Suffolk Pigs.

Among the small or middle races of English pigs a breed occurs which is close akin to the Essex—somewhat larger in the body and shorter in the leg, better haired and hardier. A standard authority thus describes them: "The Black Suffolks are short on the leg, long in the body, well coated with long, silky hair, the forehead broad, the nose short and slightly turned up; ears rather short but broad, with a tendency to droop forward; splendid shoulders, great jowls, body wonderfully symmetrical. The Suffolk more nearly realizes the theory of the parallelogram than any other animal we know of. The tail is set quite on a level with his hips; the hams are deep and wide." This is high praise. They are also praised for the excellence of their pork, freedom from skin diseases, and general vigor of constitution. They resemble the Essex in many points, and are equally valuable for crossing upon the larger breeds.

The really careful breeding of pigs, and the preservation of pedigrees in England, dates back but comparatively few years. Pigs took their names from the counties in which they were bred, and breeders or exhibitors at shows called their pigs Suffolks or Norfolks perhaps, so it happened that some white pigs that won prizes at the shows, were imported to this country under the name of Suffolks. The pigs were good and had quite a run, but when we wanted more, we found that Suffolks as recognized in England were black, and that the high-bred, small white breed were the small Yorkshire, which were, so to speak, like those we were familiar with as Suffolks, only more so. There have been occasional importations of Black Suffolks, but we know of no herd maintained and bred pure. They probably have been crossed with the Essex, which they resemble, and which have a strong hold upon the regard of our people.—*American Agriculturist.*

AT THE MATINEE.

I saw them at the matinee;
In front of me they sat;
They were attentive to the play,
Each wore a low-crowned hat.

Yes, low-crowned hats that did not hide
The actor from my view;
With wonder I sat stupefied,
For they were silent, too.

They were two maidens young and fair,
Two maidens fair were they,
And I beheld them sitting there
Attentive to the play.

And then to think that I could see
The stage! 'Twas all in view,
'Twas such a great surprise to me,
I scarce knew what to do.

They did not chatter. Neither spoke—
So strange it all did seem!
I thought—but just then I awoke,
And found it was a dream.

—*Boston Courier.*

Full-Blood and Thoroughbred.

In popular language the terms are synonymous. When used in reference to horses, there is a well-defined difference between them, which it would argue ignorance to neglect. Some writers seek to establish a difference also, when they are used in relation to sheep, and in this way: A full-blood is one in whose veins there is no admixture or stain of any other blood but the Spanish, while a thoroughbred is all that and something more. A sheep may be a full-blood (pure blood would be a better term), and yet be so deficient in form or fleece, as to be unfit for a breeder. But a thoroughbred is the outcome of a long line of ancestors, which, beginning with pure blood, have been so consummately moulded by man to a special purpose, that this last and finished product is, so to speak, incapable of begetting or bearing a progeny different from itself. While these ought to be, and with accurate men are, the definitions of the two terms, in popular usage they are not, and are constantly misapplied.

All lions, all tigers, all animals in a state of nature are full-bloods, pure-bloods, average types of their respective races; but not all of them are thoroughbreds; that is, not all of them are so even in all their qualities, and so sound in their constitutions, as to be able to produce progeny up to the level of the race-standard. They are weeded out by natural selection; they are ill-formed, or weak, or lacking in cunning, and they perish in the struggle of life, leaving the best individuals behind to perpetuate the race. Under a state of domestication in which man seeks to preserve all the individuals, good and poor, he must himself conduct this selection of his breeders.—*American Agriculturist.*

Hobbies for Women.

Every woman should have some special thing to think about except the regular weekly round of duties; in fact, some aim in life except that of cooking, eating and sleeping and the contingent possibility of dying soon to get rid of it all. No aim and no change make asylums overflow, leave children motherless and make life not worth the living. Every woman had her ambitious dreams once, what were they. To paint? Then let her get water colors, paint flowers and work at it every day, if for only half an hour. If one has but half a chance let her prove that she uses that; that she can do more than many who have not only a whole chance, but many chances.—*Adelaide Lardy, in Good Housekeeping.*

Rather Sarcastic.

"No use, Bill," said one tramp to another, "we can't make nothing in Minnesota dis year. Yer might just as well skip right now."

"What's der matter?" asked the tramp addressed, "an't they got over the cyclone yet?"

"The cyclone an't got nothing to do with it. It's this devilish politics what ruins so many good years for us."

"I an't on. What'er given me?"

