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Its Arithmetical Symbol Simple, Says Henry Heasbarger.

One billion! What is it? Its arithmetical symbol is simple and without much—pretension, says London Answers.

Let us briefly take a glance at it as a measure of time, distance and weight. As a measure of time, I would take one second as the unit and carry myself in thought through the lapse of ages back to the first day of the year 1 of our era, remembering that in all those years we have 365 days and in every day just 86,400 seconds of time. Hence, in returning in thought back again to this year of grace 1905, one might have supposed that a billion of seconds had long since elapsed, but this is not so. For it takes just 31,687 years, 17 days 22 hours, 45 minutes and 5 seconds to constitute a billion of seconds of time.

Let us try in imagination to arrange a billion sovereigns for inspection. Let us put one on the ground and pile upon it as many as will reach twenty feet in height; then let us place twenty of these similar columns in close contact, forming a straight line and making a sort of wall twenty feet high. Imagine two such walls running parallel to each other and forming, as it were, a long street. It is not until we have extended our imaginary street to a distance of 2,386 1/2 miles that we shall have presented for inspection our 1,000,000,000 of coins.

Or, in lieu of this arrangement, we may place them flat upon the ground, forming one continuous line like a long golden chain, with every link in close contact. But to do this we must pass over land and sea, mountain and valley, desert and plain, crossing the equator and returning around the southern hemisphere through the trackless ocean, retrace our way again across the equator, then still on and on until we again arrive at our starting point, and when we have thus passed a golden chain round the huge bulk of the earth we shall be but at the beginning of our task. We must drag this imaginary chain no less than 783 times around the globe. Such a task would require for its transport no less than 2,325 ships, each with a full cargo of 3,000 tons. Even then there would be a residue of 447 tons, representing 64,081,920 sovereigns.

For a measure of height, let us take the thin sheets of paper on which these lines are printed. If laid out flat and firmly pressed together, as in a well-bound book, these would represent a measure of about 1-333 of an inch in thickness. Let us see how high a dense pile formed by a billion of these thin paper leaves would reach. We must, in imagination, pile them vertically upward, by degrees reaching to the height of our tallest spires; and passing these, the pile must still grow higher, topping the Alps and Andes and the highest peaks of the Himalayas. Still pile on your thousands and millions of thin leaves, for we are only beginning to rear the mighty mass. Add millions on millions of sheets and thousands of miles on these, and still the number will rack its due amount. When our one billion sheets are superimposed upon each other and pressed into a compact mass they have reached an altitude of 67,348 miles!

Merciful Rabbit Trapping. It is confidently stated that the shocking cruelties of the steel trap in common use for catching rabbits can readily and cheaply be prevented by twisting a few turns of copper or brass wire closely around each jaw, below the teeth, where the spring flies up, so that the teeth being always fixed a full quarter of an inch open when the trap is sprung. Rabbits are then taken with equal ease, and when taken out of the traps are found uninjured. To complete their purpose, the traps must be placed far down the holes and be regularly visited early and late. These modified traps are most successful, with advantages relative to food, while dogs, cats and birds derive proportionate freedom from suffering when trapped by mistake.

The less a man knows the smarter he thinks he is.

GOOD Short Stories

A rich heiress once said, complacently, to a very beautiful but marriage poor girl: "I had five offers of marriage last week." "You are more fortunate than I," said the pretty girl; "I only got declarations of love."

"Would you mind walking the other way and not passing the horse?" said a London cabman, with exaggerated politeness, to the fat lady who had just paid the minimum fare. "Why?" she inquired. "Because if it sees you it will be carrying for a shilling 'till 'ave a fit,'" was the freezing answer.

An innkeeper once had the good fortune to entertain his sovereign, who consumed, among other things, a couple of eggs, for which he was charged a guinea apiece. "Eggs must be very scarce here," remarked his royal highness, as he scanned the bill. "No, sire," was the answer, "but kings are."

A gentleman once possessed a valuable sporting dog which was extremely clever in the retrieving of game. The owner, however, was a remarkably bad shot, and one day, on firing both barrels hastily at a rabbit, he heard a mournful howl. The next moment his dog appeared, carrying a black object in his mouth, and laid it carefully at his master's feet. The animal had retrieved his own tail.

The great opera singer, Mme. Grisi, who was married to Signor Mario, the tenor, was singing in St. Petersburg. The Emperor, the father of the present one, gave Mme. Grisi permission to walk in his private park. One morning the Emperor met Mme. Grisi, accompanied by two little girls. The Emperor greeted her, and said, "Are these two Grisiettes?" "No, your Majesty," replied Mme. Grisi, "these are two Marionettes."

A fire occurred on the circumnavigated by Jives in London. The premises were somewhat suspicious, and an agent of the insurance company was sent to investigate. He interviewed the senior partner, and also the junior partner, as to the probable cause of the fire. This was his report: "I find that the senior partner thinks it was caused by an arc light on the second floor; the junior partner thinks it was caused by an incandescent light on the first floor—but my opinion is that it was caused by an Ismélite in the basement!"

