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he carries, and the more water he squirts  
the harder he has to push the lawn  
mower. It is ever thus.—Lugmont  
(Colo.) Ledger.

What She Was Doing.  
"You see, Phyllis had to stop to fix  
her hair."  
"Arrange, child; not fix. Fix means  
to make fast."  
"Well, that's what she was doing. It  
was coming loose."—Indianapolis Journal.

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There It Was.  
It was rumored that the relations be-  
tween Stubbs, Sr., and his wife were  
not of the pleasantest, and Johnny  
Stubbs had doubtless heard many a  
family dispute. The father's strongest  
point against Mrs. Stubbs was that she  
was a Hicks when he raised her to her  
present title. Mrs. Stubbs would then  
collapse and tearfully rejoin that such a  
remark was all that could be executed  
from one of the low lived Stubbses.

One day Johnny took his fish pole and  
went down to the stream that ran near  
the house to bob for eels. Just as he  
was fairly settled down to the sport and  
his mother's voice calling loudly for  
him to come in.  
"There it is!" said the disgraced  
young fisherman. "The minute the  
Stubbses begin to fish the Hickses begin  
to holler."—New York Sunday World.

Establishing a Style.  
"So you think you understand the  
theory of establishing a style or fashion  
for women, do you?"  
"I know I do. I have qualified by  
marrying four times. All you have to  
do is to demonstrate conclusively what  
women ought to wear and then lay in a  
stock of everything that is the exact  
opposite of it."

Of course he was engaged without  
further parley as a man who understood  
the sex.—Chicago Post.

Hair and Air.  
A baldheaded professor recently de-  
livered a lecture entitled "The Air We  
Breathe" before an East London audi-  
ence. In the course of his remarks he  
said, "It is quite impossible for any  
person to live without air."  
At this a small boy called out, "Ov  
about yerself, guv'ner?"—Tit-Bits.

A Burmese School.  
The uproar was like that of a run-  
away engine tearing through a tunnel.  
The floor was littered with youngsters  
lying on their stomachs, and all bawling  
with an energy indicative that  
somebody was hurting them. Long,  
alim, scratched upon slips of palm leaf,  
the equivalent of books in Burma,  
were spread before the scholars. Making  
the lads shout is the approved method  
of elementary instruction. When the  
master discovers any lagging in lung  
exercise, a long switch begins to sing  
through the air. Quiet, serious study is  
expelled. The Burmese educationists  
argue that so long as a boy is shouting  
his mind is occupied. When he is silent,  
he is certain to be scheming mischief.  
Therefore the best shouters are the best  
pupils.—Travel.

Cruel Spaniards.  
Spanish officers as well as men gener-  
ally incline to cruelty and treachery.  
Here is a story in point, told by an ex-  
cellent authority:  
"In Alcala, the Guardia Civil—that  
is, one of the crack troops—was after a  
robber band. One of the robbers was  
caught. Being promised a full pardon,  
he gave away his comrades. This man  
had no sooner signed the paper that  
served as his death warrant for his late-  
friends when the officer in charge said,  
'We will begin with him.' The robber  
was immediately shot in the back of his  
head."

In 1870 Japan was visited by a ter-  
rible epidemic of smallpox, which almost  
decimated Yokohama. Vaccination was  
made compulsory in 1896. The Japanese  
are said to have been struck with the  
fact that pockmarked foreigners were  
seen in Japan.

OMENS ON WARSHIPS.

SUPERSTITIONS WHICH GOVERN OLD  
SALTS OF THE NAVY.

Goodies and Spells Which May Work All  
Sorts of Evils on Board and Which  
Must Be Carefully Guarded Against.  
The Tattooing Habit.  
The most picturesque superstitions of  
the sea are those which govern a mod-  
ern man-of-war. Every old salt in the  
cavy believes in hoodoos and spells  
which may work all sorts of evils on  
his ship and must be carefully guarded  
against.

