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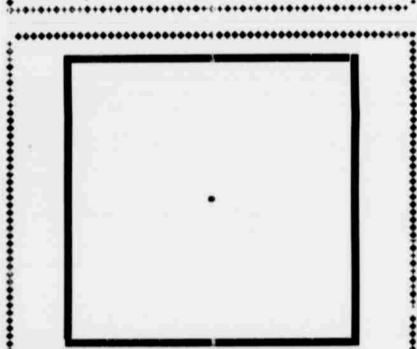
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the Queer Bulls That Have Been Recorded.

That man made a remark that had better have been left unsaid fault with the earl marshal for some details of the coronation ceremony, replied, "Please, your majesty, I hope it will be better next time." Lord Orford tells the following, which he characterizes as the best "bull" he ever heard: "I hate that woman," said a gentleman, looking at one who had been his nurse. "I hate that woman, for she changed me at nurse." A gentleman was once complimenting Mme. Denis on rope broke and the half hanged victim fell to the ground, when the do that again I'll kill you as sure as

It was an Irish mayor who issued a proclamation stating that certain business would be transacted in that city "except Monday" (Easter Sunday only excepted), which is capped by the preamble of an English bill which ordained that certain regulations should take place "on every Monday" (Tuesday excepted), while an English mayor ran this close in a proclamation and an advertisement relating to some forthcoming races, wherein it was stated that "no gentleman will be allowed to ride on the course but the horses that are to run.'

Another "bull" of the legislature which actually found its way on to the statute book was that in which in amending an old act it was ordained in the event of conviction that of the fine of 40 shillings, half was to go to the king and half to the informer. In the amending act this was altered to "40 strokes with the birch, half to go to the king and half to the informer," which only tends to show that the draftsmen of the laws of the nation are not always as careful as they might or should be. Of course, perhaps, the

poor things are overworked or tired. Shakespeare has been guilty of more than one literary "bull," one of his best being in the first portion of "Henry IV," wherein the carrier complains that "the turkeys in his panniers are quite starved," the phrase occurring in the fifth scene of the second act, whereas turkeys came from America, and the new world was not even discovered for a century later. Again, in the first scene of the fifth act of "Henry V," wherein Gower is made to say to Fluellen, "Here comes Pistol, smiling like a turkeycock," all of which proves the appositeness of the remark that even Homer sometimes nods, as Shakespeare did in these and other instances. Many others could be deduced, but the above examples will suffice.

Going a step higher, we find the lord heutenant of Ireland of a former day equally at fault in his language, for in a proclamation issued from the council chamber of Dublin manager, a Scotchman, desired him we find it set forth that "whereas, to leave at once and drop his specithe greatest economy is necessary mens. Professor Playfair addressed in the consumption of all species of him in good Scotch and asked him grain and especially in the consump- if he thought him a mining advention of potatoes," etc. Mr. Grey turer. "Ay, that's just what ye tolls of a lawyer who in an action are!" "No," replied Mr. Playfair, for assault and battery informed the "I am a Scotch professor." "Then, judge that "the defendant beat his if ye are, ye'll be havin' a name." client with a certain wooden instru- "My name is Playfair," he respondment called an iron pestle."-Lon- ed. "Man," said the Scotchman, don Standard.

A Logical Retort.

one string. Being late, he took a carry yel?-Christian Register. cab, and when he arrived at his destination the cabby wanted 10 francs. "What," he exclaimed, "you are fortune by playing on one string it | needle. must be 10 francs." "Well," said Paganini, handing him the right fare, "when you can make your cab go on one wheel come to me, and I "Well, Lucy?" go on one wheel come to me, and I will give you 10 francs."-La Carieaturista.

Where Solomon's Wisdom Failed. miles around just to look at the re- Fitznoodle. "-London Answers. ceptacle of so much wisdom. One day a young man came to him and

knelt before his throne. "Oh, king, live forever!" said the young man. "I am in love. I bought her, and she talked of nothing else. the object of my affection a diamond pin. She allowed me to kiss her and later accidentally called me 'dear' and blushed and apologized. Does

she care anything for me?" "I don't know," said King Solo-

mon.-Chicago Tribune.

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"Many years ago," says a writer, "before the arrival of the railway who, when the king found some and the sportsman in east Africa, the natives were decimated by lions. It was impossible in some districts to procure mail carriers. Appalling stories are still related of the fearless ferocity of these beasts. The railway was building at Kiu. Several coolies had been carried off by an old lion, and one night Ryall, an English engineer who had seen much service in India, decided to sit up in a railway carriage on the chance of getting a shot. With him the manner in which she had just were Mr. Huebner, the German conenacted the part of Zara. "To act sul, and an Italian, Parenti. The that part," said she, "a person night was dark, with but little should be young and handsome." moon, and after midnight Ryall "Ah, madam," replied the would be commented upon the brightness of complimenter, "you are a complete the fireflies near the carriage and proof to the contrary," which was a also remarked that he had seen a any debts contracted by Mrs. L. B faux pas with a vengeance. It was rat repeatedly cross and recross a at an execution in Ireland that the spot where the steel rail glinted in the moonlight.

"But the supposed fireflies were the luminous eyes of the lion they person who was superintending the the luminous eyes of the lion they execution said, "You rascal, if you waited for, and the rat was the slow movement of his tail. If Ryall had recognized this, his life would have been saved. Tired of their vigil toward the morning, the three watch-The carriage was the ordinary sleeping carriage familiar to Indian travelers, with a lavatory beyond the couches. An hour had passed, the party was asleep, when the lion jumped into the carriage and seized Ryall, while in a moment Parenti had slipped into the lavatory and closed the door.

"The movements of the lion, or more probably, his weight thrown on one side, caused the door by which he had entered the car to close. Thus Huebner's experience was most terrible. The rifles were below, and on the upper berth he remained while the lion killed Mr. Ryall within three feet of him. After a few awful minutes the great beast jumped out through the window with Ryall's body in its mouth."-Chicago News.

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"'I don't understand,' said the traveler. 'To perform'-"'To transact their acts,' exdained Uriel. To make their du

"'Ah, yes!' interrupted the traveler. 'You mean to do their do-

ings.'
"Exactly,' agreed Uriel, with gratitude. They refuse to do their doings.'"

His Name and His Legs. Professor Lyon Playfair once visited a phosphate mine whose "are ye Lyon Playfair?" Then, looking from his six feet two inches with compassion on the five feet One night Paganini was going to four of the professor, he continued: the Paris opera house, where he was "Hoot, mon, yer name's traveled to astoniah every one by playing on further than yer wee legs will ever

Revenge. Miss Angelina (to Lucy, the parerazy. I have only had you five lor maid).—Lucy, if any one calls to minutes." "I know it is much," said see me this afternoon, don't forget the other, "but for you who make a that I am only at home to Mr. Fitz- \$400-Lot soxico. Fine location; one

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