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Like dreams the changing years have fled
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Since seventeen seventy-five, and June
Made bridal dance to the river's tune.
And then, as now, on the world's broad face
The loveliest green clad, leaf crowned space
Was the old West road to the ferrying place.
Here Jonathan Parsons, a man of peace,
On a cart heaped high with the earth's increase,
Through woodland sweet with the flowering thorn,
Came riding up from his fields of corn.

General Washington's coach of state,
Bound for Cambridge, had reached the lane:
In it the general, grave, sedate,
Sat planning the course of a great campaign.
For a terrible struggle possessed the land,
And the fate of a nation was in his hand!
Riding before came horsemen twain;
If the truth be told they were young and vain.
They reached at length, in the narrow road,
The farmer, perched on his fragrant load.

"Lazy bones, haste! You are all too slow;
How can we pass, we should like to know?
General Washington rides this way!
Turn out, turn out for the coach!" cried they
But Parsons doubted the courier's word,
The soldier hero!—'twas quite absurd!
He was still in congress the last he heard!
He turned—looked back through the vista green:
No sign of the uncrowned king was seen.
These were playful youths, it was very plain!
He would meet their sport with a calm disdain!
And his right to the road to the end maintain.

A droll procession in truth they made
That summer day in the green arched glade!
A frowsy colt was the first in view,
Vanguard of the rustic's retinue!
A white mare next, then oxen four
("Five cattle team," the name it bore);
Then the peasant prince, who a crown would scorn,
High on his throne of fresh cut corn;
The baffled horsemen behind him came,
And last of all rode the one whose name
Was yet to conquer the pride of kings.

Whose truth and courage the world yet sings!
Still unmindful of rank so near,
Parsons the order refused to hear,
When, nearing the ferry where all must wait—
"Make way, make way for the coach of state!"
Again they cried in a stern command;
He plodded on till, whip in hand,
He calmly got down at the river's brink
To let the mare and the oxen drink!

He turned—and then, for the first time saw
The strong right arm of the colonies' law!
A freeman true, he had dared to stand,
And the right to the king's highway demand
In the face of the greatest in all the land!
He speechless stood, and his brown face paled,
While the scouts to their chief the affair detailed.
"He was right!" was Washington's wise reply:
"He's as good a right to the road as I!"
—Ernest N. Bagg in Youth's Companion.

Sleight of Hand Poisoning.

A very curious item in toxicological lore I chanced to light upon may be called the feat of poisoning by sleight of hand. You were jealous of a lady and you wished to kill her. Well, you asked her to lunch, and you caused a very nice peach to be served at dessert. You cut the fruit with a golden knife, one side of the blade of which was endued with a deadly poison. You presented the poisoned half of the peach to the lady who ate it with much relish and then dropped down dead.

The wholesome half you ate yourself, and laughed in your sleeve, and went on slicing more peaches for the ladies of whom you were jealous—till you were found out and broken on the wheel. Aye, there's the rub! What high old times we might have, to be sure, but for that plaguey contingency of being found out. —G. A. Sala in London Sunday Times.

Plunder Secured by the Police.

In this city the police in one year have seized over 12,000 chips, 116 packs of cards, four lots of Chinese coin, 223 dice, thirteen fantan brass cups, three faro layouts, 11,000 pool tickets, two sweat boards, eight poker tables, three roulette tables, three whist boards and one baccarat layout.—New York Sun.

Missing Silver Dollars.

According to the records of the mint 19,570 silver dollars were coined in the year 1804. Of this number but eight are known, and they are valued at from $500 to $2,000 each. What became of the remaining 19,562 is one of the greatest numismatical mysteries.—St. Louis Republic.

A well known French physician asserts that the bilious fever so characteristic of tropical countries is due to a special bacterium, which, though motionless itself, is accompanied by numberless moving spores.

In the early days of this century French cooks became rich. Very was a millionaire; Achard had immense wealth. Mme. Sully, of the Palais Royal, made $200,000 in three years.

Many a man is hurt more in a football fight than he cares to admit, and so he makes light of it and plays on for the sake of the college or team and from self sacrifice.

The cultivation of the pineapple in the Bahamas is a very profitable undertaking. At twopence each an acre of pineapples returns $200 to $250.

CHANGES IN THE LANGUAGE.

The Words "Gentleman" and "Lady" Are Seldom Used in Polite Society.

At the present time there are some changes in the English language on foot the very suggestion of which would be a great deal of a surprise to some of our staid old ancestors. There are lots of everyday words in use which don't mean at all what they did 100 years ago. I doubt if Shakespeare, should he be so situated that he could stroll down Broadway tomorrow or drop into some Fifth avenue parlor this evening, would be able to readily follow the drift of the conversation, for lots of words used would be so contradictory in their connection with the meaning he would credit them with.

