

## A SULTAN'S SEVEN BEDS.

Abdul Hamid Changed His Sleeping Place Every Night.  
An interesting reminiscence of Abdul Hamid, the former sultan of Turkey, who was known as Abdul the Accursed and by several other more or less unpleasant titles, is given in the description of a visit to Yildiz Kiosk by Colonel (Count) Gieichen in the Household Brigade Magazine.

"The house was a perfect labyrinth of small rooms," he writes. "In no fewer than seven of these rooms were beds on which the sultan used to sleep—not ordinary beds, but large couches, sloping at a considerable angle from the head end downward, so that, covered with a quilt or two, his majesty could sleep in a semi-upright condition and spring up at a moment's notice to be ready for anything."

"No one knew in which of the seven rooms the sultan was going to sleep, for he changed his resting place every night for fear of hidden dangers. Along the main passage which led past many of these rooms a most ingenious arrangement existed for giving warning of the approach of any one. The floor was composed of loose planks under the carpet, so that merely to walk along it started a clanking sound which must invariably have waked a light and nervous sleeper."

## OYSTER ISLANDS.

Their Growth is Exactly Analogous to That of Coral Reefs.

Oyster islands similar to those formed of coral are found in several parts of the world. The islands in Newport river and Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, says a writer in the Century Path Magazine, have been discovered to have as base a reef to which the spawners were attached and above this layer upon layer of oysters, vegetable growth and debris brought by the action of the waves and winds, all of which finally grows high enough to rise above the surface of the water. This growth is exactly analogous to that of the coral islands of the Pacific.

The islands near the mouth of the river Tagus, in Portugal, are said to have been built up in this way also. Here, where there is such a quantity of oysters that 100,000,000 a year would scarcely be missed if they were removed, the expanse of water just beyond the river's mouth is dotted with oyster islands. As in the case of the coral reefs, which on the seaward side may be covered with living, growing coral, live oysters thrive in the same waters where the accumulation of dead generations has served to form the islands.

## Muscles May Move Themselves.

Albert von Haller, a Swiss surgeon of the eighteenth century, was the first to point out that the muscles of our bodies have an automatic action. Before Haller's time it was believed that the muscles could not contract or swell up of themselves, but were drawn up by the nerves of volition. Haller discovered that this is not so, but that a muscle, if irritated, will draw itself together automatically, even when it is quite separated from the nerves, and this has since been proved to be true by a great number of experiments. So that, though it is true our nerves are the cause of our moving, because they excite the muscles and so cause them to contract, yet the real power of contraction is in the muscle itself. The body of man is full of wonders, not the least of which is this automatic power of contraction in all muscles. —Louisville Courier Journal.

## The Comma.

The point on which most writers are at odds with the compositor is the comma. He is too fond of this particular punctuation point. He takes a delight in breaking up the flow of a sentence with his artificial pauses. We all say, "Why then did you do it?" in one breath. It is the compositor who says, "Why, then, did you do it?" It is possible to be too hard on the comma. It has its undeniable uses. Edward Clodd in his memoir of Grant Allen tells the story of a compositor who dissented very strongly from that writer's moral philosophy and had to "set up" an interview with Allen in which the sentence occurred, "He is happily married." He saved his conscience by printing it "He is, happily, married." —London Chronicle.

## A Cheerful Liar.

One time the ambassador of Afghanistan asked the English diplomatic agent at his court to give a description amid a circle of Afghan boys of the largest gun in England. The Englishman described the 100 ton gun, and when he had finished the answer observed to his admiring subjects, "I have seen a gun the cartridge of which was as large as the gun which has just been described to you." It would never do for an ambassador to be astonished, much less to confess himself beaten.

## One Idea Developed.

Browning—How is your new club for the exchange and development of ideas getting along, old man? Greening—Not so rapidly as we had expected. So far it has developed the idea in each member that he is the only man in the bunch who has any ideas worth while. —Chicago News.

## Good Qualifications.

"Mrs. Teaser would make a great baseball catcher."  
"What makes you think so?"  
"Why, the other night she caught her husband stealing home and put him out." —Exchange.

True men and women are all physical to make us well. —C. A. Bartol.

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## The Change That Was Wrought.

The little man was explaining to his audience the benefits of physical culture. "Three years ago," he said, "I was a miserable wreck. Now, what do you suppose brought about this great change in me?" "What change?" said a voice from the audience. There was a succession of loud smiles, and some persons thought to see him collapse. But the little man was not to be put out. "Will the gentleman who asked 'What change?' kindly step up here?" he asked suavely. "I shall then be better able to explain. 'That's right!' Then, grabbing the witty gentleman by the neck: 'When I first took up physical culture I could not even lift a little man. Now, snatching action to word, I can throw one about like a bundle of rags.' And finally he flung the interrupter half a dozen yards along the floor. 'I trust, gentlemen, that you will see the force of my argument and that I have not hurt this gentleman's feelings by my explanation.' There were no more interruptions."

