

GET THE FIRST \$1,000.

Ancient Axiom That Has Set Many Men to Saving.

"Get the first \$1,000. After that money-making is easy." This is the old-time sage advice of the hard-headed, self-made man.

STYLES OF 4,000 YEARS AGO.

Tend to Prove There is Nothing New Under the Sun.

For women archeology assumes a deeply interesting phase in the question which has been raised by Signor Mosso as to styles in dress as they existed 4,000 years ago.

Properties of Gold.

Pure gold is unaffected by the atmosphere either at ordinary temperatures or when the metal is heated.

The Grave of Goldsmith.

That Oliver Goldsmith was buried in the churchyard of the Temple has been placed beyond doubt by the entry in the register.

The Charming Woman.

Of all the women born into an ungrateful and unappreciative world none can compare to the really charming one.

Tact.

The right kind of a wife never harps upon her husband's misdeeds, still less does she remind him of his misfortunes.

LAST OF LONDON'S OLD INNS.

Travelers of To-day Stop at the Tavern of Pickwick and Sam Weller.

A century ago London was noted for its coaching inns. To-day only one remains in London proper to recall the gaiety of coaching parties that assembled in the comfortable parlors for an evening of pleasure.

QUALITIES OF THE OYSTER.

One Particularly Good Point Which Bore Might Emulate.

A San Franciscan has discovered a new method of cutting short recitals that promise to become too long-winded.

Great Slaughter of Salmon.

In the Sea of Okotsk the salmon are suicidal and one of the most startling examples of the spendthrift life of nature may be found in the rivers that run into this sea.

To Tell Horse's Character.

It is easy to tell a horse's character by his nose, according to an army officer. If the profile has a gentle curve and at the same time the ears are pointed and sensitive, the animal may be depended on as being gentle and at the same time high-spirited.

Lye Ruins Eyeglasses.

A Ludlow woman learned by experience what any chemist could have told her, that lye will ruin eyeglasses, says the Kansas City Star.

Corn and Wheat Food.

It is a matter of custom rather than of reason that we should use so much wheat and so little corn in our daily ration. Practically all the wheat produced is converted into food for man.

Cut Flowers.

To preserve cut flowers a small lump of ammonia should be placed in the vase. This will not only keep them fresh, but will also help to destroy the unpleasant odor that so often arises from flowers whose stalks have a tendency to become slimy.

MORE THAN HE COULD HANDLE.

Brother Jones Was a Few Thousand Beyond His Capacity.

It was a little out-of-the-way church just after the foot washing had been observed, which is a custom followed by that particular religious sect of people, that the preacher announced that the congregation would join in singing hymn No. 23, "My Soul, Be on Thy Guard; Ten Thousand Foes," etc.

HAD BORROWED A PAST.

Pittsburg Man's Unique Scheme for Pleasing His Bride.

There is a man in Pittsburg who will be married in a short while, and will occupy the house a few rooms of which he has used during his bachelor days.

Sleep and Old Age.

There is no question that the quantity of sleep required steadily diminishes from infancy to old age. This is a rather interesting exception to the general rule that, as in so many matters, old age returns to the needs of infancy.

A Queer Habit.

A New Jersey dog has a most peculiar habit, which is that regularly every Sunday and holiday he fights with some of his canine friends.

A Plant Prophet.

There has been found recently in Cuba a strange plant which has extraordinary powers in forecasting not only atmospheric, but seismic disturbances.

Scientific Farming.

A Scottish lad took his new plowman to task for the waverling furrows which were the result of his work.

Sunshine the Great Disinfectant.

Let plenty of sunshine into your house. Sunshine is the greatest of disinfectants. It will also discourage "bugs" of all kinds, great and small.

BLIND KEY OPERATOR

TELEGRAPHER KEEPS FAMILY BY HIS SKILL.

Left Without a Father at Age of 12 He Learns to Send Out and Receive Messages and Becomes Highly Proficient.

Carroll, Ill.—Blind since birth, Gilbert McDonald, probably the most wonderful telegrapher in the world, lives at Maunie, a little village on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, and earns a living for his widowed mother and three sisters.

Left without a father at the age of 12, the blind lad was forced to assist his mother in making a living. He was greatly handicapped by the loss of his eyesight, and many neighbors sought to contribute to him through charitable motives.

He finally drifted to the depot, and a strong attachment grew between John W. Foster, agent at the little station, and the blind lad. For hours the boy would sit and listen at the busy clackety-click of the wire.

In less than a month he could send, and in less than half a year he was a marvel at the key. Each day he would copy messages and take them home at night.

