

# Brevities

## THE HALL OF FAME.

Tra Smith of Passumpsic, Vt., recently made a contract to saw thirty cords of wood for a creamery company. Mr. Smith is ninety-one years of age.

When John D. Rockefeller went to school at Owego, N. Y., Thomas C. Platt was also a student there, but a year ahead of the oil king in his classes.

Before he went to congress Senator Charles Dick of Ohio signed himself Charles W. F. Dick. The two extra initials he has since considered superfluous.

The Swedish minister at Washington, Herman de Lagercrantz, is so delighted with the Lake George region that he intends to build a cottage and spend the summers there.

John R. McLean, the well known editor and proprietor of the Cincinnati Enquirer, will present to Cincinnati a drinking fountain, to be placed on the site of the McLean homestead.

Captain Joshua Slocum, who sailed around the world alone in his little thirty-six foot boat, the Spray, a few years ago, still lives and sails his craft. He recently arrived at Nantucket with the Spray from the West Indies.

Seld Back, Jr., son of the wealthiest Chinese merchant of Portland, Ore., has been admitted to practice in the federal court at Portland by Judge Calverton. Young Back is twenty-six years old and was born in Portland.

Sir Langdon Bonython is one of Australia's journalistic knights. From the position of reporter he worked his way up to the editorship. He has sat in the commonwealth parliament and has taken a prominent part in the progress of education in his state.

Congressman Burton, of Cleveland, O., is understood to contemplate resigning the chairmanship of the rivers and harbors committee in the next congress and devoting his time to the work of the inland waterways commission, of which he is a member.

French art has to mourn the death of Auguste Delattre, one who may be styled the father of engraving on copperplate. A mere craftsman and almost self taught, he began so long ago as 1840 to study ancient work on copper and became the restorer of the art in France.

Edward M. Morgan, who has been appointed postmaster of New York, started thirty-four years ago as a temporary letter carrier in the postoffice. He is the first postmaster in the history of the New York office who has worked his way up from the bottom and filled successively every place in the local service.

## PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Adelaide Kelm has been appearing in New York as Roma in "The Eternal City."

A new mining play of the gold fields of Colorado is called "The Blackhawk Mine."

A rumor that "Peter Pan" will be produced as opera has been denied by J. M. Barrie, the author of the play.

Sarah Bernhardt has been elected to the Society of Authors of France. She has always shown great interest in the society.

Miss Fanny Hartz, daughter of A. F. Hartz, is playing with the Columbia theater stock company in Washington. Her work has been well spoken of. Hilda Spong and Charlotte Walker head the company.

"The Prince of Pilsen" will be translated into German and produced in Leipzig under the direction of Dr. Herman Haller at the Central theater. Henry W. Savage closed the contract before sailing for home.

## NEW YORK CITY.

In the New York city tenements thirty-seven children under one year old are dying each day.

Since the first day of the year 7,300 new families have taken up their abode in New York city.

Records of false weights and measures used in New York city show that the people are cheated out of \$13,000,000 a year by their use.

One of the unsolved problems of the great metropolis is, "Where do the hackmen get the one story silk hats they wear, which never appear to be new?"

New York city gives a larger continuous street car ride for 5 cents than any other city in the world. For that fare you can ride from the postoffice to Fort George, 12.37 miles, in one hour and thirty-seven minutes.—New York Herald.

## Facts From France.

The habit of snuff taking is once more becoming popular in Paris in spite of the dangers which medical men attribute to it.

The number of plays which had their first performance last year in France was 782. All but 238 of these were heard in Paris.

The statue of Garibaldi, Italy's gift to the city of Paris, was unveiled recently in Lowendal square, Paris, with imposing civil and military ceremonies.

In Paris dogs are treated as well as human beings are. They wear automobile tops when they go motoring, they have a hospital, and they even have a good sized cemetery, with monuments and headstones and inscriptions and mortuary wreaths.

## GIRL AND GOSSIP.

And now the summer girl fits on the scene  
With smiling face and, incidentally,  
Some dainty and bewitching lingerie  
And pretty gowns, pink, heliotrope and green  
And blue and all the shades that go between.  
All through the day she wields a wondrous power  
On tennis court, the bathing beach and lawn,  
And gay young men improve the shining hour  
To pay due homage ere the chance is gone.  
Sweet is the maiden in her love of glee,  
And, though full many a covert glance doth warn,  
She counts her conquests, one and two and three.

Behold the gossip as she sits and knits  
And tears that poor girl's morals into bits!  
—Laura W. Sheldon in New York Times.

