

"Even a professor can learn"



THE PROFESSOR dropped in. I FELL for it, and gee.
 LAST NIGHT and said. I'M JAKE for keeps.
 HE HAD a puzzle. AND SITTING on the world.
 YOU KNOW he speaks. AND THE second one said.
 FIFTY SEVEN kinds. "JUST SLIP us one.
 OF HIGHBROW talk. FOR THE double-O."
 BUT HE'D just heard. AND THAT was all.
 TWO FELLOWS talking. I LAUGHED and pointed.
 SOMETHING LIKE this. OUT THE window.
 "HERE'S THE real cheese. AND THE prof read.
 ON THE kind of butt. THE ELECTRIC sign.
 FOR STEADY stuff. AND HE was on.
 "SPILL IT," said the other. THE SIGN just said.
 SO THE first one said. "THEY SATISFY."
 "IT'S GOT the goods.
 AND PEP and all.
 JUST TOUCH one off.
 AND YOU'LL be living.
 THE LIFE of Reilly.

LETTER "R" NOT POPULAR

Many Writers Would View With Equanimity Its Complete Disappearance From the Language.

In a tract recently issued under the auspices of the Society for Pure English, Dr. Robert Bridges deprecates the practical disappearance of the letter R from the speech of southern Englishmen, according to the Manchester Guardian. Yet some people would be disposed to regard the extinction of this letter with composure or even approval. John Aubrey, for instance, appears to have nursed a prejudice against those who sound it too prominently in their speech. In his "Lives" Aubrey animadverts on the fact that "Milton pronounced the letter R (litera canina) very hard—a certain sign of a satirical wit."

In Germany the "canine letter" has found many enemies, who maintain that its abounding employment largely accounts for the ruggedness of Teutonic speech. Some writers have gone so far as to produce works from which it is entirely banished—a remarkably difficult feat, seeing that it figures in about 50 per cent of German words.

Two minor luminaries of the eighteenth century, Brockes and Gottlieb Burmann, wrote a number of poems from which the letter is deliberately excluded, so as to produce an atmosphere of "sweetness and light."

These facts were eclipsed by a nineteenth century author, Grant Kitterer, who held the letter in aversion, though it appears twice in his own surname. He published two novels, "Die Zwillinge" and "Lisette und Wilhelm," in which no R can be found.

Paul von Schonathau and Leo Kobe are responsible for similar works on a lesser scale.

KING ALFONSO'S FIRST SMOKE

Experience of Spanish Monarch Very Much Like That of Some American Small Boys.

King Alfonso has been telling the story of his first cigarette. The incident, it appears, occurred immediately after he had been formally enthroned as king of Spain when attaining his majority on his sixteenth birthday.

Up to that time he had not been allowed to smoke, nor even then was the prohibition withdrawn. Nevertheless, he came to the conclusion that, as a ruling monarch, he might at least do as he liked in this respect.

Accordingly he asked his brother-in-law, the prince of Asturias, for a cigarette.

"I haven't got one," said the prince, faithful to family orders. Then the king applied to the officer of the guard, who said solemnly: "I regret that I do not smoke them, your majesty."

At last the young king made his way to the sentry at the palace door, who amiably produced a plug of black tobacco from his trousers pocket and rolled a cigarette for his majesty, who smoked it proudly through the palace. "It made me violently sick later on," he said in telling the story, "but I enjoyed it at the time. I felt, as I puffed and puffed, that I was really and truly grown up at last."

Supplying Palestine With Water.

From the average yearly rainfall of 26 inches enough water could be stored up in Palestine to support a population of 15,000,000, according to James Haines, secretary of the Zionist Society of Engineers, which is laying plans for a water supply system for the Holy land as part of the restoration work necessary to make the land ready to receive the hundreds of thousands of Jews from all over the world who will emigrate there as soon as the political status of the country is cleared up.

Allowing for a 50 per cent loss through evaporation and running off, Mr. Haines has figured that the yearly rainfall over the 20,000 square miles of Palestine will provide a future population of 6,000,000 with a daily per capita supply of 2.655 gallons. The average daily consumption in New York at present is estimated at about 800 gallons per capita.

"Silly Old Foot."

Of the stories told by Mr. Pett Ridge, the popular author, one of the best, perhaps, is of an incident which occurred outside a London railway station. "I wanted a taxicab," says Mr. Ridge. "A small boy ran to fetch one and came back with it, holding the handle of the door as a signal of temporary ownership. As the cab pulled up a bigger lad tried to obtain possession of the handle. "Out of it!" ordered the young boy, aggrievedly. "I was the one sent to get the taxi for the silly old foot"—he turned to me and touched his cap respectfully—"wasn't I, sir?"—London Tit-Bits.

Among Humorists.

