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Mrs. Huse and the Bear.

In the "History of Henniker," New Hampshire, it is related that Mr. Moses Huse set off with a friend on a bear hunt one autumn morning to be gone for the day. A little before sundown Mrs. Huse began her preparations for supper against the time of the hunters' return. In those early days few houses had cellars underneath; but a potato hole was dug near the dwelling and covered over during the winter with sods or thatch. In this hole the season's vegetables were stored.

Mrs. Huse handed a pan to her little girl, and bade her go out to the cellar hole and get some vegetables. The child obeyed, but soon ran in, saying that she had heard a noise in the leaves and was afraid. Her mother assured her there was nothing to be afraid of, and sent her back, but the little girl soon returned with the same story, when the mother said impatiently, "Wall, you stay here, an' I'll go myself."

As Mrs. Huse neared the potato hole she heard the noise which had alarmed the child. Upon going nearer she espied a bear digging in the leaves for acorns.

She immediately gave chase, picking up, as she ran, a huge pine knot, "with a train as long as yer arm," she said afterward, and came up with bruin just as he had begun the ascent of a tree.

Mrs. Huse was of Indian descent, of wiry, powerful muscle. She had often taken her end of the log in clearing the land, and now, equal to the emergency, she dealt the bear a heavy blow with the knot, which broke his back and he fell to the ground. She quickly dispatched him, dragged him to the house and dressed him.

When Mr. Huse and his comrade returned, the woman was cooking bear steak for supper. They were much astonished, and asked where she obtained the meat. She told them, and added, in her quaint dialect, "When he falled from the tree, I lammed on, I did; and I killed him. I did, I did!"

The energetic woman had beaten the hunters, whose search for bears had been fruitless and who had returned without game of any sort.

A Tutor Who Maintained His Dignity.

Dr. Chalmers always had a high sense of personal dignity. When a young man he was engaged as tutor in a private family. His young lady pupils resented his strictness, and the mother foolishly took sides with her daughters. In petty spite, when company was invited to the house, young Chalmers was shut out from the table and dinner was sent to his room.

He made no protest against the treatment, but when it was attempted again he told the servant he had ordered a dinner at a neighboring town and should need nothing. When this had been done a few times an explosion came. The master of the house called Chalmers to account for insulting his family. Chalmers replied that he had been insulted by banishment from the table. The young teacher conquered, and ever after held his place as one of the family at all social gatherings.—New York World.

Clean Money.

It must have been noticed by most people in this vicinity who have much occasion to handle money that the cleanliness of the bills in circulation, especially of the smaller denominations, has depreciated within a few years. A new bill is seldom seen; clean ones are rare, and the public are forced to handle and carry upon the person paper money which is exceedingly worn, dirty, and even foul.

The remedy for the present state of things is in the hands of the people, so far as the people are represented by the banks. The treasury department is always ready to give clean bills or certificates for soiled ones, and offers to the banks the benefit of its own contract with the express companies, by which bills can be sent to and from Washington at the nominal rate of twenty cents a thousand.—Springfield Republican.

An Elephant's Mistake.

An elephant in the Zoological gardens, while carrying riders, and when passing a lady who was seated on a chair, transferred to its trunk and thence into its stomach a brown leather purse which lay on her lap, evidently mistaking the same for a piece of gingerbread.—London Tit-Bits.

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A DOCTOR'S ADVICE.

Things Which Belong to the Body Coverings for the Night.

The hours of repose are among the essentials of the many matters of routine which contribute in varying measure toward existence. With some hours go the clothing for the night.

Many ideas are prevalent in regard to what should be worn at the time when one ordinarily prepares for that repose which is to give energy for the following day. One person has an opinion that a certain form of night robe and a bed covering of particular construction or character are the proper things for health and for comfort. Ordinarily these convictions of thought are not worth a serious consideration. A little common sense goes a great way and carries with it nearly every thing that suggests a proper habiliment for the hours of sleeping.

In the first place there is the body garment proper, and this is from a purely sanitary standpoint best exemplified in the pajamas. Pajamas cover both body and limbs and furnish all necessary warmth and comfort. They are loose fitting and thoroughly comfortable, and so very easily adjusted that any one can put them on the body with that facility with which an ordinary night shirt is placed. Women who may be averse to adopting clothes which may outwardly appear manlike may find in health a goal well worth contesting, and in covering themselves with that style of garment which is thoroughly sensible.

The composition of the nightgown is a matter of taste. Canton flannel, linen and woolen goods stand at the head of the list; after these come the silks. One, however, which deserves special attention and which is equally suited for both sexes is the real china silk. This last is the best, but cannot be procured at prices within ordinary range of purse. If it can be bought it will give not only a necessary protection, but a comfortable and an enduring garment.

The matter of bed clothing is another thing deserving of thought, comprising that same relation to the body which the outer clothing should hold. A few simple rules should cover the entire ground, and they are comprised in four homely precepts: Use a hair or husk mattress, cover this mattress with a blanket, cover the blanket with a sheet, put a sheet, blankets and counterpane, or extras if you like, above this, and always bear in mind that a lowering of the body's temperature at night is not to be sanctioned.—New York World.

