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Professional.
"Are you certain you can cook well?"
"Madam, I worked two years for the great tenor, Alberti. At the last dinner he gave I was applauded after each course, and at the end of the dinner I was recalled three times."—Translated for Tales from Filigende Blaetter.

Wise Child.
"But, Tommy," said his mother, "didn't your conscience tell you you were doing wrong?"
"Yes," replied Tommy, "but I don't believe everything I hear."—Philadelphia Press.

Brutal Criticism.
"So you have been to the musicale. Don't you admire Miss Faddy's execution?"
"No, madam; I am opposed in all its shapes to capital punishment."—Baltimore American.

The Only Drawback.
First Girl—You know the older one grows the greater, I think, is a woman's capacity to fall in love.
Second Girl—But the fewer the men.

Incompatible.
The fire insurance agent was running for the office of tax assessor.
"Such a thing as that would never do! It is contrary to public policy!" exclaimed the taxpayers.
And his defeat was overwhelming.

Couldn't Touch Him.
"I tell you, sir, you're a liar!"
"Sir! If I were a fighting man I'd knock you down for that."
"I'll bet you \$10 I can prove it."
"Sir, I—er—never bet."—Philadelphia Press.

A Good Excuse.
Mother—I'm ashamed to think you can't do better in school. Why can't you lead your class?
Willie—Say, ma, you told me you didn't want me ever to be conceited, and I notice when a boy leads the class he always gets conceited.—Philadelphia Press.

A loud laugh, an over-vivacious manner betrays a lack of breeding. Copy the stillness of form, the quiet pose, which is the great charm of English women, while a vivacity somewhat under restraint adds that which is winning and piquante in the manner of our own countrywomen.

To an Italian, charged in a London court with drunkenness, the magistrate said: "Italians don't often get drunk. Don't get English ways."

Russian officers in camp receive money to pay for their meals, but in many cases they keep this for other purposes, and eat with the common soldiers.

Ambassador Whitelaw Reid has given \$500 for the endowment of a bed for American sailors in the Union Jack Club, London.

Capital Punishment.

Capital punishment is still practiced in many countries, though of late years, especially in the United States, it has been made as humane as possible. That creation of the French Revolution, the guillotine, is still used by some countries, and the old executioner's ax deals out justice in Brunswick.

The most humane method of execution, the electric chair, is used only in the United States. Spain employs the garrote, or iron collar, which is tightened until the victim strangles to death; and in Prussia the heads of prisoners are struck off with the sword. The guillotine is used in Bavaria and Belgium; and Russia destroys her criminals by shooting, hanging, and with the executioner's sword. The gallows is the official means of administering death in Great Britain; Austria has adopted the same means; but Chinese criminals are killed by the sword.

Safest.
The sentimental and lovesick youth stood gazing at the round, romantic moon.

"Yes," he confided, "the idol of my heart resides on yon hill. To-night I shall serenade the cythere of my affections as gallants were wont to do when knighthood was in vogue. Now, what instrument do you think would be the most appropriate?"

"Well," replied his practical chum, "if I were you I should serenade her with a phonograph."

"What? A phonograph? Why, a phonograph is nothing like as romantic as a guitar."

"Yes, old chap, but you can start a phonograph and then run to the tall timbers before the shooting begins."

Too Much Exercise.
Hop Li had bought a cheap but "warranted" clock. At the end of a week he returned to the shop from which he had procured his time-piece, with no expression on his face, but with evident bewilderment of mind.

"She go, click, clack! click, clack! all light, tree day," he announced to the young woman who waited on him. "I wind all light, same you say. Nex' day she go click, clack—clack! click! click!—clack!"

"I shake her up—so!—down—so!—lound—so! no good. She stop click—stop clack—only go when I slake."

"I say give me one less slake, more click, clack!"

Got Service.
The boarder who was a month behind with the landlady was surprised at the size of the heap of mashed potatoes on the plate the girl had brought him.

He was even more surprised when he found a folded paper in the center of the heap.

But he didn't open it. He knew what it was.

Carefully wiping it with his napkin, he put it in his vest pocket and went ahead calmly with his dinner.

You can't disconcert an experienced boarder.

World's Coal Consumption.
The total consumption of coal in the world is considerably over fifty thousand tons an hour. Of this great quantity about twelve thousand five hundred tons is required to heat the boilers of stationary, marine and railroad engines. The production of pig iron consumes over five thousand tons an hour. The average hourly consumption of coal in households is considered to be about ten thousand tons.

Where "Push" Is No Virtue.
A well-known motor-engineering firm in the Midlands at one time held the agency of a certain American car, but owing to stress of business did not sell many. A telegram came one day, "Hope you are pushing our cars."

Promptly came the answer back: "Yes, we are, up every hill." The agency has been removed.—Judy.

Uncle Allen.
"Give some men rope enough," moralized Uncle Allen Sparks, "and they'll hang a jury."

Book News and Reviews

It is difficult to realize that the "Sir Gilbert Parker" whose name figures prominently in the English news as an active member of Parliament—as recently in regard to an inquiry concerning the naval mutiny at Portsmouth—is the same "Gilbert Parker" who is the author of "The Weavers" and who wrote "The Right of Way."

Robert P. Porter has condensed the facts and figures showing the results of municipal ownership abroad, more especially in Great Britain, and will present them in a book called "The Dangers of Municipal Ownership." Basing his conclusions upon long study and wide observation of actual conditions, Mr. Porter believes that municipal ownership is always a mistake and a burden.

