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GOOD Short Stories

It is said that Henry Guy Carleton, the playwright, who stammers very badly at times, not so long ago stopped Nat Goodwin on the street and said to him: "Nat, will you give me half an hour for five minutes' conversation?"

When Bishop Potter the other day tried to open the door of a Fifth Avenue stage in New York, it was playfully held closed by the Rev. Dr. Edward Judson, the pastor of the Judson Memorial Baptist Church, who was inside. "Ah, Judson," exclaimed the Bishop, "when he saw what Dr. Judson was doing, 'I have discovered that you are a close-communion Baptist.'"

Booker Washington says that during the earlier days of freedom, almost every negro who learned to read would receive "a call to preach" within a few days after he began reading. He tells of a colored man in Alabama, who one hot day in July, while he was at work in a cotton-field, suddenly stopped, and looking toward the skies, said: "O Lawd, de cotton am so grassy, de work am so hard, and de sun am so hot, I b'lieve dis darkey am called to preach!"

A gentleman who was once being taken over an insane asylum, asked an attendant how they knew when an idiot was considered to be sufficiently restored to sanity to be discharged. "Oh," said the attendant, "it is easily managed. We take them into a yard where there are several troughs. We turn on the taps and then give the idiots buckets to ball out the water and empty the troughs. Many of them keeps balling away while the taps keep running, but them that isn't idiots stops the tap."

The New York Sun's Pekin correspondent says that once during a dry season in China, the viceroy, Earl Li Hung Chang, called on the American minister, Mr. Conger, and spoke of the weather. "Yes," said Mr. Conger, "it seems to be dry everywhere. It is dry in my country, too. I read in one of our papers the other day that in many places in the West the people were praying for rain."

"What?" said the earl, "do your people pray to their God for rain?" "Oh, yes," said the minister, "they often pray for rain." "And does their God send it when they pray for it?" asked the earl. "Yes, sometimes their prayers are answered and sometimes they are not." "All the same like Chinese Joss, hey?" said the earl, with a grin and a chuckle.

The following is an extract from a bona-fide letter which a woman from New Haven, Conn., wrote to Clyde Fitch, the other day: "I have been reading of the vast amount of money you have been making this year by writing plays. I do not approve of the theatre myself, but I would like to ask a small favor of you. I am a lady who has seen better days, but with God's help and your assistance I think the sun of prosperity may shine on me again. I am a widow with three daughters. The eldest died two years ago and ever since I have been most anxious to have her grave sodded. Now you please sod her grave for me, my dear Mr. Fitch? My second daughter could make a very good marriage if you would only send her \$200 with which to buy her trousseau. My third daughter has a beautiful voice. The doctor says it cannot be properly trained for less than \$150. I short, dear Mr. Fitch, send me a check for \$500, and just see what an amount of good you will be doing in the world. My daughter's grave will be sodded, my second girl will be made a loving wife, and my baby will have a voice to earn money for her mother with; and I shall have enough of your money left to hire a second-hand piano. Be sure and send the money by registered letter, as I think the ordinary mail is so unreliable."

One evening last season, at a famous restaurant in New York, Paderewski happened to be dining there at the same time that the New York Goldsmiths' and Jewelers' Association were having a celebration dinner in another part of the building. At the close of the feast the pianist made his way to the cloak room and was busy washing his hands when one of the other party came in on the same mission. The newcomer stared at the fair-haired Poles, and at last, as he dashed his hands through the water, said: "You're very like Paderewski; do you know him?" "I am Paderewski," rejoined the maestro, modestly. "What?" whooped the American, and, dashing at him, shook both his hands without waiting for the ceremony of wiping his own. Before there was any time for Paderewski to escape the man from the goldsmiths' dinner rushed to the door, and, calling to the chiefs of his party, yelled: "I say, Brown, Jones, Robinson, Smith, all of you, come here; I want to introduce you to my friend, Paderewski!"

Improved Proverbs. Quacks are stubborn things. It's a wise girl who knows her own mind. Society is the mother of convention. Honesty is the best in a day. Modesty is the best policy. Circumstances alter faces. A rolling gait gathers remorse. All's not dead that titters. Let us eat, drink and be married, for to-morrow we die. Charity uncovers a multitude of sins. —Smart Set.

Ground Pins Completed. Nagus (literary editor)—How is your new society novel getting on, Bonus? Bonus (struggling author)—Splendid! I've got the French phrases I am going to use in the story all selected. There's nothing to do now but to fill in the English and divide it into chapters. —Chicago Tribune.

