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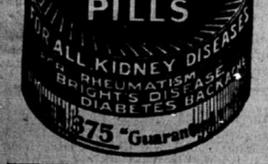
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The bishop of London, at a dinner in Washington, told a story, as the cigars came on, about one of his predecessors.

"When Dr. Creighton was bishop of London," he said, "he rode on a train one day with a small, meek curate. Dr. Creighton, an ardent lover of tobacco, soon took out his cigar case and with a smile, said: 'You don't mind my smoking, I suppose?'"

"The meek, little curate bowed and answered humbly: 'Not if your lordship doesn't mind my being sick.'"



New Style of Sleeping Car. On the Shore Line of the New York & Hartford Railroad a new style of sleeping car has been adopted for the midnight express. It was used for the first time a few nights ago on the express leaving the city at midnight, says the New York Times.

Instead of the berths being separated from the rest of the car by curtains, each passenger will be able to obtain a compartment which approaches in size the average size single rooms of a hotel, and fitted with toilet conveniences. There will be ten of these in each compartment with two berths in each room. The rooms will open out on a corridor running the length of the car, and may be taken in suites. Doors open from one compartment to another so that members of the same party will not be separated.

In the new cars rare woods have been used. In one apartment the finishing is in tigerwood, which resembles the markings of a tiger. In another a wood from the Philippines is used, of which the experts at Washington have not yet determined the origin and species. Jigawood, Spanish mahogany, and gambel are other of the unusual finishings which have been employed to make these cars luxurious and comfortable.

Wind Crop of Peace Peas. The sand hills, considered worthless, along the Salt Fork river have been demonstrated to be one of the best crops to be especially adapted to the growth of black locust trees, says the Ponca City (Okla.) Courier. Mr. Bird bought some raw land in the sand hills for his project and broke out several acres and planted about 800,000 black locust seed last spring, expecting to get about one-fourth that number of plants. He now has between 80,000 and 100,000 vigorous, healthy young trees which have made an average growth of three feet. Next spring he will transplant them on eighty acres of the sand hills. In five years the trees will be large enough to begin cutting posts out of the forest, and within ten years for posts along the valley will exceed \$100 an acre.

FAIRIES HELP. Lionel Leigh loved Ella Wycherly. Notwithstanding the strenuous effort made by Miss Worthington to banish him from Wycherly, it fell out that he was not forbidden to enter the grounds of the estate; and during the three months which followed the ball he had given his three weekly lessons.

He would tell her that, though tutor, and she herself, he was still man, and she woman; that he had dared to love her body, if without hope. He was in rage, and half in triumphant pride, he had vowed that the confession should be made. She should learn of Chateau Moreauville, and the possible title and estates which had escaped him.

Sometimes it seemed to Lionel that he hated Ella Wycherly more than he loved her. Now he was asked for sympathy and help for another lover; but what a lover!—an earl's heir, a spoiled woman's darling. No; this pampered aristocrat could not love as he loved. At last he said:

"Mr. Calthorpe, you will change your mind. When you are free of Nellie Watson, you will not wish to marry a governess."

"But I declare it!" cried Arthur, flushing. "I declare it, sir, to you, her brother, on my honor as a man and a gentleman! Can I say more?"

"No, Mr. Calthorpe; you are sincere. I will speak to my sister. But what about Nellie Watson?"

A CROWN OF FAITH

CHAPTER XI.—(Continued.)

In about an hour Lionel Leigh entered the room. The young man had never exchanged words before. Lionel bowed. Arthur pointed to a seat.

"Mr. Leigh, I have been excessively annoyed that you should have been subject to distress on the night when some miscreant tried to murder me. I am sorry, in one sense, that you allowed yourself to be mixed up in an intimacy with my poor, half-brained brother Dick. I suppose he made himself agreeable."

"Well, Mr. Calthorpe, your brother is too reckless, and loves trifles and pleasure too much. He is quite fascinating as a companion to me at all times. He is certainly amusing and dashing; but I pitied him. It seemed horrible to be the nephew of a nobleman, and the twin brother of an earl's heir, and to be banished from home, and living on his wits, at an inn, in a room, and running into debt. I wished the earl to pardon him, and allow him a regular income, and insist on his keeping within bounds."

"He would never do it," said Arthur Calthorpe. "He told me himself that the hundred and fifty yearly payment of the way out of his pocket, and he would never pay his debts, either, if he could help it."

"He has told me the same," said Lionel gloomily.

"Well, then, I am sorry you allowed your name to be mixed up with poor Dick's. I thought you might have suffered some annoyance. I know Dick wouldn't care; he is off in Ireland now; and the next move he makes will be to France. He knows that I believe he would not think of bringing me, and he understands that the earl will never forgive him—the earl never does forgive; so I send him three hundred a year. But you, Mr. Leigh—you are sure you have not been snubbed, in consequence?"

