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### KINDNESS WELL REPAID.

How a Little Act of Consideration Won Distinction For a Traveler.

An Englishman making the grand tour about the middle of the last century, when travelers were more objects of attention than they are now, on arriving at Turin sauntered out to see the place.

He happened to meet a regiment of infantry returning from parade and took a position to see it pass. A young captain, evidently anxious to make a display before the stranger, in crossing one of the numerous water courses with which the city is intersected, missed his footing, and in trying to save himself lost his hat.

The exhibition was truly unfortunate—the spectators laughed and looked at the Englishman, expecting to see him laugh too. On the contrary, he not only retained his composure, but promptly advanced to where the hat had rolled, and taking it up presented it with an air of unaffected kindness to its confused owner.

The officer received it with a blush of surprise and gratitude and hurried to rejoin his company; there was a murmur of applause, and the stranger passed on. Though the scene of a moment and without a word spoken, it touched every heart, not with admiration for a mere display of politeness, but with a warmer feeling for a proof of that true charity "which never faileth."

On the regiment's being dismissed the captain, who was a young man of consideration, in glowing terms related the circumstance to his colonel. The colonel immediately mentioned it to the general in command, and when the Englishman returned to his hotel he found an aid-de-camp waiting to request his company to dinner at headquarters.

In the evening he was carried to court, at that time, as Lord Chesterfield tells us, the most brilliant court in Europe.

Of course during his stay at Turin he was invited everywhere, and on his departure he was loaded with letters of introduction to the different states of Italy.—Philadelphia Times.

What a "Plush Cut" Means.

Talk about the "Queen's English!" Men get up some perplexing questions. Here is a conversation I overheard at a theater the other night. Two gentlemen were back of me. One said to the other:

"Just look around. You can't see a plush cut anywhere." Plush cut? What did he mean? I looked around also. Evidently there were none in sight. His friend said:

"That's so. You don't see them much now. I presume they will come back again soon. They come in fads. One fellow who is popular takes it up, and the others are sure to follow suit." Curiosity had opened my ears at first. Desperation was straining them now.

"Yes, generally one bright fellow leads the style for the swim, and the fellows in other cliques take it up. A year ago in any auditorium in the city every fellow that pretends to keep up with the day wore his hair standing up in the most decided pompadour. Now they go to the other extreme—perfectly flat."

And so "plush cut" means hair cut a la pompadour.—Chicago Tribune.

Questions About Change.

Did you ever start out with more errands than you had time to do, grudging every moment of delay, and find yourself without your purse when the conductor called for your fare? Did you ever see a conductor hold the pennies that some other passenger gave in change till you passed up your coin and then work them off on you?

Did you ever think that you'd lost your purse and make frantic little dashes into any place that could hold it and presently find it where it belonged? Did you ever take perforated dimes and quarters in exchange for good coin? Still worse, did you ever hand up a coin in good faith and see the salesman ring it on the counter and say "N. G.?"—Boston Commonwealth.

How A. T. Stewart's Body Is Guarded.

The body of the late American millionaire, Alexander T. Stewart, was once stolen from the St. Mark's church graveyard in New York, and the robbers demanded a ransom for its restoration. The amount having been agreed upon and the body recovered it was deposited in a splendid crypt in the cathedral at Garden City, and in order to prevent any future body snatching the coffin is now in direct electric communication with the cathedral bells, which would sound an instant alarm if it were being tampered with.—Exchange.

A Latter Day Marriage.

Downton—So you are really going to be married? Upton—Yes, it's all fixed. We've rented a furnished flat, and I've hired a dress suit for the occasion, and Marie has borrowed her cousin's wedding ring, and a new caterer has agreed to lend us his plaster of paris show cake, provided I mention his name in the papers.—New York Weekly.

A Good Witness.

She—Do you really and truly love me? He—With all my soul, my dear, but why do you ask? She—Because I know mamma is listening.—Exchange.

### STOVES AND CLEANLINESS.

One of the Advantages of Life in a Tenement House.

One reason for my preference for the large tenement is that it permits the elimination of the cooking stove from each household. "A home without a stove! Impossible!" I hear many exclaim. Not in the least impossible—and something for the very poor greatly to be desired. First, so far as heat is concerned, in a tenement house holding 50 or 60 families, heat may be supplied from a central source which would be far too expensive in a small tenement house of 8 or 10 families.

The poor usually buy fuel in small quantities at exceptionally high rates, and this amount, if added to their rent, would in a large tenement supply them with heat by steam or hot water, which would be far preferable for the following reasons: The storing of fuel and the carrying it up long flights of stairs by the household would be done away with, and the sending children out to gather kindling from wharves, streets and vacant lots, with the dirt and slovenliness and weariness which always attend such work, would be abolished.

No one who has not worked long among the poor can realize the serious drawback to good temper, comfort and cleanliness that the mere care of fuel, the cleaning of the stove, and the disposal of ashes involve with people who must eat, sleep, bathe and live around a coal stove three or four flights from the cellar or ash barrel, as is the case in the majority of our tenements. The waste in fuel is often appalling, due largely to ignorance about drafts and to letting the fire go out during a morning's absence from home and then rebuilding it to cook the dinner.

