

TESTED HIS LOGIC.

John Seemed to Make His Point, but Missed the Chicken.

The old couple were eating their first meal with their son after his return from college.

"Tell us, John," said the father, "what have you learned at college?"

"Oh, lots of things," said the son as he recited his course of studies.

"Then," he concluded, "I also studied logic."

"Logic," said the old man. "What is that?"

"It's the art of reasoning," said the son.

"The art of reasoning?" said the father. "What is that, my boy?"

"Well," replied the son, "let me give you a demonstration. How many chickens are on that dish, father?"

"Two," said the old man.

"Well," said John, "I can prove there are three." Then he stuck his fork in one and said, "That is one, isn't it?"

"Yes," said the father.

"And this is two?" sticking his fork in the second.

"Yes," replied the father again.

"Well, don't one and two make three?" replied John triumphantly.

"Well, I declare," said the father, "you have learned things at college. Well, mother," continued the old man to his wife, "I will give you one of the chickens to eat, and I'll take the other, and John can have the third. How is that, John?"—Judge.

THE GARTER.

Insignia of the Most Coveted of All English Orders.

Although the most coveted of English orders, the origin of the Garter is really a mystery.

Conflicting authorities assign the foundation of the order either to the 23d of April, St. George's day, 1344, or to the same festival five years later, while the popular anecdote associated with it is that at a court ceremony a lady—either the queen, the Countess of Salisbury or the Countess of Kent—happened to drop her garter, which was picked up by King Edward II.

who, observing a disposition to laugh among the bystanders, exclaimed in his royal displeasure, "Honi soit qui mal y pense" (disgraced be he who thinks ill of it).

The reigning monarch is, of course, ex officio the sovereign of the Order of the Garter.

At first the garter was made of light blue silk, but that which is now given is made of dark blue velvet. It is worn on the left leg a little below the knee.

The Order of the Garter as an order of chivalry has a very deep religious significance. It is, or should be, attended by religious ceremonies of a very precise and ornate character, and it was reported in Victoria's reign that a certain nobleman hesitated as to accepting the honor on account of its having been conferred on an oriental potentate.—Philadelphia North American.

A Divided Answer.

The country mind sometimes works slowly, although with an enviable weight and accuracy, but the country mode of expression is usually to the point. Even its pauses serve their turn. They are always of rhetorical value.

An old fisherman sat by the sea wall skinning eels which were that forenoon to be packed in ice and sent to a city market. A young woman, a visitor in town, stood by watching the unusual occupation and quite fascinated by the ease and dexterity with which it was carried on. At length she felt the necessity of "making talk."

"What do you get for eels?" she asked.

"Nothin'," returned the old man emphatically, stripping off a skin. They with the same precision and lightning like haste he "peeled" another and another, leaving his visitor to wonder at the eccentricity which prompted him to take so much trouble unrequited.

It was only after she had given up the question as a bad job that he calmly finished his sentence—"to what I'd ought to."

How Sleep is Caused.

Just how sleep is brought about is one of the unsolved problems that have been before science since the earliest times. There are three general explanations of sleep. They are called the circulatory, the chemical and the histological theories. The first two have subdivisions. The histological theory is now pretty well accepted.

The nervous system is made up of thousands of nerve cells. These are connected like a huge net by nerve elements, little branching fibers. Each nerve element is structurally interdependent, but functionally dependent. Neurologists tell us that the fibers become disconnected in sleep—that is, each nerve cell is separated from its neighbors by the elements, or connecting fibers, becoming disconnected. The nerve cells build up themselves while separated, as they have no messages from the body to bear to the brain. As the sleeper regains consciousness the nerve fibers unite and once more begin their duties.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Possible Population of the Earth.

By the best reckoning the earth's population for some two centuries or so has been increased at the rate of about a million a year. From now on, on account of improved material conditions and the diminution of the slaughter consequent to war, the increase bids fair to be much greater. It has recently been estimated that the earth under present conditions might be able to support a number treble that of its present population—that is, about 4,500,000,000—four thousand five hundred millions. By means of scientific appliances and the reclamation of arid and swamp lands it has been calculated that the figure given might be doubled or even trebled, giving ten or possibly fifteen thousand millions as the ultimate limit of the earth's population.—New York American.