This was very forcibly brought to my attention at the reception of the Colonial club. I was standing on one of those upper floors, about the tenth, I think, where the girls huddled together and waited for their escorts to come for them. Occasionally a fellow had to do some waiting there, but it was usually the other way. Four or five of the prettiest human rosebuds you could pick along side Riverside drive were waiting and chattering. I couldn't help but hear. At first they told each other how "perfectly lovely" the other girl's dress was, and how "poky" they felt in "this horrid old thing that they had 'way last spring, you know." Then one girl said:

"I came with a man, and I wish I hadn't; it's such a bore."

"Yes," replied one of two sisters in a rich cream satin, "so do we. I told mamma I didn't want to. I think it's ever so much more fun to go to a ball with the girls than with a man."

They all chirruped and giggled and said she was right and that men were nuisances. Each girl had something or other to say about "a man." The word "gentleman" was not used once. And then their respective "men" came up the stairs, and the girls were so glad to see them!

Since then I have learned that with the really nice and correct New York young lady the word "gentleman" has been laid aside. They admit that there are "gentlemanly" actors and "gentlemanly" gamblers, and that certain "gentlemen" on Broadway do a thriving business in the "bunko" line. A policeman is also a good deal of a gentleman as a rule, but the pure and high type of masculinity is simply "a man" to them.

All this is in close following with the abolishment of the Americanism of "lady" and the substitution of "woman" instead. There were "salesladies," "chorus ladies" and "servant ladies" until the limit was reached and a revolution occurred. Then came in the word "woman," and it's a fixture now.

I suppose the same process has occurred with "gentleman." Down in the Fourth ward Miss Kitty Toole refers to Teddy as "me gentleman friend." So simple "man" is good enough for the girls of Fifth avenue and those who go the Colonial club receptions.—New York Herald.

An Obtuse Fellow.

One of Tennyson's old friends has described the odd fate of a manuscript of "The Princess." He was staying with the poet while the poem was going through the press, and while alone in the study one night and seeking a light for his pipe found some paper sticking out of his coal scuttle. From it he supplied his need, and on looking more closely at the bundle found it to consist of "The Princess" manuscript, the last proofs of which had just been returned to the printer. Looking it over he abstracted a few sheets which specially took his fancy, notably that containing "Tears, idle tears," and which now hangs framed in an honored place. But such is the native obtuseness of man in unfamiliar circumstances that when the poet came in and told his guest to put the whole in his pocket if he coveted the rubbish, the two made spills of a portion and returned the remainder to the scuttle!—Boston Journal.

A Quaint Species of Crow.

In his subsection on "modifications" of types of birds and animals Sir John Lubbock cites what is newest and most marvelous. He tells us of a particular crow in New Zealand where the male and female differ widely as to the structure of their bills. The male bird has a bill, stout and strong, adapted to cutting and digging into the tree, but he is deficient in that horny pointed tongue which would permit him to pierce the grub and draw it out. The hen bird has, however, an elongated and straight bill, "and when the cock has dug down to the burrow the hen inserts her long bill and draws out the grub, which they divide between them—a very pretty illustration of the wife as a helpmate to the husband."—Buffalo Commercial.

Paternal Advice.

Medical Student—I think, father, when I have graduated I will become a specialist.

Father—What sort of specialist?

"I think I will make a specialty of ear diseases."

"I think you had better become a tooth specialist. Man has only two ears, but he has thirty-two teeth that are always more or less out of order."—London Tit-Bits.

Tired of Being a Freak.

"Darky Sam," the county infirmary character who has been posing as a prince of the royal blood of Fiji with the collection of freaks and curiosities in a small traveling circus, returned to the poorhouse recently, content to retire to private life. To heighten the outlandishness of Sam's natural appearance his exhibitors had shaved his head, with the exception of a strip extending from forehead to occiput, resembling the roached mane of a mule. He was worn out by the hard labor with the canvas gang, and is willing to remain in the infirmary.

AFRICAN IRONMASTERS.

A Place Where There Are Few Strikes Because of the Fate of a Striker.

The Balubans, as the natives of the Muansanyonma district of central Africa are styled, enjoy an excellent local reputation as ironworkers. They find their crude material in the form of bog iron ore on the surface of the land. It rarely happens that digging to an appreciable depth is necessary. Their smelting furnaces, which are constructed of clay, are from six to ten feet high, from forty to sixty inches in diameter at the base and conical in shape.

The ore is tipped into the furnace from above; the charcoal, on the other hand, is introduced into basinlike side openings, which also receive a continuous air blast, while the iron and slag are removed from the bottom of the furnace about every eight or twelve hours, according to the degree of heat obtained.

The forge is a circular building some sixteen feet in diameter, with a pointed roof and open sides. At a distance it might be taken for a park band stand. In the center of this hut is the fire, which is maintained in constant activity by means of a unique pair of bellows, which merit a special description. They consist of a block of wood, generally twenty inches long, hollowed out and fitted with a funnel head made of clay. At the lower end are two orifices, over which skins are stretched. Motion is imparted to the instrument by the action of two small rods. The hammer is of solid iron; the tongs are marvels of simplicity—to wit, a bent palm branch. An iron wedge driven into a timber bole serves as an anvil.

