

## THREE REMARKABLE CHILDREN.

They Were Born and are Being Raised at Sea.

That out of a family of four children three should be born at sea, and on one ship, is a remarkable occurrence, which, taken into consideration with the fact that the only child of the family born ashore did not live to be a week old, makes it more so.

The children are those of Captain and Mrs. Carson, and they first saw the light of day in the cabin of the Manx ship Manx King. Captain Carson's family consists of two sons and one daughter—Tom, Jack and Teresa.

Tom, the eldest living child, was born on the Pacific Ocean, about three hundred miles off the coast of Chili; but the exact latitude and longitude was never determined other than by approximation, as the sky had been overcast for several days prior to his birth. On May 3, 1888, the arrival of the young sailor was becomingly celebrated by the officers and crew of the ship.

Teresa was born in the storm centre of the most dreaded coast in the world, almost off the peak of Cape Horn, on March 24, 1891, when the Manx King was in latitude 54:42:16 south, longitude 73:35:14 west. When the ship was laboring heavily in a living gale the little stranger made her appearance. When she was about ten days old the ship, then in the South Atlantic, encountered a hurricane and was thrown on its beam ends, and set so low that the seas came in through the cabin skylights, completely flooding the cabins. The ship was soon got on an even keel and reached its destination without any further mishap, and with both mother and child in excellent health.

Jack was born Dec. 24, 1892, in the North Atlantic Ocean, in latitude 4:16 north; longitude 24:31 west. The weather when Jack first came into the world was all that could be desired, and the noble ship with its precious living freight, was bowling along under all sail at about fourteen knots an hour.

All of the children enjoy remarkably good health, and at sea, no matter how hard the gale may blow, these children of King Neptune never allow them to interfere with their play. No matter at what angle the ship may ride, nor how much it may pitch and toss, the children of the Manx King play in the ship's cabin. The children have become so accustomed to the motion of the ship that not one of them has suffered any bad mishap; for, where they are thrown down by the violent pitching or rolling of the ship, they seem in some way to settle on the deck, much after the fashion of the storm birds on the ocean waves, and though in their short lives they have encountered more storms than falls to the lot of most mortals who live on land, not one of them has suffered even a sprained limb.

Tom's knowledge of nautical matters is naturally extensive, and it is safe to say that, if he follows the sea with his father until he is 14 or 15 years old, he will be able to navigate as well as most men who have been at sea twenty or thirty years, for with him it is natural. As young as he is, he knows the name and location of every line and spar on a ship, and if it came to a pinch he could give all the necessary orders for shortening sail or putting the ship on its courses.

## A FORTUNE OVERLOOKED.

Unexpected Find Made by the Executors of a Washington Estate.

'You may talk about the wonderful discoveries of gold in the Klondike region,' said a lawyer a few days ago, 'but one of the richest gold finds of the year occurred right here in Washington. I will not mention names, but the gentlemen referred to was known all over the country before he died as one of the wealthiest pension agents and publishers of the present day.

'A short time after the captain (I will call him 'captain' throughout the story) died his executors were engaged in making an examination of his effects. His will had been carefully drawn and all of his real and personal property was supposed to be distributed among his relatives and friends, according to his last wishes. One day in clearing out the safe in the building, which still bears the captain's name, an old chest was discovered in one of the dark corners of the vault. It had been there for years, and was supposed to contain only some plates and drawings

of war pictures, used in connection with a book of war stories. The executors had passed the old chest by without examining its contents, supposing, of course, that it contained nothing but the plates and drawings, as indicated by the marking on the outside. One of the clerks engaged in the work had curiosity enough to take a peep into the chest. When the loose drawings were removed a sight met his gaze that fairly took his breath away. There, nestled among the sheets of war pictures, and at the bottom of the chest, was an immense pile of gold coin, which when counted, amounted to something over \$50,000.

