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THE COUNTRY WEEKLY

The heart of a newspaper man in the small town is bound up with its interests, truthfully remarks an exchange. From the pages of the country weekly each week are reflected all the merriment, joy and sadness of the community. The country newspaper man meets his people and rejoices with them in their success. If one of the family dies the newspaper man will spend half a day to get all the particulars relating to the good deeds done by the one who has passed away. Once in a great while the overworked newspaper man, looking at his family needs and conscious of an intended insult, tears the point of his pen into the copy paper and roasts somebody—but rarely. The country newspaper man is delighted if his business pays him a small per cent each year. The banker will be glad to take his money at 3 per cent and loan it for say 8. The merchant cannot continue in business with less than a 20 per cent profit; the farmer may make thousands above his rightful labor in a year, but it isn't often that they sympathize with the editor who works to laud them and show the world their doings. The farmer, clearing several hundred dollars a week in the working season is often slow to see that he can afford the old home paper that waits to do him every good turn in its power. The newspaper in the home town boosts the price of city property and makes the price of farm property soar. When a man has an extra good yield of wheat, the newspaper prints a notice worth three or four dollars. That makes his property worth more per acre. When a man from a distance wants to locate in a town, he sends for a newspaper published in that town and looks it over. He can tell then just what that town amounts to. The newspaper is the gauge of the liveliness of the town. It is the index to the prosperity of the community.

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Seasick Fish.

Fish become ill and die from seasickness when carried long distances upon the ocean, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. For that reason many rare and interesting specimens captured in tropical countries cannot be brought alive to northern points for public inspection. In a recent shipment of 400 fish from Key West to New York more than 100 died on the way and the remainder arrived in a condition that required heroic treatment to save their lives. According to this it may be presumed that the agony endured by humans when the ship begins to pitch and roll is as nothing compared with the same sufferings of tank inclosed fish. As a precaution the fish are fed practically nothing for at least one day before being taken on board. The galvanized iron tanks in which the fish are carried contain from ten to fifty gallons of sea water kept at a constant temperature of about 60 degrees by steam from the ship's boilers during the trip.

Very Scientific Punishment.

Here is a charming description of corporal punishment as given in American schools and prisons. It is taken from one of the leading newspapers of Italy and will astonish some people here as much as it probably astonished the Italian readers.

"The most incorrigible persons are tied with eyes bandaged and hands shackled to a bath in which there is a little water. They are stripped and made to lie down in the bathtub. In the water is a wire leading from one pole of an electric battery. Another wire leading from the other pole is placed in contact with a sponge which is applied to the bare body of the prisoner. Each time it touches him he receives an electric shock that feels exactly as if he were being whipped.

"The punished youth, being unable to see whence the blows come, suffers all the more and is soon under subjection."—New York World.

A Legal Comedy.

The conservatism of the law as it is practiced in Philadelphia received an illustration recently in the loud summons by the clerk of the court to William Penn, Richard Penn and John Penn to appear in court in order that a certain title to land of which they were the original grantors could be cleared of an encumbrance.

No one suggested to his honor, the president judge of common pleas No. 4, that William Penn had been dead 200 years, and his sons Richard and John nearly as long. There was no need of such a suggestion. Every one within hearing of the clerk's voice knew that it was a vain show and an empty form that was proceeding before their eyes. Through the ill-crying of the names of men two centuries dead the demands of the law were satisfied and a title was cleared.—Case and Comment.

When an Animal Chokes.

Few emergencies which arise on the farm are more easily dealt with than choking. In cases of this kind we have never known the white of an egg when poured down the sufferer's throat to fail to give relief. To administer the egg quickly and surely it should be broken into a wide mouthed bottle. When such a bottle is not quickly available, however, any ordinary bottle can be used by using a funnel to get into it, and where a funnel is not at hand one can be made by rolling a piece of paper into the desired shape. When everything is ready the animal's head should be raised as high as possible, the bottle thrust far back in the throat and the contents emptied. The egg will immediately pass down and make the throat passage and the offending obstacle so smooth that it will pass on into the stomach.—Farm and Fireside.

She Didn't Like It.

Even unto honors, if they must carry them alone, children in America would not be born. A little girl who lives in my neighborhood came home from school in tears one day not long ago. Her father is a celebrated writer. The schoolteacher, happening to select one of his stories to read aloud to the class, mentioned the fact that the author of the story was the father of my small friend.

"But why are you crying about it, sweetheart?" her father asked. "Do you think it's such a bad story?"

"Oh, no," the little girl answered; "it is a good enough story. But none of the other children's fathers write stories! Why do you, daddy? It's so peculiar!"—From "The American Child."

Turning Away Wrath.

The garden gate was open, and a small boy paused to look at the daffodils within easy reach. He was just about to grab one when a bedroom window opened and an angry householder appeared. "These need tying up badly, sir," said the smart boy. "These big flowers are too heavy for their stems." There is no question that if that boy keeps out of prison he will get on.—Manchester Guardian.

A Long Siege.

After a siege of twenty-four years Turkey took Candia from Venice in 1629.

Not What He Expected.  
"Darling," he murmured, "whatever induced you to care for a fellow like me?"

"I really don't know, George," she replied. "Pa has threatened to send me to a brain specialist."—Boston Transcript.

Old Time Vintners.  
In the city of London at the time of King John every vintner was required to hang outside his shop an iron vessel with pegs marking the different quantities sold.

Easy Frustration.  
"I have often noticed that my wife's hair would be nice and curly at night," said the clever one. "How did I know? Why, I saw it in the morning papers."

Every man has a right to judge one individual only, and that is himself.

Settling the Account.

Here is a story told of a certain wealthy but eccentric earl. On being reminded by a wail and wailer that a small account was overdue he called at the shop and interviewed the manager. "You state," he said solemnly as he stood over him, "that you are not sure as to whether you will or when he has the money, but in case that he will feel like I will pay the account—and take another hat!"

Elevating.

"There goes a chap who does a deal to elevate mankind."  
"Who is he?"  
"The district attorney."  
"How does he elevate humanity?"  
"He sends 'em up doesn't he?"—Kansas City Journal.

Unsettled.

"I want some sort of present for a young lady."  
"Yes, sir. Suppose an altar?"  
"By what you say, what would she like to get?"—La Jolla.

You cannot get your cake and have it cake. —Kavanaugh.

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