Bishop Joseph Wilmer, of Louisiana, and Bishop Richard Wilmer, of Alabama, are cousins and intimate friends. In their travels in Italy one summer, the Bishop of Alabama was pointing out with enthusiasm certain architectural beauties. The Bishop of Louisiana was bored. He said: "It's all very fine, Rich. Dick, but nevertheless, a cousin friend, with the odor of new mown hay, would please me better." And the Bishop of Alabama replied: "Cousin Joe, there's not a donkey in all Italy that would not agree with you."

Chan Chun Man, head of a Canton firm employing over ten thousand hands, has been studying American industries. In Philadelphia, apropos of the Chinese awakening, he said: "China has for thousands of years been highly civilized to despise war. Her new-born respect for war is not an unlooked good. There is, perhaps, a little of degeneration, of barbarism, in it. But at least China will no longer be the laughing stock of nations more warlike than herself. It will no longer be possible to say of her, as a Chinese general once explained a defeat with the following report: 'The ignorant enemy, unaware that guns could not be fired against an object behind them, came upon us from the rear and thus rendered all our cannon useless.'"

Not All He Expected. A boy who had accomplished a good deal in football but little in his studies, says a writer in the Booklovers Magazine, was dropped from one preparatory school and immediately invited to enter another. He had been there a few days when he met a member of the faculty.

"Well," said the professor, "how do you find it here?"

"Pretty fair," said the boy.

"That's good. Find it smooth going, eh?"

The boy considered. "Well, I shouldn't like to say that, exactly," he said. "The field's sort of rough yet in places, sir."

Japanese Humor. Among the cartoons which the soldier artists of the First Japanese Army contributed to the decorations used in celebrating the Yalu was a portrait of General Linvitch.

It was done without lifting pencil from paper. "One stroke is enough for Linvitch," said the cartoon.

A second cartoon showed the glorious Japanese dragon on top of the Russian eagle, which in turn had its claws in the back of China, while a cock (Korea) was standing disinterestedly at one side, as if waiting to see in whose pot it was to be boiled.

Stopped Then Easily. A Baltimore Irishman was sent to Philadelphia by his backers, says Harper's Weekly, to box with an athlete of the Quaker city. He was getting the worst of the argument.

"Brace up!" cautioned one of his friends. "Stop more of his blows."

"Stop them!" exclaimed the unfortunate. "Do you see any at them getting by me?"

The Wined Pronouncements. "You say you never play the races?" "Never."

"But you go to the track every day?"

"Yes. I get a great deal of amusement out of the way the bookmakers pronounce the names of the horses."—Washington Star.

There is small room for domestic happiness in the head filled with fashions.

CIVILIANS AND TRANSPORTS.

Army Rules Constantly Evaded by Officers and Friends.

It is reported from Washington that the war department is renewing its efforts to restrict the use of the transports to officers and soldiers of the army. Similar reports have reached us before. They make periodic appearances, but the transports continue to be filled with civilians, junketing politicians and the sisters, and the men and the aunts of officers, and cons, not to mention their wives, children and servants, while the young subalterns continue to be thrust into the cramped quarters 'tween-deck to accommodate persons who never wear epaulettes or shoulder muskets.

The war department has not yet had the hardihood to deny openly that families of officers are entitled to free transportation across the seas, but it tries to limit the size of the families, not infrequently with amusing result. Not many months ago an infantry captain applied for transportation for his wife, two sisters and children. The allowance of sisters was cut down one-half, only one being given accommodation. However, he managed to rig in the rejected sister as the nurse to his child. This shrewd solution of the problem looked lovely and everybody was happy until on arriving on board the transport it was found that, while the wife and other sister were given cabin staterooms the nurse sister was assigned to the steerage quarters with the wives of enlisted men. Horrible! The roar that arose was heard 'way up Foxon street. The throats of both sexes were taxed to express their horror and indignation. The quartermaster captain was at once summoned and a lively protest made. Of course, the story came out then and the fact that the alleged nurse was really a brother officer's fair sister traveling in disguise was impressed upon the perplexed quartermaster captain, who for a time took refuge in a quiet stateroom to think out the situation. It was finally patched up in some way and both sisters taken to Manila, but the nurse trick was not attempted again by that family, although it has been successfully worked at other times.

Another officer with a wife and two sisters had a less fortunate experience only a few days ago. He had been ordered to the Philippines on special duty. His application for his wife and two sisters to accompany him was frowned upon. He thereupon wrote to the authorities, saying that his position, being on special duty, was not akin to that of those proceeding under routine orders or routine duties. He was in a class by himself, etc. Back from Washington came a telegram just before the vessel sailed giving authority for the two sisters to accompany the officer, but directing that the wife would have to be left behind!—San Francisco Argonaut.

