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The Inevitable.
Porkland (of Chicago, showing friends his new residence)—Now, what do you think of that for a Looney-Quincy dining room? I guess them Astor hotels ain't got nothing on that, eh?

Friend (from New York)—I should say not! By the way, you have not shown me the library?

Porkland—Lib? Wake up, wake up! Why, Carnegie's made 'em so common, all the best families are cutting 'em out—Puck.

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A creamed adult human body leaves a residuum of gray ashes which altogether do not weigh more than about two pounds.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a life-long disease, and prescribed remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and cleanses the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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President Diaz is not so wealthy as accredited. His fortune is short of a million.

Sliding seats were first used in rowing races in 1873.

Paris has the biggest debt of any city in the world. It amounts to \$400,000,000.

SCAVENGERS OF THE OCEAN.

How the Shark's Efforts Promote the Sanitation of the Seas.

The shark is undoubtedly a "dog with a bad name." He is called approposely the "tiger of the seas," or the "sailor's foe," or any other scurrilous name which happens to be handy. Much mud is thrown at him, and as he seldom finds a defender most of it sticks.

Hard lines this! Because in reality this blue water bogie is a humble and useful public servant who performs uncomplainingly the duties connected with the sanitation of the seas. The shark is the common scavenger and general undertaker of the ocean. He is not, and for reasons connected with his very moderate speed limit, never can be primarily a fish of prey.

Open any captured shark and you will find clear proof that this is so. A few tangled bits of rope yarn, a battered corned beef tin, a corked bottle containing an insulting message to the finder (thrown overboard by some nautical wag) or a sailor's cap which has been lost in a gale, all tend to show that the shark is a fish of business-like habits with a keen eye to any chance windfalls which may come in his way, but the more digestible contents of his stomach, consisting mainly of carrion of every kind, all give the clearest of evidence that the original owners of them were not alive—in fact, were very much dead—when this marine sanitary inspector came along and, condemning them as nuisances, removed them into his own internal refuse bin.

A large accumulation of carefully collected evidence on this point proves conclusively that there are, as a matter of fact, only two articles of his ordinary menu which the shark is able to capture alive; namely, an occasional unwary sea fowl which may happen to surprise asleep on the surface of the water and the ugly, octopuslike squid, whose limited powers of locomotion give a chance to our hungry four-knot prowler.

The shark, then, so far from being the gore-devouring pirate which the novelist paints him, is a mere hard-working, commonplace drudge, and as such deserves, if not kindness, at any rate toleration.

"Done Up."

Sir Andrew Clarke, who played an important part in the early struggles of Tasmania and Victoria, was always noted for his direct manner of speech. His biographer, Col. R. H. Vetch, says that even as a boy Andrew Clarke was not given to the use of unnecessary words, and gives this instance during his school days. It may be noted incidentally that the practice of flat-fighting among youths who are training to be army officers has not yet died out.

At the age of fifteen Andrew was placed at Woolwich, and the year after entered the Royal Military Academy. The only exciting incident of this time is one recorded by himself after he had become a senior cadet, and had been made a corporal, namely, a fight with the late Gen. Sir M. A. S. Biddulph, G. C. B. The story is told with a brevity of expression and a dry consciousness which is not without humor.

"Tuesday, March 8—Biddulph impudent to me at drill. Kicked him."

"Friday, 11th—Biddulph made corporal."

"Monday, 14th—Biddulph challenged me for what occurred on Tuesday. Refused to fight on that score, but allowed him any other. Struck me on the stairs. We met in Fourth Racket Court. Hammer and Tongs work. Separated. Biddulph apologized. Shook hands. Done up."

"Tuesday, 15—Went into hospital, as my face was much swollen."

"Thurs. 17—Rather better. Had invitation from Uncle William to spend Saturday and Sunday with him. Refused of course."

"Friday, 18th—Nearly well."

What Man Forgot.

In the North Atlantic Islands, just adjacent to the highlands, Dwell a Scottish Scottish bard, some years ago,

Who conceived a burning passion for a butterfly of fashion—

For a skittish British damsel, don't y' know.

Well, she flirted with this Sandy, just because the man was handy,

And a very merry time with him she had;

She was resting just at present and she thought his worship pleasant,

Did the poet know it, wouldn't he be mad!

So he started in to woo her—wrote some verse and sent it to her—

One can often soften ladies' hearts by rhyme.

And he really nearly won her, till he wrote some lines upon her,

Quite entrancing, dancing eyes, and smile sublime,

She could almost learn to love him for the fervor of him—

It was twice as nice as men she knew in town—

But he made the old mistake that bards and lovers often make—

Called her eyes "blue skies"—blue! And her eyes were brown!

—Cleveland Leader.

A Royal "Little Mother."

Princess Mary, the only daughter of the Princess of Wales, is a charming and competent little person. With her two eldest brothers, she has been her mother's constant companion for the past two years.

When the Princess of Wales was preparing for the present tour of India, Sir James Budgett reports she made no secret of her distress at leaving her little children.

When the actual parting came between the mother and her little ones, Princess Mary did her best to comfort her.

"Don't cry, mother," she said, over and over again. "Don't cry; I will take care of us."