I once saw a child of 10 in a room strewn with shavings and ashes try to make a fire by placing the coal on the bottom of the grate and lighting from the top the kindling and paper that were laid over it. In families that were receiving coal given in charity I have repeatedly seen red-hot stoves packed full of coal, the drafts all open and the heat going up the chimney. The doing away with the heat of a stove in the living room during the summer months is no small contribution to the health and good temper of the inmates.—Lucia True Ames in New England Magazine.

Pipe Smokers' Paradise.

In Washington a man may place his good old briar pipe in his shapely mouth and walk around town smoking according to the dictates of his own conscience, none daring to make him afraid. It is not so in all parts of the country. There are places where such conduct would bring him under police surveillance and cause him to be ostracized by society. There has long been a deep rooted prejudice against the pipe. A man might appear in public smoking a cigar that would cause horses to swoon three blocks away and nobody would say anything, but if he smoked a pipe on the streets his social doom was sealed. Reason, however, has resumed her majestic sway, leveled the barriers of superstition and conquered the armed hosts of prejudice, and as a result the man who smokes is happy.—Washington News.

A Conditional Marriage Fee.

The following is told by a pastor of a village church about eight miles from Boston. He was sitting in his library one evening recently when a knock on the door came. He answered and found a couple who desired to be united in matrimony. The pastor asked them into his parlor and performed the marriage ceremony, after which the groom handed him a sealed envelope supposed to have contained the usual compensation. The happy couple departed, and the reverend gentleman opened the envelope and found the following note:

"If she turns out as well as I think she will, I will come back and pay you for your services."—Boston Record.

Borrowing From Neighbors.

A little girl was sent into a neighbor's house the other evening to borrow a copy of the paper. She departed with the treasure, but returned a few minutes later with the request that the man of the house should loan her mother his spectacles. "Well, by George!" ejaculated the astonished citizen, "isn't that asking a little too much?" "No, indeed," answered the little girl, "mother says you won't need your glasses as long as she has your newspaper; you can spare them just as well as not." He spared them.—Richmond (Me.) Bee.

Hot Climates and Long Sightedness.

People who have lived long in hot climates like India become presbyopic four or five years earlier than they would otherwise have done, for life in a hot climate naturally means excessive wear and tear to a European. The ordinary age for the adoption of spectacles for reading used to be 50, while it is now nearer 45.—New York Tribune.

Babylon's Hanging Gardens.

The hanging gardens of Babylon were terraces on columns. The gardens were 400 feet square and over 400 feet high. The ascent from terrace to terrace was by flights of marble steps, and on the highest was a large reservoir.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

### A Counter of Authority.

The late Lord Chief Justice Cockburn was an inveterate enemy to drafts, and on the opening day of the Surrey assize several years ago gave orders that all the windows should be closed. Upon arriving at the court the following morning he was surprised to find that this injunction had been neglected, and upon inquiring was informed that the high sheriff was the culprit. Addressing Mr. Evelyn, the high sheriff, he inquired the reason. "As the high sheriff, your lordship," replied Mr. Evelyn, "I consider it to be my duty to superintend the ventilation of this court, and I have therefore directed that the windows shall not be closed." "As lord chief justice I consider it to be my duty, sir," thundered Cockburn, "to fine you £500 for disobedience." And the money was paid too.—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Narrow Escape In Russia.

We had just left a station near the Irish river. The road was near the precipitous river bank. Our horses started at a mad pace, and the driver could not control them. They galloped straight toward a precipice that a turn in the road brought just ahead of us. I thought we were lost. M. de Ujfalvy stood on the carriage steps, revolver in hand, ready to shoot the middle horse, hoping that if he fell dead the others would halt. Some Cossacks who saw the danger rushed to us shouting, "Don't fire." One of them grasped the bridle of the middle horse, and by an almost superhuman effort stopped him. It was time. We could look down into the abyss.—Cor. Manchester Times.

Bridget's Admiration For Education.

Bridget was a "hired girl" who was too amiable to believe in a scolding. A story of her should be remembered as an item on the credit side when the delinquencies of "help" are being conned over.

"Why, Bridget," exclaimed the housewife, "I can write my name in the dust here!" "Deed, ma'am," replied Bridget with generous admiration, "that's more than I can do. Sure now, there's nothing loike education, after all, is there, ma'am?"—Youth's Companion.

Life's Care and Pleasures.

The bride had just left the altar, and the dear old grandma was kissing the fresh cheek of her blushing young descendant. "And now, my dear," whispered she of the white hair and timeworn face, "remember that life's care must be life's pleasures."—New York Times.

Rough Clothes.

"It must have been dreadfully hard to wear those old suits of armor." "Yes, they have the appearance of being hardware."—Texas Siftings.

Whom to Consult.

Doctor (to patient)—What ails you? Patient—Indeed I don't know. I only know that I suffer. "What kind of a life do you lead?" "I work like an ox, I eat like a wolf, I am as tired as a dog, and I sleep like a horse." "In that case I should advise you to consult a veterinary surgeon."—Texas Siftings.

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