'There were gold pieces of every denomination, from \$1 to \$20. The discovery was so unexpected that the executors were at a loss for some time to account for the pile of treasure. The latest will was scrutinized, but nothing in it could be found relative to the unlooked for gold deposit. Various theories were advanced to explain the accumulation of coin, and it was finally concluded that the captain had followed the example of other cautious capitalists during the last raid on the Treasury gold, and hoarded the amount found in the chest. The coin looked as though it might have been dropped into the chest carelessly, for the various denominations and dates were in happy confusion. The executors were unable to account for the omission of the gold pile in the will, for although the captain was a great spender, he usually kept a clear account of his securities. It is possible that he may have been quietly engaged in hoarding gold pieces for a number of years prior to his death, and when his fatal illness came on he may have forgotten the gold lining to the old chest containing the war pictures. Of course, the gold was carefully counted and entered up as a very desirable part of the estate.'—Washington Star.

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## Marriage Customs.

'That is a curious custom they have in some of the South Sea islands,' said Mr. Wallace, 'of marrying a girl to a tree or some inanimate object, which is supposed to act as a sort of scapegoat for the shortcomings of the real live husband. It is not absolutely unique,' said Mrs. Wallace, 'for a woman in this country to be married to a stick.' But Mr. Wallace, with the calm superiority of the masculine mind, refused to deem it a personal matter.

## VICTORY FOR EAST SIMCOE.

Of one thing Mr. W. H. Bennett the Conservative Standard Bearer in East Simcoe is sure—He Suffered from Catarrhal Trouble and Found Speedy and Fixed Relief in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.

In the coming by-election it will not be settled until the votes are counted, whether Mr. W. H. Bennett, who has represented the constituency with ability for years, will again be the successful candidate. One thing Mr. Bennett is perfectly certain of, whatever turn the election may take: When attending to his duties in Ottawa two sessions ago he was taken down with catarrhal trouble in the head. He used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder and over his own signature says that it worked like a charm, and quickly removed the trouble and made him fitted for his parliamentary duties.

## Care of Cut Chrysanthemums.

An expert says: Plunge them at once into a large pan of tepid water and keep them there for ten minutes. Then cut one fourth of an inch from each stalk while still under water, so that it may draw in water, instead of air for its nourishment. Put them in a roomy vase with plenty of water the vase not tapering to a point at the bottom. If the water is changed daily and the flowers kept out of a gas heated atmosphere, giving them pure air at night, they will keep fresh for days.

## The Red.

In Rome, the priestess presiding over the hymen used to put a red veil on the forehead of the young bridegrooms. Red is the symbol of love. The red round box contains the Morin's Cresco-Phates Wine, a remedy which always cures Cough, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and Consumption. Ask for it, it is sold everywhere. Beware of imitations.

## Proved True.

A lawyer whose office was one of the upper floors of a tall building was about to enter the elevator one morning, but stepped back in order to let a lady who seemed to be in a hurry precede him.

The 'conductor,' it appeared, had been waiting for just one more passenger to complete his load, and when the lady stepped

inside he shut the door and the elevator shot upward.

'Politeness,' muttered the lawyer, 'is not always its own reward.'

A few minutes later, however, ascending by another 'lift,' he passed that load of passengers, stuck half-way between floors—where they remained half an hour—by some accident to the machinery.

'I take it back,' he muttered, in the same tone as before. 'Politeness is its own reward!'

## STILL IN HIS PRIME.

North Hastings' Oldest Inhabitant Hale and Hearty.

Josias Moore, of Bancroft, Ont., one of the oldest and best-known residents of Hastings County, can boast of wonderful health and vigor for his age.

'Although I am over 84 years of age,' he says, 'I feel as young as ever I did.'

Mr. Moore, however had a narrow escape from death about a year ago. 'I was so bad with indigestion,' he writes, 'that the doctors gave me up. I tried various alleged remedies but found them no good. One day our popular druggist, F. C. Humphreys, sent me a sample of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to try. The result was marvelous. After taking two I was able to get up. Then I sent for a box. I could soon eat anything. In a short time I was able to walk two miles, to Bancroft and back with ease.'

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The Colonel—'Mr. Moriarty, I received this morning a most offensive anonymous letter, and from certain indications, I am compelled reluctantly to ask you if you know anything about it.' Moriarty—'An anonymous letter? Whoy, O'd scorn to put my name to such a thing!—Punch.

It is considered good luck to kill a white crow. It is also said to be good luck to kill eighteen or twenty rabbits, ten squirrels, a couple of deer, two dozen quails and a dozen or two partridges and pheasants.

