

Old London Church

The old parish church of St. George the Martyr in London is visited by many because of its association with Charles Dickens, who made reference to it in his stories several times. Up to the Eighteenth century it was the custom for the bell of the church to be tolled as a signal for fires to be put out, cattle locked up and apprentices sent home. Malefactors who died or were executed at King's Bench prison often found their last resting place in St. George's crypt. One of them, Richard Banks, executed in 1610, was taken to St. George's in the belief that he was dead. After being three hours in the vestry, "he did revive again," whereupon he was taken back to the prison to suffer a second execution. The present church was built in 1734, and stands on the site of the first one.

Lawyer Vs. Witness

A lawyer recently engaged in trying a case asked one of the witnesses his name. The witness gave it, but the lawyer did not catch it. He repeated the question, and the man on the stand promptly repeated the answer. Still failing to get any clear idea of the name, the lawyer demanded, rather impatiently, that the witness spell his name. He did so, saying, "O-double t-double you e-double-l-double you-double o-double d." The spelling confounded the attorney; and, amid the laughter in the courtroom, he quietly conducted the witness to one side, and learned that his name was "Ottwell Woodd."

Grinning by the Day

There's a girl out our way who makes up her face and lets her complexion set every morning around a bright and engaging smile. All day long she smiles and smiles, because that's her frescoed expression and she's bound to hold it. We'd like to be around when that smile-a-while girl gets good and mad some day. If she ever loses that sunshiny grin her face will simply go all to pieces. It is to be said for the fixed smiler that it is better than a scowl, however difficult as it may be to smile a kalamondine smile by the day.—Fayette Journal and Courier.

Cultivated Gracefulness

It used to be part of the education of every European princess likely to hold prominent place in affairs of state to learn to "tens cercle"—that is, to learn how to make the round of a group of ladies and gentlemen of the court saying something agreeable to each.

Empress Augusta of Germany, grandmother of the last of the German emperors, who was noted for her tact, had had lessons in this important duty in the gardens of the palace at Weimar. There on pleasant days the young girl, under the direction of her governess, often had to go the rounds, stopping before each bush or tree, casting on each a gracious smile and making some ingratiating remark to each.

Mazers and Measles

Old wooden drinking-bowls, known as mazers, appear to be becoming increasingly popular among wealthy collectors. One of these bowls fetched as much as \$50,000, and it is rare to find one in good condition, and with a pedigree at less than \$500.

The words "mazer" and "measles," by the way, are said to be derived from the same German word "mazer," meaning spot, the spotted portion of maplewood being the favorite material employed in the making of these bowls.

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The first carload of coal to arrive in Athena in many weeks, came in yesterday over the O. R. & N., consigned to C. A. Barrett & Co. Mr. Barrett purchased the coal while in Portland last week. He bought it with the view of relieving to some extent the fuel famine existing here.

Col. Wood was over from Weston Sunday and spent the day with his arch enemy, Boyd.

Austin Foss is nursing a badly sprained ankle, as the result of accidentally stepping into a hole.

Miss Maud Gholson began her duties as cashier for the Mosgrove Mercantile company this morning.

Benjamin Dupuis, the Weston grocer, came over this morning, and replenished his gasoline supply for his light plant.

Miss Lillian O'Harra, a former resident of Weston, was recently married in Walla Walla to Dr. Wilson, a dentist.

E. P. Dodd has transferred his half interest in the Pendleton Tribune to J. H. Mitchell, of the Banker's Reserve Life Insurance company. Mr. Dodd will engage in the hardware business at Hermiston.

W. J. King opened his confectionery and cigar store last night to the public. It is Mr. King's intention to carry a select stock of goods, and he respectfully solicits a share of your patronage.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stone on 3rd street Saturday evening the young people of the city were entertained in a pleasant manner. A large number assembled at the invitation of the parents for the purpose of surprising their son, Dave, and a merry surprise it was, Mrs. Stone was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Della Maloney. Games and music passed the time, and light refreshments were served.

Roy Tompkins is assisting in the work at Worthington's grocery store this week.

An extra train came in on the W. & C. R. yesterday and took out a shipment of stock.

The Preston automobile is in Kidder's shop, where it will receive a fresh coat of varnish.

Eighteen road petitions from the Hermiston district have been filed with the county court this week.

The warm rain last night removed the snow from the foothills, but in the mountains more snow fell during the night.

Fred Pinkerton is daring the weather man to send a snow storm. He is painting his sleigh a bright vermilion red and is ready for a "going" time when the beautiful falls.

Charles Gay, through his attorney Will M. Peterson, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. His liabilities are about \$1500, assets over \$1000. The first meeting of creditors will take place at Referee Fitzgerald's office in Pendleton December 11.

