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Bank of England Salaries.
To enter the service of the Bank of England a candidate must be nominated by a director, be of good moral character, pass a qualifying (not competitive) examination and be between eighteen and twenty-two years old. The first year his salary is \$500, and then it rises at the rate of \$50 a year. At the end of the fifth year he proceeds to the fourth class or else leaves the service of the bank. According to figures furnished by one of the bank's officials, the average pay at the end of ten years is \$1,000. At fifteen years it is \$1,300, twenty years \$1,545, thirty years \$1,945; after that the senior clerks pass to \$2,150. The staff and special posts, numbering about 100, are won by meritorious service. The highest salary is paid the chief cashier and is \$15,000. The chief accountant draws \$12,500, and there are several appointments ranging from \$7,500 to \$3,500. Agents of branches receive up to \$12,000. There is a pension system to which the clerk does not contribute, but for which he is qualified after ten years' service.—Moody's Magazine.

Didn't Wait For the "Thank You."
John Bull, the scene painter, tells a story of an occasion when he delivered some scenery for an entertainment in a lunatic asylum. He was watching his men getting the stuff in when it began to rain. A big man with a pleasant smile appeared and offered to help. They got on famously. Mr. Bull and his volunteer were just setting down the last load when an attendant arrived, caught the big man a tremendous blow on the side of the head and sent him sprawling on his back. Mr. Bull was speechless with indignation at this attack, but the victim got up, smiling more than ever, and walked away. "You can thank your stars I've been watching you," the attendant explained. "I suppose when you had the last lot in you'd have said, 'Thank you; I'm much obliged.' Well, that's this fellow's trouble, sir. The moment you say 'Thank you' to 'im 'e'll wring your neck."—London Standard.

Placing the Goat.
An anecdote of President Hayes is told by an Englishman who formed one of a party of his compatriots while the president and his family were at Clark's ranch, near Yosemite. The two parties were assembled in the rude kitchen awaiting the coming meal. A certain stiffness prevailed at first. At last a master of the ceremonies and introducer appeared in the shape of a small and elegant quadruped, evidently a family pet, which trotted into the kitchen to be caressed. A lady of the English party gently stroked its stem, the president its stern. Presently they met, about the center of the animal, and the interchange of a few remarks became inevitable. "This is a very pretty goat," from the English lady. "My end is antelope, madam," from the president. It need scarcely be said that both ends were antelope, but the reply was very neat.

The Brave Butterfly.
Here is an unorthodox story of King Solomon: One day a butterfly sat on the king's temple and boasted to his wife. "If I chose I could lift my wing and shiver this building to the ground," he swaggered. Solomon, overhearing, sent for the monster. "How dare you?" he thundered. The butterfly groveled. "I did it to impress my wife," he pleaded. The great monarch was in stantly appeased and let him go. "What did Solomon say to you?" gasped a quivering wife five minutes later. "Oh, he begged me not to do it," said the butterfly airily. And Solomon, again overhearing, smiled.

Red Flannel.
Red flannel as a cure for rheumatism has many adherents. No doubt the flannel keeps warm and protects the stiff joint and sore muscles, but as far as the color goes any other in the spectrum would be fully as effective. Like many of our boy and girl superstitions, the notion has become so deeply grounded as to have an undoubtedly favorable mental effect. Perish the iconoclast who would destroy it!—Boston Herald.

The Magnet.
Magnet is derived from the name of the city of Magnesia, in Asia Minor, where the properties of the lodestone are said to have been discovered. It has, however, been asserted that the name comes from Magnes, the name of a shepherd who discovered magnetic power by being held on Mount Ida, in Greece, by its attraction for the nails in his shoes.

Modernized Comparison.
"The pen," remarked the ready made philosopher, "is mightier than the sword."
"Yes," replied the man who writes able articles on universal peace, "but I'm not sure that the typewriter is mightier than the battleship."—Washington Star.

Origin of the Dead Letter Office.
"What was the reason for our office getting its name called?" said an official in the returned letter office. "Well, it was originally started in order to return to the senders all letters, etc. addressed to people who turned out to be dead. The need for such an arrangement became evident from the number of valuable inclosures contained in such missives, and that the old tradition still lingers in the department is evident from the fact that the bags containing returned letters are black in color."
"Yes, there are people who imagine us to be mysteriously connected with death itself, and some time back we received a peculiar letter from one of them. Within a week of having a letter returned to her a certain person living in the same house had died, and consequently the writer, evidently associating her friend's death directly with us, begged us in future never to send back letters again, but to burn them instead."—London Answers.

The Bridal Veil.
The bridal veil is evidently of eastern origin, being a relic of the bridal canopy held over the heads of the bride and bridegroom. Among the Anglo-Saxons a similar custom existed, but if the bride was a widow it was dispensed with. According to Sarum usage, a fine linen cloth was laid upon the heads of the bride and bridegroom and was not removed until the benediction had been said. The old British custom was to use nature's veil unadorned—that is, the long hair of the bride, which was so worn by all brides, royal, noble and simple. Only then did every one behold the tresses of maidenhood in their entirety and for the last time, as after marriage they were neatly dressed on the head. Among some the tresses were cut and carefully stowed away on a woman becoming a wife. It was customary in Russia for village brides to shear their locks on returning from church.—Family Doctor.

Trees and the Soil.
The soil is a resource of priceless value. Its formation on rocks is exceedingly slow. According to Professor J. Bowman, many glacial scratches that were made on rock during the last glacial period, between 90,000 and 75,000 years ago, are still as fresh as if they had been made only yesterday. Yet since the glaciers thus recorded themselves man has come up from the cave and the stone hammer. Seventy thousand years is a very short time for the development of a soil cover. For man it means a period so great that the mind can hardly grasp it. The cutting off of the trees exposes the soil so that the rain beats upon it, and since it has lost the protection that the roots and the litter on the ground afforded the soil is soon washed away. In fifty years a single lumber merchant can deprive the race of soil that required 10,000 years to form.—Youth's Companion.

Premiums Upon Babies.
Augustus, emperor of Rome, made babies a passport to office. By the Lex Papia Poppaea, passed in A. D. 9, definite preference as regards office was given to the fathers of satisfactorily large families. Such fathers were eligible for office before twenty-five. They took precedence of colleagues with no children or fewer than three and were preferred all round. The privilege was called the "jus trium liberorum" (three children privilege), but the qualifying number, three in Rome, was four in Italy, five in the provinces. The system, however, never worked well.

A Snow Hurricane.
The buran, or snow hurricane of the Pamirs, is a meteorological phenomenon of great interest. Even in mid-summer the temperature during a snow buran frequently falls to 14 degrees F., while in one winter it dropped to 45 degrees below zero at the end of January. The buran comes with startling suddenness, the atmosphere growing dark with whirling snowflakes where scarcely a minute before the sky was perfectly clear.

Very Sad.
First Salesman—A woman was arrested downstairs this morning. Second Salesman—What for? First Salesman—She was caught in the act of concealing a hand mirror. Second Salesman—Poor woman! That's what comes of taking a glass too much.—Chicago News.

The Indicting Instinct.
"Do you think women ought to hold public office?"
"Well, in some cases. But, judging from the way they talked about everybody in the community, I'd hate to have those who met at my house yesterday on a grand jury."—Washington Star.

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