DELPHIA

at the Quaker ell Founded.

olitians Are as Enterprising Any Other mmunity.

Th agrown accustomed to the almost perbial expression, "As slow as a ladelphian," have never gone beyo the humorous consideration of thatter, writes Dr. William Ellis Tgs, in the Chicago American.

The newspaps have made it the brunt of hurous thrusts, the theme has furished food for caricaturists on occions when more momentous probms have lain in slumbering quiescence, lecturers have scored introductory points about it, and knights othe "heel and clog" have come to sort to it as a vindication when oldand memorable gray-haired jokes hre failed to find market in the playhouses of the beautiful city of homes.

So far has tis over-indulgence of a well-taken criticism extended, that one may hear in England and as far away as the orient, tories invested with ridicule for patient Philadelphia, the long-suffering and ever-complaining home of as lovely and loving a community of people as ever made.

A certain lecturer in Scotland, comrating the disposition of his famid: "ave three children liv- ne in Philadelphia, Pa." A ell known long distance walker athte, losing the championship in a time walk from Washington to New York, consoled his defeat and amused his admirers by declaring that he was far ahead of his old-time record, when, on arriving in the city of Philadelphia, his feet went to sleep, and he was unable to proceed further with his accustomed agility.

The members of a flourishing baseball team, on alighting from the train, each appeared armed with a gigantic alarm clock which they proceeded to carry about the town to keep them awake.

A still more unfortunate, but actual currence is the one recorded in the kers' journals that Philadel- the only city in the world en- the distinction of having had its citizens run over and killed undertaker's hearse.

ers appease the fancy's fickle foi- informing us that they come to phia and tell jokes one season, g the next to find they have etrated the slumbering per- of the easy-going citizens.

us, Philadelphia becomes the eme, the joker's jest, the ist's hope, while its unavengons are born, live and die in pest affection for the place, un- of the thrusts, and not infre- y enjoying them.

ve seen consumptives deliberefuse the offer of home and comwith an almost indisputable asof restoration to health and y a longer life, in the mountainh outh, southwest and Colorado, y might remain in the city of and die there—seemingly contented. In two cases parhat each could have that wealthy and Congrnd relatives would go away into the air and balmy sunused to leave—the e winter came, and g to-day, held by the existence that is

serious and a scien- t of Philadelphia's people.

t the men who andle great cor- in vast business e alive to their ts, and comprise hen as one wishes ality in the world. noticeable in the hiladelphia.

no engage in the actual con- vast city's interests take oc- opportunity to assure the there is nothing slow about ia's of that town. The voters he contrary—let a man in betray every sense of honor ty to his constituency, and re-elect him as long as he allegiance to the powers that signifies subserviency—ser- ission—whether it be good or same is true in business. s not done, I add, to the honor delphia business men, yet a man who desired could exact ny honest condition of em- from his hard-worked arti- d they would humiliatingly to it rather than run the risk ad of a lost position. This is a no disparagament—it is simple truth.

Domestic Point of View.

If there was anything upon which Mrs. Upjohn prided herself it was her coffee. It was always rich, black and strong, and she trusted the making of it to none but her own fair hands.

This is why the visitors in the parlor, from whose presence she had excused herself for a few moments, distinctly heard through the partly open door the loud, horrified voice of the kitchen girl:

"Fer goodness' sake, ma'am, you're not goin' to feed the company on the horrid black stuff you drink yourself, are ye?"—Chicago Tribune.

s the Mountains.

that we are engaged, sweetheart?
Silver kissed

MAN WHO DARED NOT SMILE.

United States Citizen Was Forced to Frown at Funny Stories to Save His Life.

