

GEORGE WASHINGTON.



WASHINGTON AS BUSINESS MAN.

Probably the Largest Land Owner in the United States. As a man of business Washington was extremely methodical.

Just after the Revolutionary War Washington and Gov. Clinton of New York obtained 6,000 acres in the Mohawk valley.

As the years went on Washington's lands increased in value, and when he died he was one of the richest men of his time.

Washington's Rules for Conduct. When Washington was 12 years old his elder brother, Laurens, found neatly written in a book rules for behavior.

GOOD Short Stories

Speaking of the difficulty students experience in remembering the exact situation of the mitral and tricuspid valves of the heart, Professor Huxley once remarked that he remembered that the mitral (so-called from its resemblance to the headgear of the church dignitary) must be on the left side.

Among the clever epigrams which occur in Mrs. Craigie's new society drama, "The Wisdom of the Wise," are: "Mrs. Bistern has made so many experiments that she has had no time to gain experience."

The Thoughtful Parent. "And now, my son, I want to give you a little lesson. We have here a cherry tree, a little hatched and the life of George Washington. I take a little branch from the tree and—"

Cottonteed Meal and Quality of Butter. It is the general experience that cottonteed meal produces a hard butter, and in some instances a small amount of this feed is given for that specific purpose.

Time's Mutations. "Really your face is very familiar, sir, but you seem to have the advantage of me in names."

Our Overheated Houses. A Mexican newspaper declares that when Mexicans visit the United States in winter they suffer more from the overheated houses than from the cold outside.

He Delighted in Dancing. Washington was given greatly to dancing throughout his life. Even when President he was a constant attendant at dancing assemblies in New York and Philadelphia.

SUPPOSE WE SMILE.

HUMOROUS PARAGRAPHS FROM THE COMIC PAPERS.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the World Over—Sayings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young—Funny Selections that Everybody Will Enjoy.

"Do you see that man over yonder? He has just had greatness thrust upon him."

"Why, he's the only public man in the country who when asked to tell what would happen in the new century said he didn't know."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Can Get Along. "Do you think it is desirable for a man to study the dead languages?"

"No, sir," answered Mr. Cumrox, "with emphasis. 'If queer words are what a young man aspires to, the golf and base-ball reports in any good daily newspaper will supply all his wants.'"

A Difference. The parson (on a visit)—And how long do you pray at night, my boy? The Boy—Winter or summer?

Puzzling. Dickerman—"There's one thing that puzzles me." Rawley—And, pray, what is that? Dickerman—How it happens that the new woman is generally not a very young one.—Boston Transcript.

The Corned Philosopher. "There is nothing a woman more enjoys," said the Corned philosopher, "than monkeying at making something out of something it ought not to be made out of."—Indianapolis Press.

Quick Exit. "Mr. Lew told me that he was a Yale man. Do you know what class he was graduated from?"

Accommodating Old Man. He—I asked your father's consent by telephone. She—What was his answer? He—He said: "I don't know who you are, but it's all right."—Harvard Life.

A Valuable Dog. Friend—Magnificent dog that. Mr. Suburb—Yes, he's a splendid watch dog. Paid \$500 for him. Friend—Well, he's worth it—splendid animal! Splendid! Finest I ever saw! But, by the way, what's this other dog for? He's a mere mongrel! Fact is, he's a common cur.

The One Concerned. The Bride (three times widow)—That Dicky Small is one of the most important men I ever saw. Why, Alfred, just after the ceremony he came up and wished me many happy returns. The Groom (after figuring on it a minute)—I guess it's up to me to go out and smash his head or go and take out a life insurance policy.—Denver News.

Good Advice. Willie Sonnet—In what magazine would you advise me to publish poems to give them the highest position? Editor—The powder magazine.

A Great Surprise. Jack Huggard—Miss Pechy's father made a surprising statement to me last night. Dick Danvers—That so? What was it? Jack Huggard—He sneaked into the parlor and cried: "Aha! That's the time I taught you kissing my daughter!"—Philadelphia Press.

