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The Road to Wealth.

Not long since a dusty, tired-looking man presented himself at the desk of a hotel, announcing that he desired a room.

"I've at my supper and will be off before breakfast," said he to the clerk; "now what would be your lowest price for a room to sleep in?"

"One dollar, if you only occupy it for a night," was the reply.

"Well, wouldn't half a dollar make it just about right?" demanded the wayfarer, producing a 50-cent piece.

"You see, I'm all excited up travelin', and I don't expect to sleep more than half the time I'm in there."

Taking Its Size.

Going west on the Union Pacific through the southern portion of Wyoming, the view is one of continuous sand and sagebrush, a veritable desert. It is told that Mark Twain was going through one time and in the dining car his eye spied "Sage chicken" on the bill of fare. He called the waiter and asked what that was.

"It's chicken, sah, raised right through here, sah."

"Can they fly?" asked the humorist.

"Yes, sah, they can fly, sah."

"Well, then, I don't want any. Anything that can fly and stays in this country long enough to be killed can't be much good. None for me."

Information.

The train had stopped for water at a little station in the country.

The passenger with the skull cap, seeing a lone native standing on the station platform, addressed him.

"Farmers around here seem to have been cutting a good deal of hay this morning," he said.

"Yes, sir," answered the native.

"They're taking risks. Don't you think it looks like rain?"

"Sort of."

"What do you suppose they will do if it does rain?"

"I reckon they'll have sense enough to go in out of it, mister."—Chicago Tribune.

Differentiating.

"William," said the boss, "sort those eggs into two piles. They are to be sold at different prices."

"Yes, sir," said the boy. "The fresh and the near fresh?"

"No, you lunkhead; the big and the little."—Chicago Tribune.

In the Nick of Time.

Coleridge was enumerating the stench of Cologne.

He had counted up to seventy-one, and stopped in despair.

"That seems to be all," he muttered.

"And I've just got to have another one!" At this moment an automobile whizzed by.

"Ah!" he exclaimed. "There it is!" Sniffing the strange odor with satisfaction in spite of its disagreeable quality, he proceeded to write his immortal poem.

FLASHES OF FUN

Wigg—Bjones was after a political job for a long time. What's he doing now? Waag—Nothing. He got it—Philadelphia Record.

"Your son is studying art, I believe. Has he made much progress?" "Oh, yes. He is able to talk the language quite fluently."—Judge.

She—Did you notice the beautiful palms in the new restaurant? He—The only palms I saw were the waiters'—Boston Transcript.

"Do you think it pays country people to take in city boarders?" "Certainly, as long as the boarders don't find it out."—Baltimore American.

Country Minister—My parishioners gave me a donation party last week. Sympathetic Friend—How much did you lose?—Somerville Journal.

Visitor—Are there any fish in the river Native—Fish! I should rather think there was. Why, the water's simply saturated with 'em!—Punch.

Employer—What, then, are your demands? Committee of Union—We want more money and shorter hours so's we can have time to spend it.—Pack.

Kind Lady—How many servants does your mother keep, dear? Smail Girl—She doesn't keep any; they're always coming and going.—Boston Transcript.

Lady—Did the natives like the perfume you sent them? Returned Missionary—No, madam, they bit it, and threw it away.—Detroit Free Press.

Church—What do you think of your wife's voice since she took music lessons? Gotham—It's so better; but there seems to be more of it.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Who were the chief beneficiaries under your uncle's will?" "The automobile manufacturers. Each legatee bought two as soon as they got their money."—Judge.

Mother (to Tommy, who has just said his prayers)—Tommy, you forgot to ask the Lord to take care of your baby sister. Tommy—No, I didn't, ma. I'll take care of her myself.—Life.

An old lady on the witness stand at Bellinzona, Switzerland, gave her age as 102. But it was ascertained on cross-examination, that she was 106. She explained that she was "ashamed of being so old."

"A great many people do things they are sorry for." "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "The trouble is that they often fail to realize that they are sorry till they get into the newspapers."—Washington Star.

"And best of all," said the boastful American, "we have no titled aristocracy to support over here." "No," replied the foreigner, "but you have a good many titled sons-in-law to support over here."—Judge.

"Do you believe that Samson lost his strength by having his hair cut?" asked the non-believer. "I have no reason to doubt it," replied the practical man. "A talkative barber always makes me tired."—Chicago Daily News.

Mr. Verycareful (to his new man)—William, do you smoke? William—With large expectations of a perfect one.—Yes, Mr. Verycareful.—Well, here is a box of safety matches. I allow no other sort on the premises.—Judge.

"Does your chauffeur have any perquisites?" asked Mrs. Van Uppson. "He had one the first week he was with us," replied Mrs. Neurich, "but I induced him to sign the pledge, and he hasn't had any since."—Chicago Daily News.

"Alas!" confessed the penitent man, "in a moment of weakness I stole a carload of brass fittings." "In a moment of weakness?" exclaimed the judge. "Goodness, man! what would you have taken if you had yielded in a moment when you felt strong?"—Judge.

Dumley—I met a fellow to-day who was simply nutty about a buried treasure; couldn't talk of anything else. Peckham—That reminds me of my wife, Dumley—Oh, does she talk about one? Peckham—Yes; her first husband, I'm her second, you know.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"No, Tommy," said his mother, "you can't have any more cake. You've had enough." "What a fine little fellow he is," replied the guest; "and when you're a man, Tommy, what are you going to do?" "I'm goin' ter buy too much of everything I like to eat," replied Tommy, sulkily.—Philadelphia Press.

