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A Scene in a Maine Town.

One of Caribou's popular young business men was in Buckfield recently with his bride, and when about leaving town, just before the train started, the bride discovered that she had left one of her wraps behind. A messenger was dispatched in haste to bring the garment, and the conductor very kindly held the train. The messenger arrived, and the conductor, impatiently waiting for the couple to enter the car, saw them start on a mission among their many relatives, and then remarked that unless his train started at once he would be obliged to claim a kiss from the bride. The happy young married man heard the remark and hustled his bride on the car, while his relatives and many friends shook their handkerchiefs and hands as the door closed and the train pulled out from the station.—Arroostook (Me.) Republican.

TELEPHONE LINES.

The Sunset Company to Stretch Its Wires Over New Areas—They Want Money to Do It.

The Sunset Telephone and Telegraph Company has voted to issue bonds to the amount of \$750,000 to extend service throughout the State. One line through the San Joaquin Valley has just been completed as far as Fresno and Tulare, while down the coast a line extends as far as Soledad. There is also a southern division running from San Luis Obispo to San Diego and all the thriving Southern towns. At present men are working on the gap between Soledad and San Luis Obispo, which will be long covered by telephone and telegraph wires. Once the connection is made between these two points San Franciscans can talk to Los Angeles and the north.

The Northern line goes as far as Vina, taking in Sacramento and the principal towns of Northern California by branch lines. Between Vina and Albany, Or., there is a gap to be covered. The Sunset wires in Washington cover a large area between Snohomish and the Oregon border, where they make connections with the Oregon Telephone Company's wires. To supplement these latter lines communication between Portland and Spokane will be established, and then the Northwest will be a network of speaking wires.

An Electric Light Controller.

An Edinburgh man has invented an ingenious electro magnet gas controller which will automatically turn up the gas when the electric light is turned off, and in case the electric light is turned on again the gas will at once be lowered. It is claimed that a great saving of gas is thus effected, and in large stores and public buildings such a device will fill a long felt want. The apparatus is attached to the gas pipe in the ordinary way, and when the current is turned on, the main valve is closed by means of an armature which is attracted to a pair of electro magnets. When the current is turned off the armature is instantly released, thus opening the valve and allowing the gas to flow. A sufficient quantity of gas is allowed to pass to the burners so as to keep them just alight, and in the event of an accident to the engine or the electrical plant the room or building will not be left in darkness.—New York Tribune.

Religious Dogs.

The famous St. Bernard dogs are very carefully trained. A traveler who visited some of the monasteries of the monks of St. Bernard a few years ago found the monks teaching their dogs the earliest stages of puppyhood. Not only is physical and mental training included in the teaching, but spiritual culture is by no means neglected. At meal time the dogs sit in a row, each with a tin dish before him containing his repast. Grace is said by one of the monks; the dogs sit motionless with bowed heads. No one stirs until the "Amen" is spoken. If a frisky puppy partakes of his meal before grace is over an older dog growls and gently tugs his ear.—London Tit-Bits.

Getting the Better of a Lawyer.

Lawyers, in spite of their training, do not always have the best of it in their dealings with witnesses, but are themselves sometimes handled rather roughly. Many an astute counsel has been nonplussed in the most unexpected manner by the smart repartee or quiet sarcasm of those under examination.

A witness at the Kilkenny assizes once told a counsel that he had been victimized in a certain transaction, or, as he put it in his own fashion, "humbugged." "Humbugged?" repeated the dandified counsel, with assumed surprise. "What do you mean by such an expression as that?" The witness proceeded to illustrate his meaning by putting a case. "Suppose I should tell his lordship here and the gentlemen of the jury that you were an able counsel and an excellent lawyer, and they were to believe it, why then, every mother's son of them would be humbugged, that's all."—London Tit-Bits.

Tests of Culture.

The chemist Liebig proposed to measure the standard of civilization by the consumption of soap—a criterion which would put the inhabitants of North Holland at the head of all civilized nations. As a more reliable test Edmund About suggested the sale of steel pens, the socialist Bebel, the frequency of reform meetings. Dr. Bernard, the use of undergarments in luxury unknown to the semi-civilized tribes of Asia and South America. Professor Eilers, the sale of postage stamps. The mileage of railroads per hundred square miles of territory might do in comparing countries of equal density of population, but otherwise would put Belgium too unfairly ahead of California and even of New England.—New York Telegram.

Not Wildly Enthusiastic.

"Don't you want me to buy you some neckties, Charlie?" "Yes, Alice, my love. I am about as anxious to have you buy me some neckties as you would be to have me buy your spring bonnet for you."—Truth.

Shot While Going For a Doctor.

