

"Nicknacktorian."
London shopkeepers' slang is a dialect in itself and one that is always changing. What, then, is a "nicknacktorian?" We know not the word today; but, looking recently through some old law cases dating about a hundred years back, I was puzzled to find it applied in all good faith to describe a plaintiff in the sheriff's court. On further search it turned out to be a piece of forgotten cockney slang for a dealer in bric-a-brac.
The evidence showed that this plaintiff kept a sort of old curiosity shop, in which he dispensed "mummies," poisoned arrows, the head of King Arthur's spear and a genuine manuscript of the "first play acted by Theseus and his company in a wagon." The defendant, a woman, had actually bought and paid for some of these rarities, but she died after having commissioned the embalming of an orang outang to add to her collection, and for this her executors refused to pay. Counsel for the defense poured contempt on the mummy of the orang outang and called it a "stuffed monkey."
But the "nicknacktorian" won his case. His profession was more taking than his name.—Manchester Guardian.

An Equal Test.
It is an interesting fact that the two studies of arithmetic and geography often seem to be opposed to each other in the affections of school children. Pupils who are particularly proficient in the one are apt to be backward in the other.
A story is told of a youngster who was slow in arithmetic and whose apparent stupidity in this field was a great source of grief to his father, a clever mathematician.
One day when the father and son were walking out they passed a place where a "learned pig" was on exhibition, and the father took the boy in to see the prodigies that the animal could perform.
"Just look at that!" said the father. "Why, there's a pig that can count and add up numbers! Don't you wish you were as smart as he?"
"Ha," answered the boy. "Just let me ask him a few questions in geography! I reckon I could beat him at that!"

Told by Sydney Smith.
The late Lord Dudley was a most absentminded man. "One day," says Sydney Smith, "he met me in the street and invited me to meet myself. 'Dine with me today; dine with me, and I will get Sydney Smith to meet you.' I admitted the temptation held out to me, but said he was engaged to meet me elsewhere. Another time in meeting me he put his arm through mine, muttering, 'I don't mind walking with him a little way; I'll walk with him as far as the end of the street.' He very nearly overset my gravity once in the pulpit. He was sitting immediately under me, apparently very attentive, when suddenly he took up his stick as if he had been in the house of commons and, tapping the ground with it, cried out in a low but very audible whisper, 'Hear, hear!'"

Wanted a Chance.
The Landlady—Is Mr. Hamm coming down to lunch today?
The Comedian—I hope not. You know, I'm his understudy.—Yonkers Statesman.



Poor Papa!
Tommy—Mamma, why have you got Papa's hair in a lock?
His Mother—To remind me that he once had some, Tommy.—Jewelers' Weekly.

She Never Caught On.
"Dearest," she murmured, "I'm so afraid you'll change."
"Darling," he answered, "you'll never find any change about me."—Tit-Bits.

Another Sell.
Bill—I have just taken something which was endorsed by my doctor.
Jill—What was it?
"A check."—Yonkers Statesman.

The Incurable Kid.
"Israel W. Durham, the Philadelphia politician," said a Pennsylvania legislator, "owed part of his success to the fine way he kept his followers submissive and obedient without hurting their pride."
"Mr. Durham could call you to order without offending you. Once, for example, he called me to order. He said I was incurable. He said, with a laugh, that I was as hard to manage as a little boy in a downtown school."
"This youth's teacher told him he must add without counting on his fingers. Then she gave him several mental sums. He solved them, but from the way he kept looking down at his hands she knew he wasn't minding her. So she made him put his hands behind his back, and then she gave him another sum. He answered it, too, correctly."
"Good!" she said. "You didn't count on your fingers that time, did you?"
"No'm. On my toes," said he."

A Warning.
"Sir, I want to marry your daughter."
"Go slow, young man; go slow. When I was your age I wanted just as badly to marry her mother."—Baltimore American.

September Birthstone.

Of All the Ornamental Stones, The Sapphire was most highly esteemed by the ancients. It was the "Gem of Gems," the sacred stone par-excellence. **There is a Legend** among the Jews that the "Ten Commandments were engraved upon this gem. Sapphires occupy an important position in gem collections of nearly all crowned heads of Europe. It was a sapphire ring that was taken from the finger of Elizabeth just after she expired, which was sent to James XI of Scotland as a token of accession to the English throne.
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First Plant Installed Near Farmington by J. T. Morrison

A visit to the J. T. Morrison place of 40 acres, on the Tualatin, near Farmington, displays the finest field for irrigation that is to be found in this section. Mr. Morrison already had a 3-horse engine and a 33 centrifugal pump at work, and is irrigating, with a two inch pipe, a piece of land on which he has onions, celery and corn. While he only had the water started July 12—not a fair show considering the season—you can see double the production where the crop is irrigated, proving conclusively the value of water on growing crops.

In the not distant future—perhaps next year—Mr. Morrison will put in a larger engine; put in a larger pump; and lay a three inch pipe to the highest point on his forty acres, where his house is located, and then he will build a reservoir and be in a position to place water on the entire tract. The present pump will raise thirty feet out of the Tualatin, a stream that runs two gallons a minute. A larger engine and pump, with a good sized reservoir—the piping not to exceed \$300 and the reservoir perhaps as much more—will enable him at all times to water his crops whether Jupiter Pluvius will repay with a crop production of from two to three times the normal.

Mr. Morrison has had 19 years of experience in irrigation, and he has made a study of the business. When he gets his plant installed he will have a farm that will be worth \$400 or \$500 per acre, and which will more than pay interest on that valuation.

In that locality there are scores of farms that will take irrigation without trouble, and in time this feature will be worth thousands of dollars to the river farmers. It would surprise anyone to see how easily the water is raised to the benches along the banks, and Mr. Morrison's present plant works to perfection, throwing a steady stream.