A naturalized citizen of the United States, D. Asadourian, an Armenian, who is in business in Cleveland, was locked up in Constantinople, Turkey, charged with conspiracy. Through the offices of some Turkish business men he was released under $5,000 bonds, effective during his stay of 50 days. He has just returned to his home here, reports a Cleveland exchange. Concerning his experience he said:

"I went there on business. As soon as my presence became known the officers came for me. They questioned me, asking if I spoke the Armenian language. This I denied, because had I admitted it I am sure that I would never have returned to America. The Turks fear American Armenians. They think that in America the people have an advanced knowledge of high explosives, which might be used to blow up the sultan. They suspected me of being in sympathy with the Armenians. After putting me in prison they had some men come into my cell and tell funny stories in the Armenian language. They wanted me to betray my knowledge of it by laughing. But I didn't laugh, for had I smiled I would not be here now to tell the tale. The stories were very funny, but I managed to keep a sober countenance in spite of my wish to laugh."

IN MODERN LONDON.

Many Quaint Customs Are Still in Vogue, But This One Is the Most Curious.

A host of quaint old customs, says the London Daily Mail, linger round and about the famous "King's Guard" at St. James palace, but perhaps none is more curious than that which decrees that his majesty's health shall not be drunk at dinner, except when the Scots guards are on guard. The omission, when one reflects that this one toast, even when no others are drunk, is invariably honored every evening at every regimental mess and guardroom dinner throughout the British empire, is sufficiently striking.

The explanation lies in the fact that the regiment from across the border was at one time suspected of a leaning toward Jacobitism, and so the officers were specially ordered to drink his majesty's health after dinner, those of other corps being forbidden to do so in order to make the enforced loyalty of the Scotsmen stand out in clearer relief.

It was also ordered that they should not be allowed to use finger glasses after dinner, lest they should drink to "the king over the water," and finger glasses are, in consequence, tabooed there on these occasions to this day.

SALARIES OF ACTORS.

Are Absurdly Exaggerated in the Public Mind and Actors Keep Up the Deceit.

Salaries of actors vary from almost nothing to $500 a week, with a few exceptions that go above that, writes F. E. Fyles, in Leslie's Monthly. I doubt though that any supporting actor outside of Weber & Fields' company gets more than $500. Those that go above are stars, many of whom receive a fixed salary and a percentage on the profits. A female star who crowded a New York theater the season before last for six months received only $150, while her leading man was getting $250. But she was a risky venture for her manager, who lifted her from a minor position to stardom, and a failure would have cost him much. Many stars are their own managers, and engage a business man to direct their affairs for a salary, as they would a supporting actor. The gains of actors are absurdly exaggerated in the public mind, and even among themselves they endeavor to keep up the deceit. A reason that so many English actors are imported is that players of the first class in London receive a third less than equally talented and well-known Americans.

Borgia's Later Years.

In the National library of Florence an Italian historian has found a document which contains many interesting and hitherto unknown facts in regard to the latter years of the famous Lucrezia Borgia. According to it she took the veil and joined the congregation of the Brothers and Sisters of Penitence, which is better known under the name of "Tertiaries of the Order of St. Francis." She received the veil from the vicar general, Ludovico de la Torre, and Giovanni Gonzaga wrote to her uncle that during the last ten years of her life she wore a penitential shirt. She died in 1518 and was buried in the robes of her order.

Anger Cures Deafness.

Here is a novel cure for deafness. According to several Dutch papers a deaf woman, who resides at Krommenie, had a quarrel a few weeks ago with some of her neighbors, and as a result got into a violent passion. As she is 70 years old, her friends feared that this sudden and terrible outburst of anger would injure her, but instead it completely cured here of her deafness.

In Memory of Victoria.

It has been decided to found an eye hospital and an asylum for the blind as Ceylon's memorial to the late Queen Victoria.

Bosnia Timber for South Africa.

Timber is b exported from Bos- to be used in re- stroyed during

NEW TIPPLE FOR WOMEN.

Cordial Flavored with Roses That Tastes Like the Odor of the Flowers.

