

Lucretius Far Ahead of Min's of His Time

Lucretius was an illustrious poet but he did not believe his service to the world should stop with the penning of a fitting measure. The great Italian frequently turned from his muse to speak a word for science, and since in his day (he was born B. C. 98) mental slavery and intolerance predominated in his native land, he acquired many enemies.

In some of his scientific works he discussed the porosity of matter, ascertained that light travels faster than sound and asserted that heat is motion and the concussion of atoms. He demonstrated that echoes are the reflection of sound waves from hard upright surfaces and not the voices of fauns and satyrs.

He showed that the causes and spread of diseases were to be attributed to air and contact rather than to the vengeance of angry gods. He taught that all things are made of individual atoms and that the mind is influenced by the body in its well-being, sickness, intoxication and danger.

In one of his poems can be read with no distortion the doctrine of the survival of the fittest. But these profound propositions of the poet philosopher were too much for the comprehension and acceptance of his contemporaries and lay dormant until caught up by European thought centuries later.—Kansas City Times.

Relics Recall Early Days of Golden West

A gold pan that was used by Gen. George A. Custer to write the first account of the discovery of gold in the Black Hills is in the possession of the city of Chicago, with a number of other relics on exhibition there. The pan was presented by Custer to Col. W. F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," who later presented it to Mrs. Michael Russell of Deadwood.

Among other valuable relics in the Russell collection are a highly decorated buckskin coat and a rim-fire revolver that was carried by "Wild Bill" Hickok. The coat was given to "Buffalo Bill" by a squaw on the Pine Ridge reservation and was worn by the famous scout during the European tour of his Wild West show when he appeared before many kings and queens.

Other articles listed are the ox yoke used on the first "bull team" that came to the Black Hills, a buffalo skull picked up on Custer's trail in the hills in 1874, and a hat worn by Sitting Bull.

First "By-Laws"

Islands are wonderfully interesting places—but why is it that they always have to stick their way out in the water somewhere where they are so hard to get to? On the map it is only a short jump from Kamar, on the Swedish coast, to the island of Gotland, in the Baltic sea. The ancient city of Visby, on this island, is a point of rare interest. "By" means "town," and the laws of this town were accepted so widely at one time that they came to be known in the world of trade as "by-laws," and the term is now a fixture in the English language.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Periodic Health Survey

"Every family should view the physician not as a last resort for cure but as medical counselor whose function is to make periodic surveys and to aid in maintaining a state of health," Hygeia Magazine quotes from Henry S. Nollen, president of one of the large insurance companies.

Regulation of diet and personal hygiene and proper direction of the use of leisure and wholesome recreation should be included in this advisory function. In such a regimen is seen the only hope of improvement in the average ratio of premature deaths due to degenerative diseases.

Oldest Known Book

"The Book of the Dead," the oldest known book, a fine copy of which is in the British Museum—was written 2,600 years before the days of Moses. A sort of ritual, this book was usually placed in the tomb as a safe conduct for the soul on its journey to the other world. There was a ready sale for it, because the priests were wont to add special pages, or a supplement, which gave an account of the good deeds and virtues of the deceased.

His Recipe

They had one of those dual divorce cases recently, where both parties are eager to secure the divorce and for no very good reasons except that they didn't seem to get along very well. The woman seemed to be rather cold and did not make nearly as good an impression as her husband, who finally remarked:

"It's this way, your honor. I like women all right, and especially my wife, but like toast and coffee. I'll be darned if I like 'em cold."

Cat Commits Suicide

A constable patrolling his beat at Blackburn recently saw through the window of a room at the side of a confectioner's shop a cat, apparently dying.

The constable forced an entrance and found the cat had turned on the tap of a gas main. Artificial respiration was applied to the cat and it revived. A new tap was put on the gas main, but a few days later the cat again turned on the tap and was dead when found.—London Mail.

Illusion Dispelled

When a bride has been married about three months she begins to write home for the old clothes that she thought she would never have occasion to use again.—Exchange.

Took Roundabout Trip to Escape Pursuers

One of the unnamed heroes of the South in the Civil war staged an unusual exploit that is still one of the most interesting traditions of Mobile bay. While the federal fleet lay off Fort Morgan, the southern sailor, out in a small sailboat, was chased by some of the enemy boats. Seeing them trying to intercept him he used all his sail power and nautical skill and headed eastward. For miles the chase continued and he left his pursuers behind. However, he knew they would be watching for him to return, so he kept on to the east, sailing to Appalachicola, Fla., where he loaded his craft on a river steamer and made a trip of several days up the Chattahoochee to Columbus, Ga. There he transferred to a train for Opelika, then to Montgomery, Ala. At that point he changed cars for Hurricane, Ala., taking his boat along, and at Hurricane he launched his craft in the Tensaw river. He sailed down the river to Mobile bay, and then down the bay some 30 miles to Fort Morgan. His comrades were dumfounded when they saw him arrive from a direction opposite to that in which he had left.—Detroit News.

