

A Hog as a Life Preserver.

The yarns of sea captains are not always trustworthy, but this story is vouched for, and furthermore we know the captain.

This skipper, whose name is Christopher Crosby, then a young man, was running a small schooner between Boston and St. John. N. B. An uncle of the young Captain Crosby was running at the same time one of the large-wheel passenger boats plying between Portland and St. John.

Most of our readers are no doubt aware that it is customary during a fog to blow a tin horn on board of sailing vessels, in order to prevent collisions; and the sailors, as they say, take turns in "playing on the mouth organ."

One morning, in the early part of spring, the season of the greatest amount of fog along our North Atlantic coast, Captain Crosby's vessel was running on the southward course from St. John, about in the track of his uncle's steamer, which had left Portland that morning, and was liable to come along at any moment. During the night one of the sailors laid the "mouth organ" down on the rail of the schooner, and it rolled overboard. When the Captain came on deck in the morning he found his vessel in a dense fog, and no horn on board. For a moment he was puzzled, not knowing what to do. Recovering himself, he set one of the men to pounding on the anchor with a piece of iron; for under the circumstances it was choosing between a positive noise and a possible death.

Presently the men on the schooner heard in the distance, beating against the water, the wheels of a steamer, which seemed to be running directly for their little vessel. They all screamed at the top of their voices, for in five minutes they expected to be struggling in the water.

Suddenly it occurred to the captain that the shrill squeal of a pig could be heard a long distance, and quick as thought he set one of the men charging the pig's tail with a pair of nippers.

The pig in response to each pinch belched forth a most blood-curdling shriek, which travelled far into the fog. The steamer came nearer and nearer very slowly. Its captain, faintly discerning the outlines of the schooner through the fog, and thinking it was his nephew's vessel, shouted in a deep quavering voice, "Chris, is that you?"

"Yes," replied Captain Crosby. "Well I am glad of that," growled the uncle, "for I thought I was running ashore and right into a hog yard."

A Puzzler.

A very characteristic story of men who run to brains is told of the Rev. Philip D. Schiff, who about thirty years ago was preaching in Merceburg, Pa. The Rev. Doctor up to that time had never been married, nor had he kept house. By the charms of one of the sisters of his flock he was persuaded to do the former, and, as a matter of course, the latter followed.

He and his wife had not been long domiciled when the perplexing question arose how to get rid of the kitchen refuse.

The Doctor was advised by a neighbor to buy a small pig, and the advice was accompanied by an offer to sell him one. Accordingly the pig was purchased, and immediately another problem came up to be solved, viz.: how to get a pen for it. Casting about, the Doctor discovered a large drydock box in which some of his household effects had been received. He set to work with saw and hammer, and with pieces of boards from the box he soon constructed a pen, which was only a little larger than the pig itself. In a few weeks the pig grew so fat that it hardly had room to turn around, and another difficult question had to be settled. The Doctor studied over this matter several days; meanwhile the pig was hourly getting larger. He finally decided to go over to the neighbor from whom it was purchased, and ask if he would be kind enough to exchange evenly and give him another small pig for the large one that had outgrown its pen.

The lady telling this story, Miss Emma C. Cook, of Washington, D. C., then a child of ten, says she sat in her father's wagon while the good Doctor told her father in all seriousness, how his neighbor was to give him a small pig for his large one, without changing any difference.

Two and One make Three.

The brightness of young men, during their first year in college, is proverbial, and it often happens that while that single year is passing, many youths know more in their own estimation than they do throughout the rest of their lives.

A father once said to his son, during his first college year, "John, the difference between you and me is simply this: You think I am a fool, while I know you are one."

There was a good illustration of this not long ago, near Detroit, Mich. The son of a plain honest farmer had been sent to the State University at Ann Arbor. In the words of a rhymester—

"He learned to play the flute and fiddle, And parted his hair, of course, in the middle," and when he came home at the end of his first year, he resembled the young duke whom our artist has presented.

The young man took special delight in puzzling his father by asking him all sorts of mathematical questions, few of which the old gentleman could answer, though he knew his son was guying him. One day, after the horn had blown for dinner, the father, mother and young man sat down to the table, on which was a platter with two ducks. Instantly an opportunity presented itself to the youth, and he said "Father, how many ducks are there on that platter?" "Why, two; can't you see?" "No," said the young fiddler, "there are three ducks." "How do you make that out?" inquired the father. "Well now there, said the fiddler, pointing to the ducks, "that is one, and" pointing

to the other, "that is two, and two and one make three."

The old gentleman, looking puzzled for a moment, said to his wife, "Well, mother, you take one, I will take the other, and let the boy have the third."

She Knows a Magnet.

Some years ago a Miss H.—was teaching school in Dixon, Ill. One day in the reading-class they came across the word "Magnet." The teacher asked how many in the class knew what a magnet was, and requested those that knew to hold up their right hands.

All the class was motionless for a moment, and then one little girl rose and put up her hand. "Well, my dear," said the teacher, "what is a magnet?" "I don't know," said the little girl, "as I know what it is, but I have seen 'em at home in mother's cheese."

Position of the Planets for May.

JUPITER is moving star till the 21st, and then evening star. The most important epoch in his course occurs on the 21st, at midnight, for he is then in opposition with the sun. Jupiter in opposition, rising at sunset, looking down from the meridian at midnight, and enthroned among the bright stars of Scorpio, makes the most charming celestial picture that will glow on the planetary annals of May. Observers should follow his course as rising low in the southeast earlier every evening he leads the starry hosts as they move over the heavenly road. He is very near to Beta Scorpi on the 20th, at 10 o'clock in the evening, passing at 2' south of the star, scarcely a line of sky intervening between them. An opera-glass will bring star and planet into the same field at the time of conjunction. Jupiter rises on the 1st at 8 h. 38 m. A. M. His diameter on the 1st is 42'. 4, and he is in the constellation Virgo.

