



Wit and Humor

FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE

A little girl who had been tearing her doll to pieces during the week attended Sunday school the following Sunday and was asked of what Adam was made.

"Dust," she replied.

"And what was Eve made of?" asked the teacher.

"Sawdust," promptly answered the little miss.

GETTING ALONG



"I think we could get along fine together."

"Well, it's certainly time you were getting along. It's eleven o'clock."

Figures Never Lie

Son (making out accounts for father)—How much shall I charge Smith for that little job—10 hours' work?

Carpenter—That would be \$9, but make it a round figure and put \$10—wait a minute—put \$11 so that it doesn't look as if I have been making round figures.—Der Wahre Jakob, Berlin.

Modern Cinderella

Little Mary was attending her first party, and the hostess noticed that she did not play with the other children, but stood looking out the window.

The child was asked to come and play, but she replied sweetly, "I am watching for the prince, thank you."

Voice of the Tempter

Small Boy—I don't think the gentleman next door knows much about music.

Mother—Why?

"Well, he told me this morning to cut my drum open and see what was inside it."—Birmingham Gazette.

AGAINST THE GRAIN



Caller—I wish to see Miss Jones.

Maid—I'm sorry to say she's not in.

Caller—Why are you sorry to say it?

Maid—Because it hurts my conscience to tell lies.

New Racket

A father said to his young daughter, aged eight, "What are you going to be when you grow up?"

"I'm going to be either an artist or a dancer," she answered, "because I don't think I'll be much good at this mother business!"—Parents' Magazine.

About That Size

Mrs. Heavyweight—(h, look, Henry! See that circus tent over there?

Her Husband—Er—yes—that reminds me, dear. Didn't you see your skirt on the line when we left home?

All But

"So you're not going to Paris, this year?"

"No—it's London we're not going to this year; it was Paris we didn't go to last year!"

POETS HAVE SUNG GLORY OF SUNDIAL

"What a dead thing is a clock," says Charles Lamb, "with its ponderous embowlements of lead and brass, its pert or solemn dullness of communication, compared with the simple altar-like structure and silent heart-language of the old dial!" He thought that, if the business uses of the dial had to be superseded by more elaborate inventions, its moral uses and its beauty might have pleaded for its continuance. To him the dial spoke of "moderate labors, of pleasures not protracted after sunset, of temperance and good hours; it was the primitive clock, the horologe of the first world. Adam could scarce have missed it in Paradise."

The sundial as a thing of beauty and a joy forever has more than fulfilled his desire for continuance in the century that has passed since the death of Elia. Nearly all formal gardens, and many lesser ones, add the sundial as a "measure for sweet plants and flowers to spring by, for birds to apportion their silver warblings by," but not "for flocks to pasture and be led to fold by."

Many books have been written about the mottoes attached to the sundials; about the different forms they take and where they may be placed and by what surroundings. Every one knows of the classical thought found by Hazlitt on a sundial near Venice: "I count only the hours that are serene." Queen Alexandra may have read his dissertation on it, or she may have had a twin-thought expressing itself at the same time, for on her dial at Sandringham there is a motto chosen by the queen herself: "Let others tell of storms and showers. I only count the sunny hours." But, as Hazlitt says, if hours were all serene we would take as little notice of them as the dial does of those that are clouded. It is the shadow thrown across that gives us warning of their flight. The cave man's great rock upon which was cast the shadow of a long pole driven into the ground, may have been the forshadowing of the appearance of the sundial which is of ancient origin and of many and diverse forms. The dial of Abaz, mentioned in the Old Testament, supposedly about 700 B. C., is about the first we hear of it. Two centuries later, Pliny claims the honor of having invented the sundial, for the Greek scientist Anaximander. Another two centuries go by and we hear that the high priest Berossus, not being satisfied with a shaft, like Cleopatra's Needle, because the shadows varied from day to day, according to the position of the sun, invented a clever way of marking time correctly by making the dial hollow like the inside of a bowl. The shadow was cast by a little round ball or bead at the end of a pointer that stood horizontally out over the bowl. Many centuries later, similar devices were found in the ruins of Pompeii, and in the gardens of Cicero's villa near Tusculum.

Sundials were often surrounded by masses of roses, or sunflowers (which were Hazlitt's preference), or by tall hollyhocks, larkspur, coreopsis, and all the old-fashioned flowers so much in use today. The sundial seems to have a very particular fascination for the poets. I found three different sundials to which Henry Van Dyke gave tribute. For the class of 1904 at Wells college, he wrote of the sundial:

The shadow by my finger cast
Divides the future from the past.
Before it, sleeps the unborn hour,
In darkness and beyond thy power.
Behind its unreturning line,
The vanished hour, no longer thine.
One hour alone is in thy hands—
The Now on which the shadow stands.

—Indianapolis News.

Desperate

The borrowing habit is not confined to the United States by any means. They actually do it in dear old London and are not in the least particular whom they borrow from.

One of the big London daily papers carries a classified advertising section, somewhat similar to the Times "personals" in which English people of high and low degree air their troubles. It was in this column that the following ad recently appeared:

"Will the persons who have borrowed Waverley Novels No. 5. and Les Miserables Vol. I from Cliven-den library, kindly return same to Viscountess Astor, M. P."

One mentions in passing that the



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Auburn-Jordan-Reo	3.50-18	8.75	8.75	17.00			
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Chrysler-Viking	6.00-18	11.20	11.20	21.70			
Franklin-Hudson-Hupmobile	6.00-19	11.40	11.40	22.10			
LaSalle-Packard	6.00-21	11.50	11.50	22.30			
Pierce-Arrow	6.00-21	11.65	11.65	22.60			
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36x6 H.D.	32.95	32.95	63.70				
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