACK YOUR FACE HERE."

What May Result From the Growing Dislike of Sunburn.

The fair sex often seek eagerly for a preventive against sunburn, says the New York *Monthly Journal*. Some researches made by Dr. Robert Bowles have resulted in the discovery of an infallible one, but one which a woman with even the most beautiful complexion will find too exacting in its condition.

It is an acknowledged fact that sun on snow burns more quickly than on rocks or in heated valleys at a low elevation, and Dr. Bowles remarks that sunlight reflected from freshly fallen snow acts much more energetically on the skin than that reflected from older snow. One brilliant day he painted his face brown and ascended the Gorner Grat, where there was much snow. There were about eighty others making the ascent.

In the evening all excepting Mr. Bowles were smarting from the effects of sunburn. He points out that in Morocco and all along the north of Africa the inhabitants blacken themselves around the eyes to avert ophthalmia from the glare of the hot sands. In Fiji the natives abandon their red and white stripes when they go fishing on the reef in the full glare of the sun and blacken their faces.

In the Sikkim hills, also the natives blacken themselves round the eyes as a protection from the glare of the sun on newly-fallen snow. Dr. Bowles concludes that heat is not the direct cause of sunburn, but that it is probably caused by the violet or ultra-red rays of light which are reflected from snow.

Making Money Anywhere.

Having read Mr. Moorehead's experience plating with gold, silver and nickel, I sent for a plater and have more work than I can do. It is surprising the spoons, casters and jewelry that people want plated. The first week I cleared $37.10, and in three weeks $119.85, and my wife has made about as I have. By addressing W. H. Griffith & Co., Zanesville, Ohio, you can get circulars. A plater only costs $3. You can learn to use it in an hour. Can plate large or small articles, and can make money anywhere. A. J. JONSON.

Bad Cincinnati Whisky.

Cincinnati whisky is justly famed for the picturesque effects it produces in the man who is foolish enough to drink it. The case of Wm. Redmond, who registered at the police station as residing in New York, is a fair illustration. It was reported to Patrolman Jordan the other night that an unknown man was seen sitting in the belfry of St. Xavier's church with his feet hanging over the side. The policeman climbed the three long ladders which led up the steeple and there found Mr. Redmond in a drunken stupor. Redmond was lowered by a block and tackle and locked up in a cell for safe keeping. When he was sober enough to give some account of himself he said he had climbed the steeple and slept there for three consecutive nights.

A MAN who has practiced medicine for forty years ought to know salt from sugar; read what he says:

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 10, 1887.

Messrs F. J. Cheney & Co.—Gentlemen—I have been in the general practice of medicine for most forty years, and would say that in all my practice and experience have never seen a preparation that I could prescribe with as much confidence of success as I can Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by you. Have prescribed it a great many times and its effect is wonderful, and would say in conclusion that I have yet to find a case of Catarrh that it would not cure, if they would take it according to directions. Yours truly,

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An Old-Time Inventor.

It is very seldom that a request for a patent is refused to a Scottish applicant, and when it is the reason almost invariably is that the idea has already been patented. One of the earliest Scotch inventors in this country was old Hugh Orr, a Lochwinnoch man, during the revolutionary times. He was well known in his life time to Washington and the other American leaders, as from his foundry came most of their iron and brass cannon. Orr invented many agricultural implements.

A MRS. DR. J. C. BROWNLY, of Kansas City, ate opium, then got out on the roof, sang "Annie Rooney" and chanted "The Kreutzer Sonata" to Beethoven's notes.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

THE engineer on a locomotive near Green Cove Springs, Fla., last week caught two partridges in his hands out of a covey while flying through the cab.

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BEECHAM'S PILLS cure Sick-Headache.

THE Michigan State Board of Health, believing consumption a communicable disease, advises that all pupils affected be excluded from the public schools.

THAT BOY JIM.

He was the "devil," that boy Jim.
Couldn't do nuthin' at all with him!
Ragged and dirty—a guttersnipe—
Pilin' the cases, distributin' type;
Peltin' the neighbors on their heads
With bran' new quoins an' slugs an' leads,
From early mornin' to evenin' dim—
He was the "devil," that boy Jim.

Editor cussed him—'twant no good;
Head as hard as a piece o' wood;
Jest bust out in a loud hooray,
An' kept right on in his hard-head way.
But onct when the train was passin' by
An' the editor's child on the track—O, my!
Jim rushed with his same don't care
Right in front of the engine there!

Child was saved! . . . But where was Jim?
With flamin' lanterns they looked for him,
While the people trembled an' held their breath!
"Under the engine, crushed to death!"
There in the dust and grim he lay—
Jim! he had given his life away!
'Twas no use to weep for him;
He was an' angel—that boy Jim!

—*L. F. Stanton.*

The Home Truth of a Foreign Proverb.

The Spanish have a proverb—*demasiado es peligroso*—"too much is dangerous." If "brevity is the soul of wit," this means a great deal. Excesses and other imprudences in eating and drinking are productive of one tremendous evil—the progenitor of many others—and these are among the follies to which this pithy saying has direct application. The evil to which we allude is indigestion, to the relief and cure of which Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has contributed more than any medicine which science has given to the American people. This invigorating stomachic and corrective is the means not only of reforming a disordered or enfeebled condition of the digestive organs, but of renewing healthy action of the bowels and the liver. Besides this, it counteracts a tendency to rheumatism and kidney complaint, extirpates and prevents malarious disease, is a potent restorative of strength which is failing, hastens convalescence and mitigates the infirmities of age.

Craze for White Buildings.

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In the Lord's day observance act of Charles II. there is a provision allowing "milk" to be cried in the streets during certain hours, but the Sheffield incorporation does not consider that famous statute sufficiently stringent, and they have accordingly made a by-law intended to put down all street cries whatever on Sundays. Last Wednesday three milk venders were actually summoned for calling out "milk" in certain streets on a Sunday morning, though no complaint had been made against them by residents concerned.—*London Truth.*

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Death of a Veteran.

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