CURIOSITIES OF THE NUMBER SEVEN.—The frequent occurrence of the number seven in the Bible seems, says the Cincinnati *Inquirer*, to indicate that there are associated with it certain events that it may be termed the prophetic, representative symbolic number consecrated in the holy scriptures and the religion of the Jews and other nations, by many mysterious events and circumstances.

The old testament informs us that God completed the work of creation in six days and set apart the seventh day to be a day of rest for all mankind.

The slayer of Abel was to be punished seven-fold and the slayer of Lamech seventy and seven-fold.

Of every clean beast Noah took into the ark by sevens and took with him seven souls when he entered the ark. After seven days the waters were upon the face of the earth. The intervals between sending out the dove the second and third times were seven days, and in the seventh month the ark rested on the mountains of Ararat.

In Pharoah's two dreams he saw seven well favored and fat kine and seven ill-favored and lean kine and seven ears of corn on one stalk, rank and good, and seven ears blasted by the east wind, which was followed with seven years of great plenty and seven years of famine.

The children of Israel were commanded to eat unleavened bread seven days and to observe the feast of unleavened bread; seven days shall there be no leaven bread found in your houses.

The seventh month was signalized by the feast of tabernacles.

Seven weeks was the interval between the passover and the pentecost.

The seventh year was observed as the Sabbatical year, and the year succeeding seven times seven years as the year of jubilee.

Seven days were appointed as the length of the feasts of tabernacles and passover.

Seven days of the ceremonies of the consecration of the priests.

Seven victims were to be offered on any special occasion.

When Abraham and Abimelech wanted to confirm an oath they took seven ewe lambs of the flock.

Jacob served Laban seven years for each of his daughters.

Delilah bound Sampson with seven green withes and wove the seven locks of his hair in the web.

Seven priests, bearing seven trumpets, passed round the walls of Jericho seven days, on the seventh day passing around seven times, and it fell.

Nebuchadnezzar had the furnace heated seven times hotter than it was wont to be heated to burn the three Hebrew children, and was driven from among men to the beasts of the field until seven years passed over him.

Elisha commanded Naaman to wash in the Jordan seven times and be cured of his leprosy.

The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men who can render a reason.

In the new testament the Saviour commanded to forgive the erring brother not until seven times, but seventy times seven if he repented.

In the Revelations of St. John we read of seven churches, seven spirits, seven stars, seven seals, seven lamps, seven golden candlesticks, seven angels, seven vials and seven last plagues.

THE TOOTH-PICK GIVES SELF-POSSESSION.—"Do you see that wooden tooth-pick?"

"Yes, it looks like a second-hand one; what's the matter with it?"

"It is second-hand. I used it once before. That tooth-pick stood me a cool two hundred the other night. How? Well, I drew a pair of deuces and bet $20 on a bluff. The next man raised me, and I saw the raise and went him $10 more. The first thing I knew I had $200 in the pot, and I did not help myself on the draw. I pulled that tooth-pick out of my pocket and bet another $200 as I coolly picked my teeth. My opponent looked at me a minute and threw down a hand that had three kings in it, and I raked in the cash."

"Well, how did the tooth-pick help you?"

"How? Great heavens, if I hadn't had it to play with I would have had nothing to do but sit and look my adversary in the face and my looks would have betrayed that I was bluffing at a glance. Say didn't you ever notice the habit some men have of having tooth-picks handy when they go on the witness-stand? It gives them self-possession. A man may call you a liar and if at the same time he shifts a tooth-pick nonchalantly from one side of his mouth to the other you can rely on his meaning business and backing up his assertion with right-handed argument if need be.

According to the foregoing theory tooth-picks have been the cause of a good deal of false swearing and wrong doing. Why not prohibit their manufacture and sale?

WHISTLING AND WHISTLERS.—If a boy is allowed to whistle it will turn his attention in a great degree from the desire to become the possessor of a drum, and if parental firmness be added, he can be kept satisfied without one until he gets to be 16 years old, when he will strike the cornet period.

Shakespoare was well acquainted with the art. He makes Othello say concerning Desdemona: "If I do but prove her false, I'll whistle her off and let her down the wind a prey to fortune, e'en though her very cries were my dead heartstrings."

Negroes are the best whistlers in the world. Frequently one hears a colored improvisatore whistle the quaintest and sweetest melodies, and with the colored males in general whistling comes as natural as grunting does to a hog.

Men whistle when they are happy, and they whistle when they are sad. When you see a carpenter or a house-painter pushing the plane or slapping on the paint and whistling a lively air at the same time, set him down as a man who pays his debts, is cheerful at home and never whips his children.