"Not at all, sir. I think on the whole, the Abbotshold people are just what you are not an assasin in disguise; and I have not lost my pupils at St. Martha's, even."

"Your sister is there, isn't she?"

"Yes," replied Lionel dryly.

"We Calthorpes are given to making love matches—Dick excepted. He is a cold-hearted savage in all affairs of the affections—would marry a broker's widow if she had seven thousand a year, if she were short, stout, red faced, and fifty; but for me, Mr. Leigh, I am sincere; I hope and pray that someday you will be the Countess of Beryl. What family of Leighs do you belong to?"

"Mr. Calthorpe, my father was a Republican—what they call here a Radical. I know he was a scholar and a gentleman."

"But there is bread about her," said the young aristocrat, moving his foot restlessly. "Have you nothing which speaks of ancient family honors?"

"Oh, yes; Lella has a gold cross, with a portrait of our mother in the center."

"What would I give to see it? Bring it to me."

"But, sir, although you speak honorably—most honorably—there is the earl."

deep devotion—his intense love. Then he remembered, with some pain, that Miss Wycherly had greeted him mockingly, that she had told him the news concerning him and his velvet coat, was something infinitely less agreeable than her own marriage, that all the Wycherly world were talking of it. He looked on the ground. Then he said:

"Dr. Dundas, I shall be delighted to become an inmate of Wycherly. But, no other pupils?"

"Give them a fortnight's notice," said the doctor brusquely. "A fortnight is long enough."

"A month," pleaded Lionel. "It would take a month for Miss Pritchard to engage another professor."

"A month, then—a month. So you will come in March, and train this boy, and make him walk in the road he should walk in?"

"Will, Dr. Dundas?"

"You will dine with us," parried the doctor, "and spend the evening, if you like. But our evenings are usually dull; whilst for us elders, and silence or a conversation with the cat for poor Miss Wycherly. The good doctor shrugged his shoulders. "Old friendship with the colonel in India years ago ties me here." He shook his head, and frowned.

"Madam is a peculiarity, as you will find—a saint, a tyrant, all in one."

"A thorough woman of the world," said Lionel.

"The laugh of the Scotch doctor rang loudly through the bare February wood."

"The world!" he echoed. "Oh, poor lady! How amusing are the comments of outsiders! No, young sir; the mistress of Wycherly is not a woman of the world."

"At least she is proud!"

"Proud; yes, as Lucifer. One might think she had fallen from some higher sphere, and disdained converse with mortals."

"They do not receive much company?"

"Occasionally. There will be a dinner next month, and the boy her introduced to the county. Well, here I must leave you, for I have a message to the woodman. It is a bargain, then?"

"Yes, sir."

SEASON OF THE CYCLONE



With many places yet unheard from, the death list in the tornado which recently devastated the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Georgia is estimated at 400 and the tally of injured exceeds 1,200. Arkansas contributes a list of three dead and thirty injured. The following table gives the casualties in the towns so far heard from:

Location	Killed	Injured	Location	Killed	Injured
Albertsville, Ala.	25	35	Angie, La.	2	10
Bogden, Ala.	4	15	Caddo Parish, La.	2	9
Cedar Creek, Ala.	8	12	Richland, La.	4	10
Democrat, Ala.	5	6	Adams County, Miss.	25	100
Fort Deposit, Ala.	3	25	Baxterville, Miss.	6	6
Reids, Ala.	2	3	Church Hill, Miss.	35	10
Thomas Hill, Ala.	2	10	Clay County, Miss.	1	4
Warrior, Ala.	3	7	Fayette County, Miss.	3	78
Hector, Ark.	3	30	McCallum, Miss.	12	35
Griffin, Columbus, Shipley, Locust Grove, Harris, City and McDonough, Ga.	15	15	Port Gibson, Miss.	1	5
Thomas, Ga.	9	12	Farris, Miss.	1	200
Stinson, Ga.	2	3	Winahak, Miss.	8	25
Cove Springs district, Ga.	15	3	Wingate, Miss.	3	10
Bluffton, Ga.	3	3			
Amite, La.	15	100	Total	356	1,178

WEATHER FOR MAY.

St. Louis Forecaster Predicts Fierce Storms, Snows and Frosts.

May is to be a continuous performance of tornadoes, thunderstorms, hail and frost. Rev. Ir. H. Hicks has hung out the danger signals in his long-distance forecasts for the month, and trouble is feared by those who have faith in his prognostications.

Violent thunderstorms, approaching tornado violence in the West, heavy rains and hail, followed by snow squalls and sleet, are among the things predicted.

