

The count, who had so frequently made the first step towards matrimony, but as frequently drew back, had not yet decided upon the course he should adopt in this case—he had promised the friends of the lady, but had made no outward signs of performance. His future mother-in-law, however, knowing his weakness in this respect, resolved to bring matters to a termination, and, therefore, demanded of the count whether he would not marry her daughter, and requested an immediate reply. At this moment his fears and hesitation returned with more force than ever; he trembled for the consequence.

To give up the cherished habits of bachelorhood, he found it was hard—it was almost impossible to abandon them. In this emergency, he resolved to appeal to chance. He wrote two letters; in the one he accepted the hand of the lady, in the other refused it. He then put them in his hat, and called his servant.

"Take one of these letters," said he, "and carry it to the Chateau de —."

"Which, sir?"

"Which you please."

The servant chose a letter. The count burnt the other without opening it.

A distance of ten leagues separated the two chateaus. The domestic must be absent twenty-four hours; twenty-four hours must elapse before the count knew his fate. His situation is anything but agreeable; he knows not, during that time, whether he is a married or a single one—whether he has still the power to dispose of himself, or whether he is already disposed of. The domestic returned. He had carried the letter of acceptance, and M. de M— is, even at this time, the happiest husband in that part of the country.

PLEASURES OF THE TROPICS.—What can be more ludicrous than the picture which Sydney Smith draws of the "pleasures" of the tropical life.

"Insects," he says "are the curses of tropical climates. The bete-rouge lays the foundation of a tremendous ulcer. In a moment you are covered with ticks. Chigoes bury themselves in your flesh, and hatch a large colony of young chigoes in a few hours. They will not live together; but every chigoe sets up a separate ulcer, and has his own private portion of pus. Flies get entry into your mouth, into your eyes, into your nose; you eat flies, drink flies, and breathe flies. Lizards, cockroaches and snakes, get into the bed; ants eat up the books; scorpions sting you on the foot. Every thing bites, stings, or bruises; every second of your existence you are wounded by some piece of animal life that nobody has ever seen before except Swammerdam or Meriam. An insect with eleven legs is swimming in your tea-cup; a nondescript with nine wings is struggling in the small beer, or a caterpillar, with several dozen eyes in his belly, is hastening over the bread and butter! All nature is alive, and seems to be gathering all her entomological hosts to eat you up, as you are standing, out of your coat, waistcoat and breeches.

Such are the tropics. All this reconciles us to our ews, fogs, vapours, and drizzle; to our apothecaries rushing about with gargles and tinctures; to our old British constitutional coughs, sore throats, and swelled faces."

ANECDOTE OF THE CAT.—During a voyage from America to Holland, in the P. Capt. T. related the following interesting incident:

A puss on board regularly attended the table for her share of the meals. After having a litter of kittens, she became shy, and all at once the kittens were missed. The officers, supposing she had made way with them, drove her from the table, on her next appearance, without food. This was done twice. At the next meal, puss came out for her share, and on being again repulsed, as if aware of her thoughts, she went and brought the kittens, one at a time in her mouth, and laid them on the floor of the table, and then looked up in their faces, as much as to say, "There you see they are safe. Does mother forget her offspring?—give me food or the perish!" This appeal was not in vain; after good meal, she again transported her young to herding place. If this is not reason, it is certainly lied to it."—*Portsmouth Journal*.

IDLE WORDS.—Be careful in regard to what you say, while in conversation with those you love.—Idle words have done much mischief, and may still do more. Harmless as they may seem, and innocently as they may be uttered, their effects are often fearful to the extreme. By the utterance of a single word, dear and dear friends have been estranged forever, nations that have always been at peace, and on terms of the most friendly intercourse, are set at enmity; and through their influence, the harmonious before existing between families and neighborhoods has been broken, and friendship with them exists no longer.

A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM.—A correspondent of the London Medical Circular vouches for the relief he has experienced in the liberal use of lime (fresh lemon) juice, whilst labouring under the paroxysms of rheumatism. By repeated indulgence in the above simple acid, for the space of three days, avoid all stimulating liquors, the most confirmed rheumatism, will, he says, relax, and the tone of the muscular and nervous system will be restored to its usual character. The fact was first established by the circumstance of the Jews being as a general body, scarcely ever afflicted with the above disease, and this particular exemption from the malady was, and has been attributed to the very free indulgence which the above people exercise in their dietary consumption of lemon juice.

PROPORTION OF MILK TO BUTTER.—The following account is compiled from Johnston's statement of the yearly produce of a cow, in Scotland, England, Holland and Switzerland:—*Ayrshire cow*—135 lbs. or 1 lb., of butter to a little over 8 quarts of milk. In Holstein and Lunenburg it is considered on an average, that 15 quarts of milk will yield only 1 lb. of butter. In most districts the average of the whole year is much less than a pound a day, even for ten months only. In Devon, for the first 20 weeks after calving, a good cow will yield 12 quarts of milk a day; from which, by the method of scalding, a pound and a quarter of butter can be extracted. In South Holland a good cow will produce, during the summer months, about 76 lbs. of butter. In the high pastures of Scarain, Switzerland, a cow will yield during the ninety days of summer, about 40 lbs. of butter, or less than half a pound a day. In Holstein and Lunenburg it is considered a fair return if a cow yields 100 lbs. of butter; and even in England [British Husbandry, 11 p. 405,] 160 to 180 lbs. is reckoned a fair annual produce for a cow, or from 8 to 6 ounces a day for ten months in the year. [Johnston's Ag. Chemistry, p. 552, 553.]

PURGING IN CALVES.—It is said that a tablespoonful each of pulverised white chalk and of ginger, put into the milk fed the calf, will cure this disease.—Stir the milk well while the calf drinks, to keep the chalk from settling to the bottom of the pail or trough. If, however, the calf is comfortably kept and fed regularly, and without violent changes in its food, there will seldom be occasion for doctoring of any kind.

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