"Just dis, Bill. Dey's got no use for an American born citizen. We kin starve, we' kin, while dey's filling up some of dese here fellers from Sweden to get thur votes. If dis here thing keeps up its licks we'll have to work, we will, and don't forget it."—*St. Paul Globe.*

DREAMS.

If you dream that you are going on a sea voyage—take an emetic.

If you dream that you are destined to fill an aching void—hire out to a dentist.

If you dream that you are going to be rich—try to get some one to endorse your note.

If you dream that you are holding a fat office—try to get nominated for congress.

If you dream that you can run a newspaper—try to write an editorial, a local item and a piece of poetry.

If you dream that you are going to marry a rich wife—ask a millionaire if he keeps a bull dog.

If you dream that you are a pitcher for a base ball nine—don't get off your base.

If you dream that you can run a newspaper better than any one else—wake up and go into some other business.—*Whitehall Times.*

Motherly Firmness.

Two boys in bed. Jim (to Tom)—"Take your old feet away, now."

Jim—"Ain't hurtin' you."

Tom—"You are gettin' over on my place."

Jim—"Ain't."

Tom—"Are."

Jim—"Story."

Mother—"Children, go to sleep."

Tom—"Jim keeps on a puttin' his old feet on me."

Jim—"Ain't, maw."

Mother—"Jimmie, take your feet away."

Jim—"Ouch! Maw, Tom pinched me."

Tom—"Didn't, maw."

Mother—"If you don't go to sleep I'll come there an' whip you both."

Jim—"I ain't done—quit that now Maw, make Tom quit tryin' to cut me with his old toe nail."

Mother—"Tommie, behave yourself."

Tom—"Ain't doin' nothin', maw."

Jim—"Are too, maw."

Tom—"Ain't—ouch! Maw, Jim's a pinchin' me."

Mother—"Go to sleep this minute or I'll come there and whip you both. Not another word out of you. Just another word if you dare."

Jim—"Gimme my pillow."

Tom—"Take your old pillow. Ouch! Maw, Jim's kickin' me."

Mother—"Didn't I tell you I'd whip you? Never mind, you shan't go down town with me to-morrow.—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

Caring for the Mummies.

Dr. Schweinfurth takes a very sensible view about mummies. He is rightly anxious that every possible step should be taken to secure the remains of ancient Egyptian kings from that decay against which such admirable precautions were taken between 3000 and 2000 B. C. He wants the Boolak museum at Cairo to be removed out of reach of Nile inundations and to be carefully arranged in more roomy premises, and he protests against putting mummies to crumble in exposed situations in foreign climates. But at the same time he protests with some warmth against those of his critics who consider it impious to open the coffin of an Ahmos or a Rameses. These are, it seems, otherwise harmless lunatics who compare the spirit of historic and scientific inquiry in which such investigations are made to the "vandalism of the French who broke open the royal tombs at St. Denis." Dr. Schweinfurth is willing and anxious that veneration should be shown for the bodies of deceased potentates and that their "venerable remains should not be contemplated (after thousands of years since their burial) without emotion." With this he hopes that the most enthusiastic devotees to the cause of monarchy will rest content. Dr. Schweinfurth is right.—*St. James's Gazette.*

How Bright's Disease Originated.

John Bright was born in 1811. He made a tour of the Holy Land at the age of 24, but did not decide to purchase it, owing to the existence of a flaw in the title. He next began to invent things. On his return from the Orient, he discovered that what was most needed both in Europe and America was a good, reliable disease for the use of the better classes. The poor and humble were well supplied, but the rich, the aristocratic and patriotic statesmen, corned heads and porkists of the two lands languished for a good, reliable disease that poor people could not obtain. So he began to sit up nights and perfect Bright's disease. He gained the prize at the Paris exposition and honorable mention at the great centennial celebration at Philadelphia "for meritorious and effective disease for the better classes." Since that time he has been gratified to notice that the very best people both in his own land and in this are handling Bright's disease. It has been kept out of the reach of the poor, and to die from this ailment has been regarded as a proud distinction.—*Bill Nye, in Boston Globe.*

Painting the Town Red.

At this late day another origin for the expression, painting it red, is given. Back in the 60's racing was one of the exciting features of Mississippi river travel, and when an opportunity offered for a trial of speed all hands were breathless with excitement. The first command from the captain would be: "Paint her red boys!" which was river slang for filling the fire-box with rosin in order to create a quick, hot fire, at which time the fire-boxes would be thrown open. Then, if the night were dark, the effect was simply grand. As far ahead as the eye could see the river would be a deep red from the reflection, forming a most beautiful picture, which, once seen, could never be forgotten. It was at that time that the expression, "paint the town red," originated, as the old steamboatmen intended to convey the idea by its use that they would have a beautiful time on arrival at their destination.—*Pittsburgh Dispatch.*

"OLD TECUMSEH" WAS MELLOW.