Careful watching is advised by the St. Louis prognosticator early in the month as frost is due. High temperature, daily rains and thunderstorms, with probable tornadoes, is on the wane for the 13th to the 16th, and leads over wide sections follow immediately. Much cooler weather is due from the 16th to the 19th. From the 19th to the 22d is not seriously threatening, but look out for tornadoes, says Mr. Hicks.

Quiet and calm and much warmer until the 24th will usher in the most dangerous period of the month, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 25th, 26th and 27th, storms may be expected to become very threatening, if not tornadoic. The 27th is the twelfth anniversary of the St. Louis cyclone. The danger area extends over the central and western parts of the country. The month is to end in comparative peace, although seismic disturbances is possible, from the 27th to the 31st.

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WORK OF CONGRESS

The pension and the District of Columbia appropriation bills were passed by the Senate Tuesday. In addition, the special message of the President urging a legislative program was read, and another chapter of Senator Warner's speech on the Brownsville affair was heard. The resolution of the House to give the Senate aid to cyclone sufferers in the South was passed. The resolution to extend the time when the commodity clause of the railroad rate law shall become operative was called before the Senate by Mr. Elihu Root, but went over under the objection of Mr. Culberson. Ostensibly considering the sundry civil appropriation bill, the House devoted most of its time today to speeches covering a wide range of subjects and concluded the session by giving an attentive hearing to the President's special message referring to the multi-millionaire "whose son is a fool and his daughter a foreign princess" was reached there was a storm of applause.

Senator Davis of Arkansas created a mild sensation in the Senate Wednesday when in discussing his resolution calling on the Secretary of the Interior for information about the tribal rolls of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians of Oklahoma he declared that 10,000 names were being kept off the rolls by the secretaries and instances a case in which he said nine members of a family were rated as negroes and only one as an Indian. Advancing toward Mr. Foraker of Ohio, his voice thundered throughout the chamber and he went over under the objection of Mr. Culberson. "I am sorry," he said, "but I did not come forward and defend those members of that race. Only laughter greeted this and Mr. Foraker requested a mild tone that the Senator speak louder. Later Mr. Davis' resolution was passed. All the pension bills on the calendar and many other measures of minor importance were passed during the day. The sundry civil appropriation bill was under consideration in the House and the greater part of the time was consumed in general debate and discussion under the five-minute rule. Mr. Fowler, New Jersey, denounced the Aldrich currency bill and pleaded for the passage of his bill to create a currency commission. Mr. Williams, Mississippi, presented a petition signed by 164 of the 165 Democrats composing the minority, asking the speaker to recognize some members of the House to move the discharge of the ways and means committee from further consideration of the Stevens bill for the removal of the duty on wood pulp and print paper and to pass that bill or a similar one. Mr. Dalzell of Pennsylvania offered an amendment to recognize some members of the House for \$30,000 for the establishment of a national art gallery in the Smithsonian Institution. The amendment was rejected on a point of order. The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to the naval appropriation bill and the bill was sent to conference.

The Senate had under consideration all day Thursday the agricultural appropriation bill. Practically all the committee amendments were disposed of except those relating to the forestry division which will be taken up Friday. Consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed in the House. Mr. Townsend of Michigan offered an amendment increasing from \$7,000,000 to \$35,000,000 the appropriation for the enforcement by the interstate commerce commission of that clause of the Hepburn act directing the commission to cause to be made examinations of the accounts of the interstate railroads of the country to determine whether the law being violated and make public the results of such examinations. After a debate lasting four hours the amendment was agreed to. The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to the District of Columbia and pension appropriation bills and sent those bills to conference.

The time of the Senate was taken up for two hours Friday with a speech by Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas, asking recognition of the forestry division which was discharged from further consideration of his bill for the suppression of trusts. The remainder of the day was given over to the consideration of a resolution by Senator Elkins, suspending until Jan. 1, 1910, the commodity clause of the Hepburn railroad rate law. The resolution provoked so much debate and so many amendments were offered dealing with other phases of the railroad legislation that the whole matter went over until Monday. The House spent all of the day's session in considering and passing the sundry civil appropriation bill. A determined effort was made to strike from the bill a restriction prohibiting the employment of secret service employes in any detective work other than the running down of counterfeiters, but the limitation was agreed to and the paragraph finally adopted in substantially its original form. Objection by Democratic members to unanimous consent defeated the passage of a bill for the printing and distribution of 100,000 copies of a special report by the Department of Agriculture describing diseases of cattle.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES. The conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was approved by the Senate. The Senate passed Senator Hepburn's resolution calling on the names of employees of the forestry division, who have attended forestry conventions and whether any expense has been incurred by the government therefor. Figuring on the basis furnished by the returns for the first two quarters, the deficiency in the Postoffice Department for the current fiscal year will exceed \$15,000,000. William H. Wheeler of California notified the president of his acceptance of the assistant secretaryship of the Department of Commerce and Labor in succession to Lawrence O. Murray. A modification of the naval regulations provides that hereafter chaplains appointed to the navy shall undergo a mental as well as physical examination, the same as line officers in the navy. A bill designed to bring about the acquisition by the government of watershed lands of the Appalachian and White Mountain chains was introduced by Representative Pollard of Tennessee. The Senate passed a bill pensioning the survivors of the widows of Texas volunteers who defended the frontier of Texas against Mexican marauders and Indian depredations from 1855 to 1860, inclusive. A bill passed by the House is intended to promote the safety of life on navigable waters during regattas or marine parades. It invests the Secretary of Commerce and Labor with authority to frame suitable regulations.