Persisting in this unique schooling, the boy learned the meaning of over 2,000 words, knowing the spelling and proper use of each. He in time learned to make change, sell tickets and weigh baggage.

As soon as Mr. Logsdon returned home he interested the railroad officials in the blind boy and McDonald was accordingly sent to the state blind school at Jacksonville.

McDonald is one of the speediest operators in the west. When the Shawneetown flood threatened to submerge the town last January he was ordered to assist the Western Union operator in handling press specials.

The sender has to read the copy to "Gib," as the railroad men call him, and he gets it on the wire almost as fast as it is read.

LONDON YOUTHS WANT BEARDS.

Revelion Against Clean Shaven Faces Now Growing.

London.—Notwithstanding the example of the American whisker taxers and their admirers here, it is contended that a revelion against a clean shaven face is gradually growing among fashionable Londoners.

An observer claims to have noticed a tendency on the part of the glided youth of club land and the stock exchange, which give them quite a poetical appearance.

A fashionable hairdresser in Bond street said beards are slowly but certainly coming into favor among the young men desiring to be fashionable. They have found beards, especially fair ones, harmonize excellently with a sunburned skin.

The Russians, and latterly some Americans, affect it considerably.

This is Why You Cough.

Vienna.—Helrich Albrecht, professor of pathological anatomy in the University of Vienna, has discovered a cough bacillus. From this bacillus the professor has produced a serum which, when injected into rabbits causes acute inflammation of the heart, thus showing why it is that influenza exerts so injurious an effect upon the human heart.

Many Camels Named Roosevelt.

Washington.—W. W. Newell and E. S. Truesdale of Broome county, New York, who have been recently traveling in Europe and Africa and elsewhere, were among the president's visitors recently. They told the president that he was the best-known man in the world and that in Egypt they found at least 10,000 camels named after him.

POET VISITS SPOOKS.

Italian Writer Goes to See a Spirit Medium Near Rome.

Rome.—An extraordinary adventure of the famous poet Gabriele D'Annunzio is related by the Messagero. The paper declares that Signor D'Annunzio often visits the villa of the Marquis Clement Origo, near Florence, for the purpose of attending Spiritualistic seances.

This troublesome spook was accordingly switched off and a second invoked but matters only became worse, for the table seemed to become imbued with the most violent animosity against the poet.

The experimenters then decided to call upon a spirit of the female sex—that of a lady recently deceased—but the statements made were of a kind that the Messagero thoughtfully and delicately refrains from publishing them, adding that the poet is about to issue a statement in reference to his remarkable adventure.

LOST MAN FINDS HIMSELF.

Wanderer Recovers His Wits in Michigan and Writes to His Home.

Philadelphia.—One of those odd cases in which a man's intellect will become entirely blank for a period of time without any apparent reason, and return again as mysteriously and suddenly as it went, is instanced in Eli McCairns, a middle-aged man, who disappeared from Ardmore more than a month ago.

He writes from Morris, a little lumber town in Michigan, to say that he has found himself there. The letter was received by his brother, Charles McCairns, of Berwyn, and inquires very anxiously after the welfare of Eli's wife and 12-year-old son, whom he left on the morning of March 9 to go into Philadelphia and hunt for work.

He says that after he left his home and got into the city he can remember nothing until he came to himself and found that he was working in a sawmill at Morris. Of his wanderings he can give no idea.

HISTORIC COURTESY SHELVED.

Governors of North and South Carolina Are Both Prohibitionists.

New Haven, Conn.—The famous salutation between the governor of North Carolina and the governor of South Carolina is now, for the time being at least, a historical back number. The fact was learned by Gov. R. S. Woodruff, of this state, while attending the reception of Gov. Swanson in the Virginia building at the Jamestown exposition recently.

The Carolina governors, who had never met, were brought together by Connecticut's governor, Gov. Ansel of South Carolina and Gov. Glenn of North Carolina, clasped hands warmly, and while they were expressing mutual gratification over the meeting Gov. Woodruff stood expectantly. Finally he remarked:

"And now, gentlemen, I presume I shall have the pleasure of hearing a repetition of the famous remark of the governor of North Carolina to the governor of South Carolina."

Gov. Ansel responded at once: "Your excellency, as I am a Prohibitionist governor and a teetotaler, I cannot make it sincerely."

And to the amazement of Gov. Woodruff and Gov. Ansel as well, the other Carolinian added: "Helic a Prohibitionist myself, I, too, must suffer the remark, at least literally, to remain a matter of history."

Desks to Keep Feet "Awake."