An English publishing house offered recently two large prizes—one for the best story for children of both sexes, the other for the best story for girls. The two contests were conducted separately, but when the prizes were awarded both successful stories were written by the same person—Miss Christina Gowans Whyte, the author of "The Story Book Girls."

One of the new additions to the "World's Classics" series is Motley's "Rise of the Dutch Republic," with an introduction by Clement Shorter. It is interesting to recall in connection with this fact that Motley worked two years to find a publisher for his book. John Muney thought well of it, but decided that it would not pay, and it was finally published at the expense of Motley's father and uncle by Chapman in England and the Harpers in America. Fifteen thousand copies were sold in the first year.

"It shall be honest," this begins the autobiography of Gen. Lew Wallace, the writing of which was the chief pleasure of the last years of the author's life. The book is made up of descriptions of his early life, his experiences in the civil war, of his diplomatic services in Turkey, of the reasons why he turned to his real life work, literature, and of the writing of his famous books. A man who has won distinction in so many widely divergent fields has naturally a rich fund of interesting reminiscence and incident to which the intimate self-revelation of the author already so widely known through his books will give peculiar and vital interest.

In a volume on "Old Time Wall Papers," Miss Kate Sanborn, referring to the fact that the paperhanger was regarded as almost a needless luxury in early American days, and that "the family often joined in the task of making the paste, cutting the paper and placing it on the walls," states that it was not even beneath the dignity of George Washington to engage in this homely work of interior decoration. She writes: "The story goes that the good Martha lamented in the presence of Lafayette that she would be unable to get the new paper hung in the banquet room in time for the morrow's ball in honor of the young marquis; there were no men to be found for such work. Lafayette at once pointed out to Mistress Washington that she had three able-bodied men at her service—General Washington, Lafayette himself, and his aide-de-camp. Whereupon the company fell immediately to work and the paper was hung in time for the ball."

Across the Counter.
It is the paraphernalia of life which changes; human nature remains much the same. Old stores of earlier days, with their assorted goods and local gossip, have yielded their place in the busy towns, or have been pushed far into the rural districts. There were no commercial travelers in the old times, nor "bargain sales"; but the woman shopper, with her inconspicuous ways, was just the same as she is today, and the smart salesman existed, too. In proof of this F. A. Currier gives two stories of old shops of Fitchburg, Mass., in an article on the bygone shopping district of that town.

A lady entered one of the stores where hats and caps were kept, and turned over the whole of the stock. Nothing seemed to suit her taste.

"Have you none of a subdued mouse color?" she asked, at last.

For a moment the salesman was staggered, but he recovered his breath.

"No, madam," he replied, "but we have some in enraged rat color."

Another woman, in search of a certain kind of basket, made the salesman reach down every article of that nature on the shelves save two. Then she said, as she turned away:

"I only came to look for one of my friends."

"Madam," responded the weary salesman, "if you have the slightest idea that your friend is in either of the other two baskets, I shall be pleased to take them down."

Making Her Stay.
"We've got a dandy cook at our house, young, white, pretty and capable."
"Geel! You want to try to keep her."
"Yes; I'm going home to start a quarrel with her now and demand of my wife that she fire her."
"Why in the world are you going to do that?"
"So my wife will keep her."—Houston Post.

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Never Had One.
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Citizen—What? You just said you were.

Subbu—I did not. I said I was looking for a cook. The others we've had were not.—Philadelphia Press.

Heartbreaking Alternative.
"Ardu, it was a shame to sell that little pony of yours. It had been in the family ever since it was a colt."
"I know it, Throggins. It almost broke my heart to part with Gyp, but my affairs had become so desperate that I either had to sell him or eat him—and I can't stand for horse meat unless I think it's beef."

Happening of the Unexpected.
"Do you ever issue accident policies to baseball umpires?" anxiously inquired the caller.
"To be sure we do," answered the man inside the railing, his face expanding with a large and genial smile. "Just make out your—"

"That's all I wanted to know," interrupted the other. "A company that will do that can't get my application. Good day!"

Why He Liked Fish.
Bacon—Did I understand you to say that you like fish better than chicken?
Egbert—Yes; you see, a fish will lay a great many more eggs than a hen, and won't cackle about it.—Yonkers Statesman.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Convincing.
"Harold, papa says you mustn't come to see me any more."
"Why not, Dora?"
"He says you don't seem to have any ambition."
"Great Scott! I'll show him! Will you marry me, Dora?"
"Yes, Harold."—Chicago Tribune.

Athletic Disaster.
Frosh 1—Why did Cornell lose the debate?
Frosh 2—The fastest debater broke training by eating pie, and it hurt his wind so he couldn't talk as much or as loud as the rest.—Cornell Widow.

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Something to Be Explained.
Gayboy—No, dear, you are mistaken about my having had too much to drink last night.
Mrs. Gayboy—Then, for mercy sakes, why did you take off your shoes to go upstairs after I had gone down and let you in myself?—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Fire Burning One Hundred Years.

The Chequers Inn, Osmotherley, is a relic of the old coaching days, but it is now famed for its fire, which has never been out for more than 100 years and over which griddle cakes are baked.

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Generous.
"Sir, I am here to ask you to contribute something toward stilling the cries of fatherless and motherless children. I—"

"Why, sure, I'll contribute. I'm glad you came to me. Here's—"

"Thank you, sir."
"Here's an order on my druggist for a bottle of soothing sirup."—Houston Post.

Room for the Friend.
"You'll have to excuse the disorder here," said the flat dweller, "all these bundles are our summer clothes that we had to take out of the ball closet—"

"Surely, you don't need summer clothes this weather," said his friend.

"No, but we had to put up a cot in the closet for a friend who spent last night with us."—Philadelphia Press.

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