"Ever borrow an idea?" asked the young husband. "Among us professionals it is considered permissible to borrow back and forth," said the old timer. "However, I hope you'll avoid something a friend of mine once did, and has been sorry for ever since." "What was that?" "He stole a joke from a religious paper."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Our Epicurean Help.

Kitchin-Caller—The folks here live pretty high, don't they? Cook—Oh, yes. I gave them to understand they'd have to if they wanted to keep me.—Boston Transcript.

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It is a little surprising that William Jennings Bryan is so insistent upon having a "dry" plank in the democratic platform. The prohibition question is settled and it is now up to officials to enforce the law the same as any other law, so why a plank in the democratic platform? Maybe, it will act as molasses to catch flies, like other democratic platforms.

SENT FAMOUS WAR MESSAGE

Man Who Wigwagged "Hold the Fort" for General Sherman During Civil Conflict, is Dead.

Alfred Nye, member of the Federal Signal corps during the Civil war, who died recently at Lexington, Neb., is credited with having sent General Sherman's famous message, "Hold the fort," to General Corse at Allatoona Pass, Ga., in 1864. During General Sherman's march to Atlanta, the Confederates under General Hood, withdrew and marched around General Sherman, heading back toward Tennessee, planning thereby to cut the Union line of communication.

The point chosen by the Confederates was Allatoona Pass, guarded by two little forts on either side of the railroad, the garrison being formed of a small brigade under Lieut. Col. J. E. Tourtelotte. When the Confederate army began its attack Colonel Tourtelotte asked for help. General Corse, with the nearest troops available, at Rome, Ga., was ordered to reinforce the pass. He was able to move only a few hundred men.

The battle raged through the night and the following day, the Union men refusing to surrender the fort. Meanwhile Sherman was exchanging signals with the men whenever the smoke of battle drifted aside, until he was able to have Alfred Nye wigwag to them: "Hold the fort." The Confederates retreated and continued their march to Tennessee.

COLORED MAN WOULD WAIT

His Opportunity is Coming When Some Negro Arises to "Make a Dictionary."

A young physician gives the following amusing conversation with his valet, who was a negro:

"He didn't have no business to call me a nigger, did he, doctor?"

"There is no harm in the word negro," explained the doctor. "Negro is the name of your race, your people. Every race has a name, the Indian, the Chinese, the name of your people is the negro race."

"You say dat, doctor? You thinks dat? But us colored folks, we know der ain't but one nigger—he's de bad man."

"But that is the talk of ignorance," argued the doctor. "Here is the meaning of the word negro in the dictionary; don't you see—a negro is a black man?"

"Did a white man make dis book, doctor?" asked the boy.

"Yes."

"Well doctor, you know how it is 'twixt white man and nigger. You know if the white man made de book he had ter writ it down dat de black man is a nigger. Hitt don't stonish me ter read dat writ in a book a white man make. Des wait till de nigger makes a dictionary."

Tactical Error.

A major of marines had his battalion out in the brush in Cuba for a problem in observation. He detailed a private to go to a small hill about a quarter of a mile away and conceal himself. The battalion would then try to locate the private with field glasses as a training for finding enemy scouts and snipers during actual battle conditions.

The private trotted off and, at a signal from the major, flopped to the ground. The major turned around to explain the problem to the battalion, but, upon turning again, was much incensed to see the private standing again in full view of all. Seizing a pair of signal flags from a sergeant the major wig-wagged wrathfully:

"Why don't you lie down as I ordered?"

Upon which the private on the sky line wig-wagged back respectfully, but with great emphasis:

"Sir, why did the major order me to lie down on an ant hill?"—The Home Sector.

Buried Rome.

Archeologists in France have been greatly encouraged by the success which has attended the excavations in Provence in search of more Roman architectural remains. It is thought, owing to the extent of the discoveries, that it will be possible to bring to light the roads which existed between the various Roman establishments of the south of France. Inscriptions and sculptured fragments have been found at Die in the Drome, aqueducts, an immense gymnasium, a necropolis and ramparts at Orange; while at Valson the Roman theater having been fully revealed, the statues discovered there in fragments are being placed in the neighboring museum. There is a Sabina, a Tiberius, a Hadrian and an Augustus.

An Echo of the Past.

"I'm afraid there isn't much sentiment in Jibwag's soul."

"No."

"Some one was playing a celebrated waltz of a decade ago, and how do you suppose Jibwag remembered that he had heard it before?"

"I can't imagine."

"He said, 'By Jiminy, that's the tune the orchestra was playing one night in a restaurant where I got ptomaine poisoning!'"

Biddy's Comeback.

Misses—Now, Bridget, there's no use of further argument as to how the dish should be prepared, but our ideas on the subject are so different that it is evident one or the other of us is crazy.

Bridget—True for ye, mum—an' sure it isn't yourself'd be kapin' a crazy cook.—Boston Transcript.

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