### A Safeguard.



First Beggar—What's that paper you've got?  
Second Beggar—List of places where there's a lack of workmen.  
First Beggar—You crazy? We won't go near such places!  
Second Beggar—Chump! That's why I got it!—Fliegende Blatter.

### She Knew a Cocktail.

Lieutenant B. just arrived from duty in the Philippines, came eastward to New York with his wife, picking up en route their twelve-year-old daughter, who had been left with a friend during their absence.

The little one had fallen asleep, and as the train was nearing the Grand Central station her parents fell to discussing the hotel question.

"Well, as we shall only remain one night," said Mrs. B., "I vote for the Manhattan."

The couple were suddenly electrified by their little girl's sitting up and in drowsy tones inquiring:  
"Oh, mamma, may I have the cherry?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

### The Stolen Ham.

A darky was walking along South street, Philadelphia, carrying a large ham on his shoulder, when he was accosted by a big policeman, who exclaimed gruffly:  
"Say, there, you black rascal, where did you get that ham?"

The darky looked around and, seeming to be very much surprised at his possession of the ham, said, "Who put dat 'ere ham on mah shoulder?"—Judge's Library.

### Real Stop Watch.

"Hold on there!" shouted the old farmer, looking at his watch. "Yeou be violating the speed laws of this county."

"What do you know about our speed?" retorted the angry chauffeur. "You haven't a stop watch."  
"Haven't a stop watch? Why, by gum, this watch stops every two or three minutes. Only paid 89 cents for it, neighbor."—Chicago News.

### When It Becomes a Personal Loss.

"George, the cook has gone."  
"Let her go. I never liked her."  
"But she took all my currant jelly and both my best tablecloths."  
"Oh, let her go."  
"And she carried off the recipe for waffles you like so well."  
"What's that? Which way did she go? Why didn't you call the police?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Hope.

"Do you think," he asked her younger sister, "there is any hope for me? I have tried four times to persuade her to say yes, but she always puts me off. I shall not care to live if she finally refuses me."  
"Hope on, Charley. She may keep putting you off, but she's busy getting stuff for her wedding outfit."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### How He Catches Them.

"How does it happen that you are retained in so many divorce cases?"  
"Well," replied the lawyer, "seeing that you are not in my line, I'll tell you. I look over the marriage licenses every morning and send my card around to the contracting parties."  
—Judge.

### What He Wanted.

"You say this man stole your coat," said the magistrate. "Do I understand that you prefer charges against him?"  
"No, yer honor," replied the complainant; "I prayfer th' coat if it's all the same t' ye, sor."—Houston Post.

### Good and Bad.

"I was walking down the street this morning when I ran across a horse-shoe, and it brought me good luck."  
"I ran across one yesterday while in my auto, and it brought me a puncture."—Denver News.

### Spreading.

Pearl—Here is a great scientist who announces that sun spots expand.  
Ruby—I don't doubt it. I had a freckle on my nose as big as a pea, and it expanded as big as a quarter.—Chicago News.

### Very Nicely Done.

Gallant Man (aside)—At last I have her all to myself. Now I can tell her how I love her and ask her to be mine. How shall I do it, I wonder?

Gentle Maid (behind her fan)—It is surely coming. I am so nervous and frightened. I know he is going to be terribly dramatic. I do hope I shan't have to help him up off his knees. Goodness, why doesn't he say something? I must break this horrible silence. (Aloud, recklessly) Have you ever been abroad?

Gallant Man (smilingly)—No, I'm saying it for a wedding tour.

Gentle Maid (demurely)—Why, how funny, so am I.

Gallant Man (meaningly)—Then why shouldn't we take it together?

Gentle Maid (innocently)—Possibly your wife and my husband might object to going in such a crowd.

Gallant Man (brilliantly)—The crowd wouldn't be objectionably large if your husband and my wife were husband and wife.

(Further conversation was disjointed and indistinct).—Pearson's Weekly.

### Where Animals Beat Men.

"Nature faking aside," said the zoo keeper, "mice won't eat oleo. It is a fact. Lay a pat of oleo and a pat of butter side by side and in the morning the butter will be gone, but the oleo will remain untouched.

"Oh, yes, some animals are incredibly nice about their food. The otter, when living wild, will only eat one piece, one mouthful out of each fish he catches. He will land a beautiful trout, but only one bite of it from the back, just behind the neck, is good enough for him. The rest he tosses aside. This epicure often kills a dozen fish, big trout to make one meal.

