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"It's the devil for any one to tell me a secret, for it is sure to come out in print."—HAZLITT.

Tramps perform some peculiar tricks, and are found in many strange places. Barns and old cars are their favorite places of abode the one for recreation and the other for locomotion. But the tramp who frequents King's palaces has just come to hand. A curious incident has just thrown the palace of the King of Wurtemberg at Stuttgart into a state of excitement. During the absence of the King, a trampish individual gained access to the palace by way of the gardens and reached the first floor, where he installed himself in an apartment belonging to one of the princes. Here he made himself quite at home, taking off his boots and placing them outside the door. He then smoked a cigar, wrote several letters on the royal notepaper and finally went comfortably and unconcernedly to bed in the prince's sleeping chamber. Now this was real droll.

Did you ever "take notice" of the habit of some people, who having been born and brought up in a comparatively small place such as Woodstock, have cause to remove to a larger city? They come back to see the friends of their childhood and are very condescending. They could not think, however, of again living in such a "pokey little place." This sort of thing always makes me very tired, and is a sure sign of a small intellect in the person so expressing himself. The fact of the matter is that the ordinary live town differs not much from the city. What particular attraction, for instance, is there in St. John that Woodstock does not possess. Those who have a taste for the play may miss the theatre, but St. John does not rank as a first-class theatre town, nor indeed does any city in Canada, but Toronto. I can understand persons preferring life in a big city to life in a small town, but they should so express their sentiments to those who live in the smaller place, as not to cast reflections on their abodes. Fancy the taste of one living in a big mansion who would on visiting in the humbler home of a friend remark, "I couldn't bear to live in this pokey house."

The Cubans have been unfortunate in their leaders. Maceo was killed just before the time for the freedom of his country was at hand. And now the news comes that Gen. Garcia has passed away. He lived to see his people practically triumphant over the hated Spaniards. A correspondent writes of Garcia:—"Among all classes the opinion prevails that Garcia was in many ways the strongest man the Cubans had among their leaders. Gomez of course, is looked upon as the leader, and one whose advice was not to be relied upon. Still Gomez is not loved as was Garcia. The latter could influence those who would be antagonized by Gomez. The latter has a temper that drives his best friends from him while Garcia could persuade even his enemies. His influence with Americans, too, made him almost invaluable as a leader during the present crisis. He was expected to curb those turbulent spirits, who would precipitate a clash with the Americans, if their demands for independence were not speedily complied with. It is difficult to discover one who can take the place of Garcia. Cuba's loss is terrible. It is a strange fate that carries off a great hero just at the moment he achieves that which has been his dearest aim all through life. When the Cubans lost their 10 years' war he made an unsuccessful attempt to die. With victory achieved, death finds him, but finds him ready as he always was. Since the death of Maceo Cuba has suffered no such loss as this, for I count Garcia a greater man than Maceo. His death at this time is most unfortunate."

Piles Cured without the Knife, by Dr. A. W. Chase's Ointment.

Mr. Geo. Browne, painter, of Woodville, Ont., Victoria Co., says:—"For thirteen years I was a sufferer from bleeding piles and the intense agony which I passed through during these years and relief I obtained by Chase's Ointment prompts me to give this testimonial. My physician wished me to have an operation, but I felt I could be cured without the knife. Three boxes of Dr. Chase's Ointment stopped the bleeding and effected a permanent cure."

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Ho Hadn't Forgotten It.

[From the Chicago News.] Mr. Peck—For years I have suffered in silence, but you should remember the old saying that even the worm will turn. Mrs. Peck—Well, I hope you don't call yourself a worm, do you? Mr. Peck—Possibly not—and yet, on the day of our marriage I have a distinct recollection of hearing some one refer to you as the early bird.



MRS. WRIGHT, OF NORVAL, ONT., EXPERIENCES INTENSE SUFFERING FROM ECZEMA IN HER FEET.

Raw From Her Toes to Her Knees

Dr. Chase Makes a Wonderful Cure.

Mrs. Knight, 17 Hanover place, Toronto, makes the following statement:—

My mother, Mrs. Wright, who lives at Norval, near Doncaster, suffered a summer and winter with Eczema in her feet. She could not walk, and very seldom got any sleep. It became so bad that she was perfectly raw from the toes to the knees. After trying every available remedy without receiving any benefit, and almost hopeless of relief, she was advised to try Dr. Chase's Ointment. She has altogether used 8 boxes since commencing, but with the happiest results, for she is now completely cured. There is but one scar on one of her feet, a memento of her fearful suffering condition. Any person desiring further testimony in this case is at liberty to communicate with Mrs. Wright at her address, Norval P. O. Mrs. Knight says after such a grand success, is it any wonder we recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment?

W. H. De Long, Civil Engineer, ex-Warden, and County Councillor, New Germany, Lunenburg Co., N. S., Oct. 28th, 1897, says:—"I had itching piles for thirty years, and have tried various kinds of pile cures, but none gave me permanent relief until I used Dr. Chase's Ointment. I have recommended it to others with the same result."

Qualified To Do It.

