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The admiration of our American citizens for their country is a prominent characteristic of their daily life, and some years ago a Mr. Sautern desired that in death as in life his body should proclaim the glory of the republic. He left \$1,000 to the late Professor Agassiz, in return for which he was, by an extremely scientific process set forth in the will to tan his (Sautern's) skin into leather and from it have a drum made. Two of the most suitable bones of his body were to be made into drumsticks and with these a Mr. Warren Simpson—to whom Sautern left the remainder of his property—was "on every 17th of June to repair to the foot of Banker hill and at sunrise beat on the drum, the parchment of which had been made out of the testator's skin, the spirit stirring strains of 'Yankee Doodle.'"

A somewhat similar bequest was made by a German in 1887. He died in Pittsburg and by his will directed that his body should be cremated and the ashes forwarded to the German consul at New York, who was to deliver them to the captain of the steamship Elbe. When in midocean, the captain was to request a passenger to dress himself in nautical costume, and, according with the funeral rite to the topmast, to scatter the ashes to the four winds of heaven. These strange directions were faithfully carried out.

Quite as peculiar were the directions for the funeral of a Mr. John Underwood. He willed that he was to be buried in a green coffin with a copy of Horace under his head and of Milton under his feet, a Greek testament in his right hand and a small Horace in his left. Six friends, who were not to wear mourning, were to follow him to the grave and there to sing a verse of the twentieth ode of the second book of Horace. After this they were to "take a cheerful glass and think no more of John Underwood."

Wills may also be admitted as evidence of the mixed blessings of the matrimonial state. A nobleman wrote, "I give and bequeath to the worst of women, whom I unfortunately married, 45 brass halfpence which will buy her a pall for supper."

A Glasgow doctor, dying some ten years ago, left the whole of his estate to his two sisters, and then came this extraordinary clause: "To my wife, as a recompense for deserting me and leaving me in prison, I expect the said sister Elizabeth to make me a gift of 10 shillings sterling to buy her a pall for her husband to weep in after my decease."

A Mr. Sydney Dickenson bequeathed to his wife the sum of \$20,000, "on condition that she undertakes to pass two weeks a day in my grave, for the ten years following my decease, in company with her sister, whom I have reason to know she loves more than she does me."

Another husband stated that he would have left his widow \$10,000 if she had allowed him to read his newspaper in peace, but as she always commenced playing and singing when he started to read he left her only \$1,000. Such instances could be multiplied indefinitely, but one other is worthy of note.

A husband left his wife \$10,000, to be increased to \$24,000 provided that she wore a widow's cap after his death. She accepted the larger amount, wore the cap for six months, and then put it off. A lawsuit followed, but the judge held that the testator should have inserted the word "always" and gave judgment in favor of the widow, who the day after re-entered the state of matrimony. Thus the husband's little plan for preventing his widow marrying again failed.

But the most curious will which the writer has ever come across is that of M. Zalesky, a Polish landlord, who died in 1889, leaving property valued at 100,000 rubles. His will was inclosed in an envelope bearing the words, "To Be Opened After My Death." Inside this was another envelope, "To Be Opened Six Weeks After My Death." When this time had passed, the second envelope was opened and a third uncovered, "To Be Opened One Year After My Death." At the end of the year a fourth envelope was discovered, to be opened two years after the testator's death, and so the game went on until 1894, when the actual will was discovered and read. It was quite as eccentric in its dispositions as the directions attached to its opening. The testator bequeathed half his fortune to each of his heirs as had the largest number of children. The rest of the property was to be placed in a bank and a hundred years after his death to be divided, with the accumulated interest, among the will maker's descendants. Thus by 1989, at 8 per cent compound interest, the \$0,000 rubles will have swelled into 8,000,000 rubles. But what will this be among so many descendants?—Household Words.

Hardly.
Miss D.—Angelina, why don't you marry Lieutenant Y?
Miss A.—First, because he has no brains and he can't ride, dance or play tennis. What could we do with him?
"Oh, yes; but one can't keep one's husband in an aquarium, you know."—London Tit-Bits.

The Poor Wife.
"John Henry, it isn't any good, I know, that keeps you down town so late, when you ought to be at home with me and the children."
(Shrugging his shoulders.) "Honi soit qui mal y pense, my dear."
"That's right! Swear at your wife in Latin."—Chicago Tribune.

Wood I rain.
Tacoma, Jan. 25.—A wood train of the Tacoma and Puget Sound line ran away down a steep grade this morning, striking the curve at a bridge on Twenty-seventh and C streets, two cars and 22 loads of wood falling to the bottom, 60 feet below. The motor car was overturned. The motorman and conductor jumped and saved their lives.

The Bank of England was established in 1794 and is 94 years old.

It was originated by a London merchant by the name of Paterson, and was first chartered for eleven years. It has suspended specie payment eleven times, one of which lasted twenty-six years, each time testing down the columns of British commerce and spreading financial distress, not only in England, but frequently in other nations. With all its boasted pride of gold redemption, its bank notes have been 41 percent below par. Its mode of redemption has been invariably over the road of contraction, the path of gloom and despair, where nothing flourishes but poverty and crime.

Abraham Lincoln expressed to an intimate friend a short time before he was assassinated, that he very much doubted whether there was moral virtue and patriotism enough among the controlling classes to perpetuate our institutions.

Mr. Greeley upon his death bed said, "The Tribune and country are gone and I am going."
Caesar said, "The ides of March have come." When they had passed he was lifeless at the foot of Pompey's statue. Blessed wealth can never apprehend the suffering of the poor. Mary Antonette, when told that the fishermen were revolting because they had no bread, replied in her confused ignorance with the insult, "Why don't they eat cake?" When Paris was in a wild tumult the king played backgammon to avoid the danger, and wrote in his diary, "nothing in particular happened today." Yet they had moved the foundation of his monarchy.

Charles I, with contempt for the people, said: "France needs moving." "What can their round heads do?" he said to them to go and eat grass. In one week from that time they were carrying his head on a pole. Rousseau wrote a book pleading for honesty and purity in the French government, which was treated with contempt by the aristocratic class. Carnie says the second edition of that book "was bound in the skins of the steering aristocracy."

The gold standard, the swindling bond system, the demoralizing of slavery, the funding and refunding of national debts, the changing of inflated paper debts to a gold standard, is not the work of statesmen; it is the work of cunning, crafty tricksters, who betray their exalted trust, and barter away the most sacred principles of a confiding people. They are traitors to the republican form of government, and clamor for the gold standard to pile up colossal fortunes, notwithstanding it is the prop of a monarchy, and leads to a centralized government of force, resting on a standing army.

Usury or interest upon money (which is one and the same thing) has been condemned by the better class of thinking men in all ages of the world—God himself condemns it. "Thou shalt not lend thy brother's money upon usury." It was strictly prohibited by the Mosaic law; and for many years after Christ established the new order of things, any person in the church who was known to pursue or defend the practice of usury was subject to excommunication. It was prohibited because it was wrong. If it was wrong then it is wrong now. From no process of reasoning can we conclude that it is any nearer right now, than it was when Christ drove the money changers out of the temple.

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