

The Round Robin.

The "round robin" had its origin several centuries ago in France. It was used there by officers of the army as a method of expressing their dissatisfaction with the course of the king or his ministers.

How Bismarck Could Drink.

Count Andrassy's story of an interview he had with Bismarck is as follows: "Bismarck had two immense mugs of beer brought to us. He took one of them and shoved the other over to me. I remarked that I drank only water.

A Convincing Argument.

A correspondent sends us the following story from Mississippi: Counsel for the defense was addressing a country J. P. of the "old school." Said he: "I realize that I stand in the presence of a descendant of the grand old Huguenot family that emigrated from France to escape from religious intolerance.

Value of Cheese Food.

Cheese is a very rich and valuable food, likely to form a very large constituent in the future and, especially for the workingman, to be very extensively used. There is a difference in stomachs in their ability to digest this article.

Othello Whitewashed.

Othello is the latest historic discovery. Italian papers claim certain manuscripts concerning the Moor have been found in the archives of a convent in Venice. They are notes taken in 1542 by a Cretan diplomat sent on a mission to the republic of Venice.

Pepper's Potatoes.

Senator Pepper is fond of telling how he once duped the managers of a Kansas county fair. "On examination of the sweet potatoes exhibited," he says, "I saw that the size of the specimens was nothing to brag of, and I sent out to a grocery store and purchased a bushel of fine ones; took the small ones out for home use, carried the rest to the fair grounds, entered them in my own name and drew the premium for the best specimen of sweet potatoes grown in Wilson county."

Declaration of Independence.

"My son," said the indignant father, "I've stood your impudence just as long as I'm going to stand it. You haven't had a whipping for a good while, but you're going to get one now. Take off your coat."

Honors Easy.

"Who carried off the honors at the walk, Rastus?" "Mr. Sam Johnson, sah, but de Lawd only knows who carried off de cake."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Their Slide into Oblivion.

Men who climb the Alps and lose their lives slipping down into the valley are brave and daring, but they never get credit for doing a good thing.—New Orleans Picayune.

Germans consume as much wine, beer and brandy every year as would equal one-half of the French indemnity after the Franco-German war.

Among the natives of Mexico there are, according to Lumboltz, about 150,000 survivors of the Aztec race.

A Disappearing Bulseye.

The Chinese peasant wears a turban, loose coat and short and very baggy trousers, all of blue. The Chinese soldier wears the same, with an overall sleeveless smock, or long waistcoat buttoning on the right shoulder, edged round the neck, arms and skirt and down the front with broad "facings."

The bulseye would be a very convenient mark for an enemy if the Chinese soldier would give the latter a chance of shooting him, but the bulseye is only worn to raise false hopes, for no sooner does he arrive dangerously near the enemy than he dons the garb of war to appear as an innocent civilian. He is usually armed with a muzzle loader or standard, both equally harmless weapons.

In the case of General Liu's escort the uniform smocks had evidently not been used as nightshirts for more than a few weeks, the men were armed with Winchester and a few Martins, rusty, dirty and out of order, and wore about their middles a belt of some 60 rounds of solid drawn brass cartridges.—London News.

The Atmospheric Clock.

The atmospheric clock—a sort of device that goes of itself—is not inaptly termed a perpetual hourglass. In appearance it is like a long thermometer with the bulb of mercury at the bottom. The glass tube is about three-eighths of an inch in diameter and secured to the frame by two bands through which it passes easily. The divisions of time are marked on each side of the tube. Inside the glass tube is a smaller tube shaped very much as an hourglass.

The mercury in the top end of the tube is placed opposite the mark of the proper time and falls to the bottom of the tube exactly as the time passes. When it has run out from the top, the frame can be turned and the mercury set to time on the other side. Thus it registers the seconds and hours quite as accurately as any other timepiece—the drawback to such an arrangement being, of course, the turning of the frame, a task as irksome as that of winding a clock.—Exchange.

Siamese Superstitious.

The first thing an orthodox Siamese does in the morning is to scare away the family ghosts who may have gathered about the old place in the night. Letting off crackers is an effectual means. At the new year all the ghosts come trooping to their former dwellings. For three days they have their fun. At the end of the time the priests and their flocks fire guns and use other devices for getting rid of them. A Siamese is confined face downward, so that the ghost may not sneak back through the dead man's mouth. The coffin is taken out through a hole in the wall and carried several times round the house in order that the ghost may be put off the scent and not return to vex his family.—Exchange.

Horse Racing and Socialism.

In the Militar Wochenblatt, a leading German military organ, Herr Von Ploetz recommends horse racing as a panacea for socialism. He says that the reason why there is no socialism in England is that they encourage horse racing there and that "the love of the sport is the connecting link between all classes of men, enabling the poor to comprehend the necessity for a difference of fortune."

Just the Other Way.

"I am delighted," said the old friend who had called, "to find that you agree with your husband in everything, Mrs. Henpeck." "Indeed!" answered that estimable lady. "If you will take the pains to investigate our domestic relations, sir, you will find that it is Mr. Henpeck who agrees with me in everything."—London Fun.

The Frigate Bird.

Many sailors believe that the frigate bird can start at daybreak with the trade winds from the coast of Africa and roost the same night upon the American shore. Whether this is a fact or not has yet to be determined, but it is certain that the bird is the swiftest of winged creatures and is able to fly, under favorable conditions, 200 miles an hour.

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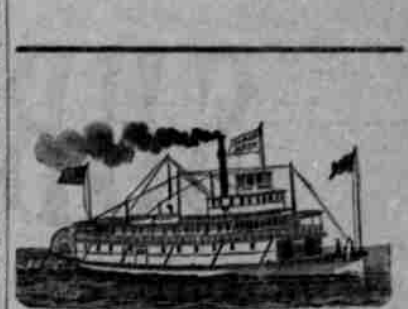
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