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Do We Talk Money?

There is one feature about Americans that I never can reconcile myself to. It is that, go where you will, to a gentleman's house, his club or any other meeting place, I find that money is spoken of directly or indirectly. In all other civilized parts of the world money is "tabooed" as an article of civilized world diet. Is it really gentlemanly to make it a subject of conversation among the best people or have I fallen among the second or third class?—An Englishman in New York Sun.

All the Signs.

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—New York Weekly.



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A NOBLEMAN OF SPAIN.

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CHAPTER V.



Before the words left his lips Francisco had leaped with the girl in his arms.

A soldier stationed at the water gate was able to tell that he had seen Don Francisco with a man and a boy pass through the gate about half past eight. They had taken a canoe at the landing and paddled down the bay. Beyond this he knew nothing, for if the Senor Don Francisco, the son of his excellency, chose to go out on the bay at night it was not his place to stop him. In his barge Don Alphonso visited one of the long galleys lying at anchor, and before many minutes there were lights flashing from her which called the captains of the other two on board. No one had seen anything of the passage of an Indian canoe could not be noticed. Until daylight nothing could be done, but each man in turn gave orders, and the slaves were to be awakened at half past three. Anchors were hoisted and everything was ready.

In the meantime Don Francisco had hurried to the little corner in which Nechta had slept, waked her up and told her they must fly. The girl neither trembled nor made moan; her Indian blood enabled her to meet the crisis as coolly as though she had been expecting it for weeks. Dressed as she was in a boy's clothes there was but little to do, and Don Francisco lowered her down from the window into the little alley at the back of the palace. Then hurrying down himself he joined her; together they went to the little hut in the market where El Tigre slept and waked him. The three passed the sentry at the water gate, took possession of a canoe and paddling down toward the head of the island and San Juan, just below that of Cartagena, made their way out to sea through the Boca Grande (big mouth), the wide entrance to the bay, which was blocked in order to keep the buccanniers out, by sinking ships laden with stone across it. Reaching the ocean after a hard pull through the breakers they paddled off to the southwest. There was a chance for them among the Indians of Darien if they could survive the three days' trip. El Tigre rigged up a rude sail from the cloak Don Francisco wore, using two paddles to spread it, and then lying back in the stern of the canoe steered by the stars. The lovers sat in the center. What they said to each other was the best of the night. On the way he visited Hawaii and Samoa and called on King Malietoa.

He was lionized in Sydney. The papers published his picture and accounts of his wanderings, and he finally secured a change in his passport to London on a steamer. From London a steamer took him to Baltimore, and from Baltimore he tramped back to New York, arriving in the metropolis a few days before his year ended.

The St. Gothard Tunnel Dethroned. The great St. Gothard tunnel, which was begun Oct. 1, 1873, and finished in 1880, is 91 miles in length and cost \$196,400 per foot throughout. At present it is the Titan of all the world's tunnels. "These cannot last forever," however, and by the end of 1895 St. Gothard will be dethroned, the great Simplon tunnel, now in course of construction, coming in with the title of "largest and longest tunnel in the world." This new claimant for Titanic honors is being built to supersede the famous "route of the Simplon," a road over the mountains which was constructed by the first Napoleon.

The Simplon tunnel will be almost four times longer than the now celebrated St. Gothard, its total length from opening to opening being, according to expert calculations, 124 miles. In short, it is almost exactly three miles longer than St. Gothard. The old "route of the Simplon," which will be practically abandoned when the tunnel is completed, is about 38 miles in length. At present it takes 12 long hours to cross the Simplon route. When the tunnel is finished, less than a half hour will be consumed in making the trip.—St. Louis Republic.

The United States Capitol. The United States Capitol at Washington is one of the most majestic buildings in the world. It was first begun in 1793, when the north wing was founded. This was finished in 1800, and the south wing was begun in 1811. The building was burned by the British in 1814, and rebuilding did not begin until 1817. In 1851 the new extensions began, the house of representatives first occupying its present hall in 1857, the senate its present quarters in 1859. The dome was constructed between 1856 and 1865. The cost of the building has exceeded \$30,000,000. The dome is 307 feet high and 156 in diameter, contains 4,000 tons of iron, arranged to move during atmospheric changes like the unfolding of a lily.

The rotunda beneath is 96 feet in diameter and 150 feet high. The extreme length of the building is 751 feet; extreme breadth, 324. It covers 153,113 square feet of ground. The architecture is of the Corinthian order; the material of the central structures yellowish sandstone painted white; of the wings, white marble, tinged with blue.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Misdeeds. "It seems too bad," said Mr. Easywell, "that authors and reviewers do not get on together better."
"Yes," replied his wife, "the world seems to be quite wrong. Judging by what one reads, the critics should all be novelists and the novelists all critics."—Washington Star.

at Nechta and decided the world was well lost for love! What, Nechta in the hands of the Inquisition and that grim Friar Carlos? Never!

