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From Personal Experience.

Uncle Eli felt he knew the metropolis pretty well. Had he not been there three times in four years? So when he brought Aunt Susan with him (on the fourth trip) he naturally assumed the role of guide.

She marveled at everything until they sat down for luncheon. They had gone into the Hotel Astor for that meal, but all its other marvels seemed lost on the visiting country hostess as she looked open eyed at the crowds that filled not only the corridors, but the restaurants. Scarcely had they found seats when this amazement took definite shape.

"Eli," said she in a stage whisper, "I can't set here an' eat peacefully. I jes' must go downstairs an' help pore Mrs. Astor with the cookin' and dishes."

Black and White Pepper.

"It has always amused me," remarked a botanical expert, "to hear people talking of their preference for black pepper over white and the various explanations they give for the same. Little do they know that both black and white pepper grows upon the same shrub. Over the pepper seed grows a black covering. The seed itself is white, or nearly so. To make black pepper the seed and its external covering are ground up, while the white pepper is the seed alone ground up. White pepper is milder than black, the greater part of the pungency being in the covering. A pepper made of the covering alone would be such, to use a slang term, hot stuff that it would burn the mouth. The black covering of the pepper seed contains the oil."

NAMES OF CITIES.

With Some Flippant Comments on the Seniors and Juniors.

One might naturally suppose that New York, for so many years the dominant city of the United States, would have some namesakes among the numerous towns which have come into being all over the country during the last half century, but the fact is that there is not one town in all the United States named for New York, the daddy of them all, so to say.

Maybe somebody can say why this is, but I cannot, though I am sure not a few New Yorkers have had a hand in starting new towns in various states. Our next door neighbor, Philadelphia, as slow as it is alleged to be, beats us out, for there are six Philadelphias scattered about, and Boston, grand old Boston, has eleven namesakes. Even Brooklyn puts it all over New York, for there are fifteen Brooklyns on the map, which shows that whatever New Yorkers may think of Brooklyn, Brooklynites think more of Brooklyn than New Yorkers think of New York when they go away from their home cities to start new ones.

San Francisco and New Orleans are no better represented than New York, while Chicago and Baltimore have only one namesake apiece, though to hear Chicago one would imagine that every other new town in the country had been named after it. Chicago has nothing whatever on St. Louis in the matter of accumulating namesakes—one, only one, each, and the only equality that Chicago is bound to admit.

Pittsburgh has as many namesakes as Boston, eleven, but all of them combined haven't as much money as Pittsburgh, and the same might be said of Boston's namesakes in regard to brains, though far be it from me to say it. Washington heads the list in the number of namesakes, twenty-eight, but it is not the capital so much as it is the immortal George which carries in this case.

Cleveland is only one short of Washington, and why there should be twenty-six Clevelands in this country in addition to the one in Ohio I don't know. I fancy some of them were named in honor of President Cleveland, as every president gets at least one or two postoffices named after him as a reminder of what he is to postmasters. Cincinnati is a smoothly sibilant name, and Cincinnati used to be quite a place, but it has only two namesakes, the same as Milwaukee, which is famous in other respects than its namesakes.—W. J. Lampton in New York Sun.

Wellington's Black Trousers.

Knee breeches survived in fashionable quarters until well into the last century. They were ultimately displaced by trousers, but the trouser on its first appearance was a tight fitting garment—a sort of extension of the breeches from the knee to the ankle. Mr. J. C. Wright tells us in his book, "The Good Old Times," that the Duke of Wellington was refused admission to Almack's in 1814 because he wore black trousers instead of breeches and silk stockings, but it would appear from a later reference that trousers were admitted to those fashionable assembly rooms in King street, St. James', in the course of the following year.—London Opinion.

Well Drugged.

A doctor was summoned to a police station to examine an unconscious prisoner. The prisoner, very muddy and disheveled, lay on the floor of the cell. The physician bent over and examined him, and then, rising, said in a loud, stern voice:

"This man's condition is not due to drink. He has been drugged."

A policeman turned pale and said in a timid, hesitating voice:

"I'm afraid ye're right, sir. I drugged him all the way—a matter of a hundred yards or more."—London Telegraph.

Mary Knew All About it.

Little Mary's father had been teaching her to walk properly. "Walk slowly and turn out your toes," he admonished her.

While she was undergoing this teaching she attended Sunday school one day. The golden text was, "Teach me to walk honestly." After reciting it several times the teacher asked:

"Who knows what that means?" "I do," replied little Mary. "Walk slowly and turn out your toes."

Couldn't Fool Her.

Mrs. Murray Keith, a venerable Scotch lady, from whom Sir Walter Scott derived many of the traditions and anecdotes wrought in his novels, taxed him one day with the authorship, which he stoutly denied. "What!" exclaimed the old lady. "D'ye think I dinna ken my ain groats among other folks' kail?"

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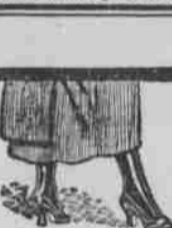
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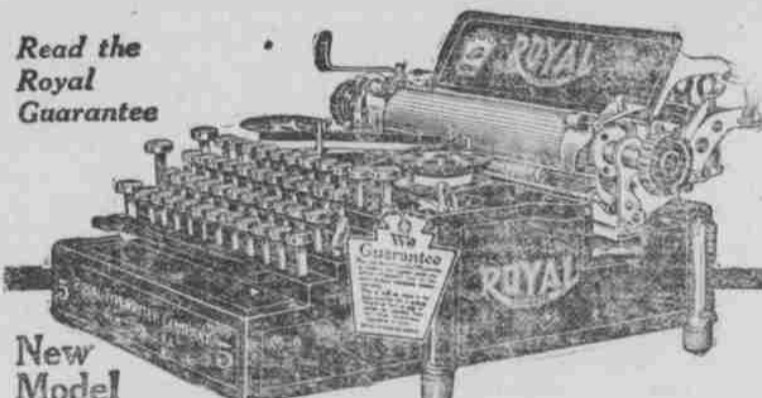
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