The powers of a ship's hoodoo com-  
mence before the ship has entered the  
water. It is a generally accepted super-  
stition that if the first blow which is  
struck the keel brings sparks the ship is  
destined to suffer from a taking fire  
from the enemy.

The old time practice of stealing a  
piece of wood and imbedding it in the  
prow for good luck is, of course, impos-  
sible in the case of steel ships, though  
it is considered lucky to have a piece of  
stolen wood on board.

Another of superstition is satisfied  
by placing a silver coin in some crevice  
of the fighting top of the mainmast or  
some place below decks where it touches  
the steel mast. Originally it was a very  
common custom to imbed a silver coin,  
and preferably a Spanish coin, in the  
wooden steps near the mast.

Figureheads have been in high favor  
with sailors from remote antiquity.  
Originally they were carved to repre-  
sent some god or saint. Even today a  
sailor would hesitate to sail on an iron-  
clad without such protection.

The ceremony of launching a ship is  
merely a concession to an old supersti-  
tion. The various formalities of ship  
christening have been followed with  
little variation for centuries.

In the early days of shipbuilding it  
was the custom for the captain and the  
crew to eat their first meal stowed away  
in the mold loft. Their meal invariably  
consisted of eggs and sulphur. From  
this custom has come the present day  
practice of providing cakes and wine  
for the crew. And the old libation  
which the priests used to pour over the  
prow of the ship as she slipped into the  
water has been replaced by the break-  
ing of a bottle of champagne.

The modern man-of-war dashes into  
the water with flags waving from every  
masthead. In order to gratify this old  
superstition it has been necessary to ex-  
pend hundreds of dollars for the chris-  
tening of a single ship. But no one be-  
grudges this extravagance. In a way it  
is necessary.

The good or ill luck of certain days  
is still a belief among the sailors. Fri-  
day is a day of ill omen, and Sunday is  
usually a lucky day.

A superstition about women is a relic  
of the old belief in witchcraft. It is  
thought that a woman by throwing sand  
in the air on a shipboard can produce  
violent storms. Not many years ago  
some women who traveled on English  
warships were tortured during a storm  
to make them quiet the waves.

These barbaric beliefs, however, are  
partially compensated by the supersti-  
tion which sailors have held for centu-  
ries that beautiful children bring a  
blessing to a ship. The Neek was a  
handsome boy with golden curls. It is  
said that he is always accompanied by  
a black lamb and carries with him a  
golden harp. Our old salts have especial  
confidence in a ship which is christened  
by a child.

The average sailor is superstitious  
about the ringing of the ship's bells.  
In olden times the bells were blessed  
before they were used. At present, if a  
mistake is made in striking the hour,  
the sailors insist that the bells at once  
be struck backwards to break the spell,  
and if by any chance the wind should  
catch the bells and swing them all the  
way around, or if they strike nine bells,  
it is believed that it will be the last of  
that ship.

All good warships go to the "shores  
of Fiddler's Green" as a final resting  
place. Just where this mythical harbor  
is situated no geographer has yet decid-  
ed. It is in every way the antithesis of  
"Davy Jones' locker." A warship  
which goes down in battle with her  
flag flying, as occurred several times  
during the civil war, goes to "Fiddler's  
Green."

The tattooing habit is, of course, very  
common in the navy. It is believed that  
an arm or a leg decorated with the de-  
sign of a gun or a sword or some such  
design will never be lost in battle.—  
San Francisco Call.

A Real Strop.  
Dunwich, Moreton bay, Queensland,  
consists of about 1,000 inhabitants. In  
four years there have only been two  
births and two deaths.

There are no streets, no omnibuses or  
trains, no soldiers, no police, no shops.  
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one is admitted free. Clothes are free,  
and so are food and lodging. Very few  
do any work, and there are no hotels.  
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cal attendance is free.  
There is a lockup, but that is not  
used. There is also a postoffice, and if  
short of money the letters are stamped  
free. There is also a free hospital and  
library.—London Tit-Bits.

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GRAVE OF PATRICK HENRY.