## Two Collars on a Dog.

Having bought a dog that he admired, a man undertook to buy a dog collar. The dog had a neck nearly as big as his head, and the dealer advised the man to buy two collars.

"What for?" said the man. "He's only got one neck, so I guess he can get along with only one collar, can't he?"  
"Maybe so," said the man, so the man went away leading the dog by his new collar and chain. In less than a week he brought the dog back.

"I'm afraid I can't keep him," he said. "He is too obstreperous. I can't keep him tied up. His neck is the biggest part of him, and he is as strong as an ox, therefore it is a cinch for him to slip his collar off."  
"That was why I wanted you to take two collars," said the dealer. "Put both on and fasten the chain to the back collar, and he can tug away all night without getting loose. He may commit suicide, but he won't get loose." —New York Sun.

## Disappointed in Her.

"And so your father refuses to consent to our union."  
"He does, Rodolphus."  
The sad youth swallowed a sob.

"Is there nothing left for us, then, but an elopement?" said he.  
"Nothing."  
The girl was fond, but firm.  
"Do you think, Clementine, that you could abandon this luxurious home, forget all the enjoyments of great wealth, banish yourself forever from your devoted parents' hearts and go west with a poor young man to enter a home of lifelong poverty and self denial?"

"I could, Rodolphus."  
The sad youth rose wearily and reached for his hat.

"Then," said he, "you are far from being the practical girl I have all along taken you to be."  
And with one last look around on the sumptuousness that some day he had hoped to share he sobbed and said farewell. —Browning's Magazine.

## Had to Take His Own Medicine.

George Barr McCutcheon was waiting for a train in Chicago, and as he passed through the station he saw one of his latest best sellers displayed on the newsstand counter. He picked it up, wrote his name on the fly leaf and handed it to the boy behind the counter. He was moving away when the boy called excitedly:

"Hey, mister, come back here. You've got to buy this book 'cause you've spoiled it by writing your name in it."  
"Yes, but did you see the name?" the author asked.

"That don't make no difference," the lad insisted; "nobody'll want to buy it now."  
After hearing his train called, Mr. McCutcheon was forced to pay real money for one of his own books. —Success Magazine.

## Outdone.

Teacher—Now, boys, I want to see if any of you can make a complete sentence out of two words, both having the same sound to the ear.  
First Boy—I can, Miss Smith.  
Teacher—Very well, Robert. Let us hear your sentence.

First Boy—Write right.  
Teacher—Very good.  
Second Boy—Say, Miss Smith, I can beat that. I can make three words of it—write, write right.  
Third Boy (excitedly)—Gee! Hear this—write, write rite right.  
Teacher (thrown off her guard)—Whew! —Topeka Journal.

## Wanted It to Show.

A rich old farmer once had his portrait painted. When the portrait was finished the old farmer looked at it, shook his head and said to the artist: "Very good. Very good. Indeed, but there is one fault that you must remedy. Please make the right side of the chest bulge out. That is where I carry my wallet."

## The Sad Part.

"Doesn't it make you sad?" exclaimed the member of the Audubon society, "to see women wearing on their hats the feathers of the poor little birds?"  
"It isn't the feathers that make me sad," replied the practical married man. "It's their bills." —Philadelphia Record.

## Collected Some Alimony Also.

She—This is Maud's third husband, and they all bore the name of William.  
He—You don't say so? Why, the woman is a regular Bill collector. —New York Times.

It is a great evil as well as a misfortune to be unable to utter a prompt and decided no. —Stimmons.

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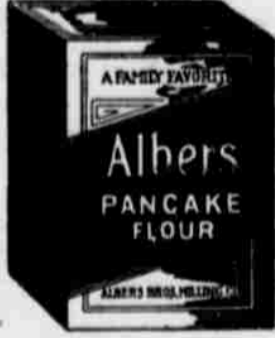
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Twin City Express via North Bank -- 7:25 p. m.  
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Eastern Express via North Bank -- 7:25 p. m.  
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Puget Sound Limited, 1:45 p. m., Grays Harbor and South Bend Branches.  
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North Coast Limited via Puget Sound -- 6:41 a. m.  
St. Pacific Express via North Bank -- 7:55 a. m.  
No. Pacific Express via Puget Sound -- 6:41 p. m.  
Pacific Express via North Bank -- 7:20 p. m.  
Puget Express via Puget Sound -- 9:41 a. m.  
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Western Express via North Bank -- 7:55 a. m.  
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