The recollections of the Balubans carry them back to the time when they wrought metals with stone tools. Some of the natives are comparatively artistic workers. Very fine axes, tastefully inlaid with copper, are produced.

Strikes among these swarthy artificers are of comparatively rare occurrence, probably owing to the fact that the malcontents invariably have their heads lopped off and their skins placed on one side for patching, or in case of need entirely recovering the aforesaid curious bellows.—London Iron.

Timorousness of Great Men.

It has been recently stated by those who knew him well that Mr. Spurgeon was an example of the fact that public men often quake on the eve of their great successes. Though few guessed it, he was nervous in speaking, and one result of the disastrous panic at the Surrey Gardens in 1856 was that he ever afterward dreaded excitement in great audiences. At the Free Trade hall in Manchester, 1872, the orator was in buoyant and brilliant form. Yet before delivering his address he had been attacked by nervous sickness in the anteroom.

As we have suggested, this curious preliminary recoil seems to be a frequent characteristic of the efforts that establish or increase fame. Inquiry shows that some form of timorousness dogs distinction like its shadow. It may have peculiar and even eccentric features. Mr. Edmund Yates has mentioned the case of a distinguished living politician, noted for his dash and aplomb while in the house of commons, to whom on one occasion Sir Henry Halford, the eminent physician, gave an account of a railway accident. The narrator was elaborate in his description, and it was too much for his listener's nerves. In the midst of the story the doctor had to break off. His friend was on the point of fainting.—Cassell's Journal.

The Home Aquarium.

An aquarium in which plants are grown will not require the changing of water, except occasionally, when the tank needs to be cleaned. The growing plants give off oxygen and absorb carbonic acid. To arrange an aquarium with plants, cover the bottom of a glass globe or tank with gravel which has been thoroughly washed. Half fill a small flowerpot with earth, and plant in it a small Egyptian lily; then fill the pot with well washed sand. Place the pot in the center of the tank and surround it with stones, so that it may be held in place and at the same time concealed. On top of this pot, and around it in the rocks and gravel, set out a few fine mosses and vines, such as grow in fresh water. Let watercress and hornwort be among them. A north exposure is best for this aquarium. Put in the fish and feed them on bits of meat, crumbs of bread and worms.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Electricity in Mining.

One of the latest applications of electricity to mining operations is seen in a lead mine in Belgium. Each bucket arriving at the top of the shaft makes an electric contact, and a needle in the office indicates by a red line upon a revolving drum the number of buckets brought up. —Philadelphia Ledger.

Near the Sight of the Crucifixion.

The hill near Jerusalem where the crucifixion of Jesus occurred is formed of limestone. The shores of the Dead sea are lined with pumice stone, showered out of some volcano that destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, which cities finally sank beneath the waters of the Dead sea.—New York Press.

A Point to Remember.

"Doctor," said a grateful patient, seizing the physician's hand, "I shall never forget that to you I owe my life."

"You exaggerate," returned the doctor mildly, "you owe me for only fifteen visits. That is the point which I hope you will not fail to remember."—Exchange.

They Freeze and Still Live.

Fish, flies and caterpillars, though frozen solid, retain life because their construction admits of frost expansion without disruption; a freezing temperature only results to them in torpor.—Exchange.

Rare Confederate Silver Coins.

Messrs. Roberts & Collins, of Cartersville, Ga., have, if they have not recently disposed of it, a coin in their possession which is only thirty years old, but is worth more than a thousand times its face value. It bears the date of 1861, and is one of four pieces struck at the Confederate mint at New Orleans before that institution was closed. The coin is a half dollar, and has the Goddess of Liberty on one side and a stalk of cane, a stalk of cotton, and the stars and bars of the confederacy in a coat of arms, with a liberty pole through it and a liberty cap on top on the other side. Of the four known specimens of this coin, one is in Meriwether county, Ga., one in Louisiana, the Roberts-Collins piece, above described, and one which sold for $800 in New York city in 1888.—St. Louis Republic.

California's Lack of Song Birds.

In the autumn the society organized for colonizing foreign song birds in this state will commission a practical dealer to select and purchase as many song birds in Europe as the money at his command will permit. The money is being secured by contributions, and is being paid in gradually. The absence of song birds in California is a misfortune. The presence of song birds in California would be an everlasting enjoyment. Golden Gate park should be alive and merry with them. They would be an attraction there as beautiful as the many hued flowers, the graceful trees and the smiling landscape.—San Francisco Post.

An Old Venetian Ship Launching.

Admiral Canevaro, commander of the Venice arsenal, has arranged that instead of the Sicilia being baptized in the usual way, by having a bottle of champagne broken on its bows, the ancient custom of the Venetian republic shall be revived. That is, that a gilt ring shall be attached to the vessel's prow in such a way by the godmother that when the ship is launched the ring shall be the first thing to touch the water, this fulfilling the "wedding of the sea."—London News.

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