

ORIENTAL CUNNING.

How a Wily Princeeling Rewarded His Pompous Minister.

The princeling of an oriental country had sent to his minister in a far, high country the decoration of the national Order of the Golden Goat. It was a cheap trinket, plentifully adorned with imitation jewels. But the minister, being a vain man and pompous, had the false stones replaced by real ones and wore his order thereafter with proper pride.

Then after some years the princeling came a-visiting to the far country. Naturally the minister came to pay his respects. Almost at once the eyes of the princeling fell upon the order with the real stones, and he sat as one fascinated, prolonging the interview with idle questions and paying no attention to the answers. He was resolving a problem—for the prize purse was less than usual just then. At last he saw his way clear to make a coup.

"It is time," he said to the minister, "that your valuable services to your country should receive additional recognition from your country's prince. I hereby (he reached into a pocket somewhere about his puffed person) advance you from the second to the first class of the Order of the Golden Goat." With these words he pinned upon the minister's swelling chest the new decoration.



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Of course it was necessary to remove the old decorations first. This, with its collection of real stones, he dropped carefully into one of the royal pockets.—New York Post.

ORIGIN OF LAUGHTER.

Carrying the Primitive Back to the Lately Prehistoric Clam.

Laughter is an involuntary physical reaction. Hughlings Jackson calls it "one of the innumerable epilepsies to which man is subject." It is apparently a universal heritage, though certain causes may operate more powerfully upon one individual than upon another to produce it. In the little child whose sensibilities are uncomplicated by any mental experiences unless they be racial ones the shock of delicate touch—picking, as we call it—first causes laughter. Why?

The claim of our psychologist carries as a long leap backward to the most elemental form of animal life. Beyond the savage stands the monkey and dimly far beyond him the mollusk, whose only sense was that of touch. Picture this great-grandfather of living things lying motionless save for those nervous, fluttering, sensitive feelers extended to play the part of sight and hearing. A bit of seaweed bumps against them. A spasm racks the mollusk's whole being, crushing him into his shell until the surprise has abated; then the fact that no further attack follows brings relief.

This is the germ of the cause of our laughter spasm—a sudden shock, instantly followed by a feeling of relief. Only such shocks as were followed by relief became racial memories. Where relief did not follow the clam did not live to leave a heritage.—Burgess Johnson in Harper's Magazine.

SPOILED HIS SYSTEM.

He Thought It Couldn't Be Done, but He Is Wiser Now.

I know a man who wears his shirts in chronological order—that is, if he buys a new shirt he tags it with his initials, numbers it and places it at the bottom of the pile. And, no matter how much he likes it, he does not wear it until it comes out at the top of the pile. He went into wordy detail about the economy of his system, and he added that he arranged his socks and underwear in the same manner.

I told him that he would meet the woman of his dreams some fine day and that she would knock the spots out of his system. I told him that she would admire a particular shirt, careen its delicate stripes lovingly and ask why he didn't wear it oftener. And then he would send it to the laundry as soon as it was soiled and wear it as soon as it got back, and he would buy other shirts like it, and he would forget the system.

"Don't you believe it?" he said. "The person doesn't live who could upset my system!"

But I met him a few days ago—for the first time in a year. He was hurrying to catch a car, so I had only time to ask him how he was and how things were going. And he didn't have time to explain. He only shouted over his shoulder jubilantly, "I'm wearing 'em every which way!"

And I hadn't even heard he was married.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Crossing the Bar.

Tennyson's famous poem "Crossing the Bar" was written, said his son, in the poet's eighty-first year "on a day in October when we came from Aldworth to Farringford. Before reaching Farringford he had had the 'moaning of the bar' in his mind, and after dinner he showed me the poem written out. 'That is the crown of your life's work,'" said his son, who was the first man after the poet to read "Crossing the Bar" and who passed the first criticism upon it in such fitting and generous language. "It came in a moment," said the poet, and he explained the plot as the Divine and Unseen, who is always guiding us. A day or two before he died the poet, calling his son to his bedside, said, "Mind you put 'Crossing the Bar' at the end of all editions of my poems."

