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AN "ATTRACTIVE" JOB

All sorts of applicants are in line for the position of public executioner of Denmark. The axe is the weapon used there and when there is something particularly "rotten in the state of Denmark" the lord high executioner shortens the offender by a head and collects $364 for the exercise. Denmark is now advertising for a "sturdy, reliable" headsman, the last holder of the proud office having been robbed by age of the strength and accuracy necessary for a creditable and impressive performance. A London despatch says Fred Smith, a Bethnal Green publican, has applied for the Danish vacancy. He offered his services to the British authorities six times, but has always been refused. He now applies to Denmark, "being attracted, not only by the fee, which is $364 for each execution, together with an allowances for expenses, but by the occasional sea trip the position would necessitate if he secures it. He also thinks the excitement of chopping off a head now and then would relieve the monotony of serving beer. He does not think he would have any trouble in handling the heavy axe used by the headsman in Denmark, as he has been long accustomed to chopping wood."

Denmark's advertisement for a "sturdy, reliable executioner," says the New York Post, implies the decay of the artistic spirit and family pride in certain ancient callings. The present Danish headsman can no longer wield the axe, and has no son to succeed him. They used to order these things otherwise in France, where the strong son would proudly succeed a glorious father grown old in this time-honored profession. That this particular degeneracy is widespread is even more sharply brought home to us by the report that a hangman in Russia has "struck" for a pension and a salary greater than the $50 a year he has been receiving. With relief, one recalls Dr. Holmes's description of that famous artist, Rudolph, and of his brilliant style of execution:

Bare-armed, swart-visaged, gaunt, and shaggy-browed,
Rudolph, the headsman, rose above the crowd.
His falchion lightened with a sudden gleam,
As the pike's armor flashes in the stream.
He sheathed his blade; he turned as if to go;
The victim knelt, still waiting for the blow.
"Why strikest not? Perform the murderous act,"
The prisoner said. (His voice was slightly cracked.)
"Friend, I have struck," the artist straight replied;
"Wait but one moment, and yourself decide."
He held his snuff-box, "Now, then, if you please!"
The prisoner sniffed, and, with a crashing sneeze,
Off his head tumbled—bowled along the floor—
Bounced down the steps;—the prisoner said no more.

"ROASTING" WALL STREET

Mr. W. G. Nicholas, an old Wall street reporter, who has been long enough in the "street" to know what is going on under the surface, has just delivered himself of a few statements calculated to disabuse the minds of those who believe the easy way to get money is to buy stocks.

"Wall street," writes this ancient student of the game, "is going through a course of discipline these days. It is being scourged for its own sins and for the sins of its allies. The punishment which is being meted out to it is the severest imaginable. The blow falls where it hurts worst—on the pocket. The public is keeping out of Wall street. It is taking this method of showing its lack of confidence in 'The Street' and its practices, and in the practices of those who are more or less identified with the financial dealings having their origin and operation in that quarter. The only way the public has of passing a vote of lack of confidence in Wall Street is to keep away, and that it is doing, and in a manner to enforce attention. A loss of public confidence as reflected in a loss of business and commissions is most effective. It is in reality the only way of touching the Wall Street conscience. The epicurean philosophy that the best way to reach a man's heart is through his stomach must be amended in its application to Wall Street, for there the pocket is paramount. In the language of a distinguished exile, once all powerful in New York politics, Wall Street is 'working for its pocket all the time.'

"For nearly a year the complaint has been that it is 'everything going out and nothing coming in,' and that no matter how attractive the display of goods may be, the public will not buy. Wall Street being a manufacturing community this manifestation of popular disapproval cuts deep and hurts. All sorts of explanations and excuses are made by sufferers to account for the public's aloofness, but the real reason is ignored as much as possible. On the whole it will probably be just as well for the public to continue to keep out of Wall Street permanently. There are so many other and better ways of investing money than in marginal trades in the stocks dealt in on the big exchanges that there is really no inducement to put surplus capital into that field. There are great numbers of unpretentiols enterprises of unquestionable merit which are now seeking modest recognition, and it is in these that the thrifty people of moderate means should invest their spare money. It is worthy of note that the class of investors mentioned is adopting this very course of action instead of contributing to the giant industries focusing in Wall Street."

WERE YOU RIGHT?

Nearly every man has in his mind's eye some sort of a picture of the famous men of the world, past and present. The Boston Herald has compiled a lot of interesting information which is calculated to revise many prevailing ideas as to the stature of men who have occupied the centre of the stage. Did you know how high Napoleon was or Joseph Chamberlain is?