An Incident of Gen. Sherman's Visit to California.

Should Gen. Sherman conclude to come to Chico during his present visit to California he would probably arrive about the time our casabas are ripe. Everybody will remember how he enjoyed that luscious melon on the occasion of his last visit to Chico. One morning he ordered seven courses of casabas for breakfast and had a wagon-load sent out ahead of the party when they went to see the Cherokee gold mine. By the way, that was a jolly journey, the company being composed of royal good fellows, who enjoy the pleasures of life. Of course, President and Mrs. Hayes made the dusty trip to Cherokee in state. They had a closed carriage and put on the high airs to which they were entitled. Gen. Sherman went with the "boys," who had rigged out a large, open wagon, which had a seating capacity of twenty-five. It resembled a circus band wagon and was called "the double-ender." Besides its passengers there were several demijohns of whisky, boxes of cigars and fruits. "Old Tecumseh" occupied the center seat and his traveling suit was covered with a linen duster. Before they had gone five miles from town everybody was covered with dust, and the soldier could not be distinguished from any of his companions. The trip was a most enjoyable one, and the general grew as merry and mellow as any of them, and joined in their songs and story telling with the greatest glee. Arriving at Pentz, a wayside place, they found a great crowd gathered to greet the dusty travelers and to have a handshake with the veteran. There were loud calls for a speech from Sherman. Jumping upon on of the seats of the wagon he scraped the dust from his eyes, raised his dusty hat, made a bow, and threw a kiss to the ladies.

"Friends," said the old warrior, "I have been swallowing great clouds of foothill dust all the morning and it will be for me impossible to make you a speech. The best thing I can do is to drink to your health." He then reached under the seat and drew forth a demijohn, and throwing it upon his arm he placed the "muzzle" to his lips and took a strong pull. The visit to Cherokee was a most interesting one to the presidential party, and several blasts were set off in their honor.—*Chico (Cal.) Chronicle.*

Sam Jones Illustrates His Idea.

In a sermon at Round Lake, Friday Sam Jones said: "You should not ridicule a man for gettin' an idea in such shape that he can get it into your little puny heads. Brother, say, that's the reason I illustrate. Christ was great at illustrating. Well, Brother Grigger was converted at one of my old churches down in Middle Georgia. The minister told him if he would do before he got religion what he thought he would do after he got religion he would have religion. Grigger joined the church. He went home, told his wife, and says, 'Get down the Bible, we're going to have family prayer.' 'Why! are you going to have family prayer before you have religion?' she asked. Grigger said he wanted it and the minister said if he'd do before he got it as he thought he'd do after he got it he'd have it. Well, Grigger could not get the idea into his head. But Grigger stuck to it, and in a few weeks Grigger was the finest case of religion I ever saw. It broke out all over him."

Ever since the Michigan Central Railroad was built it has been a favorite with the traveling public, because its roadbed was smooth, its cars elegant, and its service admirable, but since the road built a new bridge across the Niagara river below the falls, and a station called Falls View, right beside the horse-shoe falls, everybody wants to go that way. Many people cannot stop at Niagara Falls, from one train to another, and they never could see enough of the Falls from the old bridge to amount to anything, but now, by the new "Falls Route" of the Michigan Central, they can stand on a high bluff for ten minutes, right above the seething boiling cauldron, and see more of the falls in that time than they could to stop over for a day. From "Falls View" station the Michigan Central gives its passengers the most beautiful view to be seen on this earth. There may be more beautiful views on some other earth, but no railroad runs there yet.—Geo. W. Peck in Peck's Sun.

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A Mule That Likes Tid-Bits.

Some time ago a news item appeared in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat about a mule that devoured young ducks. Henry Bircher, in Deck's Prairie, owns a mule that beats that feat badly. Mr. Bircher's mule not only eats ducks, but last spring, while running loose in the barn-yard, the animal cornered a number of spring chickens and devoured half a dozen before the brute could be stopped. One day Mr. Bircher's boys were plowing near a pond in the field. Some neighbors' lads were fishing at the pond, and when going home passed close to where the mule was at work. They tried the beast on fish, which the mule ate with great relish, and evidently wanted more of the finny tribe to devour. This wonderful mule also eats cheese, meat and bread, preferring the latter article with a heavy coat of jelly, molasses or butter on it.—[Grantfork (Ill.) Special.

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