

WORKING A SWINDLE.

Clever Scheme Carried Through by a Plausible Woman.

An elegantly dressed Spanish lady one day visited a specialist in mental diseases in Madrid on behalf of her husband, who, she said, was a sufferer from religious mania.

The lady's next scene of action was a jeweler's shop in another part of the city, where she selected diamonds to the value of \$5,000 on the understanding that she would buy them if her husband approved.

Leaving a visiting card, the lady took her departure, and the doctor, bidding the supposed patient enter, proceeded at his leisure to ask professional questions.

CATARACT OF THE EYE.

How the One It Attacks May Watch the Obstruction Grow.

Cataract is said to be due to the gradual deposition of oxalate of lime in the substance of the crystalline lens, at first in small spots or streaks, sometimes in one part and sometimes in another.

All that is necessary to enable a patient to see his own cataract for himself is a piece of card and a needle. A visiting card will do very well.

The Traveler's Tree Myth.

Among the romantic stories of far-off lands that have long maintained their circulation and commanded more or less belief is that of the "traveler's tree," credited with possessing a reservoir of pure water fitted to save the lives of wanderers in the desert.

How German Beats English.

"We speakers of English," said a lecturer, "are handicapped by our language. We can never hope for such sonorous titles as the German's have."

A young German matron once said: "Ach, how glad I am that my dear Fritz has been appointed hauptkassenverwaltungsverwaltungsassistent."

Why the Market Wabbles.

The financial balance is so extremely delicate that the slightest movement affects it and throws it out of gear. I heard of an important "deal" bespilt because a prominent financier had his big toe cut by a chiropodist so badly that he was obliged to keep his room.—Maurice Mortimer in Grand Magazine.

Apples as "Nightcaps."

The apple is such a common fruit that very few persons are familiar with its remarkable efficacious medicinal properties. Every one ought to know that the very best thing he can do is to eat apples just before retiring for the night.—Family Doctor.

An Easy Mark.

"Sir, I am an old member on the house. I took shares in all your companies and am now ruined, so I thought perhaps you would employ me in your office."

The Other Way.

"If I were younger," said the rich old man, "I believe I might win you for my wife."

"Yes," replied the cold beauty, dreamily considering his sixty years, "or, say, fifteen or twenty years older."

THE MADSTONE.

Valuable Because Absorbent—A Clay Pipe Makes a Good One.

Physicians are often asked whether there really is any virtue in what are called madstones. One of them declares that these stones are of value, but that they would be of more value if their limitations were understood.

"There is no particular variety of stone or substance which may be designated exclusively as the madstone," he says. "I have seen many of them, so called, and no two were of exactly the same composition, geologically considered."

"Madstones act on the same principle that a blotting paper does when absorbing ink, and there is nothing that makes a better one than baked pipe-clay. A new clay pipe, procurable for a cent at nearly any store where tobacco is sold, cannot be excelled by any madstone, no matter how great its reputation."

"The action can be clearly demonstrated by placing a common dry red brick in contact with the margin of a puddle of water and noticing what capillary attraction will accomplish. Therefore to be efficient the only necessity is for the stone to be porous and have strong adhesive and absorbent qualities. Nothing mysterious about it."

"I have seen several that appear to be concretions, either vesical, renal or biliary, and were found in the bladder, kidney or liver of some animal—those taken from the deer supposed to be the best."

"When a person is bitten by a reptile or dog supposed to be mad and the porous stone applied to the wound the blotting paper action begins, and the blood, saliva from the mouth of the animal and whatever poison these fluids contain will naturally by capillary attraction be absorbed by and into the substance applied, no matter what name you may give it."

"The saying that if a stone sticks the wound is poisonous and if it does not take hold there is no venom present is untrue. If the stone is clean and dry it will adhere when moisture is within reach till it becomes saturated."

"For instance, a new red brick will absorb one pint of water. After the venom has been taken into the circulation the madstone is worthless, but as the victim is usually filled with whisky or alcohol at the same time the stone is being used the spirits may counteract the effect of the poison."