When a man is sad he whistles in a doleful tune. Nine times out of ten he won't choose a dismal air, but he will whistle a lively tune, a hornpipe or a negro minstrel end song. And he will draw the melody in and out between his lips in a way to draw tears from all listeners. Sometimes a man accomplishes the same result when he is cheerful and trying to whistle real good.

Girls in general whistle in a sort of jerkey, disconnected, jim-jam sort of way, and groan badly between the notes. They'd bet letter whistling alone.—*Philadelphia News.*

GOOD AND BAD HABITS.—If any of you have paid a visit to a dentist's office, and have had a tooth extracted, you know what a painful operation it is. It has been growing there deep in the socket, from your childhood up, and it is hard severing it from its attachments.

Just as hard and sometimes more painful is it to break up bad habits; they have grown with your growth, and become a part of yourself, but they must be rooted out or they will destroy you.

"Remember," said Lord Collingwood to a young man that he loved, "that before you are five and twenty you must establish a character that will serve you all your life."

Dr. Johnson says that "the habit of looking at the bright side of everything is worth more than a thousand pounds a year."

There are other habits, even more valuable, which the young should most carefully cultivate. The habit of temperance in all things, of curbing the temper, of love and kindness to all, of diligence in business; these are a few of the good habits we can not place too high a value upon. It is as strange as sad that bad habits are far more tenacious. Even what is at first distasteful may become at length a necessity. I never heard yet of a person who enjoyed his first quid of tobacco.

HE GOT EXCUSED.—The Judge was worried and itritated by the many persons who had been summoned for jury duty coming to him with excuses. When Carl Naglebaum's name was called the Judge said with much asperity: "Well, sir, I presume, like the rest of them you want to be excused?"

"Dot ish so, your Honor; I would not like to serve dot jury on."

"What's your excuse, sir?"

"I would like to be oggscused because my wife ish dead."

"You may go, sir; your excuse is a good one," said the tender-hearted Judge, trying to swallow a big lump, and turning away his head to conceal his emotion.

The escaped juror immediately left the court-room. A friend and neighbor followed him out of the court-room and seizing him by both hands, in a broken voice said: "Mine Gott, Heinrich, is dot so dot your vife vas tead? Dot vas dreadful; I feels for you, mine frient."

The bereaved husband smiled and said; "Don't veep, Hans; don't veep; it vas only my first vife vot died in dot old country, years ago pefore I came dot America to. My present vife vos not much tead; I don't have no more good luck any more.

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Stanford, Henry, L. D.
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Harris, John, Jr.
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Hammett, Daniel A.
Horbech, James P.
Palmatary, Frederick R.
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Bland, Hiram
Camalier Charles H.
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Hazzell, John A.
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Greenwell, Jacob
Holmes, Charles
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Miles, John H.
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Russell, John B.
Weems, Augustus
Weems, Jackson
Yates, William S.
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Graves, Leonard T.
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Hebb, William H.
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Rich, Moscow H.
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Dyson, Marcellus G.
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Wade, John B.
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Budd, Jas. E.
Dunaway, Jas. T.
Leach, Jno. B.
Lathrum, Willie
Norris, Robert
Thompson, Robert B.
Weiler, William
Woodburn, James M., Jr.

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Russell, Rolen F.
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NEW NAMES—7th District.

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Collins, Robert H.
Reed, Theodore
Pratt, Franklin P.

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Burch, Edward G.
Burch, Charles L.
Clark, Joseph
Garner, Henry G.
Gantt, John G.
Long, Richard J.
Nevitt, Charles F.
Owens, Raphel M.
Plowden, William D.
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Dougherty, Wm. E.
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Slye, James W.
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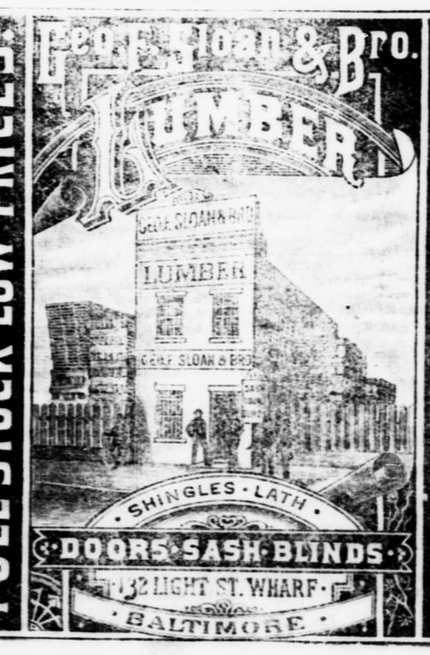

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