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PICKING HUSBANDS.

A Woman's Cynical View of the German Marriage Market.

The men in Germany do not marry. They are married. They are more or less passive articles of sale, which stand in rows in the matrimonial shop window with their price labeled in large letters in their buttonhole, waiting patiently for a purchaser. They are perfectly willing, even eager, victims. They want to be bought, but their position does not allow them to grasp the initiative, and they are thankful when at last some one comes along and declares herself capable and willing to pay the price.

The girl and her mother, with their purse in hand, pass the articles in review and choose out the one which best suits their means and fancy. "I shall marry an officer," one girl told me some time ago with the easy confidence of a person about to order a new dress, and, lo and behold, before the year was out she was walking proudly on the arm of a dragoon lieutenant! I even knew of three women who swore to each other that they would marry only geniuses, and here also they had their will. One married a great painter, one a poet and another a famous diplomatist. That they were all three peculiarly unhappy is not a witness against the system, but a proof that geniuses may occasionally be very uncomfortable partners. In this case the purchasers were rich and popular and could therefore make their choice. Others of lesser means would have had to content themselves with an officer, cavalry or infantry, according to the "dot," or a lawyer, or a doctor, or a merchant, and so on down the scale.—Miss Wylie's "My German Year."

ODDLY EXPRESSED.

Quasi Ways in Which Ideas Are Sometimes Put into Words.

Curious ways of expressing ideas in English may be expected from foreigners, as, for instance, when the Frenchman, who made a call in the country and was about to be introduced to the family, said: "Ah, ze ladies! Zen I would before, if you please, wish to purify mine 'ands and to sweep mine hair."

A Scotch publican was complaining of his servant maid. He said that she could never be found when wanted. "She'll gang out o' the house," he said, "twenty times for once she'll come in."

A countryman went to a menagerie to examine the wild beasts. Several gentlemen expressed the opinion that the orang outang was a lower order of the human species. Hodge did not like this idea and, striding up to the gentleman, expressed his contempt for it in these words: "Fook! He's no more of the human species than I be."

"Mamma, is that a spoiled child?" asked a little boy on a negro baby for the first time. A shop exhibits a card warning everybody against unscrupulous persons "who infringe our title to deceive the public." The shopman does not quite say what he means any more than the proprietor of an eating house near the dock, on the door of which may be read the following announcement conveying fearful intelligence to the gallant tars who frequent this port: "Sailors' vitals cooked here."—Philadelphia North American.

Definition of True Humor. The sense of humor is the "having sense" principally because it saves us from ourselves. The person who cannot laugh at himself now and then is to be pitied. Moreover, the person who cannot talk good naturedly the occasional bantering of others is in the same class of disagreeables. A well directed shaft of raillery will often find the vulnerable point in our armor of self complacency and show us where our self satisfaction is all wrong. True humor, however, must spring as much from the heart as from the head. Its essence must be truth and friendliness, not contempt. There never was a good joke yet that told a lie or besmirched a reputation. Humor which carries with it a sting to wound the sensitiveness or delicacy of one who does not deserve to suffer is not true humor.—San Francisco Chronicle.

She Couldn't Fool Him. "You have a splendid figure," said the tailor. "I shall have no trouble in giving you an excellent fit."

Feeling fairly well satisfied, the man went to a shoe store. "Your feet are splendidly shaped and rather small for a man of your size, too," said the clerk. "These shoes are just what you ought to have."

He took them and bought a hat at the hatter's, where he was told that he had such a finely shaped head and such splendid features that the hat which he tried on first was just what he needed to make him look his best.

Then he passed into a large department store and, finding the counter-woman was waiting to serve him. "Just place your elbow on the counter, please," she said. "What a finely shaped hand you have! Let me—"

"Wait!" he commanded. "By George, you can't put that over on me! I used to be the catcher on a baseball team!"—Buffalo News.

Could Not Deny It. "I will ask you," said the lawyer, who was trying to throw doubts on the testimony of a witness, "if you have ever been indicted for any offense against the law?"

"I never have, sir."