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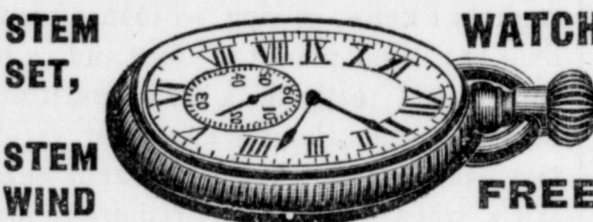
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## FACTS ABOUT OLD CLOCKS.

Suggested by the Sight of an Ancient Time-piece.

A fine old timepiece is on exhibition temporarily in Reading, Pa. It stands majestically back of a plate glass window—a real, though not an apparent obstacle—eight and a half feet in height, massive, but of perfect symmetry and without a suggestion of bulk. It was constructed about 150 years ago by Zeigler of Allentown, Pa. The mechanism came from Germany and the pipe organ with which it is equipped from Switzerland. The cylinders that are a part of its musical equipment are wooden and an indisputable index of its antiquity, since these have not been made for a century and a half. They are contained in a mahogany cabinet, about one yard square, the wood being the same as that of the clock.

Above the dial stand forth the figures of an orchestra, a pompous collection of musicians, each holding the instrument he plays. Surmounting these automata is the significant inscription: 'Abreise, Quantin Durward.'

The orchestration occurs every half hour, when, instead of the usual one bell, delicious and quaint airs flood the apartment. Eyes as well as ears are delighted as the musicians above the dial raise their instruments into proper position, make all the motions of performing and then drop them to their sides again. Each instrument can be recognized in the ensemble, and the effect is better imagined than described.

Thirty-two airs constituted the magnificent repertoire, which is presented on vellum in old German and quaintly framed, making a most attractive feature. No more artistic environment for this work of art could be suggested than to remain in the possession of the last representative of the family that originally owned it. Yet eyes have looked wistfully and plethoric purses offered their seductive contents at this impossible shrine.

It may be consolation to reflect the great Caesar was not fortunate in the matter of time-keepers. A water clock marked the flight of his imperial time. It is interesting to note in the progress of clock-making from that crude state wherewith Caesar was doubtless content, to the highly complex and apparently perfect system now in use, that the heavenly bodies were usually represented. Those landmarks in the history of clock-making, whose importance has led to their preservation, either in chronicle or in fact, show this comprehensiveness of effort.

The celebrated clock in the famous cathedral at Strasburg describes the motions of the planets. A clock presented to Frederick II. by Saladin in the thirteenth century marked not only the hours, but also the course of the sun and moon and planets. A clock made by an English abbot in the fourteenth century indicated in addition to these the ebb and flood tides.

In the eighteenth century a German who invented astronomical clocks conceived the still more comprehensive idea of measuring time in its whole extent. A hand of universal history indicates principal epochs of history in the Old Testament and the great events of the future founded on the Apocalypse. Eight thousand years were embraced in the revolutions. A century hand marks the year of the century and makes the circuit in 100 years. This clock also represents the motions of the planets, and they make their revolutions in the same time and manner that they actually do in the heavens. The heavenly orbs alone were consulted for marking the passage of time when no other method was known.

## RESPECT RULES.

We Cannot Make Social or Other Laws Suit Ourselves.

Young people ought to early learn that civilized society gets along only by obeying fixed laws and regulations. We all must comply with the rules that are set for us, whether by human or divine law. Respect the rules of the town you live in, the firm you work for, the school you go to, or the road you ride over. An amusing example of the desire to make rules for one's self occurred the other day.

A woman came rushing to the gates of a crowded railway station just as a train was starting out.

'I want to go to Stafford!' she panted, as soon as she got a little breath, while she clutched at the gate that was dropping over the entrance.

'Train for Stafford at 2.30,' said the polite official.

'I was told that it went at 2 o'clock,' said the anxious woman, still trying to stop the closing gate.

'No, the train for Stafford does not leave till 2.50,' the gate-keeper repeated calmly.

'I am sure it goes at two!' replied the bland man in uniform serenely, while the crowd laughed.

## Played Down to the Public.

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