Napoleon's fondness for short men, says the Herald, seems to have been due to his own stature. He had no wish to be surrounded by a staff of giants. He would have said of Lord Kitchener, who is six feet one and a half, as he said of Gen. Kleber, that he has "all the qualities and defects of a tall man." Napoleon would not only have agreed with Lombroso that great men are short men, but he went further than that; he altered the stature of Frederick the Great, of Alexander, of Caesar, to suit himself. He always insisted that they were short men; but the chroniclers of their times tell us otherwise. The chroniclers of Napoleon's time seem to have been struck by his own fancy, for they made him as short as they conveniently could. His old friend, Bourienne wrote Napoleon's height as 5 feet 2 inches. Constant put it at 5 feet 1 inch. But, after all, these were old French measures. Capt. Maitland's testimony is more to the point. It was to Capt. Maitland that Napoleon surrendered on board the Bellerophon. Maitland measured him and recorded the fallen conqueror's height as 5 feet 7 inches, English. That, by the way, is half an inch more than the stature of Lord Roberts, the ever-glorious "Bobs." But the Napoleonic theory does not bear the test of figures. Intellectual power in its varied manifestations is not found at its utmost strength in small men only. It takes men as it finds them, tall and short, thin and plump, and it seems to rather like height. Thackeray was 6 feet 4 inches. So was Fielding. Scott, Walt Whitman and Tennyson were six-footers. Goethe, the elder Dumas, Robert Burns and Longfellow were 5 feet 10 inches. J. M. Barrie is only 5 feet 5 inches, and Kipling only 5 feet 6 inches. Edwin Abbey has the same height as Barrie, so has Alma-Tadema. Lord Curzon is 6 feet 1 inch, Geo. Westinghouse is over 6 feet 2 inches, Andrew Carnegie is 5 feet 4 1-2 inches, President Roosevelt is 5 feet 9 inches. Mr. Gladstone was 5 feet 9 inches. Sir Henry Irving was an inch taller. Edmund Burke and Oliver Cromwell were 5 feet 10 1-2 inches, which, by the way, is the height of the present prime minister of England, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman. Wellington was half an inch taller than Napoleon. That trio of great admirals, Nelson, Blake and Sydney Smith, were a little under 5 feet 6 inches. Bismarck was a tall man, but not so tall as George Washington, who was 6 feet 3 inches. Sargent, the great painter, is 6 feet; Carlyle, Darwin, Huxley, Ruskin, were six-footers. Disraeli and Dickens were 5 feet 9 inches, which is also the stature of Sir William Crookes. Sir Oliver Lodge is 6 feet 3 inches, Marconi is 5 feet 10 1-2 inches. Emerson, Hans Anderson, Wordsworth, Bunyan, Audubon, Corot, Moltke, Millet, Gounod, Lord Clive, Lord Brougham were tall men. So were Humboldt and Helmholtz. Lord Kelvin is 5 feet 7 inches, Lord Reay 6 feet 2 inches. Conan Doyle is 6 feet 1 inch, Anthony Hope three inches shorter. All these figures give the stature of the men in their boots.

King Edward is 5 feet 8 1-2 inches; the kaiser, just an inch shorter. The mikado is 5 feet 6 inches, the King of Italy 5 feet 2 inches. The czar's height is the same as the kaiser's. Leopold, King of the Belgians, is 6 feet 5 inches; Lord Rosebery is 5 feet 5 1-2 inches, just an inch shorter than Joseph Chamberlain. John Morley is 5 feet 9 inches; Mr. Balfour, 6 feet 1-2 inch; the Duke of Devonshire is one-half inch taller. Dante Gabriel Rossetti was 5 feet 7 7-8 inches; Chaucer's skeleton, when measured less than twenty years ago, showed 5 feet 6 inches. Peter the Great was 6 feet 8 1-2 inches. Abraham Lincoln was just under 6 feet 2 inches, Sir Walter Raleigh and Sir Richard Burton, 6 feet. Alfred de Musset, Froude, Puvis de Chavannes, Poussin, Lessing, Schiller, Lamartine, Sterne, were tall men. W. S. Gilbert is over 6 feet. Sir Charles Wyndham is between 5 feet 9 inches and 5 feet 10 inches; Henry Arthur Jones, 5 feet 5 1-2; Pinero and Zangwill are 5 feet 9 1-2 inches. Sir Edward Elgar is 5 feet 10 1-2 inches, Dr. Joachim two inches shorter, and David Bispham is 5 feet 7 inches.