Saved the Prize.

Here is a complete sentence in eight words. Can you read it?

Stand I Took You To Throw Takings My.

A prize of \$10 will be awarded to the first reader sending in a correct reading of the foregoing sentence.

P. S.—Upon second thought we will answer this ourselves and save the \$10 to buy ham and eggs with. Here it is: "I understand you undertook to overthrow my undertakings."—Pittsburg Press.

Mark Twain's Mean Man.

"The meanest man I ever knew," said Mark Twain, "lived in Hannibal. He sold his son-in-law the half of a very fine cow and then refused to share the milk with the young fellow on the ground that he had only sold him the front half. The son-in-law was also compelled to provide all the cow's fodder and to carry water to her twice a day. Finally the cow butted the old man through a barbed wire fence, and he sued his son-in-law for \$50 damages."

Taken at His Word.

Master Waiter, aged five, had eaten the soft portions of his toast at breakfast and piled the crusts on his plate.

"When I was a little boy," remarked his father, who sat opposite him, "I always ate the crusts of my toast."

"Did you like them?" inquired his offspring cheerfully.

"Yes," replied the parent.

"You may have these," said Master Waiter, pushing his plate across the table.—Harper's Weekly.

Korean English.

The following gem of English as it is written by a Korean was handed to us by one of our reporters: "Some days last one of the families in Shong Pyung Chun made a loud when he soundly slept in the dreaming, at the whilst one of the Japanese military officers arrived there and asked the reason of making noise."—Korea News.

Second Best.

"No," said the sweet young thing, "I wouldn't marry the best man on earth."

"Then my case must be hopeless," said the youth sorrowfully.

"Not at all. I simply said that to encourage you."—Pittsburg Press.

His Coat of Arms.

Mrs. Newrieb—Don't you think, William, now we are getting into the smart set that we should have a coat of arms? Mr. N.—Certainly, my dear. I'll see my tailor about it tomorrow.—London Opinion.

Fine manners need the support of the manners in others.—Emerson.



County Jottings.

Perhaps most of your readers know something of the pleasure of going into a home where there are clean, nice behaved children. We have not forgotten the forbearance and watchfulness on the part of fathers and mothers which must precede a condition of this kind in the life of a child.

We are sorry to say it, but we have been in homes in Tillamook county, that for filth and fragrance, reminded me of a well kept boar pen, while the play of the children sounded like a freight train making a heavy grade, while in the distance you hear a four year old Montana steer rushing over the uneven prairie with fourteen dozen tin cans tied to his tail, and closely pressed by a sturdy shepherd pup.

Archie Gist of the Charles Burke place, he informs me that the Ocean Park cheese factory is making up about 1,900 pounds of milk every four days.

C. H. Waymire expressed satisfaction at the fact that the teaching of temperance is compulsory under the existing school laws.

Woods has increased in population by seven people.

Miss Grace Wilson began school in the No. 42 district on Monday, with an attendance of 17 pupils.

I hear that Yock post office is to be discontinued.

Miller Bros. are \$25 short as a result of business transactions with Davis.

Dr. Bissel informs me that he is going to die this winter, if he has good luck.

George Heimeyer, who moved from Clackamas to Hemlock recently, is a hussler, and things about the place that he has chosen as a home commences to show the effects of his enterprise.

Rev. R. Y. Blalock will preach at Hemlock hall Jan. 12, at two o'clock.

C. B. Wiley, of Tillamook, called on J. H. Dunston, of Beaver, on Tuesday.

A. O. Jackson, living near Beaver, is logging off a portion of his place by means of pulley and cable, with a trawling team for power, Charles Sailing is a whistle boy and hook tender.

Miss Maggie Crecy, of Blaine, is visiting a few days at Hemlock. She has been caring for Mrs. Gilbert, of Beaver, for a few days past.

Mr. Easter stopped at Dolph over night on his way to Sheridan, having Miss Lucky from Portland as a passenger.

Charles Wilkins is congratulating himself on the fact that Davis only got a donation of 85c. from him, he having granted credit to that amount.

Archie Myers and wife, of Dallas, are looking after business interests at Dolph, he being the owner of a good ranch a short distance from Dolph.

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