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English Joke Murders.

The remarkable ease with which an Englishman can murder a good American joke was illustrated a few days ago in a railroad station in Washington.

A big good natured farmer was awaiting the suburban train for Rockville, accompanied by a handsome Gordon setter. Two sons of Briton, evidently sight seers who had been visiting the capital, stood near him. The dog strayed away from his owner, who was reading a newspaper, and with canine curiosity was poking his nose into an old negro woman's basket, much to her annoyance.

"Hey!" called the farmer, on noticing the setter's actions, "Come here, Locksmith," and the dog immediately ran to his feet. One of the Englishmen left his companion and approached the farmer.

"May I ask," he said, "what you called that dog?"

"Locksmith," said the farmer.

"And why, pray?"

"Because every time I kick him he makes a bolt for the door."

There was a general laugh, in which the Englishman good naturedly joined.

When he returned to his companion, he remarked:

"Most extraordinary name that man over there calls his dog."

"What?" asked his friend.

"Locksmith," replied the first Briton.

"And why such a name?"

"Because, he says, every time he kicks 'im he bolts for the door!"

A Knock Out for Asthma.

You have had many disappointments, filled your stomach with nasty drugs, tried lots of things, but they all failed. Not being a stomach complaint, of course Asthma can't be cured by stomach medicine. But Catarrh-cures Asthma; it gives it a tired feeling in about fifteen minutes. Inhale Catarrh-cure; it makes breathing easy, cures the cough, makes you well. Doctors say there is nothing like Catarrh-cure for Asthma. 25 cents and \$1 00.—Sold by Garden Bros.

Fruit Parties.

This is the month of fruit parties. Everywhere they are the most popular form of entertainment just now, and the woman is wise who gives a fruit party to those from whom she has accepted numerous hospitalities at other seasons.

One woman has thought of sending her card in this way: In the left corner to put part of the paragraph from the 28th edition of the Litany: "The kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time (9 o'clock) we may enjoy them."

Fruit parties are served on a bare table, with embroidered pieces under the receptacles but do not use your very finest embroideries on account of the risk of fruit stains. Neither is it wise to use your handsomest napkins.

Cantaloupes are liked by most everyone, especially the highly-flavored "Little Gems" cut in half, filled with cracked ice and eaten with a spoon.

If you have a long, narrow mirror hanging in the house anywhere, put it in the centre of the table, cover the frame with green foliage and stand on it a sailboat such as you can get at the toy stores for a quarter and load this with a gracefully arranged shipload of fruit.

Sitting on the side of the boat place a colored boy doll holding a goodly slice of watermelon up to his mouth; you can wire the hands and arms in this position. Other like ornaments will suggest themselves.

Have peaches, peaches and plenty—of peaches.

Funny little pigs may be made of summer apples as souvenir decorations by leaving the stem for a tail, sticking twigs in for legs and tiny leaves or sticks for ears. These will stand up.

SOLID FOOD MEANT AGONY

Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets cured her Indigestion—made her Stomach strong and well. To-day she eats anything she wishes, enjoys it and suffers no pain.

Mrs. Ellen Butler, 37 Collahie Street, Toronto, suffered so from Indigestion that for years to put a bit of solid food in her stomach meant agony for hours. She had tried many remedies without any permanent relief, but when she commenced using Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets she immediately improved. After taking three boxes she was able to eat anything without the slightest distress. Sixty tablets, 35 cents. 24 Sold by Garden Bros.

VALUE OF THE KING'S CROWN.

The crown worn by King Edward at his coronation will be enlarged, but its weight will be kept down to the lowest possible degree. Now that it has become an object of great interest after a long seclusion many questions are rife concerning it. The man in the street, who is most impressed by the cash value of an object rather than by its historic or sentimental associations, is particularly anxious to know how much the Crown is worth. The question is more easily asked than answered. Sixty years ago the Crown was valued at something like £113,000, but it is considered that the germs have a higher value now apart from that which historic importance confers.

Severely Afflicted With Kidney Disease.

Stone in the Bladder, Incontinence and Pains in the Back—Another Remarkable Cure Effected by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Mr. Wm. Boyne of 19 McGee street, Toronto, says:—"I was afflicted severely with kidney disease, stone in the bladder, incontinence, deposits in the urine, severe pains in the back, and strains over the loins. I was so bad that I had to get up two or three times in the night and could then only make water with great pain."

"Though long a sufferer and unable to work, I was confined to my bed for three weeks, and during that time thought I could not possibly endure greater misery. It was then that I began to use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. It is with gratitude that I say that they have freed me of all these symptoms, and made me a well man. I would not think of being without Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills in the house, and can also recommend Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine and Dr. Chase's Nerve Food as very superior medicines."

