

AN ANSWER.

Brother in pain! thou art not all alone:
Thousands share with thee this sad, weary
moan.
Against "the wingless hours with feet of lead,"
I, too, lie stretched forever on a bed
Which cannot move from the dark, grimy wall,
Where never freshened air or sunbeam fall:
While all the weary night I must not dare
To turn, or groan in pity for the woe—
The weary sleepers, who with toil o'erborne
And hunger pangs, this couch with me must
share.
No, leave thy couch to me if brother death
Prefer thee first to heaven; as may my breath,
Drawn easier by the window, leave this slough.
The angels make the bed where thou dost lie!"
—Academy.

Why They Sat Up.

The small town of Ink—strange as the name may appear—is one of the good little places of the Ozark region in Missouri. I dropped into the village one June night, and, after a look at the surroundings, I determined to find a stopping place and spend the night in Ink. I went to a respectable looking house that was built on a level of logs, and after I had rapped several times on the half-closed door a native man, long haired and half-starved looking, made his appearance and directed his gaze at me for a moment.

"Well," he at length drawled, "kin I do anything for yer?"
"I would like to spend the night with you," I explained, "and I am willing to pay you anything that is right for the accommodation."
"Ef that's it," returned the native, "none right in. An I'll see what can be did fer yer."

I went in and waited in the dark until he had provided a light with a pine torch. Then I saw that we were not alone to gether in the single room of the house.

"These is my gals," explained the native, indicating half a dozen girls of various ages who were sitting on the left, "and them," he went on, sweeping his hand to the other side, "is the boys of their family—beary like, be them!"

I was inwardly wondering where they intended that the stranger within their gates should rest his head, when the old man set my curiosity at rest.

"When com'p'ny comes like you," he said, "ther childrens takes time about er sleepin'."

"You are rather badly crowded," I replied, "but I don't think that you ought to make any one sit up on my account."
"That's all right, stranger," came the laconic answer of the native, "but if you'd had as much stone as I've had, you'd watch, too!"—Detroit Free Press.

Useless Remembrance.

Two of the best known hunters of California are the two Aries, Ari Hopper, father and son, of the Sierras de San Rafael. The father stutters dreadfully, and the son is a giant, with a voice like a ball of Bashan, which, try as he will, he cannot modulate below a roar. Whenever the son bellows out a certain favorite story, the father marches up and down, exclaiming, as the climax is reached, "B-b-boy, you l-l-lie, you kn-kn-know you lie."

They were hunting in the San Rafael mountains, and had driven two grizzlies down a steep, narrow path to a plateau that ended in a sheer precipice, on the edge of which stood a small tree. The bears were separated, and the son, following one, drove him up the path, leaving the father to tackle him on the plateau.

After a chase, which ended in his grizzly getting away from him, Ari Hopper, Jr., returned to the plateau. As he came down the path this is what he says he saw:

"That war the old man up a tree, and so taken up with the bear that he never even noticed his only son. He'd clam on to the limb of that tree over the precipice, and Mr. Grizzly was on the same limb, reaching carefully for him with his paw. Every time he stuck his fist out the old man would jab at him with his bowie knife and say, 'G' back, g' back, you pesky fool; d-d-don't you see if you c-c-come any f-f-further the l-l-limb'll break and kill us both!'"

Right here the old man always explodes and never gives his boy a chance to tell truthfully how he managed to control his laughter long enough to "pick off" the bear with his rifle.—Youth's Companion.

Not a High Charge.

The late A. T. Stewart was harassed by a certain treasury decision which vastly increased his payment of duties. His lawyer called one day about another matter. Stewart spoke in an exasperated way about the treasury decision. "Let me see the decision," said the lawyer. After reading it through he said: "This law speaks of 'all silk' garments. Why don't you have a thread of worsted run into these goods when they are made abroad?" "Will that come within the new law?" asked the great merchant. "Certainly."

"How much do you want for that opinion?" asked Stewart a few months later. "Fifty thousand dollars," said the lawyer. And he got it. He was modest, too, but a dollar went further in those days than it does now. Stewart, years after, told his legal adviser that the casual suggestion made that day had been worth over \$1,500,000 to the merchant. But the \$50,000 fee was not high.—San Francisco Argonaut.

What Had Become of the Others.

There is a story of one of the old judges who in his youthful days had run a course of dissipation with a wild set of acquaintances, most of whom afterward took to a criminal course of life. One day his lordship had before him at the Old Bailey a man convicted of highway robbery, and recognized him as one of the old associates of his youth. Moved by curiosity and feeling sure that his identity would never be guessed, he asked before passing sentence what had become of his evil companions of boyhood. "Oh, they are every one hanged but your lordship," replied the prisoner, with a profound bow.—London Tit-Bits.

A curious coin used by the Gauls about 2,000 years ago was shaped like a horseshoe or capital letter U, and was about 1/4 of an inch thick and 2 inches across. Specimens of this coin have recently been found in Ireland.

One of the most unpleasant of the tragic memorabilia at the National museum is a necklace of thumbs, fourteen in all. They are all thumbs of the right hand.

Care of Furniture.

Furniture can be kept looking nice with so little care that it is too bad to deny it this little, yet, with the exception of the usual dusting now and then, it seldom gets any better in the majority of homes. Very ordinary articles of furniture may with care be kept looking well for years, while handsome furniture may by neglect be made to appear dingy and worn out long before its time.

Upholstered furniture that is in everyday use should be cleaned thoroughly once a month at least. The articles, with the exception of the very heavy ones, should be taken into the yard, or room with open windows, choosing a day when the wind is not in the direction to blow the dust into the room. Take each article to the open window or in the yard, and with a bristle brush clean out as much dirt as possible. The above, to be sure, is only for such as are upholstered in plush or any goods with a pile.