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RAILROAD RUNS A LOTTERY.

Scheme Tried in Mexico to Keep Conductors Honest.

George W. Hibbard, who recently resigned as general passenger agent of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Railroad to take a similar position with the national lines of Mexico, writes of a novel method adopted by one of the street car companies in the City of Mexico to protect itself from loss through the dishonesty of its employees, says a dispatch to the Chicago Chronicle. Mr. Hibbard says that it is estimated the company has been losing \$1,900 a day by reason of the failure of the conductors to turn in all the money collected. The plan now to be experimented with to stop the practice is a lottery with ticket scheme.

The feature which is of greatest interest to the public is that duplicate numbers of the ticket or checks issued by the conductors to passengers are to be placed in a lottery to be drawn under government supervision at the end of each month. The holders of the fortunate numbers are awarded cash prizes which range in value from \$2.50 to \$100. Tickets in the drawing are given free to passengers, the only stipulation being that they shall preserve them until the end of the month. Notices to this effect have been posted in the cars and in addition the company is distributing a pamphlet printed in Spanish, French and English, describing the operation of the scheme.

Mr. Hibbard says that it is quite certain all passengers will insist upon getting from the conductors a ticket representing the amount of the fare paid. Many patrons of the tramways are providing themselves with small card cases in which to preserve their tickets, and it is expected that the business of the company will show a considerable increase as a result of the general desire to secure all the chances possible.

The greater part of the patronage of the cars comes from people of the poorer classes and those of moderate means. It is, therefore, quite probable that the larger number of prizes, which are 200 in number, will be distributed each month among people to whom the money will come as a real benefaction.

He Hadn't Improved. Mother—Hiram writes from college that the football team will make good.

Father—Well, maybe so; but he's been in it for two years now and I don't see no appreciable improvement in his morals.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

HUNTING THE SEA OTTER.

How Alents Procure One of the Most Valuable Fur Skins.

No landman's still hunt affords the thrilling excitement the otter hunters sparing surrounds, says the Outlook Magazine. Fifteen or twenty-five little skin skiffs, with two or three men in each, paddle out under a chief elected by common consent. Whether fog or clear, the spearing is done only in calm weather.

The long line of bidarks circles silently over the silver sea. Not a word is spoken. Not a paddle blade allowed to click against the bone gunnels of the skiff. Double-bladed paddles are frequently used, so shift of paddle is made from side to side of the canoe without a change of hands. The skin bidarks take to the water as noiselessly as the glide of a duck. Yonder, where the bowlders lie mile on mile awash in the surf, kelp rafts—forests of seaweed—lift and fall with the rhythmic wash of the tide.

Behind the otter hunters, silent as shadows, the circle widens, deploys, forms a cordon round the outermost rim of the kelp fields. Suddenly a black object is seen floating on the silver surface of the water—a steersman lifts his paddle. A flash the steersman lifts his paddle. The word is spoken, but so keen is the hearing of the sleeping otter the drip of the lifted paddle has not splashed into the sea before the otter has awakened, looked, dived like lightning to the bottom before one of the alert hunters can hurl his spear.

Silently, not a whisper, the steersman signals again. The hunters deploy in a circle half a mile broad around the place where the sea otter disappeared, for they know that in fifteen or twenty minutes the animal must come up for breath, and it cannot run farther than half a mile under the sea before it reappears.

Suddenly somebody sees a round black rod head poke above water, perhaps close to the line of watchers. With a wild shout the nearest bidark darts forward. Whether the spear throw has hit or missed, the shout has done enough. The terrified otter dives before it has breath. Over the second diving spot a hunter is stationed, and the circle narrows, for the otter must come up quicker this time.

It must have breath. Again and again the little, round, rufous head peeps up. Again the shout greets it. Again the lightning dive! Sometimes only a bubble gurgling to the top of the water guides the watchers. Presently the body is so full of gases from suppressed breathing it can no longer sink, and a quick spear throw secures the quarry.

A Poet's Teitlate Patience. Mrs. Plandine gazed long and thoughtfully at a plaster cast of Shakespeare, says the Boston Transcript, then sighed and remarked: "Poor man! How pale he looks! He couldn't have been well when that was taken."

"He wasn't," agreed her polite host. "He was dead."

"Oh," said Mrs. Plandine, drawing a sympathetic breath, "that accounts for it."

It is unlawful for a man to work more than eight hours a day in some States, but there is no law against a woman working eighteen hours a day at home.

Unenthusiastic.

"Be unenthusiastic," said the habitual adviser, "and you may have a tablet in the Hall of Fame."

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Dead Right. "What did you quit that good job for?"

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"But he didn't fire you? You quit for that?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then the boss was right."—Cleveland Leader.

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Sisterly Regret. "That convention of dreamers decided that waists must be smaller this season."

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"For yourself?"

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