Sea Spider Recognized as Freak of Nature

One of the strangest creatures of the sea is a certain species of sea spider named Nymphon gracile. It has a body about the size of a bit of thread, a quarter of an inch long and tied in four knots. The head looks like the end of a thread split into two horns; from each of the four knots start two legs, one on each side, making eight in all.

The legs are three or four times longer than the body, but the odd thing about them is that the alimentary tube, into which the food goes, runs down into every one of the legs, so that whatever the spider eats circulates through his legs and, in fact, the legs are like the body in internal structure.

Another curious feature of this form of life is that the baby sea spider is not in the least like the grown-ups of the same family. It is much more like a crab; but how it develops from a crab-like form is not yet ascertained.

How She Fooled Him

A certain married woman in London, relates the Weekly Telegraph, has a husband whose devotion has never lagged since the first day. But she was born with a temper like gunpowder. During a lull interval following one of these attacks he asked: "Tell me how it happened I never discovered this unhappy weakness in you in our courtship days, how did you ever restrain yourself then?" The unhappy woman hesitated a moment before answering and, dropping her small head on his sturdy shoulder, said: "I used to excuse myself from you for a few minutes. Each had worked out her part of the program cleverly and tried to put her share over with good effect. Imagine the consternation of Mrs. A. when a friend, thinking she had written the entire thing, rushed up at the close and said: 'Oh, your program was so interesting, but you gave all the cleverest parts to Mrs. B to read. Why didn't you keep those for yourself?'"—Indianapolis News.

Too Generous

Two prominent clubwomen recently gave a program by reading, in dialogue form, a series of short paragraphs each had written on a special theme. First one would read, and then in response the other would give her offering. Each had worked out her part of the program cleverly and tried to put her share over with good effect. Imagine the consternation of Mrs. A. when a friend, thinking she had written the entire thing, rushed up at the close and said: "Oh, your program was so interesting, but you gave all the cleverest parts to Mrs. B to read. Why didn't you keep those for yourself?"—Indianapolis News.

Has Building Heritage

America has a rich heritage in building. Coming to the Atlantic coast, the craftsmen of Colonial days brought with them from England the traditions and the taste of the Georgian builders, and, with the materials which came to their hands, developed a type of home which is as thoroughly American as a mince pie.

And the excellence with which those craftsmen did their work is attested both by the fact that the architect of today often goes to the work of the carpenter of yesterday for inspiration and guidance.

Bridge Built by Nature

The Natural bridge is in Rock-bridge county, Va. It was left by the collapse of the remainder of the roof of a tunnel formed by water percolating through a joint or fissure athwart the stream. The tunnel thus formed was gradually enlarged until all the water of the stream was diverted from the stream bed below the joint of ingress, leaving a bridge. It has a span of 100 feet and is from 50 to 100 feet wide.

City's Downfall Complete

Achala was the name given by the Romans to the province that comprised the southern part of Greece, and the capital of the province was the famous Corinth. In ancient times its wealth was so great as to be proverbial; so were the vice and profligacy of its inhabitants. The city in the Middle Ages shrunk to a miserable village, standing on part of the site of the ancient city.

Cultivate Sincerity

Sincerity is like traveling in a plain beaten road, which commonly brings a man sooner to his journey's end than byways in which men often lose themselves.—Tillotson.

First "Topical Song" Sung by Frenchman

What purports to have been the content of an American vaudeville was celebrated recently, and although much was said about the origin of this form of amusement, Oliver, "the fuller," a Frenchman, was left out of the picture. When Oliver was born, nobody knows, but in 1418 his booming voice went to the choir celestial on the cherubim circuit. Oliver was a poet as well as a fuller, and composed songs which he sang at his work. His songs were just frivolous, yet they caught the public fancy. They were filled with hits on the follies of the day, topical songs we would call them now. These then new lyrics, named in derision from the hamlet where Oliver lived in the valley of the River Vire, in Normandy, were called Valdeviere, or Vauzeviere, and later Vaudeville. Just as one might say today, sing us a Hicksville ballad, so fastidious Paris branded the songs of Oliver Russell, as of lowly provincial origin. Yet for 500 years the name has stuck, and is now considered more elegant than the American term, "variety."—John Walker Harrington, in the Smokers' Companion Magazine.

French Dandies First to Sport the Cravat

One of the few words of Slavonic origin that does not retain its exotic flavor is cravat. The linen scarfs worn around their necks by Christian merchants captivated the fancy of the fashionable French, who adopted the French word for cravat to designate this kind of neckwear. Thus "cravate" became "cravate" or "cravate," from whence our word "cravat."