All day long they sailed, feeling no need of food. Far into the night they journeyed on until Francisco's eyes began to get heavy, and with Nechta in his arms he sank to sleep. The iron man at the stern sat there still, watchful, alert, steering by the stars once more, and the canoe moved steadily on.

It was nearly ten o'clock that night when the signals flashed out from the Santa Ysabel and her consorts closed. Don Alphonso had made up his mind to sweep to the southward in the search, and the galleys formed in their triple order once more, moving slowly, owing to the difficulty of seeing at night. Toward one o'clock Don Alphonso yielded to the affectionate solicitation of Colonel Honrad and lay down on deck, wrapped in cloaks, to get some sleep. Daylight comes at four o'clock in Central America, and at the first streak of dawn the three galleys were about five hundred yards apart, the Santa Ysabel in the center and perhaps one hundred yards behind. Two slaves, one on each of the foremost galleys, and Colonel Honrad, on the Santa Ysabel, saw the canoe about the same moment. Each slave received his freedom from the captain general.

Don Alphonso waked and rushed forward. Standing on the bow of the galley he saw Francisco rise when roughly shaken by El Tigre. His son looked around and saw the galleys coming directly toward him, the water closing under their bows as they were driven at full speed. He unhooked his sword, touched El Tigre, and pointing to the galleys laid it down in the canoe. Then he took the collar of pearls from his neck which had belonged to his mother and threw it over Nechta's head. He kissed his hand to his father—they could see each other's eyes now as the sharp cries of the boatswains caused the slaves to back water and stop the rush of the galleys—and then lifted Nechta in his arms. He kissed her upturned face once, twice, and Don Alphonso cried out to him he would give his consent. Before the words left his lips Francisco had leaped with the girl in his arms, and all that was left was a canoe rocking on the water, an Indian sitting motionless and a sword lying there!

El Tigre died under the torture, but he never spoke again, and Don Alphonso passed the record of even Spanish governors in his severity to the Indian tribes.

THE END.

Flowers at Death.

Why should you carry white flowers to the house of death, save, indeed, if be a little child, and has died? Is not death colder itself than any ice flower and whiter than any snow? Why not bring crimson roses and pile them about those cheeks from which the roses have fled, that they may catch something of their old-time glow? Why not lay claret carnations near those dear lips and heap blood-red poppies in the cold hands and on the colder breast that they may at least seem to press a little warmth there? And about that brow, that was for so long a time the home of a tender soul, put white narcissus blooms with their heart of gold; and daisy, too, for the daisy body down to the quiet feet with the wild pink roses that she so loved. Do not let your last remembrance of her be of something all white, all cold, but let a little warmth go with her even into the grave.—Ella Higginson in West Shore.

What Is Fur For?

Why do you have fur on your jacket to keep you warm? What an odd idea, as the girl said when her friend wished her a happy married life. When have you seen fur worn to add to the wearer's warmth? Oh, of course, sometimes, but you see it mostly on the edges of skirts, jackets and hats. Not every jacket that has fur on it has fur inside. Many have fur cuffs and broad fur collars, and some even have an edge of fur at the little way back and nearly all have a little fur, but all of it is for show and not for warmth. Even gloves have fur on the edge of the wrists, but few have fur inside. Likewise the garments that are furnished is the fur made use of for warmth?

Well, not if the girl can possibly live with her jacket open. Most of them are made so that the collar rolls over all the way down to the edge of the cloak or jacket. That shows the fur so nicely, and when the wind blows it makes the thing spread out and show the fur more. It is almost as nice as taking it off publicly and laying it, lining out, on the chair in front of you. Comfort is distinctly a secondary consideration to the average woman. Of course she is cold with tight gloves; her little pink ears are cold, but who would wear ear-muffs and look so horrid! Leggings are even so comfortable but they are so clumsy, and so on.

It is only because her good looks are as dear as herself that she should be more careful. If she gets a cold, she would have a red nose, and she will get a cold if she doesn't wear her cloak shut up even if it has fur lining.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Small Opera Glasses For Men.

