

"The" Hague.

Did you ever stop to ask yourself or your knowing friend the meaning of "The" in the place named The Hague? If you are looking for something that will knock the above mentioned knowing friend off his feet, just ask him the significance of the three letters quoted. When he fails to answer the question, tell him that the "The" as it occurs in the instance cited is simply the anglicized form of the Dutch word "S Gravenhage," or "S Gravenhaze," either of which in the Dutch language means "the count's hedge" or "the count's grove" or "woods."

Originally the location now occupied by the city of The Hague was the hunting grounds of the counts of Holland. About the year 1240 a palace was built in the grove. Presently a village sprang up around the palace—still it was called "The Count's Hedge" and finally and lastly a large city which in the Dutch language has its original signification, but which in modern parlance has been evolved into "The Hague."

Our Bones Built Up In Arches.
The principle of the arch may be said to pervade the construction of the human skeleton. The late Professor Owen points this out very clearly, telling us that in man the skeleton is arranged in a series of segments, which follow and articulate with each other in the direction of the axis of the body from above downward.

This principle accounts for the strength and yet comparative lightness of the whole fabric. From the dome of the skull down to the graceful arch of the foot we may trace this succession of bony hoops or arches, which admirably protect the various parts of the nervous and vascular systems of the body. The skull is found to be but a continuation of the backbone, and each of its four segments—the occipital, parietal, frontal and nasal, consists of an upper neural and a lower hemal arch. Similar arched formations prevail throughout the structure of a human skeleton.

A Venice Industry.

Venice owes the accumulation of great wealth from a new industry to one of her natives named Jozin. It was in the year 1556 that he observed that the scales of a fish called the bleakish possessed the property of giving a milky hue to water. After experimenting with it he discovered that when beads were dipped into it and then dried they assumed the appearance of pearls. This covering, however, was easily worn away, and successive experiments led to the manufacture of hollow glass beads, all blown separately, then polished in revolving cylinders and finally coated inside with the pearly liquid, the latter being protected with wax. This branch of industry is carried on in Venice to this day.

A Sad Awkening.

In one of Theodore Hook's stories the bridegroom, departing with his bride for their honeymoon, is disturbed by a continual tapping on the floor of the post chaise. It begins to bother him exceedingly. "What the deuce is that noise?" at last he mutters. "It is nothing, darling," answers the bride sweetly. "It is only my wooden leg." Only that and nothing more. She had got accustomed to it from long use, but the information put him out exceedingly and caused a coolness which was permanent.

True Happiness.

The best sort of happiness is rarely visible to the multitude. It lies hidden in odd corners and quiet places, and the eager world, which presumably is seeking it, hurries past and never recognizes it, but continues to mistake for it prosperity and riches, noise and laughter, even fame and mere cheap notoriety.—Henry Seton Merriman in "The Vultures."

A French Epitaph.

In a French churchyard is a monument bearing an epitaph of which the following is a translation: "Here lies Jean Pinto, the Spanish vocalist. When he reached heaven, he united his voice with the voices of the archangels. As soon as he heard him the Devil cried, 'Keep quiet, all you devils, and let us bear alone the illustrious singer, Jean Pinto!'"

Just the Size.

The silver moon peeped up behind the hills of Lake Roland.

"What is the height of your ambition?" she asked, more to break the monotony than anything else.

"Oh, about 5 feet 2 inches," he replied, gazing into her dark eyes.

The cards are out—New York Herald."

Well pleased.

"I say, Bobby," whispered Fitzgeorge, "was your sister pleased to learn that I had called upon her?"

"Yes, indeed she was," replied Bobby. "When mother told her that you had called while she was out, she said, 'Thank heaven!'"

Even chance.

C.—Thought you were going to marry Miss K?

G.—Going to ask her tonight. My shawncies are about even.

C.—How so, dear boy?

G.—She must say either "yes" or "no."

Racing For His Fee.

Fogg—Where are you hurrying to at that rate, doctor?

Dr. Pulser—I'm called to visit a patient in the last stages. I'm afraid he will die before I can get to him.—Boston Transcript.

When a man feels particularly youthful, he shows it by going out and breaking into some boys' game.—Atchison Globe.

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Ether Drinking in Russia.

The habit of ether drinking is known to be prevalent in some parts of Russia, also in east Prussia, and all the efforts of the authorities to combat the evil have hitherto been almost fruitless.

An idea of the extent to which the habit prevails may be gathered from records given in the Russian newspapers of a recent accident which occurred at a place called Trossen.

Ether is drunk by farmers on festive occasions, when it appears to be consumed in painless. A farmer, celebrating his son's wedding, in the fullness of his hospitality got in two painless of ether. During the process of decanting the ether into bottles a violent explosion took place, by which six children were killed and one adult dangerously and fourteen others more or less severely injured.—British Medical Journal.

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Letter List.

The following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Oregon City, Ore., on July 30, 1903:

WOMEN'S LIST.

Jones Mrs O D Stevenson Miss L 2 Kershaw Miss May Wilcox Miss Conine Parker Mrs S A

MEN'S LIST.

Davis L Meyer Rev Emil Kimmey Frank E Richards D C Kisor Ed Sister Marcus Kronis Barney Sonies T P Locke Arthur 2 Stephens C B Cawood Dr & Mrs E E TOM P. RANDALL, F.M.

Brights Disease

Not Rare, but Common—All Kidney Disease is Bright's Disease—The 8th to 10th Month it Becomes Chronic and Incurable by All Known Means Except the new Fulton Compounds, which Record 85% of Recoveries.

