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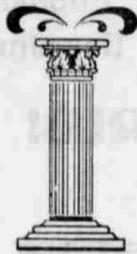
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IN FEW MINUTES

Immortal Poetry Fruit of Moments of Inspiration.

Masterpieces of the Language "Thrown Off," as It Were, by Imperious Command

Tennyson wrote that exquisite lyric, "Crossing the Bar," in a few minutes. He said to his son, the present Lord Tennyson, "It came in a moment," according to a writer in *London Answers*. Burns composed what Carlyle characterizes as the greatest of all battle odes, "Scots Wha Hae," while riding through storm and darkness across a lonesome moor. One of the very greatest productions of poetic inspiration, Keats' justly famous "Ode to a Nightingale," was written in the course of one afternoon in the poet's garden at Hampstead, and his great sonnet on Chapman's Homer was the product of an hour.

While visiting at Minto, Thomas Campbell went to bed early one evening, his mind full of a new poem. About two in the morning he suddenly awoke, repeating "Events to come cast their shadows before." Ringing the bell, he summoned a butler, who found the poet half in and half out of bed. "Are you ill, sir?" asked the servant. "I was never better," replied the poet. "Leave the candle and bring me a cup of tea."

Seizing his pen and changing "Events to come" to "Coming events," he not only coined one of the best-known lines in English poetry, but went on to finish the first draft of "Lochiel's Warning."

Cowper composed and memorized the whole of his humorous masterpiece, "John Gilpin," during a sleepless night. Hayley, the poet's biographer, tells the story:

"It happened in those years when his accomplished friend, Lady Austen, made a part of his little evening circle, that she observed him sinking into increasing dejection; it was her custom on these occasions to try immediate relief. She told him the story of John Gilpin to dissipate the gloom of the passing hour. Its effect on the fancy of Cowper had the air of enchantment.

"He informed her the next morning that convulsions of laughter, brought on by his recollections of her story, had kept him awake during the greater part of the night, and that he had turned it into a ballad. So arose the pleasant poem of 'John Gilpin.'"

Seeing that it runs to 252 lines this is no mean feat. Sir Arthur Pinero must be included in any list of rapid writers. His "Two Hundred a Year" was the work of a single afternoon, and "The Money Spinner" was written with almost equal rapidity; while "Lords and Commons," a big work, cost only ten days' toil.

Of course, Byron worked as fast as the fastest. He said of himself that he was like a tiger—if he missed his first spring, he had to go grumbling back to the jungle. The rainy days at Ouchy produced "The Prisoner of Chillon," and it has been said that he wrote it at one sitting with one pen; and the first sketch of "The Bride of Abydos" was written in four nights.

Longfellow's fine ballad, "The Wreck of the Hesperus," one of the most familiar poems in the language, came to him as he sat cozily by the fire during a violent storm which made the windows rattle. Like Cowper, he went to bed and, finding himself too preoccupied to sleep, finished the poem before morning.

Praise for Norway Maple.

When the ordinary man thinks of shade trees, he thinks of maples as a matter of course, and some of the maples may be included in a list of shade trees that have attractive flowers. The Norway maple is the one which I shall mention as being especially worth recommending. It is a very cosmopolitan sort of tree, for in spite of its name it grows all over the European continent, and thrives just as well here as at home. The flowers, which open before the leaves, are greenish-yellow, and arranged in compact, round clusters. The Norway maple is handsome all the year through and bears the hard conditions of city unusually well. Moreover, it grows better at the seashore than most of our native trees.—Exchange.

Again a Cure for Seasickness.

Remedies for seasickness come annually with the spring flowers but Professor Noif of the University of Liege claims to have discovered a uniformly successful one in the shape of a milligram of sulphate of atropa on going on board, and additional doses of half this strength at intervals of half an hour. The professor does not explain how it affects the pneumogastric nerve, but it evidently does if we give credence to the excellent reports. Seasickness itself, by-the-by, is supposed to be caused by a movement of the liquids of the internal ear which seems to affect the pneumogastric nerve.—Scientific American.

Long Telephone Lines in India. Long-distance telephone lines in India have recently been greatly extended. A 600-mile line from Simla to Peshawar is finished, but needs modern equipment to be of commercial value. From Simla to Lahore a line over 300 miles long is now in regular service, as is a line west from Calcutta into the Chota Nagpur coal fields. An 80-mile Bombay-Poona line is in official use, though not yet ready for public service.

