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Mrs. Neighbor—Oh, there is no danger of meeting him. They have been married nearly a year.

Parental Misinformation.

"Paw, what is a gullotine?" "It's an instrument bearing some resemblance to a shirt collar that has been three or four times to the laundry, Tommy, but it is much quicker and more merciful in its operation."

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Bananas are a simple and a handy commodity. But, hark! They have a future. There's money in them. Listen to J. F. Kinsey, banana dealer, formerly of Honduras, at the Midland Hotel this morning, says the Kansas City Star.

"We banana promoters are optimists. Did you see that Germany has taken the tariff off bananas? It won't be long before the Germans will be eating as much of my favorite fruit as Americans do. New York city last year got outside of a billion bananas, though, and the Germans will have to hurry.

"The vegetarians? We have lots of faith in them. They are growing stronger every year—in numbers, I mean. Banana flour is better than any other flour. Your bread won't taste flat any more. It'll taste sweet, like bananas. And if you ever eat a pancake made of the new flour you'll never touch another buckwheat cake, even though it be of the kind mother used to cook.

"Mills for making this flour are being built all over the country. St. Louis has the largest one in the world. You see, this Mississippi valley is the best place in the world to locate the mills. The fruit is shipped in barges across the Gulf of Mexico and then up the river to the factory.

"What makes the banana business such a good one is that everything concerned in it is utilized. The stalks may be used for making paper after the spruce forests are eaten up. The fruit may be used in flour and the little black knobs on the ends of the husks are made into cereal coffee. Best in the world, too, if I do say it myself.

"Bananas are great moneymakers. They are grown upon swamp lands that are so thick with underbrush before they are cleared that even a cat couldn't penetrate them. But after nine months the plants bear fruit; 350 plants to the acre. They aren't much trouble to take care of and the crop is harvested every month. The Canary Islands raise the best bananas but that is because the business is better developed there than in Honduras, where I came from."

Legal Information

A parol agreement between two persons to purchase a single tract of land together or "in partnership," where the purchase is finally made by one of them, who pays the whole of the purchase price and takes the title to himself, the other simply agreeing to pay him one-half thereof on demand, is held, in Norton vs. Brink (Neb.), 7 L. R. A. (N. S.) 945, not to create a partnership between such persons.

Payment by a livery stable keeper, to whom a horse has been loaned for use, of a claim by the owner against himself and his bailee for value of the horse, which was killed by the negligence of the latter, is held, in Tanner vs. Bowen (Mont.), 7 L. R. A. (N. S.) 534, to preclude further proceedings against the bailee upon the owner's claim, although the stable keeper takes an assignment of it for the purpose of enforcing the primary liability of the bailee.

The bidding in of the property by one who has taken an assignment of a mortgage as collateral security at his own foreclosure sale is held, in Anderson vs. Messenger (C. C. A. 6th C.), 7 L. R. A. (N. S.) 1094, to give him a good title to the property, and to transfer the trust in favor of his debtor to the proceeds, although such assignor, because not within the jurisdiction, was not made a party to the proceedings, where, in a contract after the sale, assignor and assignee contracted for a settlement, one element of which was that the foreclosure proceedings should not be disturbed.

Real Signs of War.

To achieve a perfect powder is the dream of every war chemist to-day. So writes William George in the Technical World Magazine for January.

For upon this uncertain stuff does the destiny of nations depend, in spite of Hague conferences and the amiable platitudes of peace envoys. Great Britain has her cordite and lyddite; France puts her trust in poison-reeking melinite; Japan has her Shimono powder. In short, every war office has its own formula, but all are based on a "nitro-compound" like gun-cotton. This is a high explosive almost entirely smokeless, and enormously more powerful than ordinary gunpowder, long since relegated to the limbo of other days, just as gas has been superseded by electric light in the more peaceful walks of life.

Unfortunately the compound cannot be relied upon. The absolute requisite is stability—the ensuring that the powder will endure without change any heat or climatic variation. An unstable explosive—the terror of every warship afloat, which stocks many tons of it—looks like any other in the laboratory, and will shoot as well as the best, provided it be used before it has time to burn itself up. The trouble is that no chemist on earth knows when spontaneous combustion will take place through decomposition with the powder itself. Hence many terrible disasters of recent years in all navies.

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Another Nature Story. To the tail of the dog They tied a big log. And patted him on the head. Old Tray couldn't make His narrative shake. And the tail wagged the dog instead. —Chicago Tribune.

Something Terrible. "Tommy—Teacher, may I go out to sneeze?" "Teacher—That is unnecessary, Tommy. You can sneeze in here without disturbing anybody."

Tommy—I guess you never heard me sneeze!