CRAWFISH CHRISTIANS

Next Sunday morning at the Christian Church, the pastor will speak on the subject "Crawfish Christians." A splendid theme, "The Church Glorious," is the very important subject for the evening service. Bible School at 10 a. m. Young Peoples' meeting at 7 p. m. The first Sunday in October will be a great day, a day long to be remembered. It is "Declaration Day Rally" for both Bible School and Church. Plan to come. You are wanted. You are welcome at the Christian Church.

Fred Fisher, of near Laurel, and whose little girl had a hand nearly blown off by the explosion of a dynamite cap last week, was in with the little one Friday, and while returning home, and passing down the grade at this side of the Jackson Bottom bridge, came near sustaining a serious accident. The breaching on his horse gave way and the buggy ran forward, crowding the horse, which he could not hold. The buggy crashed into the banister of the bridge, throwing out the father and the little child. The horse broke loose and ran across the bridge, but was stopped by a man to whom the runaway was telephoned. 8 range to say neither father nor child—the child had its injured hand in a sling—was injured.

Taken up: Muley 2 year old heifer; black, white above eyes, and two white spots on flank. Owner please call, prove property, and take same away.—John Dennis, Hillsboro. 26 8

The J. C. Hare ranch, south of town, this season threshed 11,532 bushels of grain, 2100 of this being wheat. The yield in some instances was remarkable, and the average was about 250. Ten acres of oats on the Jackson part of the ranch, and which has been farmed for perhaps 50 years, every year produced 90 bushels to the acre— isn't that a peach of a crop? Four acres of wheat went 42 1/2 bushels to the acre, on first crop ground and very rough at that. For a general all around yield this is a dandy result, and one will have to go East of the mountains to beat it—and then consider that up there they get the best results only where they allow land to rest each alternate year.

Eight bars of Rainier Mineral Soap for 25 cents, at Greer's. 26-9

Jacob Reichen, of beyond West Union, and one of the clever friends of the Argus, was in Saturday, and brought in for the Argus force a box of the finest and largest Bartlett pears seen this season. The fruit was absolutely free of blemish or scale, and would be an A1 seller in any market.

J. J. Schlicht, Geo. Cypher, John Harman, Frank Miller and Butler Raffety, of Mountaineer, came in Tuesday and went over to Clark County, Washington, where they will dry prunes back of Vancouver, for three weeks.

If you want a house moved, or carpenter repairing, call on M. C. Hewitt. First class work. Country work solicited.—M. C. Hewitt, Hillsboro.

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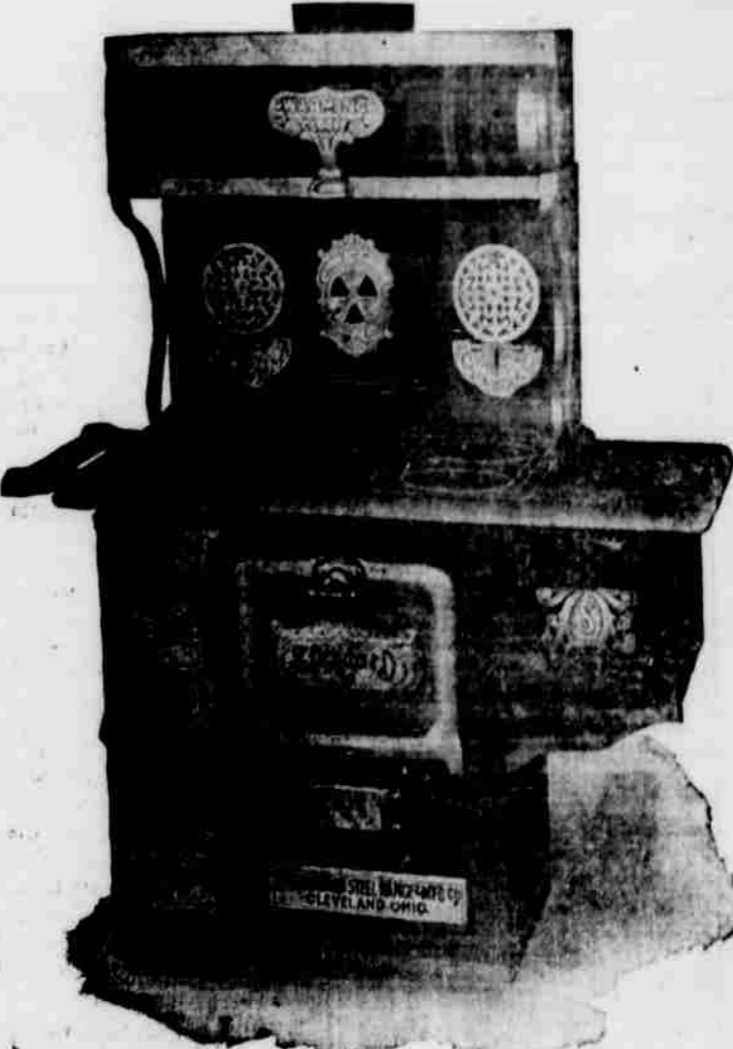
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Frank Brown, working at the Hillsboro sawmill, caught one of his index fingers in the headblock on the log carriage, Monday, and had the nail crushed off. Dr. Tamiesie attended the wounded digit.

C. W. Louden, the Glencoe baseball fan, and who still thinks—and is willing to back his opinion—Banks has the greatest amateur baseball team in the Northwest, was in town Tuesday.

Geo. Templeton, interested in commission business, and Carl Huston, of Portland, were out Sunday, guests of The Ball Club, and while here took in the better than league game at Athletic park.