Many women at the east have taken of late to a new tipple imported from Holland and called oil of roses, reports an eastern exchange. It is a cordial in name only. It is none of the sticky, sirupy components of the other insipid cordials, but has a peculiar, almost biting taste that appeals to the feminine palate. This cordial is flavored with bride roses and is the invention of a firm in Amsterdam that was organized in 1575. A bushel of selected roses are crushed into a press and the essence is extracted by a complicated system. This distillation is enlivened with alcohol and other spirits, but naturally the flavor of roses is responsible for the increasing popularity of the drink. The cordial tastes like a rose smells. The color is pale pink and as the distillation of "huile de roses" requires an enormous amount of roses and great care, this is the most expensive cordial on the market. A mere tablespoonful for 25 cents. The firm in Amsterdam exports this liquor in genuine Delft jugs that the purchaser retains, and the average woman derives much pleasure taking home the tiny jug from which she has quaffed the delightful cordial.

It may be said of this new tipple, however, that it induces inebriety just as quickly as a whisky toddy, cocktail or "sour," and the resultant headaches are just as distressing.

HARD ON THE CONDUCTORS.

When the Times Are Good, Passengers on Street Cars Hand Them Lots of Bills.

The only persons in town who have a grudge against prosperity are street car conductors. Their aversion to prosperous conditions is explained in this wise: Good times bring bills, bills mean the handling of much change, and change means woes innumerable on the part of the harassed conductors, says the New York Times.

"I can't remember the time when we fellows have been called upon to change as many bills as we have handled in the past six months," said one of these public servants one day last week. "Of course there are no hard-and-fast rules to go by in any business, but in general you can tell a man's financial condition by the size of the coin with which he habitually pays car fare. Reckoning from that standpoint, the times that are hard on the general public are clover for the conductor. All he has to do then is to go around and gather in the five-cent pieces, and as a consequence our mental condition is such that we appear really angelic. But just let a wave of prosperity strike the country and the passengers take a fiendish delight in pestering us with one and two-dollar bills. Two-dollar bills are the favorite street car currency these days, and to meet all the demands made upon my pocket I have to start out from the barns with about one-third my own weight in small change.

WHEN PRETTY FEET SUFFER.

Those Who Have to Stand All Day Fare Worse Than Those Who Can Walk About.

It is a pity that certain employments deprive many women of their inalienable right to pretty feet. New York doctors protest that they do not find the situation among shop girls quite so deplorable here as it is reported by a St. Louis specialist, but they admit that standing for hours at a stretch certainly does have a tendency to produce flatfootedness, states an exchange of that city.

"By this I do not mean that you will not find hundreds of pairs of pretty feet among shop employes," explained one doctor. "Some of the prettiest feet in New York are this moment hiding their charms behind the counters of our big stores, but some of the ugliest ones are concealing their deformities in the same place.

"Most people who are on their feet all day are bound to have trouble over the shape and size of their extremities. Those who stand fare worse than those who walk about, for the movement and circulation tend to prevent the flatness which so many clerks complain of. For that reason, the waitress, for example, will find that her feet retain more of their natural virtues and acquire fewer vices than the shop girl's."

Stores That Never See Daylight.

Down in many of the great coal mines of Pennsylvania are telephones, tool repairing establishments, blacksmiths' shops and various other institutions that the surface worker would never think of as connected with caverns 500 or more feet away from daylight. A moving picture show portraying work in the mines was given in the city last week. One of the views contained a miner holding the receiver of a 'phone in a subterranean pay station. An attempt is made in the large mines to provide everything necessary to prevent employes from going to the surface during working hours.

Home of the Chinchilla.

The chinchilla, the little animal the size of a squirrel, is met with only in the Andes of Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru and northern Chili, and is never found under a height of 9,000 or 10,000 feet. The Indians are eager trappers and hunters of it for its fine fur. The skins are well seasoned with salt and made up into small packages for dispatch to the towns, whence they are shipped abroad.

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