By a decision just given by Judge William Smith of Baker county, in the Freewater saloon case, the side of the local option people has been upheld throughout and no saloon will be allowed to operate there unless the decision be altered by the supreme court.

Farmers Line No. 5 of the rural telephone system is being made into a high line. The owners of this line have organized with A. L. Swaggart, president; J. M. Hays, secretary; J. M. Swaggart, treasurer, and Joseph Key, Amiel Shubert and Alex Johnson, directors.

Tharp Bros. are at work on the first of their new combined harvesters. The frame work of the machine is well under way and the castings will arrive shortly. Wheatraisers who have seen the plans of the new machine are unanimous in the verdict that the harvester will be a success. The new combine will be ready for a thorough test during the harvest season next fall.

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Song Popular Among

Rovers of Caribbean

The sea-song of the pirates with its weird refrain of "Fifteen men on the dead man's chest" which Robert Louis Stevenson introduces into his famous book "Treasure Island" is in part at least authentic and was sung by the pirates and buccaneers who roved the Caribbean sea in the late Seventeenth and early Eighteenth centuries. Dead Man's Chest was an island of the Virgin group, which has been christened "Dead Chest Island," thereby losing much of its piratical flavor. To this island the pirates used to repair, to careen their ships, stretch their legs, drink rum, sing their buccaneering songs and make merry after their own fashion. Curiously enough there is a little church on the Chilean coast which is obviously built of ship's timbers. Recently a traveler of an inquiring mind, reasoning that if the church were built of ship's timbers, the bell would also come from a ship, determined to investigate. A climb among the rafters did not reveal the name of the ship, as he had hoped, but around the edge of the bell were inscribed the words: "Fifteen men on the dead man's chest." All that the clergyman knew was that the church bell came from a ship that was wrecked in 1722, which was just the time when the West Indies were getting hot for pirates, and many were being driven into the Pacific.

Odd Forms of Prayer

for Parching Fields

Many countries hold odd ceremonies to end drought. The Chinese take their dragon god around in a procession, and beat him soundly when he ignores their prayers for rain. The Bantus of Delagoa bay sing songs at their dried-up wells and make mothers who have twins carry the children around the parched fields. In Greece they send children marching round all the wells and springs, under the leadership of a girl adorned with flowers, who sings at each halting place. The same custom prevails in Yugo-Slavia, where a little girl called the Dodota is clothed from head to foot in grass and flowers, and leads her companions through their native village, stopping at each house, so that the housewife may pour a pail of water over her, and singing the good news that the rain has come, even though it is usually far away.

"Traveling Stones"

"Traveling stones," from the size of a pea to 6 inches in diameter, are found in Nevada. When distributed upon a floor or other level surface within 2 or 3 feet of one another they immediately began to travel toward a common center, and there he huddled like a clutch of eggs in a nest.

A single stone, removed to a distance of 3½ feet, upon being released, at once started with a wonderful and somewhat comical celerity to join its fellows.

These queer stones are found in a region that is comparatively level and little more than bare rock. Scattered over this barren region are little basins, from a few feet to a rod or two in diameter, and it is in the bottom of these that the rolling stones are found.

The cause for the strange conduct of these stones is doubtless to be found in the material of which they are composed, which appears to be lodestone or magnetic iron ore.

Natural Query

The stroller happened to be present one evening when a young hopeful of six years returned home after a hard day's play and received a quarter left by his grandmother, who had called to see him, but who, fearing the night air, as grandmothers do, had had to leave before his return.

The boy had heard grown persons talk about "when the old lady is gone Junior will get quite a sum," and always when she came to see him she had placed a dime in the chubby spendthrift hand.

He stood with the quarter almost covering his palm, then looking up with great mysterious eyes, asked in awed tones:

"Is she died?"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Work of Volta Bureau

Volta was a famous French electrician. The Volta prize, created by Napoleon, was conferred by France upon Dr. Alexander Graham Bell for the invention of the telephone. Doctor Bell took this money, 50,000 francs, added to it a large sum received from other electrical experiments, and founded the Volta bureau, "for the increase and diffusion of knowledge relating to the deaf." This bureau prints and distributes every year hundreds of leaflets containing helpful information for the hard of hearing, or for the parents of deaf children.

Earth's Big Bulge

As the earth's crust is by no means rigid it rises and falls under the gravitational attraction of the moon and sun in a manner similar to that of the ocean's tide. Various difficulties have so far prevented exact measurements.

The pressure exerted on spots of the earth's crust by the rising tide of the ocean is another thing that makes it heave and fall. Atlantic tides have caused an observed earth bulge 800 miles away, and it is thought probable that this influence girdles the world.

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