"I know of a stone which has a wide reputation and makes a good living for the family owning it. They never let it go out of their sight, and when the victim cannot be taken to the stone one member of the family can be hired to take the stone to the victim. In addition to traveling expenses, they charge \$5 for the application and \$2 extra for each hour that the stone sticks."

"This stone is busy a large part of the time. Not long since the stone held to a man's leg for over 100 hours, yet the man died. His life could have been saved if dependence had not been placed entirely in the stone."—Medical Brief.

A "Touching" Story. The young lady who had sat for a crayon portrait was not altogether pleased with the result. "It looks like me, of course," she said, inspecting it doubtfully, "and yet I think there are some things about it that ought to be changed."

She suggested that the eyes should have rather more of an upward look, that the right hand should be a little less prominent, that the hair should be made more wavy and that certain changes ought to be made in the drapery.

"That would require a great deal of retouching," said the artist, "and I should have to charge you about \$10 additional."

"Oh, dear!" she exclaimed with a pout. "I shall have to give it up. Papa won't stand my retouching" him to that extent."

A Case in Point.

Of Sergeant Arabin, who had not a clear method of speech, it is related that he said to one criminal, "Prisoner at the bar, if ever there was a clearer case than this of a man robbing his master, this case is that case."

Real Distress of Mind. Dora—I'm in such distress of mind, and I want your advice. I am loved by three men, and I don't know which to accept. Clara—Which one has the most money? Dora—If I knew that, do you suppose I'd waste precious time running around for advice?

Something More Recent. "What was the cause of this rum-pus?" asked the Judge. "Well, you see, Judge," replied the policeman, "this man here and that woman there are married!"

Setting Him Right. "Er—really," began Mr. Chesty, "you have the advantage of me, sir. My memory, perhaps, is at fault, but—" "No," interrupted Pepprey, "it isn't your memory, but your manners."—Philadelphia Press.

Wisdom alone is a science of other sciences and of itself.—Pict.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Semi Annual Report of the County Clerk of Tillamook County, Oregon, showing the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said county, for what all-owed, amount of warrants drawn, and amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid from the first day of October, 1906, to the 31st day of March, 1907

Table with columns for AMOUNT OF CLAIMS ALLOWED AND WARRANTS DRAWN, LIABILITIES, RESOURCES, and Net Indebtedness. Total liabilities: \$63,000 71. Total resources: \$38,637 54. Net indebtedness: \$24,373 17.

State of Oregon, } ss. County of Tillamook, } I, G. B. Lamb, County Clerk of the County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said county for the six months ending on the 31st day of March, 1907, on what account the same were allowed and the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid as the same appear upon the records and accounts in my office and in my official custody.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Of the amount of money received for taxes and money paid to the County Treasurer by the Sheriff of Tillamook County, Oregon, for the six months ending on the 31st day of March, A.D. 1907.

Table showing TO AMOUNT RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH OF. Columns for Oct, Nov, Decr, Jan, Feb, March. Total received: \$1,550.24 \$459.20 \$1,524.38 \$10,977.76 \$83,430.24

Table showing BY AMOUNT PAID TO COUNTY TREASURER. Columns for \$, \$, \$, \$, \$, \$. Total paid Treasurer: \$1,550.24 \$459.20 \$1,524.38 \$10,977.76 \$83,430.24

State of Oregon, } ss. County of Tillamook, } I, H. Crenshaw, Sheriff of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is correct and true. Witness my hand this 23rd day of April, A.D. 1907.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT.

Of the County Treasurer of Tillamook County, Oregon, for the six months ending on the 31st day of March, A.D. 1907, of money received and paid out, from whom received and from what source and on what account paid out:

Table showing AMOUNTS RECEIVED. GENERAL FUND, SCHOOL FUND. Totals: \$86,979.79 \$35,040.10

Table showing AMOUNT PAID OUT. GENERAL FUND, SCHOOL FUND. Totals: \$86,979.79 \$35,040.10

State of Oregon, } ss. County of Tillamook, } I, P. W. Todd, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amounts received, paid out and remaining on hand in the County Treasury of said county for the six months ending on the 31st day of March, A.D. 1907.

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