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DELAYED INAUGURATION.

Why Washington Had to Wait Until April 30 in 1789.

Although March 4 is the date set by law for the inauguration of our presidents, there was one occasion when the rule was not observed, for George Washington was inaugurated on April 30, 1789, instead of March 4.

When the constitution had been ratified by the requisite number of states the Continental congress by resolution of Sept. 13, 1788, set the first Wednesday of the following March (March 4, 1789) as the "time for commencing proceedings" under the new form of government.

Owing to delays of various kinds, such as difficulties of travel, etc., members of the first congress were very slow to assemble in New York, and a quorum of both houses was not obtained until April 6. The counting of the electoral vote, the notification of Washington and his journey from Mount Vernon to New York took until April 23, and his inauguration was set for April 30.

His term of office was, however, construed as having commenced on March 4, the date set by the Continental congress for the inauguration of the new government, and so it came to an end on March 4, 1793, although it lacked nearly two months of the four years provided for by the constitution.—New York Times.

CATCH THEM AND KILL THEM.

Don't Keep Fish Alive After You Get Them Out of the Water.

Probably nine-tenths of the fishermen hereabouts make the mistake of trying to keep their fish alive after they are caught on the theory that the fish will taste better after they get home and prepare them for the pan for cooking. They strangle them and keep them in the water or let them die in the creek.

The custom is a mistake, according to the experts. They declare the best way is to kill the fish the moment it is landed by pushing its head back and thus breaking the neck or giving it a hard blow on the head. Then take a knife and "bleed" them by running the knife blade around the bottom of the gills.

"In order to get your fish home without any discoloration," declares a veteran angler, "take along a yard or two of white cheesecloth, and as soon as the fish is caught kill it and bleed it. Then dampen the cloth and wrap up each fish separately, taking care that no two fish touch each other."

"By doing this you will find that the fish will retain all the color marking just as clear and bright as when it was first taken from the water and the fish will be sweet and palatable."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Napoleon's Custodian at St. Helena.

Sir Hudson Lowe, the man appointed by England to be the custodian of the emperor, arrived at St. Helena on April 14, 1816. His appearance was not prepossessing. He was extraordinarily thin, with a stiff carriage. He had a long, bony face, blotched with red and scanty hair of a dirty yellow color. His hollow eyes gleamed under thick, reddish eyebrows, but were furtive and restless, never looking straight at any one save by stealth. "That is a bad man," declared Napoleon when he had seen him. "His eye as he examined me was like a hyena's caught in a trap."

He really resembled this horrid, stony animal in its walk as well as in hair and eyes. He never sat down when he was talking, but swung about hesitatingly and with abrupt jerks.—"With Napoleon at St. Helena."

Life's Little Tragedies.

A youth dashed into the florist's shop.

"There was something wrong about those red roses you sent the lady on Lincoln avenue," he declared.

"I'm sure they were sent," replied the florist. "I remember the order. You said you wanted the very cheapest ones, a dozen and a quarter. Here, Joe."

The new boy came forward.

"You remember those roses you took to Lincoln avenue. Sure you got the address right?"

"Yes, sir. I took it off the bill for 'em, sir."

"Bring the bill here."

"I can't, sir. I put it in the box with the roses!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

London's Backward Suburb.

Wimbledon proved itself in one respect, the most backward of London suburbs. Until 1902 the streets of Wimbledon were still lit by oil, and the lamplighter could be seen every evening making his rounds, with his ladder on his shoulder. The Wimbledon lamplighter used matches instead of tinder and steel, but otherwise his methods were the same as those pursued by his predecessors in the days of Queen Anne.—London Mail.

Penalty of Laziness.

Head of Department—What's this lying on my desk? The last dunning letter received from my tailor, duly initialed by all my clerks. Oh, dear! What have I done? Actually sent it around to be duly noted by the whole staff without taking the trouble to look at it!—Fleegende Blatter.

Of Some Use.

"Gentlemen," remarked the professor, "the general function of the heads of several learned members of this class is to keep their neckties from slipping off."—Harvard Lampoon.

The true services of life are inestimable in money and are never paid.—R. L. Stevenson.