Education.

The principal of one of Washington's high schools relates an incident in connection with the last commencement day of the institution mentioned. A clever girl had taken one of the principal prizes. At the close of the exercises her friends crowded about her to offer congratulations.

"Weren't you awfully afraid you wouldn't get it, Hattie," asked one, "when there were so many contestants?"

"Oh, no!" cheerily exclaimed Hattie. "Because I knew that when it came to English composition I had 'em all skinned alive."—Harper's Weekly.

Classifying Him.

Mrs. Browne—I saw some rhymes in the paper to-day by Penyer Limer.

Mrs. Malaprop—Yes, he's a friend of mine.

Mrs. Browne—So you told me. By the way, "Penyer Limer" is a pseudonym, of course.

Mrs. Malaprop—Not much he ain't! He's a good Baptist.—Philadelphia Press.

Bliss for the Baggagem Smasher.

"So you long for the time when the alrship will be a commercial reality?" "Sure," answered the baggageman with some enthusiasm. "Think of droppin' off a trunk at a way station from a height of two miles!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

LEGAL INFORMATION.

Requiring milk dealers to register with the health commissioner, and pay a gratification fee, is held, in *St. Louis vs. Graffman Dairy Co. (Mo.)*, 1 L. R. A. (N. S.) 899, to be a valid police regulation.

Prohibiting the sale of milk containing any preservative is held, in *St. Louis vs. Schuler (Mo.)*, 1 L. R. A. (N. S.) 928, to be within the police power, although there may be preservatives which are not deleterious to health.

A gift of his accumulated property by a man to his children at a time when he is earning a good income is held, in *James vs. Allen (N. J. Err. & App.)*, 2 L. R. A. (N. S.) 285, not voidable at his option, although the act may be improvident.

Owners of property abutting on a highway adjacent to a railway track are held in *Hyde vs. Fall River (Mass.)*, 2 L. R. A. (N. S.) 293, not to sustain any special damages by discontinuance of the street within the railroad right of way and the erection of a bridge to carry the street over the tracks as that in order to cross the tracks they are obliged to go away from them until they reach the foot of the bridge approach.

An unattested holographic will, executed in a foreign country according to its laws, by a citizen of one of the United States domiciled there, is held, in *Lindsay vs. Wilson (Md.)*, 2 L. R. A. (N. S.) 408, to pass real property subsequently acquired in that State, under a statute providing that every will made in the State shall be held valid, if made according to the forms required by the law of the place where the same is made, or where such person is residing at the time that it is made. A note in this case reviews all the other authorities on conflict of laws as to wills.

RECORDS OF ENLISTED MEN.

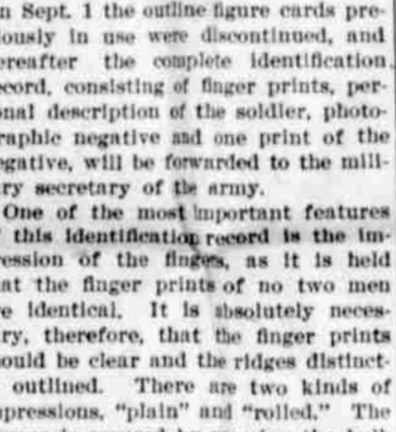
Identification by Finger Prints is Now Required.

On Sept. 1 the system of personal identification prescribed on April 7 by the war department was placed in operation and a record is to be made of every man who may hereafter enlist or re-enlist in that service, says the New York Tribune. Circular 44 enjoin commanding officers to take such steps as may be necessary to insure prompt and complete compliance with the requirements of the order, and inspecting officers are charged to make special inquiry and report as to whether these requirements have been met.

On Sept. 1 the outline figure cards previously in use were discontinued, and hereafter the complete identification record, consisting of finger prints, personal description of the soldier, photographic negative and one print of the negative, will be forwarded to the military secretary of the army.

One of the most important features of this identification record is the impression of the fingers, as it is held that the finger prints of no two men are identical. It is absolutely necessary, therefore, that the finger prints should be clear and the ridges distinctly outlined. There are two kinds of impressions, "plain" and "rolled." The former is secured by pressing the bulb of the finger on the inked plate, with the plane of the nail parallel to the plane of the plate, and then on the paper in the same manner. A rolled impression is obtained by pressing the side of the finger on the plate and then rolling the finger from one side to the other. After the impression of each finger separately has been taken a plain impression of all the fingers of the right hand is taken at one time. The outline on the opposite side of the prescribed form is then filled up by the personal description completed by noting on the outline figure the principal identification marks. Upon completion of this routine the soldier is required to sign his name in the place provided for "signature of soldier," and after being photographed it is assumed that the means for his identification are as complete as it is possible for human ingenuity to make them.

Strength of Nature.



The cut illustrates a remarkable example of the strength exhibited by the expanding roots of a fir tree. In the Lauterbrunnen valley in Switzerland a few years ago a fir sprang from a crevice in a great rock, and it has now become so strong that its roots have split the stone to the very bottom.

Long-Lived Bulgarians.

A German statistician has made a careful investigation to discover in which countries the greatest age is attained. The most amazing figures come from that troublesome and turbulent region known as the Balkan peninsula. Servia has 573 persons who are more than 100 years old, Roumania 1,084 and Bulgaria 3,883. In other words, Bulgaria has a centenarian to every 100 inhabitants and thus holds the international record for old people. In 1892 alone there died in Bulgaria 250 persons who had exceeded the century.

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

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