It was in Pittsburgh some seven years ago that my wife woke me up one night and said that our little boy was very sick and would go for a doctor. I said of course I would, and slipping into my clothes I grabbed my hat and started out. When I reached the first corner, I passed a stranger who was running the other way. I cut diagonally across the street and ran toward the center of town. Pretty soon I heard footsteps some distance back, and then several shots were fired. I felt as though some one had thrown a stone and struck me on the leg, but I couldn't run any more worth a cent. I stumbled down and then drawing myself up put my hand where I felt the pain and found that my leg was moist with blood. I easily realized that I was shot. The possessor of the revolver drew up before me panting for breath and exclaimed, "You will rob people, will you?" It was a policeman. I began to upbraid him most thoroughly. Explanations nor exonerations did not help the matter any, and I was taken in a patrol to the station. I repeated my story and insisted that a doctor should be sent to my house. The desk sergeant finally did as I wished, and our family doctor called at the house, and later came by the station. It did not take me long to convince the station officers that I was not the party, and was set at liberty and removed to my home. When I was able to get around again, I sued the city for \$3,000, and I got it.—Interview in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Amelia Rives' Newsboy.

"There is a young man in Mobile," said Colonel Robert McEachin of Winchester, Va., "who has cause to remember Amelia Rives twice a year. When the now distinguished lady was a little girl and lived in that city, she became fondly attached to a newsboy who cried out his papers every morning in the neighborhood in which she lived. She met him one day and a friendship sprang up between them that has lasted to the present time. After the boy's stock of papers were sold in the morning he would call for the pretty little blue-eyed miss, and they would take long strolls down Front street, plucking the orange blossoms and the magnolia blooms. They soon got to be familiar figures on Government street, as they would walk along that busy thoroughfare with the young girl's head garlanded with wreaths of beautiful flowers and the little boy's arms filled with vines and evergreens. Then Miss Rives moved far away into Virginia, but she never forgot her newsboy friend, for it was her custom almost daily to write him. The boy met with a misfortune some years ago which crippled him for life. He is poor, but his purse is twice a year replenished by a postoffice order from Mrs. Chanler. One of those arrives in Mobile on his birthday, which is in June, and the other on Christmas day."—St. Louis Republic.

A Queer Performance.

Several years ago a Hampshire baronet was amazed to find that, although he went to bed clothed as is customary, yet he invariably awoke naked in the morning and could not find any trace of his missing garment. A great number of shirts disappeared in this inexplicable manner, and as every nook and corner in the room was searched without result the baronet at last told one of his intimate friends, and requested him to sit in the room all night and watch developments. This the friend did, and after the baronet had for some time given audible evidence that he was asleep the watcher was surprised to observe him get out of bed, open the door and proceed with a quick pace along a corridor, descend the stairs and emerge into an open yard.

Suddenly the baronet, divesting himself of his only garment, seized a pitchfork and buried the linen in a dunghill. Afterward he proceeded leisurely back to his bed. In the morning the baronet, incredulous at what his friend related, repaired to the dunghill, and after digging for some time found several shirts stowed away in this anything but pleasant receptacle.—Boston Globe.

When Traveling Was Dangerous.

Hounslow heath, Finchley common and Gadshill, in the neighborhood of London, were celebrated haunts of the highwayman, and the secluded roads of Epping forest, on the route to Cambridge, were often the scenes of plunder in broad daylight. These desperate robbers at last became so dangerous, and the peril of their attacks so serious to travelers of all kinds, as well as to the postmen, that the government passed a law making highway robbery an offense punishable by the death of the criminal and the confiscation of all his property. But robberies still occurred.

In 1783 mail coaches, protected by armed guards, took the place of post-boys. The coaches carried passengers also, and as these generally carried arms the mails were better protected, but still daring and oftentimes successful attacks were made upon them.—St. Nicholas.

The Glass Industry.

The progress of the glass industry in America has been far from constant. It has suffered severe and violent fluctuations, amounting almost to annihilation. Several times it has had to be born again. But the sum total of these successes and vicissitudes has been the establishment of an industry which, while it is the oldest, is also at the present time one of the most promising and most highly developed of all our industries.—Professor C. H. Henderson in Popular Science Monthly.

A London Idea.

In certain London restaurants each customer is allowed to make his or her tea. The waitress lights the gas burner, which is affixed to each table, and sets thereon a silver kettle. Then she presents to the teakamer a silver caddy divided into compartments and offering a choice of Scotch, Ceylon or green tea. Any one who is compelled to drink the lukewarm stuff called tea at restaurants will appreciate the new idea.—London Letter.

At a fire in Georgia, there being no water at hand, some little colored boys went off with watermelons which were growing in a neighboring field, and the melons bursting soon quenched the flames.

A dog at Bern crept into a counting house when the owner's back was turned, and after stealthily appropriating 500 francs in notes, scampered off with them and laid them at his own master's feet.

The habitual fishermen of Boston harbor say that the recent naval commotion there caused all the fish to strike out for deep water, and that they are slow about returning.

The celebrated military balloon works in Paris has produced an aerial "torpedo boat," of which one has been bought by the Russian government. The trials will be secret.

The oldest living ex-member of the cabinet is James Campbell, of Philadelphia, who was one of President Pierce's secretaries. He is a lively old man of eighty.

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