ADVICE TO VICTIMS

Tells Readers How to Promptly Cure Rheumatism at Home.

Directions to Mix a Simple Preparation and the Dose to Take—Overcomes Kidney and Bladder Trouble Promptly.

There is so much Rheumatism everywhere that the following advice by an eminent authority, who writes for readers of a large Eastern daily paper, will be highly appreciated by those who suffer:

Get from any good pharmacy one-half ounce Fluid Extract Dandelion, one ounce Compound Kargon, three ounces Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla. Shake these well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime; also drink plenty of good water.

It is claimed that there few victims of this dread and torturous disease who will fail to find ready relief in this simple home-made mixture, and in most cases a permanent cure is the result.

This simple recipe is said to strengthen and cleanse the eliminative tissues of the Kidneys so that they can filter and strain from the blood and system the poisons, acids and waste matter, which cause not only Rheumatism, but numerous other diseases. Every man or woman here who feels that their kidneys are not healthy and active, or who suffers from any urinary trouble whatever, should not hesitate to make up this mixture, as it is certain to do much good, and may save you from much misery and suffering after while.

The population of men in the United States, from statistics compiled from the reports of the census of 1900, is 39,054,242. The population of women is 37,244,145.

Her Record Against Her. Mrs. Upmore (to applicant for position as cook)—Have you ever worked for Mrs. Highmuss?

Applicant—Yes, ma'am; wan week. Mrs. Upmore—Well, if you suited her for so long a time as that you wouldn't suit me at all. Good morning.

Encouraging. Said an ambitious youth one day to a young lady: "Don't you think I'd better dye my mustache?" expressing the faintly visible progeny.

"I think if you let it alone it will die itself," said the young lady.—Woman's Home Companion.

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ANIMAL DRINKERS.

When the Rat, the Cat and the Rabbit Are Thirsty.

All creatures, with the exception of the highest endowed species, are not only teetotalers, but drink very moderately of water—never anything else. For instance, it would be equally difficult to picture a dormouse quaffing a pint of soda water as a bottle of Burgundy.

Rats, especially when they are feeding on corn in ricks or barns, suffer very much during a comparatively short spell of rainless weather. Even the dews, which in some measure compensate for the absence of rain, are quite insufficient for their needs.

If you would like to see really happy rats watch a rat-infested corn stack on a summer evening after a shower following a few scorching days. You will not have long to wait, says Pearson's Weekly, before you hear the stack rustle, as it were, and soon the rats will steal out to gulp down the great, glistening raindrops on the thatch and herbage near their abode.

So thirsty do rats become that I have seen one which, in spite of my frightening him back each time he appeared, made a fresh attempt about every half minute to gain a puddle of drainings from a farmyard. And I remember a farmer, shooting at one, shot no fewer than seven rats which had crowded to drink from a small pool of water near a stable.

Moreover, my experience of rats—and I have "dealt with" tens of thousands—leads me to believe that the larger rats when hard pushed for "drink" kill their own and other rats' young for their blood—truly a ghastly beverage, even in times of famine. This theory certainly dovetails with the fact that a dry breeding season means a poor crop of rats, and vice versa.

Rats are even credited with so far forgetting themselves as to drink from uncorked bottles by inserting their tails into the liquid, though, personally, I have yet to behold this astute dodge.

My old black cat is a cat among cats, and I don't think any rat can best her at ways and means. When she has "plain" thirst puss balances herself on the edge of an open galvanized tank and subdues the feeling by means of about five tongue licks to one swallow. But sometimes, after washing day, for instance, the water level is too low for direct drinking, so she slips a front paw and licks the water therefrom in a way unexcelled in daintiness by any society star's manipulation of a finger bowl.

Rabbits and hares, which may be truthfully called strict vegetarians, need very little in the shape of direct drink but dew, for their food in its raw state contains a very large percentage of moisture. And sheep, in this country, at least, seldom require water, except in the hottest part of the summer, and never, I believe, when feeding off root crops in autumn and winter.

Now, water in a direct form is indispensable to stoats and weasels. This accounts for their being found in much greater numbers in well-watered districts, where the supply never fails, than in parts where there is only a pond here and there which holds water all the year round.

Ferrets, too, when fed on warm flesh and milk only, do not thrive so well as those which have water always in reach. I suggest that water is so necessary to stoats and weasels, and in a lesser degree to ferrets, because the warm blood of their prey creates an exceptional thirst, for salt is present in considerable quantity in blood.

OUR DIFFICULT ENGLISH.