Not in Richmond, but in Charlotte,  
Where He Lived.  
Every now and then we see in some  
newspaper the query, "Where is Pat-  
rick Henry buried?" and tourists in  
Richmond constantly ask to be shown  
his grave, with the mistaken idea that  
it is in that city, where much of his  
public career was passed. Few people  
comparatively know that the man who  
acquired the title of "The Tongue of  
the Revolution" lies in a quiet grave  
on the estate in Charlotte county where  
he formerly lived. Over it is a marble  
slab inscribed with one line, "His fame  
his best epitaph."

The estate lies on Stannton river, 38  
miles from the town of Lynchburg, near  
the border line which separates Char-  
lotte and Campbell counties. It derived  
its name of Red Hill from the peculiar  
color of the soil in that vicinity. When  
Patrick Henry bought the place, it com-  
prised about 3,500 acres. The land is  
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grows there as high as a man on horse-  
back; there is a general air of smiling  
fields and abundant prosperity. Its  
situation in early times was very remote.  
Neighbors were few, one of the nearest  
being the celebrated John Randolph of  
Roanoke, who lived in his chosen soli-  
tude 18 miles away.

Red Hill is now owned by Henry's  
grandson, William Wirt Henry, a  
clever, cultivated gentleman of the  
"old school." He has in his possession  
some most interesting relics of his cele-  
brated grandfather, including the desk  
he always used, which still contains his  
letters from Lafayette, Washington,  
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days; the large, round backed chair in  
which Patrick Henry died and a portrait  
of him by the elder Bully, under which  
hangs a yellowed slip of paper, signed  
by Chief Justice John Marshall and  
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to the faithfulness of the likeness.—  
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READING SEALED LETTERS.  
A German Scientist Shows How This May  
Be Accomplished.  
It is not generally known that sealed  
letters may in many cases be read with-  
out opening the envelopes or doing them  
the least injury. It was discovered by a  
German physiologist by the use of an  
embryoscope, or egg glass, that the  
shells of eggs were of very unequal  
thickness.

It occurred to him to make experi-  
ments in order to ascertain how many  
leaves of ordinary paper or official pa-  
per must be laid above and below a  
written leaf in order to make it illegible  
to a highly sensitive eye in the direct  
sunlight. He found that after he had  
rested his eye in a dark room for 10 or  
15 minutes he could read a piece of writ-  
ing over the mirror of the embryoscope  
that had been covered with eight layers  
of paper.

He called in other observers to com-  
firm this. The letters, however, that  
could thus be deciphered were written  
in dark ink on one side of the paper  
only. If four written sides were folded  
together, and especially if there had  
been crossing, it was hard to make out  
the drift of the writing, and there are  
some kinds of writing which, when  
folded twice or thrice, admit too little  
light for the purpose of decipherment.

In this way possibly many of the ex-  
periences of "clairvoyants" may be ex-  
plained. By means of the egg glass it  
is as a rule, easier to make out the con-  
tents of letter or telegram without the  
slightest tampering with the envelope  
than it is to detect the movements of  
the embryo in the egg.

Suppose the writer of a billet, the  
contents of which are known only to  
himself, lets it out of his hand and loses  
sight of it for five minutes. It may be  
readily carried either into the direct  
sunlight or into electric or magnesium  
light and be read by the aid of the egg  
glass. The placing of a piece of car-  
tridge paper in the envelope or the col-  
oring of it black is a means of defense  
at hand.

Mr. System.  
Shippen Clark (to his employer, leav-  
ing the office)—Oh, Mr System, hav'n't  
you forgotten your autograph? It's rain-  
ing.

Mr. System—Can't help it. I have  
made a resolution to have one here and  
one at home, to provide for all emer-  
gencies. Now, if I take this one, they'll  
both be at home.—London Tit-Bits.

The languages in Palestine are  
Hebrew and Aramaic, even the small  
children speaking the purest Bible  
Hebrew.

There are said to be 5,000 tea  
societies in London.

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