"Do I carry my eyeglasses in my inside pocket? No, my boy, you ain't on. That's the only trouble with you," said Eugene Fiske of New York at the Southern just before putting on his Inverness to go to the theater. "It's the proper thing in New York, among people who know anything, to carry the smallest opera glasses that are made, and to have them attached to a cord about the neck, very much resembling an eyelash guard. That's what made you think I carried my eyeglasses in the inside pocket of my coat. What's the idea? Oh, the glasses are usually a present from some lady friend, and as a man is likely to leave them behind him he shows his appreciation of the gift and the giver by wearing them so that it is impossible to go off and forget them. Great scheme, isn't it?"—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

An Aggravating Speech.

One of the wits of the parliament house is said to have observed on the occasion of Judge Deas' promotion to the honor of knighthood, "The queen may make George Deas a knight, but no one will ever make him a gentleman." Deas was quite able, however, to hold his own, and he punished the wits when they came to make their maiden speeches before him. "Prisoner at the bar," he once said to an unfortunate wretch on whose behalf an infant advocate had been feebly urging "denouncing circumstances," "everything that your counsel has said in mitigation I consider to be an aggravation of your offense."—San Francisco Argonaut.

MAN'S FALL.

Since the original fall of man we have had some signal examples of great falls—not to include Niagara or the immense fall in values which the times have brought about—in the nature of accidents which waylay men at all times. One such is that of Mr. George W. Lord, of Omaha, Neb., who says he fell down stairs and suffered four weeks with a sprained back. The use of St. Jacobs Oil completely cured him. Mr. G. Roeder, 609 S. 17th St., Omaha, Neb., relates that he jumped from his engine in collision and sustained a very bad sprain to his ankle; he had to use a cane for weeks, but was finally cured by St. Jacobs Oil. Never fall out with so good a thing.

A Story With a Resonant Moral.

Young men ought not to play poker—or old men, for that matter—at any time, and when poker is played in business hours the heinousness of the act is flagrant. So when President Warren Elliott of the Wilmington and Walden railroad came unexpectedly upon a group of his young men playing poker, with coffee beans for chips, the other day, he accepted their explanation that there was no work on hand and the game was "just for amusement." At some remote period of his existence Mr. Elliott had been initiated into the intricacies of the game, and so he drew up a chair and watched it with interest. Each young man had in front of him a pile of coffee beans, which, as they were careful to explain to the president, were of no value whatever. As a matter of fact, they had been bought of the banker for 25 cents each. The president of the road watched the game with mild interest and from time to time absently helped himself to a pinch of beans from the different piles on the table, masticating them with the indifferent air of a man who knew that unground coffee was only 40 cents a pound. The anguish of the young men, who saw their chips melt away, was poignant, but nobody dared to explain. When the president had consumed all the beans in sight, he said good night to the most affable way and went off with an innocent smile on his face, cheerful face. The gentleman who kept the bank and had no chips to redeem is now a warm admirer of the president.—New York Press.

The Duse Turban.

Besides the prim, straight brimmed, plainly trimmed sailor hat which has nothing the least fancy about it but its name—the hat which so many women, matrons included, wear so comfortably and becomingly when they would perhaps look and feel absurd in most other shapes—is the neat little Duse turban, a model not unlike a modified English walking hat, with a low round crown and a pretty rolling brim that is unlike the English walking hat proper, in that the Duse brim does not roll up close to the crown, but broadens more on each side, making it particularly becoming to slender faces. A veil fastens over it gracefully and comfortably, and it is just the shape to accompany a tailor costume for shopping and walking, and for traveling if it is very admirable. The shape described is easily recognized, but different milliners give it a different name. It was, however, called originally after the actress.—Milliner.

LIFE OR DEATH?

It is of vital importance that it should be understood by persons whose kidneys are inactive that this condition of things is finally indicative of a state of the organs where life hangs in the balance. Bright's disease, diabetes, albuminuria are all diseases of a very chronic character in their mature stage, and all have a fatal tendency. They often baffie the most powerful medical skill and the most approved remedies of materia medica. But opposed at the outset—that it is so, with the kidneys begin to discharge their functions actively—with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the dangerous tendency is checked. Very well, also is this household cure for those ailments of common occurrence: constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia and nervousness. It is a safeguard against malaria and averts chronic rheumatism.

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Sleights and Girls and \$88.

Two young men met on Woodward avenue the other afternoon. "Been sleighting yet?" inquired one. "No," was the brief reply.

"Why not?"

"Oh, because."

"Because what? Because you can't get a girl, that's why," nagged the first one.

The other looked at him with profound pity.

"Girls nothing!" he said. "Why, my dear boy, if I could raise \$1 to put in a sleigh for every dozen girls I could raise for the same purpose, I could go sleighing three times a day from now until the Fourth of July," and with that he passed on.—Detroit Free Press.

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