In every town, village and township in Canada just such cures are daily being brought about by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. They are no experiment, but a kidney medicine that has stood the test. One pill a dose, 25c a box, at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

She Scored.

They occupied two four-shilling seats at the opera—those two women did. They wore high and costly hats on their heads and an aspect of grim determination on their faces.

For the young woman in a seat behind them had said:—"I beg your pardon, but will you please remove your hats?"

And each had answered:—"No, I will not."

When the first scene was over she asked them again, and again they answered "No." Then she went to an official and made complaint.

"Yes," he said, "it is a hardship, madam, but I hesitate to ask them to take off their hats, for I know them and I know they would refuse, and if I should undertake to compel them there would be a scene. But I can do better for you than that. There is a vacant seat directly in front of them. Go and take that, and I will see that you are not disturbed."

She took it. With her face wreathed in smiles she turned to them and said:—"Keep your hats on, ladies, if you choose. You will not incommode me in the least."

Then she put on her own hat, a close imitation of a Gainsborough in its design, make-up, and general scope, and sat serenely, with it on her head, through all the rest of the performance.

For she was only human, and the provocation was great.

A GIFT OF 500 ACRES

Would be no temptation to Mr. Beemer in exchange for Dr. Agnew's Ointment, Itching Piles of seven years standing took to themselves wings after a few applications.

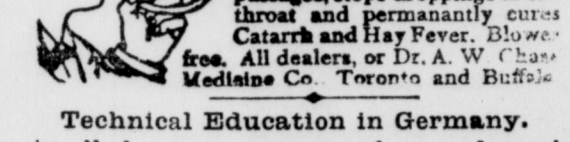
Mr. M. Beemer, of Knotmaul, Mich., says in a letter of recent date:—"I have had Itching Piles for seven years. I have tried most everything that was ever recommended as a cure but never got the least bit of relief until I used Dr. Agnew's Ointment, and I haven't words to express the thankfulness I feel for the great cure. I would rather have the wonderful cure than 500 acres of land. 35 cents. 23 Sold by Garden Bros.

"Have I got the 'pleasing expression' you want?" asked Mr. Gubbins.

"Yes, sir," replied the photographer.

"I think that we do very well."

"Then hurry up, please. It hurts my face."



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Technical Education in Germany.

At all the great centers of manufacturing industry in Germany special attention is given in the elementary technical schools to each separate branch; while in agricultural or mining districts the training connected with these pursuits is made prominent, as a matter of course. Workshops are attached where apprentices and even masters' assistants can improve their practical knowledge of the handicrafts; and girls' schools are provided to teach sewing, knitting, dressmaking, millinery, laundry, and dairy work, cooking, fruit preserving, as well as orthography, book-keeping, shorthand, typewriting, etc. In the smaller villages, where no agricultural or technical school exists itinerant teachers attend regularly at stated times. Success pre-eminently depends on the fitness of the members of the teaching staff, who should not be mere theorists, but men and women in whom pedagogic aptitude blend with sound practical knowledge and experience. It is obvious that such teachers are difficult to procure, and the German Government deserves great credit for the masterly way in which they have solved the problem. No expense has been spared to render the training seminaries thoroughly efficient, and great care is taken to select the most suitable individual for each particular appointment. Promotion can only be obtained by merit, liberal pensions are granted, and teachers are so well paid and occupy so high a social position that some of the best elements of the nation are attracted to the ranks of the profession.

"Ah," said a gentleman who was monopolizing the conversation, "it is easy enough to be good on £1,000 a year, but some of us have to be good for nothing, and"—with a self-satisfied look—"some of us are!"

EARLY BALDNESS.

Indigestion Said to Be a Leading Cause—Our Social Conditions Another. (British Medical Journal.)

The case of baldness is a question which has a personal interest for many people in these days, when the "new man" finds it almost as difficult to keep his hair as the "new woman" does to find a husband. The theory of the baldheaded man generally is that his exceptionally active brain has used up the blood supply which should have nourished his scalp; but those whose crop of hair still stands untouched by the scythe of time unkindly hint that this explanation is of a piece with Falstaff's excuse that he lost his voice by "singing of anthems." Then there is the theory of the hat, which, we are told, makes for sanitary unrighteousness in two ways—allowing no ventilation, and by its hard rim cutting off part of the blood supply from the scalp. Again there is saborrhoea, which prepares the way for fungi that blight the hair. It would have been wonderful if that pathological scapegoat indigestion had not this particular misdeed laid to its charge. We are not surprised, therefore, to read in an American contemporary that dyspepsia is the great cause of baldness. This is how the mischief is done. "Nature," we are assured, "is very careful to guard and protect and supply the vital organs with the proper amount of nutriment; but when she cannot command a sufficient quantity of blood-supply for all the organs naturally she cuts off the supply of parts least vital, like the hair and the nails"—just as one of our "splendid paupers" discontinues his subscription to a hospital, in view of death duties. The hair, in fact, dies that the nobler parts may live up to a proper standard of physiological efficiency.