Cleveland.—Because the feet of boys and girls in the Cleveland public schools go to sleep the board of education has advertised for bids for the manufacture of 2,000 desks designed by Prof. Ehlen, head of the athletic department.

The seats in use at the present time cause physical injury to the children," said Robert Gammel, secretary to Director Orr. "We have been flooded with complaints from health authorities and physicians."

The old style of seats have a peculiar curve at the edge. This curve rises from the level of the seat and strikes the leg just under the back of the knee, causing the feet to go to sleep.

SEA CAPTAIN HOLDS RECORD.

James F. Murphy Has Sailed 56 Times Around Horn in 32 Years.

Baltimore, Md.— Fifty-six times around Cape Horn as master is record held by only one man in the world. It is said, and he is Capt. James F. Murphy, in command of the four mast Bath steel ship William P. Frye, now at this port.

The fifty-seventh venture through the "roaring forties" and around the Horn will be started from Baltimore as soon as the Frye is loaded with coal for San Francisco.

Born in Bath, Me., the home of the great sailing vessels, he went early to sea. His first command was the ship David Brown of Searsport, Me. This was in 1871. Entering the employ of Arthur Sewall, of Bath, he followed in the Alexander, Yorktown, William F. Babcock, Shenandoah, Kenilworth, Arthur Sewall, and then the William P. Frye, his present command. After four years ashore he returns to the Cape Horn voyages in the same ship he left for a supposed release from sea life.

In his voyaging around the Horn Capt. Murphy computes the distances made at 900,000 miles.

"During these trips," said Capt. Murphy, "I never had an accident to a ship and never went through the trials of having trouble with my crews. Mutinous men never cropped up on any ship I ever commanded in that time."

BABY MADE OF TOBACCO.

ingenious Device for Smuggling Into France.

Paris.—When a train arrived at the Lyons station from Marseilles a nurse stepped on the platform holding a baby, over whose face was a thick veil to protect it from the cold. The nurse carried the baby somewhat clumsily and her general gait was so awkward that M. Boderre, the special customs officer deemed it his duty to put a few questions to her. He therefore invited the nurse into his office for a little talk.

There he made the discovery that the nurse was carrying a queer kind of baby. It was contraband tobacco. The officer turned his attention from the box to the woman's opulent bosom. The dimensions made him suspicious. Its unusual fullness was explained by the fact that it was a depot for tobacco. The nurse's hat, unusually big, was found to be full of cigars, and her back hair, turned up in a fine bunch was utilized as a hide-out place for fine tobacco.

During so long a journey from Marseilles to Paris the supposed baby required a bed. The two little mattresses were examined and in them were found boxes of matches of foreign manufacture. There is a heavy duty on the goods, which were seized.

QUEER TANGLE OVER ESTATE.

Half Brothers and Sisters, With Their Heirs in Legal Fight.

Bloomington, Ill.—Litigation has commenced in Vermilion county among 60 heirs over the construction of a will made 40 years ago and which has been but recently resurrected. It was written by William Carter, of Homer, and the fact that he was twice married complicated matters.

The will gave one-half the estate to the seven children by the first marriage and the other half to the seven children by the second marriage. The mother of the latter children held their share in trust until her death, which occurred recently.

In the meantime three children by the second marriage died and the children by the first marriage now file a claim for their share of the property due to the dead children, basing the claim as half brothers and half sisters. The law says that half brothers and sisters have the same right as full brothers. The children by the second marriage dispute the claim and a unique legal fight is assumed. About \$50,000 is involved.

OLD DITCH FOUND IN ROME.

Believed to Have Been Made by Founders of Palatine Acropolis.

Rome.—While celebrating the two thousand six hundred and sixtieth anniversary of Rome, the founding of which is supposed to have taken place April 21 in the year 753 B. C., a most important discovery was made on Palatine hill.

While trying to determine the entrance to the Palatine Acropolis and also to explore the Necropolis a circular ditch was found, evidently a pit or tomb.

It is similar to those discovered on the Roman forum and is believed to be connected with the earliest habitation and to have been constructed by the founders of the Palatine stronghold, as it is known the Acropolis was reserved for the leaders in Palatine and that the tombs surrounding it within the second range of fortified walls were only for the burial of patrician families.

Minister of Instruction Rava visited the spot and ordered a continuation of the excavations.

Bar Fixtures Found Guilty. Arkansas City, Kan.—A constable destroyed 33 cases filled with bottles and a quantity of beer, whisky and other liquors, which were captured in recent raids on joints in Arkansas City. The goods and bar fixtures were tried and found guilty, and ordered destroyed by the court. The beer and liquors were spilled, and the cases with three homemade bars and other fixtures were burned.