Blinding a Shark.

A successful diver must possess great courage and nerves of steel. Such a man, connected with a large wrecking company, was visiting the pearl fisheries in the gulf of California. On one of his trips in quest of the pearl oyster he had a narrow escape from a fearful death.

He had been instructed never to stir from the bottom until he had looked up and around. Fortunately he heeded the advice. Having filled his bag he glanced quickly about, and caught sight of a huge shovel nosed shark watching him.

In an emergency men think fast. Near the diver was a large rock. He moved quickly to the other side of it, hoping to dodge the ferocious monster. But the maneuver did not work; the shark watched every movement, changing his position by a slight motion of his powerful tail.

Time was precious, and the diver conceived the idea of blinding the shark by stirring up the mud. Under cover of that he might escape. He worked for dear life, and had the water thick with mud in less than half a minute.

Slipping around the rock again he rose to the surface, having barely strength enough to reach the side of the boat, and was hauled on board just as the voracious man eater made a rush for him.—Frank Leslie's Magazine.

Two Extremes.

There are many things which women do not approve in men, as there are doubtless many faults in the moral and mental composition of women which are distasteful to men.

The violence and abusiveness, the lack of dignity, and even those personal differences which are emphasized with blows it would be painful to see introduced into an assemblage of women. Nevertheless there is no reason why the other extreme of excessive amiability should be aimed at, with the caressing and petting that have their proper and only place within the four walls and the strict seclusion of home. It is a far cry from the masculine turbulence of a political primary to the excessive sweetness of the too "womanly" convention, but there lies between the two a golden mean, where courtesy and refinement and unceasing regard for the feelings of others are perfectly compatible with official dignity and refreshing good sense.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Venetian Hospitality.

Whatever might have been said against the Venetians, they were a hospitable people—this, too, in small as well as in great matters. When, for example, in 1476, an ambassador from the khan of Tartary visited the city, and it was known that the khan and his suit carried but one shirt apiece in their bags, the senate formally voted twenty ducats, that they might be provided with additional shirts, which were accordingly made "alla tartarescha," and presented. We can imagine how the good councilors and citizens would enjoy this kindly little jest.—National Review.

A Retort on Black Friday.

On that historic day in Wall street following the memorable Black Friday Gould's old partner, shaking his finger in the millionaire's face, shouted:

"I'll live to see the day, sir, when you'll have to earn a living by going around this street with a hand organ and a monkey."

"Maybe you will, Henry; maybe you will," was the retort. "And when I want a monkey, Henry, I'll send for you."—Exchange.

"HE WAS IN IT."

Judge Monroe So Decided in Favor of Kelly—Kelly vs. Fenlow.

John J. Kelly vs. People's Bank et al. Plaintiff began this suit by seizing a lottery ticket, one-twentieth of a whole ticket, which had won $15,000 and had been forwarded to the People's Bank for collection, and in which he claimed one-fourth interest as owner. By consent the ticket was cashed, and the unclaimed three-quarters were withdrawn, leaving the contested one-quarter, which was also claimed by John W. Fenlow, under control of the court.

The parties live in St. Louis, and have been quite unfortunate. In 1891 Fenlow, Kelly, Norleman, O'Keefe and Connors formed a quasi club and on three or four occasions purchased five fractions of lottery tickets, said fractions costing $1 each, and each member, contributing his proportion of the price, was equally interested in the winnings. Fenlow generally was charged with purchasing the tickets, and held them until the drawing.

The members usually paid their contributions before the drawings, and Fenlow paid the lottery ticket vendor.

In April, 1892, they invested (Connors had dropped out). All paid except Kelly, who had agreed to pay his dollar on the day preceding the drawing.

The tickets had been selected by Norleman. There was no further intercourse between the members of the club until after the drawing on Tuesday, April 12, when it was learned that one of the four tickets had won $15,000. The tickets have been paid, for by Fenlow, and the question for the court to decide is whether Fenlow paid for account of Kelly $1, or whether it was for his own account.

The day after the drawing Kelly tendered his dollar, but was told that he was "too late" and that he was "not in it."

The court concludes that Fenlow gave Kelly to understand that he (Fenlow) would see that Kelly's interest in the ticket would be paid for.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed that there be judgment in favor of John J. Kelly and against John W. Fenlow, decreeing Kelly to have been the owner of an undivided one-fourth interest in the lottery ticket, and that plaintiff receive and collect $3,750, representing the one-fourth of the proceeds of the lottery ticket now on deposit.—New Orleans (La.) City Item, February 7.

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William E. Rockwell, No. 512 West 57th street, New York, says:

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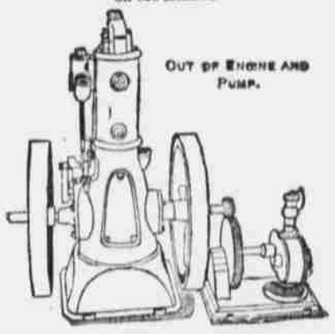

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