It would be possible to lengthen this list to the point of tediousness. But the more the subject is examined the farther away we get from the Napoleonic theory. Nature has a pretty wide range in these matters, and she makes the most of it. When it comes to averages, figures prepared by the anthropometric committee of the British Association for the Advancement of Science indicate that the average stature of the male adult of England is 5 feet 7 7-8 inches, although the professional and commercial classes show "a mean height of from two to three inches above this, and the laboring classes an inch or two below." The Scotch and Irish are a little taller, and the Welsh a little shorter than the English. The United States seems to be producing a taller race.

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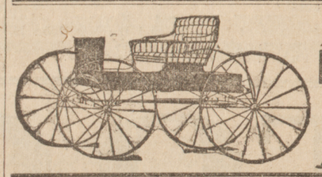
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"Teddy's resting?"

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By his own suggestion,
And the Beef Trust—will it keep?
Mercy, what a question?
No more strenuous saengerfesting;
Teddy's resting.

Lies the Muckrake on the lawn,
Somewhat dulled and tarnished,
Also, Teddy's hobby-horse
Seems a bit unvarnished—
Hush? Waste not your time suggesting:
Teddy's resting.

From the lawn there comes a snore
Very like a snorting.
Teddy's nightmare's riding rough,
Through his dreams cavorting.
Hence! beware of idle jesting—
Teddy's resting.
—Wallace Irwin in New York Globe.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

"Skinnyman is so thin he always has to wear a checked suit."

"How's that?"

"Why, if he wore stripes he'd fall out between the bars."—Detroit Free Press.

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Borroughs—Say, old man, lend me a ten spot, will you?

Lenders—No, thank you. I'm not making any permanent investments just now.—Philadelphia Press.

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Mistress (angrily)—Kathi, I ask you for the last time. What did the master say to you in the arbor just now? Now answer me!

Servant—Well, if you must know, he said, "Kathi, when the mistress gets angry do just as I do and don't answer her at all."—Figaro.

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His mother—Sammy, stop using that bad language.

Sammy (aged 9)—Shakespeare said what I just said.

His mother—Well, you must stop going with him, then.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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Wigg—Skinnum is too smart for his own good.

Wagg—Yes; if Fortune ever came to his door he would pull her in and try to sell her a gold brick.—Philadelphia Record.

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"Made their wedding trip in an automobile?"

"That's what they did. They had a fool idea that it would be cheaper than travelling in palace cars."—Chicago Tribune.

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Mr. Nuritch—What! You want to marry my daughter? Why, you ain't able to support yourself.

Young Nervey—Quite so. That's the very excuse I gave to my family for wanting to marry your daughter.

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"H'm! Young man, you are too truthful for this office. Better go round and ask the leather man if he needs an assistant."

THE BETTER HALF

When a man asks a girl to let him call her by her first name it means he thinks her last name ought to be changed—Kansas City Times.

The Chicago woman who believes that every bachelor should be made to support at least one orphan ought to perfect her plan by deciding what should be done if there were not enough orphans to go round—Florida Times-Union.

The English girl is never natural. She is, as a rule, so self-conscious that she cannot do her own beauty justice. She knows she is dull, and the consciousness of the fact adds to her inherent shyness She does not develop until she is married.—Ladies' Field.

A sign of the times is the change in the honeymoon. The usual thing in smart circles is a week or perhaps only a few days at a smart country house, and then a return to civilization. A recently-married couple went merely for a week-end into the country.—Vanity Fair.

A new method of dealing with old wrinkles stirs the feminine world five times as much as the education bill or the earthquake in San Francisco. We are determined to be beautiful. Our gods are those who endeavor to make us so.—Lady's Pictorial.

The ways of club women differ from those of club men and an illustration of this is supplied by a notice in the billiard room in a ladies' club requesting members not to put cigarettes on the billard table. It reminds one of the notice in the South American club requesting members not to shoot the marker.—Vanity Fair.

Young girls are less eager to marry than they used to be. At one time a girl who remained unmarried when she had been out one or two seasons was almost a reproach to her parents, and an unfashionable blot on the marriage market. But the unmarried have tacitly formed a union, which has as silently insisted upon the standard of the disgrace of their state being lowered.—The Lady.

Justice allows no one to retain both the sceptre and the spade. If man, in the fight for life, had at every turn to say to his fair business rivals, "Allow me, madam! Please take my place; I will offer my resignation," the victory would swiftly be to the weak. If woman desires, or is forced, to descend from her pedestal and vie with man, she must be willing to observe the rules of the exhausting conflict.—Temple Bar.

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