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TRADITIONS.

Their Absence Was a Serious Handicap to Adam and Eve.

The great drawback to the garden of Eden was the lack of traditions. There was no history to serve as a guide to legal, moral or social rectitude. There was neither Baudelaire nor Hippolyte, neither Macaulay nor Gibbon, neither Homer nor Vergil. Adam and Eve could not go to the library, haul down a book and see how somebody once did something or other. There were no daughters of anything to set the standards of social eminence. There were no old families. There were no descendants of anybody to talk big, look wise and draw pensions. There were no forefathers who had laid down inviolable laws, contracted debts, given away franchises and established constitutions for posterity, are, even unto the third and fourth generation. There were no historic statesmen who had handed down orations for Adam and Eve to learn and recite at high school commencements and church socials. There were no dates for them to learn and remember. There was absolutely no past for them to revere; nothing that had stood the test of time.

If they wanted history or tradition they had to go ahead and make it themselves.—Ellis O. Jones in Judge's Library.

TABLE KNIVES.

Incident That Changed Them From Pointed to Rounded Ends.

Table knives are invariably made with rounded ends. Did it ever occur to you to wonder why they are of this shape instead of pointed, like any other knife blade?

Perhaps you may imagine that the ends were rounded as a protection to life and limb in those turbulent days when men drew their swords or any other available lethal weapon at the very slightest provocation.

But this is not the case. The story goes—and it is fairly well substantiated—that the great Cardinal Richelieu had a guest to dinner whose manners at the table were very far from being all that could be desired.

The climax was reached when the fellow, after finishing the meat course, began to pick his teeth with his table knife, at that date made with a sharp point. The guest being a man of birth and importance, the cardinal could not openly remonstrate, but next day he gave orders that the point of every knife in the establishment should be

rounded off.

Before the end of the century his example was universally followed, and the pointed knife at table had disappeared.—London Answers.

PHYSICAL ENDURANCE.

Athletes, as a Rule, Reach the Zenith of Their Powers Early.

In athletic sports physical endurance plays the most important part. This is particularly noticeable in the Marathon races. In boxing, wrestling and rowing ability to stand the tremendous strain on the physical powers is essential.

But every athlete has his physical limitations. He reaches the zenith of his powers early and then gradually declines. A victorious Marathon runner seldom repeats his success, for he has impaired his endurance by his exertions, although he does not think so until he meets with defeat the second time he tries for first prize.

A boxer, as a rule, cannot long remain a champion in any class, although a twelve year record has been made by exceptional men. A prominent wrestler said recently that he hoped to remain in the game five years, but could not exceed that limit and still be a topnotcher.

Oarsmen win their greatest victories in the first few years of their career. The baseball player holds out well because the strain on him is less violent than on most athletes and he gets needful rest. Pitchers, however, are an exception, and some hold out for many years, but most of them do not.—Boston Globe.

LAUGH AND GET FINED.

That Seems to Be a Common Occurrence in Germany.

English law is occasionally subject to criticism, but for real comedy we are a long way behind Germany.

In Berlin recently an ironworker was sent to prison for a week because he laughed. Going along the street he saw a merry-maker being chased by a particularly stout policeman, and the sight tickled him. He was promptly haled before the court for scandal.

Another man attempted to get into a moving train and fractured his leg. After six months in the hospital he was discharged, cured, when the state railway department at once prosecuted him for breaking their regulations. The law and leg breaker was fined \$1.25.

Stepping into an omnibus a man trod on the foot of a lady, who was so annoyed that she said he walked like

a hen. She was fined \$5 for using this term of reproach.

Claire Waldoff, the Berlin singer, outwitted the police, however. She was warned that if she sang any of her songs on Easter Sunday there would be trouble. But the announcement was made that Claire Waldoff would positively appear. She did. So did the police. And she sang—the German national anthem!

The promised prosecution did not take place.—London Answers.

Curbing the Kickers.

One of the St. Louis country clubs has an unwritten rule that whenever a member kicks for something he thinks the club ought to have it is at once put in at his expense. Not long ago a member complained of the cream. "The club ought to have a couple of fine cows of its own," he growled. That ended the incident for the time being, but the first of the month he found the following item on his bill:

Two Jersey cows..... \$150
The result of this policy is one of the most complete country clubs in the Mississippi valley, but the members are growing more and more cautious about kicking, and acquisitions are nothing like so common as they formerly were.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The New York Shave.

I think that the New York shave is symptomatic of the whole rate of life in New York. It is, if you will, luxurious, but you have to allow twenty minutes out of your day for it. In London I never allow more than five minutes. Here I lie down in a chair and say: "I'm in a hurry. Be as quick as you can, please." My barber surveys me with no look of interest and goes to talk for five minutes to the lady manicurist. When he returns I say from my recumbent position, "I'm in a great hurry." He says, "Yep?" interrogatorily as if I had given him a piece of quite uninteresting and dispassionate information. He goes to a mirror and for some moments examines a wart upon his cheek. Eventually he shaves me.—Atlantic.

True Eloquence.

True eloquence, indeed, does not consist in speech. It cannot be brought from far. Labor and learning may toil for it, but they will toil in vain. Words and phrases may be marshaled in every way, but they cannot compass it. It must consist in the man in the subject and in the occasion. Affected passion, intense expression, the

pomp of declamation, all may inspire to it. They cannot reach it. It comes, if it comes at all, like the outbursting of a fountain from the earth or the bursting forth of volcanic fires with spontaneous, original, native force.—Webster.

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