ABOARD THE ARK

Noah's Passenger List Must Have Been Long One.

Either the Bark Was a Mighty Flotation, or the Voyagers Were Decidedly Crowded.

It is probable the human population of this earth, itself only a spinning atom in sidereal darkness, rises to upward of two billions, and is certainly not less than 1,650,000,000. But how many creatures of all kinds has prolific nature spawned upon this relatively minute speck in cosmos? If Noah took a pair of every living species aboard his ark, how vast an army did he have with him on his great flotation, and how large must have been that mighty ark?

Sir E. Ray Lankester gives some illuminating and surprising figures in his "Secrets of Earth and Sea." He says that it is, to be sure, impossible to estimate the number of individuals in existence. But naturalists have identified and classified a large number of kinds, breeds, or, more correctly, species of animals and plants. Not all, it is certain. There are 10,000 species of mammals, about 14,000 of birds, 7,000 of reptiles, 16,000 species of fishes, 500,000 sorts of six-legged insects, 15,000 of crustacea such as the shrimps, lobsters and crabs; 62,000 of molluscs, such as snails, mussels, oysters and the like; 5,000 corals and polyps, 3,000 sponges, 6,000 microscopic protozoa, and many others.

In all, about 800,000 species of animals have been found. The scientist says probably as many more remain to be recognized, and described. A single species may contain far more individuals than there are men on earth.

"The total number of described species of plants," adds Sir Ray, "has not been estimated, but some idea may be formed from the fact that 1,823 species of flowering plants alone have been found in Britain, 17,000 in British India, 22,000 in Brazil, not to mention those of Australia and Africa! These figures do not include the vast number of flowerless plants."

Sir Ray might have advanced even more startling figures if he had included insects in his list. One of the early American jokes about the ark was credited to Andrew Jackson, who, after grievous annoyance during one of his Indian campaigns, remarked that he surely wished Noah had accidentally stepped on that pair of chiggers he took with him into the ark.

The remark about a single species containing numberless individuals might be applied to varieties in the case of insects.

Americans and Their Wives.

I am picking my words. In spite of their proclamation, I doubt whether the American man is quite as much at his wife's feet as is made out. It seems to me that he respects his wife as he respects an expensive picture. He talks a great deal about the high qualities of women, but tends to treat them like little dears. He seems to revere women in general, but perhaps not in particular, his wife the most particular of instances. In America women do have a great deal of power, but I suspect that this is because the men are so busy that they have no time to argue, and too little time to exercise all the powers themselves. So they hand over some of the minor powers and honestly believe that this constitutes a feminine coronation.—W. L. George in Harper's Magazine.

Plants on a Daylight Ration.

It will come as a surprise to many persons that plants may suffer by reason of being allowed too much sunlight. In other words they sometimes thrive better if they are put on rations as far as light is concerned. A recent discovery by W. W. Garner and H. A. Allard, of the bureau of plant industry, United States Department of Agriculture, shows that, entirely apart from any effect of burning, it is possible for plants to have too much sunlight, or, in other words, too many hours of daylight in comparison with the number of hours of darkness. Too long a day as well as too short a day will prevent many kinds of plants from ever reaching their stage of flowering and fruiting.

In Ruby Mountains.

In the Humboldt National forest there are no movies, nor any jazz bands to split wide upon the quiet of the night, but just a bit of unspoiled wilderness where one can hunt with camera, fish, climb not too rugged mountains, or just rest to a full contentment amid interesting and restful surroundings, says the American Forestry Magazine. The gems of Ruby mountains—the lakes, streams, peaks and canyons found here—are all yours to enjoy if you will but come and camp near the three lakes that nestle in the high valley amid pine dotted meadows.

What Muskrats Did for Maryland. Maryland has many muskrat farms. Owners of the marsh land of Dorchester county harvest from 100,000 to 125,000 muskrat skins a year. There is a market for the meat as well as for the fur. A single Baltimore firm handles 25,000 to 30,000 muskrat carcasses a year, and is unable to supply the demand at that. Hotels in Maryland offer them on their bill of fares as "marsh rabbit." Marshes formerly considered valueless are now worth \$30 to \$40 an acre for muskrat culture.

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