We have before us a little work on kidney diseases by Joseph F. Edwards, M.D., of Philadelphia, that contains some things that everyone ought to know. Many people imagine Bright's Disease is rare, when, in fact, it covers the whole gamut of kidney diseases. This book sets out many disabilities have not one function, viz., the diminution of the urea and the excretion of the waste products with that function are called Bright's Disease. Dr. Edwards adds: "For the benefit of physicians who may read this book I will give a list of the cases which I attribute to Bright's Disease." Amongst them:

Congestion of the Kidney.

Degeneration of the Kidney.

Fatty degeneration of the Kidney.

Inflammation of the Kidney.

Disease of the Kidney."

That all kidney disease being Bright's Disease, the serious question is, is it acute or chronic? Is it primary or secondary?

After the eighth to tenth month it becomes chronic and is then incurable by all known means except the new Fulton Compounds.

The kidneys are not sensitive. There

is often no notice of the trouble till it has

already fastened. If you have kidney disease in the first stage the Renal Compound will cure it quickly. If it is of more than 8 to 10 months standing it is the only thing known which will cure all medical means, evidence that to this time there has been nothing that cures Bright's Disease. The stockholders of the John J. Fulton Co., business and professional men of San Francisco, are the first people in the world to have a positive cure, paid a definite price for it, per cent, and giving out the list of the cured, all among purely chronic, well-defined cases. If you have any kind of kidney trouble, there is only one thing to take, The Renal Compound for Bright's Disease, 100 gr. of Quinine, 20 gr. of John J. Fulton Co., 40 gr. Watercress extract, San Francisco compounding. Free analyses for patients. Pamphlets free. We are the sole agents.

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FIXED DATES IN RUSSIA.

They Rule Even in Simple Things With Absolute Tyranny.

Routine is exceedingly strong in Russia. There is a day in June upon which, says tradition, it becomes safe to bathe in the rivers after the winter freeze. No matter how warm the water may be earlier, no matter how cold it may be on that day, then is the time to take the first swim. Other fixed dates are mentioned in "Ivan at Home," by Herbert Barry. Of course the statements do not apply to all Russia, but to the average peasant only.

No man dare touch an apple before the 6th of August, however ripe the fruit may really be before that day. He does not believe it is fit to eat.

The village sportsman, although he may have observed the blackcocks fighting among themselves unusually early owing to the warmth of the spring, cannot make up his mind to shoot them until the appointed day has arrived.

No traveler will start on a journey on either a Monday or a Friday.

Although the delay is strongly against his own interests the fisherman will not cast his nets before a certain day, whether the season be late or early.

No lamb is supposed to be able to reach the age of mutton should it have been born before the day named in the peasant's calendar. And so on through all the common events in their daily life does this attachment to fixed dates hedge in a Russian's existence.

Bad Enough of Law.

A gentleman who is now general superintendent of a railroad began life by trying to practice law in a Missouri village. One of his first cases was before his father, who was a justice of the peace. After a stormy wrangle between the young attorney and his adversary, the old gentleman decided the case against his son's client. The young man gave vent to some expressions of indignation, gathered up his books and started to leave the room. His father pushed his son to his forehead and began mildly to lecture him, saying:

"Young man, do you expect to make your living practicing law?"

The son, who had by this time reached the door, shouted back as he retired from the field:

"Not before such a blamed fool court is this."

He abandoned the law and engaged in railroading with great success—Green Bag.

A Bluff That Worked.

Peter Newell, the artist, was camping out in Colorado at one time, living in a tent. News came of a nocturnal murder in the neighborhood, and considerable uneasiness was manifested by some members of the family. Mr. Newell thereupon cut out some silhouettes representing men of the roughest western type, all with pistols in their belts and in the attitude of men intensely interested in a game of poker. The silhouettes Mr. Newell fastened to the inner canvas of the tent. At night the family, stepping outside into the darkness to view the result, were entranced with its success.

The shadows thrown by the silhouettes in the lighted interior indicated a tent filled with poker playing pistol shooting desperadoes. Thenceforth the Newell family slept in pastoral peace.

What Is In a Name?

Once upon a time there was a credit or to a large amount whose debtor constantly refused payment. The creditor became impatient and after investigation found that the debtor lived in a better house than he did, dressed better, clothed his wife in silk, satin and lace and spent dollars where he, the creditor, spent cents. Then he was wrath.

"I will sue the wealthy debtor," he said, "and collect what is owing me."

He brought suit and disposed a large amount of valuable property; but, alas, it was all in the name of the debtor's wife, and he got not a single cent.

Moral.—There is often a great deal in a name.—New York Herald.

Finished the Text.

Apropos of mattocks on houses, a correspondent of the Westminster Gazette relates that a man in Scotland wished to have cut over the door of a new house the text, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." He left the workmen to carry out his wishes during his absence, and on his return his horror was great to find the quotation completed, "But ye have made it a den of thieves!" "We had a wee thing in our room, ye see, so we just pit in the end of the verse," was the explanation given by the Bible loving Scot.

Unselldish.

"Widowhood makes a woman unsellish."

"Why so?"

"Because she ceases to look out for No. 1 and begins to look out for No. 2."

Town and Country.

A Henpecked Husband.

Meekton—Do you know how to govern your wife?

Henpeck—Yes, but she won't let me.

Many a fool man casts a shadow on his life by standing in his own light.

The horse is man's best friend—except those at the race track.—Puck.

Fast Through Train Service Between Portland and all Beach Points on and after Monday, July 6th, in Connection with Cheap Excursion Rates.

Commencing Monday, July 6th, the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Co. will resume its summer special Seaside schedule, and train leaving Union depot, Portland, at 8 a. m., daily, will run through direct without transfer at Astoria to all Clatsop beach points, arriving at Astoria 11:30 a. m., Gearhart Park 12:30 p. m., and Seaside 12:30 p. m., making direct connection at Warrenton for Flavel.