MARS is evening star. He is on the meridian soon after 10 o'clock on 1st, and is still a conspicuous object in the sky, the distance increasing between him and Spica. On the 5th, at 1 h. P. M., he is in conjunction with Uranus, being 35' north. Mars sets on the 1st at 3 h. 54 m. A. M. On the 31st he sets at 1 h. 45 m. A. M. His diameter on the 1st is 16'. 2, and he is in the constellation Virgo.

URANUS is evening star. The chief interest attached to his course during May is his near neighborhood to Mars, the larger planet serving as a guide to point out the position of the smaller. Uranus sets on the 1st at 3 h. 49 m. A. M. On the 31st he sets at 1 h. 50 m. A. M. The diameter of Uranus on the 1st is 3'. 8, and he is in the constellation Virgo.

SATURN is evening star. He is moving eastward and approaching the cluster Praesepe, in Cancer. He is on the meridian, or point overhead, on the 1st, at 5 h. 31 m. P. M. Saturn sets on the 1st at 12 h. 45 m. A. M. On the 31st he sets at 10 h. 54 m. P. M. His diameter on the 1st is 17', and he is in the constellation Cancer.

MERCURY is morning star till the 10th, and then evening star. He reaches superior conjunction with the sun on the 10th, at 7 h. P. M., passing beyond the sun and reappearing on his eastern side as evening star. Mercury rises on the 1st at 4 h. 35 m. A. M. On the 31st he sets at 9 h. 4 m. P. M. His diameter on the 1st is 5'. 2, and he is in the constellation Aries.

NEPTUNE is evening star until the 20th, and then morning star. He is in conjunction with the sun on the 20th, at 8 h. A. M., changing his position to the sun's western side and becoming morning star. He is in conjunction with Mercury on the 15, both planets being very near the sun. Neptune sets on the 1st at 4 h. 13 m. A. M. On the 31st he rises at 3 h. 54 m. A. M. Her diameter on the 1st is 10'. 6, and she is in the constellation Pisces.

Mercury, Saturn, Mars, Uranus, and Jupiter are evening stars at the close of the month. Venus and Neptune are morning stars.

GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

"What a labor-saving invention the typewriter is! Don't you find it a great convenience?" "Convenience? Drat! It mangles off faster than I can fill their places."

Kind Words and True.

Mr. John H. Carter, of Corbettown, Ont., writes as follows: "Hagyard's Yellow Oil has stood the test often when all others failed. Our house is never without it, and it will always find a welcome spot on the shelf."

Henry Collis, a man in the employ of Fisher Brothers, was struck by a splinter from a saw while laying a hemlock log at River Phillip Station, N. S., on Monday. The splinter entering his jaw below the ear and running some four inches up the side of his head. He received medical attendance and is said to be doing well.

A Successful Result.

Sirs, I was troubled for five years with Liver Complaint. I used a great deal of doctors' medicine, which did me no good. I was getting worse all the while until I tried Sarsaparilla. After taking four bottles I am now well. I can also recommend it for dyspepsia. Miss Hattie L. Swick, St. Williams P. O., Ont.

A Sure Relief.

I suffered from a hard Cough contracted by damp feet. Having consulted a local doctor without effect I thought I would try Hagyard's Pectoral Balm as a last resort. Before I had finished the first bottle the cough had entirely disappeared, and to-day I enjoy better health than ever before. I can conscientiously recommend it. Chas. H. Kent, Telegraph Operator, East Selkirk, Man.

A Last Resort.

Last summer, says Wm. J. James, of Annapolis, Ont., "I felt very miserable with pains over my kidneys, fluttering of the heart and nervousness; after taking different kinds of medicine, hearing of E. B. B. I thought I would try it; one bottle completely cured me. I can highly recommend it to others."

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Legal Notices.

Equity Sale. Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday the thirty first day of July, A. D. 1888, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at or near the Post Office in the Town of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, there will be sold at Public Auction, under and by virtue of the provisions and directions contained in a certain Decree of the Supreme Court in Equity, bearing date the thirtieth day of August, A. D. 1887, and made in a certain suit therein pending whereof the Plaintiff is John Ellis and Francis E. Winlow, Trustees of the Estate and Effects of Andrew H. Johnson, deceased and Plaintiff's wife, George J. Wilson, John Brown and William B. Howard, Trustees of the Estate and Effects of Andrew H. Johnson, an absconding and concealed debtor and Edward Johnson are Defendants with the approval of the undersigned Referee, the mortgaged lands and premises mentioned and described in the Bill in the said suit as "all that piece or parcel of land and premises situate lying and being in Chatham in the County of Northumberland, being part of lot 'number thirty six or the George Henderson lot bounded northerly or in front by the Wellington road, Easterly by Guard street, southerly by lands owned by William Murray and Westery by Parish School number two so called, and being the same land and premises formerly owned by the late William McFarlane and covered by his heirs by deed to the said Andrew H. Johnson as by reference thereto will more fully appear. Together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, privileges and appurtenances to the said premises belonging or in any way appertaining and the reversion and reversions remaining and to be reserved to the said Plaintiff and the said Defendants in, to, out of, or upon, the said premises and every and any part thereof."

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