

OLD TIME PUNISHMENT.

any of a Day in the Stocks For a Fit of Bad Temper.

record on file in the library of congress contains an account of the adventures of a certain Hubbard, who was sentenced in Boston to the stocks for having indulged in an unwarrantable fit of ill temper, says Harper's Weekly. When he had taken his seat for the day there came along a drove of swine, which seemed to cast upon him those leering looks that only a fat pig can bestow. A dog followed, sniffing at the prisoner's feet and making unpleasantly approaching reality—of biting him. Then a cock, mounting to the very top of the stocks, growled his derision upon the victim below, and presently a rough fellow, after indulging in ugly taunts, threw at him fetid toadstools and a dead snake.

Then an Indian appeared, who in a drunken rage, stimulated by some fancied injury, rushed at Hubbard with a tomahawk, probably intending nothing worse, however, than to give him a severe fright, which he certainly succeeded in doing.

Help came from an unexpected quarter, for at that moment an old bull came tearing down the road. His attention was attracted by the stocks and with a roar he prepared for a charge.

Alarmed in his turn, the savage dashed off. The bull made a dash at the stocks and carried away the corner post, but without even grazing the object of his apparent wrath. Whether he was disgusted by the little he had accomplished or his animosity was thus satisfied, he started off, bellowing and shaking his head, much to the relief of the said Hubbard.

And then the unfortunate man was left in comparative peace to his own meditations and the cutting sleet of a November day.

A COURSE OF DINNERS.

It Includes Roasted Peas as a Substitute For Coffee.

In a little book called "The Economical Housekeeper," published about the year 1840, there is given on one page "A Course of Dinners For a Week." At the time of its publication the little book was most popular, as is proved by the author's preface to the second revised edition. She says:

"Encouraged by the very favorable reception that our humble labors have met in the rapid sale of the first edition of 1,500 copies in about fifteen weeks, and the demand still continuing, we have improved the time by endeavoring to make the present edition more worthy of patronage, if possible, than the first."

Therefore it is probable that the "course of dinners" which follows was considered admirable at that time:

"Monday—Tea, coffee or cocoa, with mince-meat, bread and butter in winter, bread and milk in summer.

"Tuesday—Boiled dish, with apple dumplings.

"Wednesday—Roasted or baked meat, with bread pudding.

"Thursday—Broiled steak or fresh fish, with baked rice pudding.

"Friday—Baked beans, with baked Indian pudding.

"Saturday—Salt codfish boiled, with apple pie.

"Sunday—Morning, hashed fish and coffee; noon, bread and butter, cheese, pie, doughnuts."

It is a suggestive paragraph which appears on the same page:

"Peas, roasted and ground, are an excellent substitute for coffee, and you would hardly know which is best."—Youth's Companion.

Value of the Kangaroo's Tail.

So important is the kangaroo's tail in his rapid progress that experienced hunters with guns are accustomed to fire at the point where this appendage joins the body, when, the tail being disabled for its office of balancing, the animal is as effectually stopped as if hamstrung. Hit elsewhere, except with a rifle bullet or at point blank range, the kangaroo is pretty likely to get off. One peculiarity of the kangaroo is that, after being started up, he very rarely swerves from his course, through which peculiarity he is easily "potted" by hunters, who conceal themselves while a man on horseback drives the herd toward them.

Insect Wanderers.

Nothing can exceed the perfection of the minutest parts of the insect organization in general. The finest strand in a spider's web, which can scarcely be seen, is said to be composed of no less than 4,000 threads. On a single wing of a butterfly have been found 100,000 scales and on that of a silkworm moth 400,000, each of these minute scales being a marvel of beauty and completeness in itself. So thin are the wings of many insects that 50,000 placed over each other would only be a quarter of an inch thick, and yet, thin as they are, each is double.

Puzzled Tommy.

"Pa," said Tommy, "my Sunday school teacher says if I'm good I'll go to heaven."

"Well, what about it?" said his pa.

"Well, you said if I was good I'd go to the circus. Now, I want to know who's fibbing, you or her."—Lippincott's.

Old Mosque Legends.

The great Begova mosque in Serbia is the largest mosque in Europe after those of Constantinople and Selim's mosque in Adrianople. In its courtyard stands an old stone, across the top of which there is a groove precisely the length of a Turkish ell. Tradition says that a pasha placed it there to checkmate the local merchants' habitual use of false measures in defiance of the express commandment of the Koran.

But another of Serbia's hundred mosques has a much better legend. Before this may be seen the tombs of the seven holy dervishes who were beheaded 200 years ago for a great theft. After the decapitation each body tucked its head under its arm and walked into the mosque. So those dervishes are worshipped as saints to this day.

A Large Volume.

The biggest book in Washington is not in the Congressional library. It is in the reference room of the geological survey on F street, where its huge bulk reposes on a stand made especially for it. It is a dictionary and consists of half a dozen volumes bound under one generous cover that must have taken several calfskins to provide the leather binding. It contains 7,085 pages and weighs as much as a high school girl. By contrast the fat Webster's Unabridged that lies alongside this great Jumbo of a book looks like a pocket edition of the "Rubaiyat."

Didn't Like Comparisons.

"What made that prima donna demand your discharge?"

"I wrote an article," replied the press agent, "saying that she stung like an angel. She said she saw no reason for complimentary reference to anybody's singing except her own."—Washington Star.

Suits Some—Death to Others.

"Iron may be good for the blood of some," remarked the worm as the angler threaded the hook through him gently, "but I fear it will be the death of me!"

And yet the fish that swallowed the iron a little later was quite carried away with it.

Fatal.

The Lady—Get out! You're the man I gave a piece of my cake to only an hour ago. The Hobo—No, mum, I'm that poor feller's ghost!—Cleveland Leader.

Market Quotations.

SUGAR—Cash Price—Sugar, \$6.75; beet sugar \$6.55.

VEGETABLES—New dry onions, 5c; fresh peas 10c; rhubarb 2c; head lettuce 10c; radishes, 3 bunches for 10c; green onions, 3 bunches for 10c; tomatoes 15c lb; new potatoes, 10c or 25c; cabbage 1c lb; green corn, 25c doz. String beans 10c lb.

FRUIT—Oranges, 50c per dozen; lemons, 45c per dozen; bananas, 40c per doz.; cherries, 25 to 35c per gal.; red raspberries, 2 boxes for 25c; blackberries, 2 boxes for 25c; water-melons 3c lb.; cantalopes, 10 and 15c lb.; peaches, 10c lb.; plums, 10c lb.

MEATS—Hogs, live weight, well finished, \$9 cwt; cows, 3 1-2 to 4c; veal 4 to 4 1-2c; mutton, 3 1-2 to 4c; chickens 13c.

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