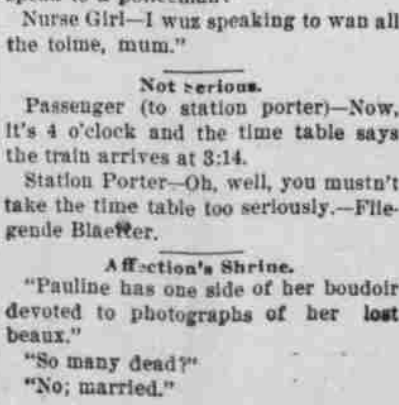
His Glorious Record. "Let me see, Colonel," she said in her sweetest manner, "where was it you won your spurs?" "At Cape May," he replied. "Cape May?" she echoed. "Why, there never was a battle at Cape May." "No," he admitted, "but there were three grass widows in the house when I stayed there last summer, and I got away from the whole crowd!"

She Was Speaking. Nurse Girl—I lost track of the child, mum, and— "Good gracious! Why didn't you speak to a policeman?" "Nurse Girl—I was speaking to wan all the tolme, mum."

Not Serious. Passenger (to station porter)—Now, it's 4 o'clock and the time table says the train arrives at 3:14. Station Porter—Oh, well, you mustn't take the time table too seriously.—Fleegende Blaetter.

Affection's Shrine. "Pauline has one side of her boudoir devoted to photographs of her lost beau." "So many dead?" "No, married!"

Landlords in Holland. In Holland no landlord has the power of raising the rent or of evicting a tenant.



Freaks of Fortune.

Mikey—Chimney's got a pair o' skates for Christmas, an' a red pencil, an' a one-bladed knife, an' five cents' wort' o' gum an' a bun shooter, an' a pair o' suspenders an'—

Unsurmountable. Wunn—I seem to have the worst luck in the way of getting my feet stumbled over in street cars.

Inadvertently Pleasant. "I didn't know it was to be a comic opera."

Uncertain. Briggis—How long has Miss Pertly been on the stage? Griggs—Two or three marriages.—Chicago Record.

Stay in Economics. "She accepted me, but wouldn't let me sit by her on the sofa."

A Domestic Explosive. Little girl—Papa, what is powder? Father—It is something people get blown up with.

An Illiterate. Jane—What did you ever reject John Gray for? Kitty—He was so illiterate.

The First Course. "Miss Keedick is taking the first course in the Female College of Journalism. It will last three months."

Looked Like It. Doctor's Story of a Man and Woman with Broken Legs.

"When I was an ambulance surgeon," said the young family physician, "I used to start like a horse about the sound of the call. I was just as much interested in the work at the end of two years as I was the day I began."

The Fenimore Kid. Johnson—Does your wife speak French? Thompson—She thinks she does. "You don't speak it, do you?" "No."

Had Them in His Head. Professor to Student of Surgery—Please inform the class the names of bones forming the skull.

Past Tense. "She married a millionaire, didn't she?" "You mean that he was a millionaire at the time she married him."

Mr. Gillette's Tobacco Habits. William Gillette claims there is no righteousness in his tobacco reputation. He admits he likes a good cigar, but decries that smoking is with him a continuous performance, and asserts that colicidence rather than intention has made it necessary for him to simulate a devotee of the weed in the majority of his plays.

To Divers Them. Pittsburg Man—What would you folks do if a mob of rioters should come charging down Broadway?

Told in Washington. "Is the correspondent of that publication a well-informed man?" "I should say so," was the answer.

An American Sign in Egypt. "American Bazar," in huge letters over a shop in Alexandria, Egypt, attracted the attention of an American.

Wants More Settlers. A body of capitalists has contracted with the Ontario government under heavy bonds to place in Algoma, western Ontario, 500 settlers per month for five years.

A Cruel American Parent. The Mother—My dears, your father is obdurate. He says that after raking and scraping, as he vulgarly expresses it, and getting into debt, and making other sacrifices, he can only allow you \$500 apiece for your clothes.

Blind Barber in Michigan. Sharpness in Hearing Makes Up for His Lack of Vision.

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