SACRED TOOTH OF BUDDHA.

The Palace in Ceylon in Which This Relic Is Preserved.

At all times of the year in Kandy, Ceylon, may be seen followers of Buddha making their way to the great Mahigawa temple, the "Palace of the Sacred Tooth," in order to lay offerings and flowers at the shrine of the founder of their religion.

Entering the temple, they pass into a small room, some twelve feet square, in which is kept the famous tooth of Buddha. The chamber is lighted by two lamps which have not been allowed to go out for years. The walls are splendidly decorated, and the vessel—called the Karundua—containing the tooth stands on a massive silver table amidst a gorgeous array of jewels and other valuable gifts.

The Karundua is draped with muslin, beneath which is a silver dome studded with gems, and under this is a dome of gold, beautifully carved and literally incrustured with precious stones. Two similar coverings lie below them, and beneath these is a small case of gold, in which on leaves of a gold lotus reposes the tooth itself. This relic, carefully guarded, is seldom seen by others than priests.

So much in reverence is the tooth held that to lay an offering to Buddha on the table bearing it is an ambition which every Buddhist would not fail to gratify if circumstances permitted.—Pearson's Weekly.

WORK IS HEALTH.

Idleness Is Often the Cause of Human Disease and Decay.

Work is not the curse nor the affliction that some people think it is. When taken in proper doses it is the best of medicines. It is now being prescribed for many forms of invalidism, such as heart disease, Bright's disease, nervousness and particularly for insanity.

The lack of work is often the cause of many chronic maladies, and it is a wise physician who can determine when one needs work instead of rest and in prescribing the remedy produce no unpleasant situations.

About the most unhealthful person, as well as the most unhappy and useless, is the person with nothing to do. Work is a dispeller of fears. It is the exercise that is as essential to the body and mind as are food and air. It is only when work is carried to excess that it becomes injurious, as in the case with food, rest and all good things.

The ideal of a healthy, happy life is no longer a world where work is not necessary and life is one grand sweet song of idleness. Life is activity; to the broad sense it is work—work that produces and entails sacrifice. It is not less work that we need, but work in the right proportions and under the right conditions. Such work is health.—North Carolina Health Bulletin.

The Oasis of Jupiter.

The oasis of Siwa is better known as the oasis of Jupiter Ammon, one of the most famous oracles of antiquity. The visit of Alexander the Great to this temple was among the most romantic incidents of his career. He came to ask whether he was only the son of the mortal Philip or the son of the great god himself. Apparently Alexander received full assurance from the oracle of his divine origin, with the promise of unbroken victory until he should be taken away to join the gods. And many signs showed his superhuman status. Rain fell in the desert just when his soldiers thirst required it, and when his guides lost their way two speaking serpents or ravens appeared to direct them.—London Chronicle.

Took It as a Joke.

There is a story of Mr. Disraeli at the time of his extremely bumptious youth when he had just returned from his travels in the east. As a young man, much under thirty, he met Lord Melbourne, who was then prime minister, at dinner. Lord Melbourne proceeded to discourse on the eastern question, but instead of listening to the prime minister with the respect which he ought young Disraeli said, "It seems to me that your lordship has taken your knowledge of the east from 'The Arabian Nights.'"

Some prime ministers would have snubbed the young man severely. Lord Melbourne was not of that kind. He rubbed his hands with great cheerfulness and said to the young man, "And a devilish good place to take it from!"

Pervaded Proverbs.

Strike while the iron is hot. The more waist the less speed. A thrown kiss spreads no germs. One swallow doesn't make a supper. It's a long loan that has no returning.

It is more blessed to give than to be given away. A little change in the pocket is worth two changes in the weather.—Boston Transcript.

Her Retort.

Husband (at breakfast)—Oh, for some of the blarney my mother used to make! Wife (sweetly)—I'm sorry you can't have them, dear. They would be just about stale enough by this time to go quite well with that remark.—Indianapolis Star.

Rubber Trees.

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He kissed her suddenly.

"Well, I like that!" she cried.

"So do I," he answered, and she let it go at that.

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