

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

They Didn't Like It. "Of course," said Mr. Brown, a real estate agent, "curious things happen in my business, just as in every other. Now, I fully expected to rent that suite of rooms in the Perpendicular building to a society that wanted to hire some clubrooms, but it voted not to take them."

Pretty Cold Weather. Two boatmen on the Ohio river were talking about cold weather and of a certain severe winter. "It was just awful," said one of them, "At Cincinnati the river was froze tight, and the thermometer went down to 20 degrees below Cairo."



Too High Living. Tramp—Little girl, is there any cottage around here where I can get a plateful of anything besides chicken and asparagus? For the last week I've had nothing but asparagus and chicken, chicken an asparagus. If you could only tell me where I could strike a plate of good, old fashioned beef, or even a simple salad, I'd kiss you—Life.

Rational Dress Reform. At a recent meeting of the Rational Dress Reform society in London, Lady Haberton, the high priestess of the order, wore a coat bodice and divided skirt, reaching half way between her knee and ankle, of dark, rough homespun. Thick, laced boots and high gaiters were another feature of her attire.

OUR HOME. Beloved! when we pass away From this familiar spot, I wonder who will come and stay In the deserted cot...

- Famous "Hites." The following collections of poetry and prose on famous rides, although still incomplete, the writer believes to be the largest yet brought together: Sheridan's Ride; Thomas B. Read...

Women and Cabs. Of all the ways in which women are "pound foolish" there is none to equal their way of not taking cabs when they know they should. It is charged against them that they will lose a train, catch their "death of cold" or be late at a funeral rather than hail a cabby, as men universally do.

The Average Sleeping Room. Look into the sleeping room of the laborer, the clerk, the mechanic, where they spend from seven to nine hours of the twenty-four. Generally they are the smallest and most inconvenient rooms in the house, on the shady side, with one window, precluding any thorough ventilation.

What a Woman's Club Has Done. The Woman's Charity club of Boston started less than two years ago a surgical hospital with but forty cents in its treasury. It has since then bought and furnished its present quarters, supported a staff of nurses and doctors, paid \$80,000 for land on which to erect new buildings, has \$18,000 at interest for hospital purposes, and is now examining plans for a new \$5,000 building soon to be erected.

Queer Theory About Insanity. "There is something in the atmospheric conditions that develops insanity and murderous impulses," said a student of human nature. "That is my theory. It is like the grip and other diseases that prevail at certain times and under certain conditions. There are all sorts of diseases and impulses in people, and it only needs the conditions to develop them. Insanity is a peculiar disease, and to a greater or less degree exists in a pretty large proportion of mankind."

A Clever Southern Business Woman. In the death of Mrs. D. P. Faulds Kentucky's leading business woman is carried away. Mrs. Faulds was born in Bourbon county, and was a daughter of Willoughby Scott. She was married twice. Her first husband was R. R. Bolling, at one time clerk of the court of appeals. It was during the latter years of his life that Mrs. Faulds entered the china business, in which she gained a reputation of being a remarkable connoisseur of all pertaining to her line.

Princes Who Cannot Borrow. In regard to the Prussian royal family there is an excellent law, which had it existed here, would have saved us much money. No royal prince is allowed to borrow, and no one is allowed to lend money to him. If any one does lend he cannot recover. Acting on this law, Frederick the Great never repaid any Prussian who had lent him money when he was heir to the throne, for he deemed that such a person had not only violated the law, but ought to lose his money for having done an improper action.

Not Experience Enough. "A man answered an advertisement of 'Man wanted for the life saving service.'" "What has been your business?" was the first question. "I have been a doctor," was the reply. "You won't do at all, sir," was the reply. "We want a man who has had some experience in saving life."—Texas Siftings.

People and Their "H's." Guest—Why is it, waiter, that Englishmen give h's to words that have no right to them and drop them off others to which they belong? Waiter—Hedgedd Hinclshamen hardly bever do hit, sir. Honly the hignort hand hillterese talk that way.—New York Times.

Hard to Please. A San Francisco man had been in bed for several months with a malady that made him very nervous and irritable. His wife and daughter ministered to him assiduously, but were sometimes at their wits' end in trying to satisfy his capricious desires. As the young lady said once, her father was "no unreasonable that he would avoid if an angel were waiting on him."

The Pope's Frugal Life. The pope, according to Dr. Ceccarelli, leads a very regular and frugal life. He rises at 6 o'clock, says mass at 7, and is present afterward at the prayers of thanksgiving. Between 8 and 9 he takes coffee, milk and eggs. Then he gives private receptions. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon he makes a slight dinner, soup, a little fish and very little meat, after which he takes a little walk in the garden. In the evening one of his chaplains says the rosary in the papal chapel in presence of the pope. Toward 10 o'clock in the evening his holiness eats soup or broth of some kind and at 11 goes to bed.—London News.

Two Strange Meetings. At table d'hote in a New York hotel two strangers met about a year since. An interesting conversation ended by hearty pledges of mutual friendship. Precisely six months later to the day and almost to the hour they again met, without the slightest prevision or prearrangement, at the same hotel and the same table. During the interval each had traveled around the world, one eastward, the other westward.—Exchange.

Chokes, Not Jokes. "Don't send the horse reporter to any more hangings," said the proprietor of a Texas paper to the managing editor. Managing Editor—Why not? Proprietor—In this report of the double hanging he has it that the two entries came in neck and neck. In reporting executions levity is out of place.—Texas Siftings.

Out of Place. A man who had lost his way in a trackless forest came suddenly upon the signs of civilization. Many lights blazed, and sounds of revelry burst upon his ear. He was very glad. Advancing toward the festive scene, he was presently rebuffed to the spot. "Merciful heavens, this!" There was much of anguish in his tone and manner. "No place for a man." In the garish gleam of the glaring lights he had read that summer hotel was before him. Turning upon his heel, he plunged again into the wilderness.—Detroit Tribune.

Power of the Press. Famous Scientist (excitedly)—Something must be done to stop the spread of the opinion habit among women. Great Editor (calmly)—Very well, sir; I'll put in a paragraph saying that a hankerlog for opinion is a sign of old age.—New York Weekly.

A Question of Shortness. Dinkie—It's a strange thing to me how a short man always wants a tall girl. Dunks—Humph! It's a strange thing to me how a short man wants any girl. I'm blamed if I do when I'm short.—Buffalo Courier.

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