To clean haircloth, take into the air, if possible, and with a light switch beat out the dust, afterward wiping the dust from the surface with a damp cloth. Wipe over the woodwork with a damp cloth, and if there are any dents in it, place over them several thicknesses of wet blotting paper, and to this hold a warm flatiron until the paper is dry, unless the dent is a very deep one, this one trial will remove it.

When the woodwork is thoroughly dry, take some warm linseed oil, and with a soft flannel cloth rub it well into the woodwork, using a very little oil and a good deal of strength. Rub it over with a soft silk cloth or chamois leather to obtain a nice polish.—Housekeeper's Weekly.

Sleep in Sickness.

Concerning sleep, in connection with sickness, there is a good deal of heresy regarding the matter among otherwise well informed people. "Don't let her sleep too long!" "Be sure to wake him when it is time to give the medicine. It will be a great deal better for him not to sleep too long at one time!" How often we have heard these words, or words to that effect, when, in fact, in nine cases out of ten, and very likely in ninety-nine cases out of the hundred, they were the exact opposite of the truth. Gentle, restful sleep is better than any medicine, and how often—even how almost invariably—does the "change for the better," for which anxious friends are waiting so prayerfully, come during sleep, making its first manifestation when the patient awakes with brightened eye, stronger voice, a faint tinge of returning health mantling the features in place of the wan hue of threatening death.

In the words of Sanchez Panza, we may all say, "Blessed be the man who invented sleep!" There are, of course, critical situations in which a troubled, imperfect sleep may properly be broken to administer medicines, but in these later days physicians quite generally give the caution that in case of restful sleep the patient is not to be awakened for the administering of medicines.—Good Housekeeping.

Training Baby's Ears.

There are ears and ears, and almost as much as any other feature do they add or detract from the beauty of a face.

An ear that is snugly back against the head—an ear that is smallish, flatish, thin and rather transparent, this ear is a comfort to possess, but a large "meaty" ear, with deep, cupping propensities at the top—an ear that stands boldly out from the head and seems to bend itself forward to catch each passing sign or syllable—this ear is not a thing desirable. It gives "wear" the appearance of an animal of some alert species, and proclaims "forward" loudly and emphatically.

This superabundance of ear can be mitigated to some extent. Not by depletion or removal of any parts, but by bringing it into a more becoming position by means of soft bandages. The infant that shows signs of prominent ears should be provided with a thin cap of soft silk or mull, fitting snugly against the auricular members. It was once the fashion for the little ones to wear caps during infancy, but nowadays a cap is rarely worn, although a baby's face is made even more charming by this soft, white framing and ears are thus kept flat against the head.—Detroit Free Press.

The Average Woman.

I like to think a woman is an average woman. I like to think if two hours after she said she wasn't very fond of me, when she hears that some great trouble has come to me, that she will sit down and have a good cry and then come and tell me how sorry she is for me. I can forget in five minutes that I heard she said she didn't like me. I like the average woman because she's more agreeable than either saints or women who know it all. You can live with her, you can put up with her fads and fancies, because she is real. You don't care if she does know a cheap milliner that she won't tell you about.

Some day, when her heart gets the better of her brain, she will not only tell you, but trot off to the woman and insist that she must do things for you at as low a price as she has for her. Another reason why I like the average woman is because she isn't what the messenger boys call "naughty." She doesn't get herself up on a pedestal and condemn to all the rest of the world, and she is perfectly willing to ask questions and is equally indignant if they are not answered. Probably it's because I am such an absolutely average woman myself that I like them.—Baby's Letter.

Mr. Lower says that there were lately living in a small town in Kent fifteen persons whose hereditary name was Hall, but who, for the sake of distinction, bore the elegant designations of Doge Hall, Feather-toe, Bumper, Bubbles, Pierce Kye, Fag-gots, Cula, Jiggery, Pumble Foot, Cold Flip, Silver Eye, Lamby, Satty, Thick Lips and Old Hare.

In sandy soil the greatest success is met with in utilizing a stream of water from a hose to bore the way for the sinking of piles. The nozzle is secured to the keel of the pile and the stream turned on. The pile sinks rapidly, and the sand packing about it renders it perfectly solid.

The large seeds of the necklace tree of the West Indies, of a brilliant red hue, with a black spot at one end, have been often used as sleeve links and shirt studs. The red seeds of the coral flower are also used for ornamental purposes.

GROUNDLESS JEALOUSY.

My wife is jealous of each maid I worship in my verse.
And every dollar I am paid
For them she deems a curse.
And though through them I buy her gown,
Pay doctors' bills and rent,
At their fair nothingness she frowns,
Displeasure dire to vent.
One little secret I'd explain—
'Twould set her mind at rest—
But no, 'twould render her too vain
If she but dimly guessed.
Those maids I love for selfish self
Should go unwhipped of blame,
For every one is just herself,
Called by another name.
—R. L. Hendrick in Harper's Bazar.

Where Americans' Letters Go.

The United States writes more letters to Great Britain than to any other country. Last year 10,037,000 epistles went from the United States to Great Britain, 5,538,040 to Germany and 1,884,040 to France.

HOLT SCHOOL ACCREDITED BY THE UNIVERSITIES.

Holt's Oak Grove School has been placed on the list of schools whose graduates are admitted to the State University without examination. Dr. Holt's recommendation is also good for admission to the Stanford University. This school is located near Millbrae, San Mateo county, California, and ranks as one of the best and most popular schools for boys on the Pacific Coast.—San Francisco Chronicle, June 2, 1913.

A Mistake Somewhere.—Editor.—You say these jokes are original? Mr. Chesnut (a humorous writer)—Yes, sir, Editor.—Then you must be a much older man than I take you for.

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