The word was adopted in France in 1693 and appears in English about 1700. Its synonym, necktie, is of later origin, its first use as cited by the Oxford dictionary being in 1838.

Cravats, when first introduced, were not exclusively an article of men's apparel, but some, which were lace-edged and tied in a bow with flowing ends, were worn by women. "Cravatted" as a verb and "cravatee" applied to one who ties a cravat, although now practically obsolete, were at one time frequently used. Thackeray in "Vanity Fair" speaks of a young man being "handsomely cravatted."

Nature Works Backward

The following is an interesting instance of a reversal of the ordinary course of nature which cost an English gardener dear:

Watercress is eagerly devoured by caddis-worms, and caddis-worms are a favorite food of trout. The trout, in turn, have a voracious enemy in herons, which ordinarily catch the fish after they have grown fat on caddis-worms. Now in the case referred to, it happened that a large grower of watercress had three-quarters of his crop ruined by the ravages of caddis-worms. On investigation it was found that the trout which ordinarily protected the plants from the worms had been devoured ahead of time, so to speak, by a flock of hungry herons which, in thus reversing the course of events, had brought disaster to the owner of the watercress.

No Wolf in Police Dog

German police dogs are German shepherd dogs police-trained. The history of the German shepherd dog breed dates far back into antiquity. In the opinion of Max von Stephanitz, a noted authority, it is a descendant of the Bronze age dog. This theory refutes the more or less popular present-day idea that the wolf has been largely instrumental in the development of the breed, and it is in line with the beliefs of other authorities who consider it very doubtful that wolf outcrosses were made with the German shepherd dog, and that if such were the case the relationship is remote and of minor importance.

Liberal Educators

Newspapers are the only reading matter of many adults. Children who learn to read newspapers intelligently, discriminating between the important and unimportant, have acquired the basis for a liberal education which will grow broader and richer with every passing year. They have acquired the habit of really thinking about what they read, discerning from it the trend of history, the march of science and the progress of the art of living.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Out of Luck

Old Mose Parker was pretty sick and the dandy doctor promptly put him to bed and laid down all sorts of rules and regulations as to sleep and diet. After he had gone, Mose turned to his wife and complained: "Mandy, how does dat dar fool doctah reckon Ah's gwine eat breast ob chicken ebry day if Ah hain't got mah eben's free to go out an' git de chicken!"

Old Reliable

The salesman, passing through the back country of Georgia for the first time, was trying to demonstrate the merits of a new brand of rice. The old storekeeper listened politely and when the booster began to weaken he remarked: "All them things you say about this kind of rice may be true, but we have so many other brands of rice around here I don't think I'll try any."

Shriek of the Desert

Staffordshire Woman (of her husband)—He is sixty-two, but I have found that he is flirting with each r woman. He is worse than one of them, shrieks in the desert.—London Tit-Bits.

His Honor's Round.
A certain ultra-candid judge was a guest at dinner in the new household when the young wife asked: "Did you ever try any of my biscuits, judge?" "No," replied His Honor, "I never did, but I dare say they deserve it."

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON EXECUTION AND FORECLOSURE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by virtue of an execution and order of sale and foreclosures issued out of the Circuit court of the State of Oregon for Lane county on the 26th day of July, 1927, in a suit wherein J. R. Hendricks, plaintiff, recovered judgment against George N. Neely and Mary N. Neely, his wife in the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) together with interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 24th day of October, 1926, and the further sum of seventeen and 5-100 dollars (\$17.50) together with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from the 5th day of May, 1927, and the further sum of seven dollars (\$7.00) and the further sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) reasonable attorneys fee and costs and disbursements amounting to sixteen dollars (\$16.00), which judgment was entered and docketed in the clerk's office in said court in said county on the 26th day of July, 1927, said execution to me directed commanded me in the name of the State of Oregon in order to satisfy such judgment, interest, attorney's fee, costs of suit and accruing costs, to sell the following described real property, to-wit:

Lots five (5) and six (6) in block three (3) of D. G. McFarland's Fifth addition to Cottage Grove, Lane county, Oregon.
Now therefore, I, the name of the State of Oregon in compliance with said execution and order of sale and in order to satisfy said judgment, interest, attorney's fee, costs of suit and accruing costs, I will, on Tuesday, the 30th day of August, 1927, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the southwest front door of the county court house in Eugene, Lane county, Oregon, offer for sale and sell for cash at public auction, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest of said defendants and all persons claiming by, through or under them or either of them in and to said premises.

NOTICE OF FILING OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Jacob E. Barnum, deceased, has filed his final account with the County Clerk of Lane county, Oregon, and that by order of the county court of said county, Saturday, the 3rd day of September, 1927, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., at the county court room in the court house in Eugene, Lane county, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place of final hearing upon said final account and for the settlement of said estate.



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