An American who met Henry Stenkiewicz during his stay in California many years ago has recently confided to the public that the great Polish novelist has only become an admirer of America since he left it. While he was here, a homesick member of an idealistic community which was a failure, American manners and customs did not please him, and he did not display the usual aptitude of his countrymen in acquiring the language, which he used reluctantly and as little as possible.

On being introduced to the American, he inquired, politely: "How is your heels?" Perceiving a puzzled expression on the countenance of his new acquaintance, he, too, looked puzzled for an instant, then whipped a little phrase-book out of his pocket and pointed triumphantly to the question, "How is your health?"

It was merely the foreigner's difficulty with the th, combined with a natural inclination to pronounce heal in health like heal outside it. His mistake, although amusing, could not have been so difficult to listen to with a courteously grave face as was that of a Frenchman of letters who not long ago called upon a charming American lady in Paris.

She was loath to lose his call, and decided to receive him, although she had not yet wholly recovered from an attack of facial neuralgia, which still somewhat impaired the outline of her usually oval visage. He was most careful and sympathetic. "Ah, madame!" he cried, throwing up his hands. "The nerfs! The nerfs! Truly it is the American disease! Always the fat neck and the swelled head!"

The proprietor of the store has a greater feeling of joy inside him when an unmarried man comes in to buy, than when the man is married.

CATARRH BLOOD AND SYSTEM DISORDERED

Catarrh is not merely an inflammation of the tissues of the head and throat, as the symptoms of ringing noises in the ears, mucous dropping back into the throat, continual hawking and spitting, etc., would seem to indicate; it is a blood disease in which the entire circulation and the greater part of the system are involved. Catarrh is due to the presence of an excess of uric acid in the blood. The Liver, Kidneys and Bowels frequently become torpid and dull in their action and instead of carrying off the refuse and waste of the body, leave it to sour and form uric acid in the system. This is taken up by the blood and through its circulation distributed to all parts of the system. These impurities in the blood irritate and inflame the different membranes and tissues of the body, and the contracting of a cold will start the secretions and other disgusting and disagreeable symptoms of Catarrh. As the blood goes to all parts of the body the catarrhal poison affects all parts of the system. The head has a tight, full feeling, nose continually stopped up, pains above the eyes, slight fever comes and goes, the stomach is upset and the entire system disordered and affected by this disease. It is a waste of time to try to cure Catarrh with sprays, washes, inhalations, etc. Such treatment does not reach the blood, and can, therefore, do nothing more than temporarily relieve the discomfort of the trouble. To cure Catarrh permanently the blood must be thoroughly purified and the system cleansed of all poisons, and at the same time strengthened and built up. Nothing equals S. S. S. for this purpose. It attacks the disease at its head, goes down to the very bottom of the trouble and makes a complete and lasting cure. S. S. S. removes every particle of the catarrhal poison from the blood, making this vital stream pure, fresh and healthy. Then the inflamed membranes begin to heal, the head is loosened and cleared, the hawking and spitting cease, and the constitution is built up and vigorous health restored. S. S. S. also tones up the stomach and digestion and acts as a fine tonic to the entire system. If you are suffering with Catarrh begin the use of S. S. S. and write us a statement of your case and our physicians will send you literature about Catarrh, and give you special medical advice without charge. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores.

I had Catarrh for about fifteen years, and no man could have been worse. I tried everything I could hear of, but no good resulted. I then began S. S. S., and could see a little improvement from the first bottle, and after taking it a short while was cured. This was six years ago, and I am as well today as any man. I think Catarrh is a blood disease, and know there is nothing on earth better for the blood than S. S. S. Nobody thinks more of S. S. S. than I do. M. MALSON, Lapeer, Mich.

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Hereditarily. The baby was learning to walk. "Bless its little heart!" exclaimed the fond mother. "It waddles dess like its big fat papa, doesn't it?"

Lumbago. This is really Rheumatism of the muscles of the loins and is characterized by severe, at times agonizing, pain in the small of the back, allowing the sufferer scarcely a moment's rest, while the ailment is at its worst. It can come from cold, exposure to draft, from getting wet feet or wearing wet or damp clothing. It causes acute suffering, and if allowed to become chronic, it may permanently disable the sufferer. The way to secure quickest relief is to rub the skin over the painful part by rubbing with a flesh brush or piece of flannel rag, and then apply St. Jacobs Oil by gentle friction with the hand.

No Sign. Sister—I know Jack is in love with me. Brother—What makes you think so? Sister—His hand trembled when he buttoned my glove for me this morning. Brother—Guess again. I was out with him last night.—Cleveland Leader.

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Open Minded. "Uncle George, do you believe Mars is inhabited?" "Sometimes I do, my boy, and sometimes I don't. It depends altogether on which one of the monthly magazines I happen to be reading at the time."

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