"Chimpanzees have very delicate tastes. A banana or a pineapple that to you seems delicious to a chimpanzee may be revolting. His taste is keener. Grapes grown in hothouses where sulphur fumes are used as an insecticide taste all right to a man, but a chimpanzee will have none of them.

"The ichneumon loves eggs. He can tell a fresh from a stale one simply by tapping the shell."—Los Angeles Times.

### "Copy Reading" Howells.

The London Athenaeum says of the following Howells paragraph that it is the best sentence perhaps in any recent English book. Describing a certain ancient edifice, Mr. Howells writes and the Athenaeum quotes:

"What, in the heart of all this blossoming, was the great cathedral itself when we came in sight of it but a vast efflorescence of the age of faith, mystically beautiful in form and gray as some pale exhalation from the mold of the ever cloistered, the deeply reforested past."

Very fine, all must admit. But wouldn't that paragraph have been meat and drink to the man who used to mark up Mr. Howells' newspaper copy back at Bucyrus, O. If Howells the reporter had written that for the Bucyrus Blade he would have found it in the paper next day about like this:

"The cathedral, with flowers all around it, looks fine. It is 400 years old and needs paint."—Galveston News.

### Thought Nine Enough.

The following amusing birth notice appeared in the Dresden Anzeiger: "To our seven hearty boys there came today, in God's early morning, not the wished for little daughter, but in compensation, a pair of fine boys. We judge by this elementary event that these strenuous times demand more men than blossoms of the gentler sex, and console ourselves with thoughts of our fatherland, to which we call: "Hurrah! Hurrah! Now there are nine. Firm stand and true the watch on the Rhine!"

"To all dear friends and acquaintances and to whom else the joyous tidings may be of interest we give this notice—the last of its kind—Eduard Rost and wife."

### A Bargain.

Mr. Mason rubbed the edges of the umbrella with discriminating fingers while his wife listened to the saleswoman's enumeration of its good points.  
"This is \$10, isn't it?" he asked.  
"Oh, no," replied the saleswoman reproachfully. "It is \$9.89."  
"She seems to regard the 11 cents as particularly invidious. I wonder why?" whispered Mr. Mason to his wife.  
"Not at all," said Mrs. Mason, with mild heat; "nothing 'invidious' about it. Only very naturally it touched the girl not to have you perceive that you were getting a bargain."—Youth's Companion.

### Cautious.

A five-year-old girl was very ill, and, noticing the anxiety of her parent, she said, "Mamma, do you think I'm going to die?"  
"No, my dear," replied the mother, "we think you will soon be better."  
"Well," said the little one, "I'd like to die and go to heaven on a visit if I was sure I could come back if I didn't like the place."—Chicago News.

### Looked That Way.

"I don't think she'll ever marry him," said Mrs. Henpeck. "She quarrels with him so and is so domineering that."  
"She is?" interrupted Henpeck. "I'll bet they've been secretly married already!"—Philadelphia Press.

### All Alone In That Class.

Mr. Hunker—I have merely a speaking acquaintance with Miss Throckmorton. Mr. Spatts—You are very lucky. All her other acquaintances are listening acquaintances.—Stray Stories.

He who changes the sports is secretly changing the manners of the young.—Plato.

### Sharks and the Dead Whale.

The presence of any large quantity of easily obtainable food is always sufficient to secure the undivided attention of the shark tribe. When "cutting in" whales at sea, I have often been amazed at the incredible numbers of these creatures that gather in a short space of time, attracted by some mysterious means from heaven only knows what remote distances. It has often occurred to us when whaling in the neighborhood of New Zealand to get a sperm whale alongside without a sign of a shark below or a bird above. Within an hour from the time of our securing the vast mass of flesh to the ship the whole area within at least an acre has been alive with a seething multitude of sharks, while from every quarter came drifting silently an incalculable host of sea birds, converting the blue surface of the sea into the semblance of a plain of new fallen snow.

The harpooners and officers from their lofty position on the cutting stage skew scores upon scores by simply dropping their soft edged blubber spades upon the soft crowns of the struggling fish, the only place where a shark is vulnerable to instant death. The weapon sinks into the creature's brain, he gives a convulsive writhe or two, releases his hold and slowly sinks, followed in his descent by a knot of his immediate neighbors, all anxious to provide him with prompt sepulture within their own yearning jaws.—National Review.

### To Those About to Marry.

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Cash and Sight Exchange	248,091.93
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LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock, fully paid	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	12,988.54
Due other Banks	40,061.98
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