"Have you ever been arrested on a charge of any kind?"

"Never."

"Well, have you ever been suspected of committing a crime?"

"I'd rather not answer that question."

"Ha! You would rather not. I thought so. I insist upon your answering it. Have you ever been suspected of crime?"

"Yes, sir; often. Everytime I come home from a trip/broadside the customs inspectors at New York city suspect me of being a smuggler."—Chicago Tribune.



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ADAM'S PEAK.

A Shrine Sacred to Three Conflicting Religious Sects. Throughout Asia "holy places" are as numerous as leaves on an tree, but in Ceylon is a mountain which enjoys the unique distinction of being a very holy place to the devotees of three absolutely distinct and conflicting religious sects. This is Adam's Peak, or Sannanai.

According to the Mohammedan belief, Adam, after the fall, was taken by an angel to the top of Sannanai, and a panorama of all the ills that spread o'er should afflict mankind was spread out before him. His foot left an impression on the solid rock, and his tears formed the lake from which pilgrims still drink. The Buddhists contend that it was not Adam, but Buddha himself that made the footprint in the rock, that being the last spot where he touched the earth before ascending to heaven, while the Brahmans have still another legend. All, however, Brahmans, Mohammedans and Chinese, agree that Sannanai is a very holy place, and to perform a pilgrimage to the spot is to the Buddhists what a visit to Mecca is to a Mohammedan. In mixed crowds the worshippers come, each pitying the ignorance of the other, who is so far from the "true way."

It requires no little faith and some imagination to trace in the depression in the rock the likeness of a human footprint. It is 5 1/2 feet long by 2 1/2 feet wide, on the top of a huge boulder. The natives, however, insist that it is the footprint of Adam.—Emmett Campbell Hall in Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

A Quasi Creature. Queer that while the male seal is a bull and the female a cow their youngster is not called a calf, but a pup. Why "seal fisheries" too, when the seal is not a fish? And why should the seal's breeding place be styled a rookery? It looks as if this strange creature is only a fish in common parlance while at sea. On land (or ice) he is classed popularly with animals or birds.—Exchange.

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A MAGIC CLUB.

Curious Decoy Used by the Native Fishermen of Hawaii.

"Lau melomelo" is the name of a decoy used by the native fishermen of Hawaii. It is made of the hardest wood to be found on the islands and is carved and rubbed till it assumes the shape of a club with a little knob at the smaller end, to which the line is tied.

The club is from one to three feet long. A village sorcerer performs certain rites over it over a sacred fire. After this is done the club is magic, and the fisherman must be extremely careful of it. If a woman should step over it or enter a canoe in which lies the club would lose all its power and would be useless ever afterward.

After the club has been charmed the fisherman mixes candleman and coconut meat, bakes it and ties the mixture in a wrapper of coconut fiber. At the fishing grounds the club is covered with the oily juice of the stuff and is then lowered carefully to the bottom. The scent of the baked nut meat attracts certain kinds of fish, which soon gather and begin to nibble at the club. As soon as enough fish are around the decoy a small bag shaped net is lowered very gently until its mouth is just over the club. The latter is then pulled up carefully and cunningly till it is within the bag. The fish are so eager for the stuff with which the club is covered that they follow it into the net without fear. As soon as all the fish are in it a fisherman dives and closes the mouth of the net, whereupon the rest haul it up quickly.

THE MIDDLE AGED MAN.

Finding Happiness in a Life That to Youth isirksome.

"Younger people," said the middle aged man, "want variety. They want to be always on the go. Routine galls them. They hate to have to do the same thing over and over and over again day after day. They want to go somewhere or do something different all the time. Older people are happiest in a life of routine, most disturbed when variety is thrust upon them."

"For myself I welcome my daily task, endlessly repeated and always the same. I should be lost without it; disturbed if it were changed. A life of habit suits me best. I like the old scenes—familiar friendly surroundings. I don't want to change."

"Nor do I want much outside pleasure. In fact, I think I should be best suited with none. I like my groove. It fits me, and I fit it. I don't want to change. I just want to be left alone to work in my accustomed ways. It is in my groove that I am most comfortable. I like a life of labor and routine."