Photographic Talk. Summer Girl—Do you think you can take a good picture of me? Cholly—I'm afraid I must answer you in the negative. Wise men are conservative. Only fools give their candid opinions on all occasions.

Out-of-Tone Conditions

Marked by failure of appetite, loss of vitality, that tired feeling, bilious turns, dull headaches, indigestion and other stomach troubles, as well as by pimples, blotches, boils and other eruptions, are all referable to an impure or impoverished condition of the blood.

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A Slim Menu. I presume you are always filled with the divine afflatus," said the admiring friend to the dreamy poet. "Yes," answered the dreamy poet; "yes, and that's about all as a general thing."

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Not Any Better Than Women. A Boston club put up theatricals for "ladies only," and some of the lords of creation almost racked themselves into brain fever trying to get in.

Domestic Opinions. Husband—I think only sensible women ought to marry. Wife—Well, you'd be a bachelor if that were the rule.

A Tramp's Work. "Hello, Walker! What y' up to now—days?" "Well, Lazy, I'm lookin' fer a chance 't work—

"Aw, come off! You don't expect me to believe that?" "Cert. It's de truth. I'm lookin' fer a chance 't work some soft guy fer the price of a drink."

NOTEWORTHY ANNIVERSARY IN THE HISTORY OF THE YOUTH'S COMPANION.

With its issue of April 18th The Youth's Companion entered upon its 70th year. To commemorate this anniversary, the publishers prepared a richly printed souvenir illustrating the growth of the nation and of the Youth's Companion since the year The Companion was founded, 1827. Perhaps the most significant features of the souvenir are its three maps. The first show the small section of the continent occupied by the United States of 1827, when The Companion began life with practically no subscribers. Another shows the system of railroads which cover the United States in 1901, an aggregate of 187,781 miles. The Youth's Companion traversing every mile of this system once a week. The third map shows the number of subscribers to The Youth's Companion in every state of the union in 1901, the paper being delivered every week to 545,342 American homes.

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A Lively Walk. "I hear there was doings at Mc-Ghoolighan's wake." "Doings?" There was so many foine fights, me boy, that th' wake was reported in the sportin' column."

Only Four of the Rank. The only persons who have held the rank of general of the United States army were: George Washington, U. S. Grant, William T. Sherman and Philip H. Sheridan.

The Worst Yet. Stubb—I hear that Falcon is going to stop writing poetry. Penn—Yes; the position in which the paper brought out his last sonnet discouraged him. Stubb—Did they run it on the "Children's page?" Penn—Worse than that. It appeared in the puzzle department.

A Marked Man.

Jasper—Why do you consider Bond-locks so especially lucky? Jumpspike—Why all his friends had gone back on him before he had succeeded, and he was able to begin life with a clean slate.

Impossible to Say. Johnson—Do you mean to instigate that I can't tell the truth? Parkinson—By no means. It is impossible to say what a man can do until he tries.

In the Enemy's Country. "I know well enough, fellow citizens," exclaimed the fierce browed, shaggy haired orator, "that the views I advocate are not popular. Not 10 days ago while advocating them from a public platform, I was struck on the head by a brick and knocked senseless." "Why didn't you wait until you got your sense back before you went to talking again?" inquired a man in the outskirts of the crowd, in a loud raucous voice.

A Crushing Outcome. "Joe, have you ever experienced heart-felt disappointment?" "Yes; I once tried to dye this old red mustache brown and it turned green."

Preservation of Eyesight. An Ontario oculist thinks that the eyesight of one fourth of the blind patients he has had might have been saved by prompt precautions taken in infancy.

Unreasonable Request. Unceasingly the prayer of man went up: Backward, turn backward, O Time, in thy flight! Make me a boy again just for to-night! Father Time whetted his scythe impatiently. "And if I should," muttered he, "they'd say I was making monkeys of them!"

Printing Without Ink. A company has been formed to control the process of printing without ink, and in a short time it is expected that old methods will be revolutionized. There is something, however, that has resisted all innovations; that is, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is a wonderful medicine for dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, insomnia, constipation and nervousness. It also prevents malaria, fever and ague. Try it and you will not be disappointed.

His Explanation. "What do you mean by having a woman's letter in your pocket?" his wife inquired sternly. For a moment his face went white. Then a shade of relief chased it away. "On my word, Maria, I forgot to mail it for you."

THE SALESWOMAN

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