The best way to escape baldness is therefore to be careful of our diet, and above all to avoid irregularity in meals—a counsel of perfection which the busy man too often finds it impossible to follow. We are not prepared to deny that indigestion may have something to do with baldness, but the part it plays is probably altogether secondary. We know of no evidence that bald-headed men are more dyspeptic than their neighbors, and women who suffer much—chiefly through their own fault from digestive troubles are very seldom bald. The increasing prevalence of baldness might, with at least as much plausibility, be ascribed to general betterment in our social condition that is taking place. The late Prince Consort (who himself lost his hair early) held that baldness is a sign of breeding; heredity, therefore, rather than indigestion would account for its frequency in the upper ranks of society. On the other hand, harness and anarchism often go together, as if the bomb-throwing brotherhood had determined to throw off even the mild tyranny of the barber with other forms of government.

Loss of Flesh.

If you find yourself falling below normal weight there is danger. The use of fish oils can temporarily add fat, but will never build up healthy tissues. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food acts through the blood and nervous system and carries new life and energy to every nook and corner of the body. It regulates the various organs of the body, makes the appetite good, adds healthy flesh, and replaces the tissues wasted by disease. Naturally and gradually this food cure restores color to the cheeks, increases the weight of the body and thoroughly overcomes disease.

With a Brass Band.

The merchants of Hastings, Ont., recently got together and furnished their city band to go to the neighboring town of Roseneath to play for a local celebration. Nearly all of the business men of Hastings readily saw the advantage of a step of this kind and it would seem other towns could follow this same plan. On the band wagon there was a large streamer with the words, "Hastings Band. Sent by the Business Men of Hastings to Help Make the Day a Success. What's the Matter With Hastings?" The band was accompanied by a large number of Hastings' citizens who did their part to keep up the entertainment to the most interesting point. In a letter from E. M. McClelland, who was a prime mover in the matter, he says the idea created a great deal of favorable comment.

Out of The Shadow.

The discouragement, the despair of ill-health, out into the noon-tide glory of health, vigor and strength. Are you seeking this way? Are you wishing to replace weakness by strength, despondency by hope and expectation, pale cheeks and lusterless eyes, by the roses bloom and sparkling eyes. If you but use Ferrozone, you will make rich, red blood, your nerves will grow strong. Old time vigor will return and with it endurance that will enable you to live an active, energetic and successful life. Remember the name, Ferrozone.—Sold by Garden Bros.

"How did you happen to insure in that particular company?"

"I consulted the wishes of my wife."

"Of course; that's very praiseworthy. But does she know anything about life insurance companies?"

"Yes. She investigated and found that this one always issues the prettiest calendars."

A DEATH "DODGER"

Chronicle all the escapes from death and put them in letters that all the world can see, and you'll find if history were written faithfully, Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart will hold the record for having "baulked death's ram-page."

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Miss Weston: "And have you played much golf, Mr. Jones?"

Mr. Jones: Well—er, no; can't say I've played much, but I've walked round the links several times in these clothes, and I'm beginning to understand the language."

Two Extreme Cases of Itching Piles

That Were Positively and Thoroughly Cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment—The Only Actual Cure For Every Form of Piles.

Mr. F. Stokes, 116 Dunlop street, Barrie, Ont., writes:—"I was troubled with blind, itching piles for years, and could get nothing to stop the constant itching. I was always in pain until a friend of mine told me of the wonderful cures Dr. Chase's Ointment had made among his acquaintances. I only used one box, and am entirely cured. In gratitude for this marvelous cure, and for the benefit of others suffering as I did, I send you this record of my case."

Mr. Amos P. Fisher of Somerset, King's Co., N.S., a commercial traveler, well-known throughout the Province, writes:—"It is great pleasure to inform you that I have been cured of itching piles by using Dr. Chase's Ointment. I was bothered with the above malady for twelve years, and suffered extreme agony at times. Thanks to Dr. Chase's Ointment, I am completely cured, and would recommend it with fullest confidence to all suffering the torture of this terrible disease." 60 cents a box at all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

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