Not Wanted.

"Do you think your speech did any good?"

"Certainly," answered the canny statesman. "It showed influential people that I took enough interest to make a speech on the subject."—Washington Star.

You have to behave pretty well if you don't want your friends when they meet you, to wish it was on a slide street.

WIT OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

Little Margie—Harry, do you know what "duty" means? Little Harry—Yes; it means to do anything you don't want to do.

Teacher—Willie, can you tell me what an island is? Willie—Yes, ma'am. It's a place you can't get away from without a boat.

"Now, John," said the teacher, addressing the new pupil, "what is 'don't' the abbreviation of?" "Doughnut," was the prompt but unexpected reply.

"Who is the smartest boy in your class, Freddie?" asked the visitor. "I'd like to give you the desired information," replied Freddie, "but papa says I must not boast."

Anxious Mother—What did you do with the medicine the doctor left for you, dear? Tommy—A poor little sick boy around the corner didn't have any so I gave it to him.

Office Boy—I'll bet de boss is goin' ter marry de typewriter. Bookkeeper—Why do you think so? Office Boy—"Cause he's beginnin' ter kick about havin' ter pay her a salary."

"Here is a nice cake, Eddie," said a mother to her 5-year-old son, "and you divide it honorably with your little sister."

"What's honorably, mamma?" asked Eddie. "It means that you must give her the largest piece," was the reply. "Oh," said the little fellow, "then I'd rather you gave it to sister and let her divide it honorably."

COSSACK CAVALRY.

The horsemanship of the Cossacks has been famous for more than two centuries. The author of "A Journey Through the Caucasus and Persia," published thirty years ago, writes of their feats of skill and daring as he witnessed them. Starting as they are, they can probably be matched by the feats of West Point cadets, and even by some troops of the American cavalry.

After being paraded, the men, about sixty in number, mounted on strong, ugly little horses, were ordered to perform a sham skirmish. Forming themselves into two camps, each combatant attacked his opponent on his own hook and after his own fashion.

Here was a fellow standing bolt upright in his saddle and discharging his musket at another, who, hanging beneath by his legs, returned fire underneath his horse's belly; there were two Cossacks clinging like cats to the flanks and ribs of their chargers, and thus completely sheltering their own bodies, they watched a favorable moment for plucking each other, although to me they almost appeared like a couple of riderless horses. Others flattened themselves at full length on their beasts' backs and maneuvered for the chance of some unguarded movement on the part of their foes. All this at full gallop, accompanied by a good deal of screaming and yelling.

Other feats were then performed. Galloping with the head downward in the saddle and the body and legs erect in the air seemed a favorite one; still more so, picking up a stone or even a coin at the same pace, the performer holding on the while to his saddle by his feet.

Two hours of this sort of work seemed to be enough for horse and man, so, closing up into a column four deep, the Cossacks marched home, singing in remarkably good tune a native chorus with an accompaniment of two kettle-drums.

Lock of Hair in Dickens' Watch.

E. S. Williamson, of the Crown Lands Department, president of the Dickens Fellowship, has discovered another interesting relic of the great author, and one which curiously enough he has been carrying around for a few years without knowing it.

He has been the possessor since 1901 of the first gold watch carried by Dickens, which was brought to this country by Francis Jeffrey Dickens, the third son of the author, who came to Canada shortly after his father's death and became inspector in the Northwest mounted police. His father gave him the watch as a keepsake. Recently Mr. Williamson sent the timepiece to a local jeweler to be cleaned and the latter discovered in the back case a secret recess. In this was a lock of dark hair, a man's evidently, tied with thread. Whose is it? That is the question Mr. Williamson and others interested would like to solve.

Mr. Williamson thinks it may have been cut from the novelist's own head and placed in his watch when he was giving it to his son.—Toronto Globe.

Local Water-Powers.

"What do you understand by a cat-nap?" the new teacher of Number Two asked Willy Straw. The answer came promptly.

"It's the fire-engine down at Daleville Corners," he said, in breathless haste to impart his knowledge. "But it leaks some, and it isn't half so good looking as the 'Torrent,' either. You just wait till parade day and you'll see, teacher!"

Chasing Home the Visitors.

"Why do you teach your children to recite and sing?"

"Well," answered the practical woman, "there has to be some way of starting people who come to see you and forget when it's time to go home."—Washington Star.

Case of Dire Necessity.

Druggist—I can't open my store for you at this time of night unless it is a case of extreme necessity.

De Lush—Well, Issa case 'xtreme n'-n'-necessity, a'ri. I wanna look at the dretchery an' fn' out where I live.—Cleveland Leader.

Statement Based on Knowledge.

"You're a Jackson, sir!"

"You don't know what you're talking about, sir."

"Yes, I do. I used to own one."—Cleveland Leader.

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As every part of the body is dependent on the blood for nourishment and strength, it is necessary that this vital fluid be kept free from germs and poisons. So long as it remains uncontaminated we are fortified against disease, and health is assured; but any impurity, humor or poison acts injuriously on the system and affects the general health. Pustular eruptions, pimples, rashes and the different skin affections show that the blood is in a feverish and diseased condition as a result of too much acid or the presence of some irritating humor.

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