CURRENT COMMENT

Candidates of six political parties received votes in the presidential election of 1904. Only two of the parties were represented in the electoral vote. Eight parties polled a vote in 1900 large enough to be recorded; six of them failed to choose a single presidential elector.

In national elections the great majority of the voters remain loyal to one or the other of the old political parties. Other parties are sometimes strong enough to carry State elections in the West and the South, and by holding the balance of power to decide elections in the East.

Presidential electors have cast their votes for a third party candidate only twice since the Civil War. The first time was in 1892, when Mr. Weaver, the People's party candidate, carried Colorado, Idaho, Kansas and Nevada, and won an elector in North Dakota and in Oregon. Four years later Thomas E. Watson, who was a candidate for the Vice Presidency with Mr. Bryan on the People's party ticket, by means of a coalition with the Democrats, divided with the Democratic Vice Presidential candidate the electoral votes of ten States. As Horace Greeley died between the time of the popular vote in November, 1872, and the meeting of the electors, the Democratic vote of that year was distributed among other candidates.

In the transition period election of 1890 the electoral vote was divided among one Republican, one Union and two Democratic candidates; but in 1856 Millard Fillmore, as "American" and Whig candidate, carried Maryland, and received its electoral votes.

This year the number of independent, or extra party, candidates is likely to be large, but it is probable that all the electoral votes will go either to the Democratic or to the Republican candidates as usual.—Youth's Companion.

To Use Furnace Waste Heat. "To pick 100,000 horse-power of the tops of eight roaring blast furnaces and use it in performing a hundred giant tasks is the purpose of the colossal apparatus now being installed in the wonderful steel plant building at Gary, Ind.," writes H. G. Hunting in the March Technical World Magazine. By a heretofore unthought of device this power will entirely displace steam in the great mills. Thirty-three huge gas engines are being installed, each of 3,000 horse-power, to use the gas produced by the iron smelters and convert it into electric power. At the top of each of the blast furnaces an outlet for the heated gas is provided leading into a cleansing tube, where the dust is removed by means of a series of tanks or "washers." About 30 per cent of the product is diverted to the blast stoves to heat up in preparation for the air blast.

Dramatic Trust Formed. An organization has been formed for the purpose of effecting practically a control of the dramatic material needed by the hundreds of play companies in America. Miss Marbury, the play broker, is president, and the company will have offices in New York, with branches in Chicago, London, Paris, Berlin and Vienna. It is said that the "trust" already controls about nine-tenths of the foremost playwrights of England, France, Germany, Austria and Italy, and the number of authors enrolled on the books runs into the hundreds.

The British ship Celtic-burn will carry Pacific coast wheat in bulk to Europe. This is the first time that a grain shipment has ever been sent in that manner from Portland, Ore., and is in the nature of an experiment. Economy in both time and money and space is expected to result. A bill prohibiting farmers of the new State of Oklahoma from sowing Johnson grass has been approved by the Governor. It also makes it a misdemeanor for any person to sell hay or grain from Johnson grass land without informing the purchaser.

The Comic Side of The News. The latest spring hats are almost as high as their price. The furnace-shaking days have gone, the saddest of the year. Even Canada is banging the door in the face of Japanese immigrants. After the marriages of the Ducs and Dukes come the tailors' bills. Time for "spring opening" of the millinery stores and papa's pocketbook. Anarchy is one imported plant that ought to be pulled up by the roots. Only immensely rich people can afford more than one nobleman in the family. A western bishop advises old maids to "pray for husbands." Those husbands? Other people can be just as unhappy as Mrs. Hesty Green on much less money. Science has made the discovery that Pharaoh had toothache and dent. It will be possible to think more kindly of him now. A Michigan man ate three electric lights in an attempt to commit suicide. Some people attempt to make light of death. New York families of wealth appear to be able to buy everything but domestic happiness. If Uncle Sam has a billion dollars in gold in his pocket he ought to get over his nervousness. The United States will have the first armored fleet that ever "looped the loop" around the world. China wants to see the American fleet, so if anything happens she will know what struck her. Mme. Anna Gould must be a believer in the old adage, "If you don't at first succeed, try, try again."

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