"And could there come to one a greater blessing? Nature and the customs of men enforce routine upon us whether we like it or not. In youth this irks us, but in our maturer years in a life of routine, in the undisturbed enjoyment of familiar labor, we may find our greatest happiness."—New York Sun.

The Historic City of Delhi. Delhi is the most historic city in all India. It may not be the oldest, although it lays claim to a respectable middle age, dating from 1000 B. C. At that time the master of Delhi called himself emperor of all the world, and emperors, at least of India, have ruled there almost ever since. Old Delhi, without the walls, is a city of picturesque ruins. Imperial Delhi, the modern city, was created by Shah Jehan, a contemporary of Queen Elizabeth. From the date of the first Mohammedan incursion, A. D. 715, perpetual warfare raged around Delhi until at length she yielded to the irresistible power of the Moguls. The city was alternately Mohammedan and Hindu during a great many years and finally, in 1803, was made British by General Lake. Delhi has the finest and largest mosque in India. It took 5,000 men six years to build it. The noble tomb of the Emperor Humayan marks the change of creed which followed the Moslem invasion, while the observatory of Jai Singh and the deserted hall of the seventy columns recall the short triumph of Brahmanism.

The Devil of the Desert. It is not generally known how a devil rides a camel, but Mr. Hans Vicher acquired the information and reports it in his volume, "Through the Sahara." One night a camel suddenly ran amuck. Other camels followed suit and a general panic ensued. "The frightened yells of my escort told me that a ghoul, a wicked demon of the desert, had seized the camel. I was told how these evil spirits sometimes took a fancy to mount a camel; the camel would then look to see who was digging it in the ribs, and, perceiving no one, fear would grip its heart, for then it knew that the devil was on its back."

Malleable Glass of the Egyptians. Strabo and Josephus both affirm that the Egyptian glass workers were so well skilled in their art that they imitated the amethyst and other precious stones to perfection. Malleable glass was one of the secret arts of the ancients, the formula for making it being now reckoned as lost. Strabo mentions a cup of glass which could be hammered into any desired shape, the material of which it was composed being as ductile as lead.

How Plants Remain Upright. If a flowerpot is laid on its side the stalk of the plant growing in it gradually curves upward until it resumes the vertical position. This is called geotropic curvature, and the question is by what means the plant is stimulated to change its direction of growth. One theory avers that movable starch grains in the plant cells fall to the lower side as the position is changed and by their pressure influence the mechanism of growth.

His World. Pretty Girl (to Charles, her betrothed)—Charles, how far is it around the world? Isn't it 24,000? Charles (putting hot" arms around her)—That's all a mistake, love. It is only about twenty-four inches."

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Preaching Monkeys.

The author of "The History of Brazil" tells of a species of monkey called "preachers." Every morning and evening these monkeys assemble in the woods. One takes a higher position than the rest and makes a signal with his fore paw. At this signal the others sit around him and listen. When they are all seated he begins to utter a series of sounds. When he stops these cries he makes another signal with his paw, and the others cry out until he makes a third signal, upon which they become silent again. This author, Mr. Maregrou, asserts that he was a witness to these preachings.

A Use For Him. "That horse of yours looks terribly run down."

"Yes," replied Uncle Si Simin. "Why do you keep him?"

"Well, it's a kind of comfort to have him around. As long as I've got him I feel that there ain't much danger of my bein' cheated in a hoss trade."—Washington Star.

Not a Good Son. Necessity turned sharply to invention.

"If I'm your mother," she said, "it's your duty to support me in comfort." But invention, as we all know, usually dodges his duty.—Chicago Tribune.

Gallant. Nell—I have to read a paper on "Ideal Woman" at the next meeting of our ladies' club. Jack—Well, all you need to do is to stand up and let them look at you.

More Noticeable. The more rare a man's qualities are the more he will be found fault with. Dust on a diamond is always more noticeable than dust on a brick.—Josh Billings.

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