[From the Chicago Post] "Did you know," said the tooth carpenter, looking up from his paper, "that the Indians practised dentistry in the earliest times?"

"I didn't know it," replied the man who had once sat in a dentist's chair, "but I am not at all surprised. The Indians have always been a brutal and a cruel race."

Then he laughed gleefully, forgetful, forgetful of the fact that there was still time for the dentist to add \$15 or \$20 to his bill.

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Onions As Food.

Despite their disagreeable effects as breath perfumers, the common onion is much the more healthful vegetable grown, all would be healthier if onions cooked in some way were a part of the daily diet. Drinking milk after the onions will to a great extent absorb the odor. Those farmers who grow and use many onions keep their health better than do those who are too dainty to eat this vegetable. In southern Europe raw onions are eaten as part of the daily meal, laying a slice of onion on the bread and then biting through both together. The Spaniards have a very mild onion that is quite commonly eaten thus.

Buffers Was Quite Willing.

[From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.] "Get your snow cleared away?" "No. Ran clear up to Biffers' to borrow his snow shovel, and when I got back it was time for me to go to the office." "But what did Biffers do?" "Oh, he was mighty glad to loan the shovel. He doesn't like snowing cleaning any better than I do."

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WHERE HEROES DANCED.

Ball Given by Duchess of Richmond was Held in a Coach-House.

It has at last been settled, after a great many years of controversy and discussion, where the ball given by the Duchess of Richmond was held on the night before the battle of Waterloo.

This was probably the most famous ball in history. Thackeray has described how British officers danced there all night, and rode straight from the ball-room to the battlefield.

The Duke of Wellington is believed to have been there himself early in the evening.

For many years it was supposed that this great ball was held in the house of the Duchess of Richmond at Brussels. But it has now been settled that the ball, as a matter of fact, took place in a coach-house in the immediate neighbourhood.

The visitor to Baussels who enquires about the scene of the ball invariably receives the reply, "Cela n'existe plus." But it does exist.

True, the house of the Duke of Richmond was long ago demolished; but, as already explained, the dance took place in what is now a coach-builder's depot, the house adjoining which fronts the Rue de la Blanchisserie, and is numbered 40 and 42.

Byron's reference to "that high hall" is nothing more or less than poetical license. Britishers will be pleased to learn that this notable building still exists, despite the assurance to the contrary of the guides of Brussels.

Earache Cured.

"I was troubled with Earache for a long time and could get no ease until I tried Hagyard's Yellow Oil, which made a complete cure." Miss Anna Chapman, South River, Ont.

Smuggling Bombs into Russia.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The local paper of Memel, the northernmost town of Prussia, a week ago contained news that in Memel, Nimmersatt and Polangen and along the entire Prusso-Russian frontier the Prussian and Russian police and revenue officers had instituted a thorough search for dynamite bombs, which Russian Nihilists in Germany, plotting against the Czar, were said to be smuggling across the frontier. The Berlin papers at first received the news with incredulity, but today's issue of the Memel paper reiterates its assertions and furnishes new details.

It is declared that the investigation has been most thorough between Polangen and Libau, Russia. The police have searched every house along the frontier and have made a number of arrests at Memel. The Prussian authorities have co-operated with the Russian police, and their activity has caused a tremendous sensation in the entire district along both sides of the frontier.

M. de Roenne, a Russian police commissioner, came across the frontier Tuesday for the final search in Nimmersatt. Up to that time the bombs had not been found, and it was thought by the police that the plot to smuggle them across the frontier in all probability had been successful, though it was believed that part of the infernal machines might be still on Prussian soil.

It was a Russian mechanic named Palzoff, a resident of Krottingen, who revealed the plot to the police.

In the military budget now before the Imperial Reichstag there is an item of 34,500 marks charged to the "secret fund," whereby is meant the service which maintains espionage upon suspected persons—domestic malcontents and agents of foreign governments. Everybody is surprised at the smallness of the amount asked, for to this service alone France each year devotes millions of francs.

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At her last concert, Mme. Patti appeared in a new role—that of a composer—and delighted her audience by a performance of her new song, "On Parting." As a composer Patti possesses the supreme advantage of every other song-writer in the world—of having her songs performed by Patti, the singer.

Stanley composes masses for the Roman Catholic Church, to which he belongs. They are some times sung at St. Joseph's Retreat, a favorite church of Stanley's, and he himself is fond of conducting in person.

Everybody has heard of Stephen Adams, composer of the world-famed "Star of Bethlehem." It is not quite so generally known, however, that under his real name of Mr. Maybrick, he is a popular singer at the London ballad concerts, where he gives capital renderings of his own songs.

Another well-known composer-singer is Miss Liza Lehmann, whose charming songs are sung by everybody. That famous patriotic song, "The Death of Nelson," was composed by the then popular tenor, Mr. Augustus Braham.

There is more of Anglo-Saxon triumph in that song than is usually supposed. It has lately been alleged that in excess of patriotic zeal Braham stole the melody of the song itself from the French, and merely arranged it to the well-known words.



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