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The Giraffe remarked, with a smile serene, "I do not care a snap. Why say I call me 'Rubberneck'?" "Yes," said the Ostrich, with a pout; "They say it, too, to me. But don't mind them. Let's look about and see what we can see."

—Caroline Wells, in Puck.

HUMOROUS.

Sillious—No woman has ever made a fool of me. Cynicus—Indeed! Who did?

Muggins—I suppose these coins of yours are very scarce. Buggins—As scarce as an old maid's birthday.

Wigwag—Jones would rather borrow trouble than borrow money. Harduppe—What's the difference?

"That man," remarked the impetuous individual, "always reminds me of cash. He is so cold and distant."

Muggins—What a liar Longbow is. Buggins—Well, I should say so. He had a tooth pulled out and actually told me he didn't mind it a bit.

"What I say goes," remarked the unassuming humorist as he sent a telegram to his wife announcing that he would not be home to dinner.

The Judge—How did you happen to break into the house during the day? The Burglar—I had another engagement for the evening, your honor.

Blotbs—Young Esmith has only been in business about three months, and yet he tells me he has gone to the wall. Blotbs—That's only a joke of his. You see, he's a paper-hanger.

Mrs. Good—You are the sixth man who has asked me for something to eat today. The Tramp (sadly)—I s'pose so. If de competition in dis line gets any wuss, some of us'll have to go to work.

"I was surprised when Mrs. Bragadoe called my attention to the brightness of the stars the other night." "Why?" "From past conversations, I didn't think anything was bright except that little boy of hers."

"There's no use mincing matters, my dear; the fact is, you are not an expert cook." She—I think the trouble is that you do not know what good cooking is. He—And evidently you do not intend I shall ever become any wiser.

"Ah," he protested, "my love for you is the greatest thing in the world. It is larger than the world. It is wider than the sea. Let me pour it into your ears." "Sir!" ejaculated the fair maid; "do you mean to insinuate anything about my ears?"

LIFE'S UPS AND DOWNS.

The Magnificent Revenge of the Governor of Missouri.

A few years ago, while Robert Stewart was governor of Missouri, a steamboat man was brought in from the penitentiary as an applicant for a pardon. He was a large, powerful fellow, and when the governor looked at him, he seemed strangely affected. He scrutinized him long and closely. Finally, he signed the document that restored the prisoner to liberty. Before he handed it to him, he said: "You will commit some other crime, and be in the penitentiary again, I fear."

The man solemnly promised that he would not. The governor looked doubtful, mused a few minutes and said:

"You will go back on the river and be a mate again, I suppose?"

The man replied that he would.

"Well, I want you to promise me one thing," resumed the governor. "I want you to pledge your word that, when you are mate again, you will never take a billet of wood in your hand and drive a sick boy out of a bunk to help you load your boat on a stormy night." The steamboat man said he would not, and inquired what the governor meant by asking him such a question.

The governor replied: "Because, some day, that boy may become a governor, and you may want him to pardon you for a crime. One dark, stormy night, many years ago, you stopped your boat on the Mississippi river to take on a load of wood. There was a boy on board who was working his passage from New Orleans to St. Louis, but he was very sick of fever and was lying in a bunk. You had plenty of men to do the work, but you went to that boy with a stick of wood in your hand and drove him with blows and curses out into the wretched night, and kept him toiling like a slave until the load was completed. I was that boy. Here is your pardon. Never again be guilty of such brutality."

The man, cowering and hiding his face, went out without a word.

What a noble revenge that was, and what a lesson to a bully.—Success.

Lord Russell's Comment.

Lord Russell of Killowen, who was present at an independence day banquet, had in his excellent repertory, a story suited to the occasion. During one of his visits to America he was walking with Mr. Everts by the Potomac. "Broad as the river is," said the American lawyer to the English, "Washington threw a dollar over it." The surprise expressed by Lord Russell gave his companion the perhaps desired opportunity for the (surely deserved) jest that of course money carries further in America than in England. Lord Russell, rising to the occasion, at once capped the feat on Washington's behalf. "After all," he said, "it was not so remarkable a feat for a man who clucked a sovereign across the Atlantic."—London Chronicle.

Boer Army Captured by One Man.

Perhaps one of the nearest and pluckiest acts done in the South African war was that performed by Capt. Lambert, when he entered Klerksdorp, the original capital of the Transvaal, and induced a general and 900 men lay down their arms to him. He was entirely unarmed and unprotected, and arrived with only a stick and a smile to take the town. After lengthy negotiations he, by consummate tact, persuaded the commandant and the landroost to surrender, which they did. He was inundated with letters of congratulation from many officers, including Lord Roberts.—Black and White.

LOOK CENTURIES TO BUILD.

Cologne Cathedral Was in Process of Erection 639 Years.

While the first stone of Cologne cathedral was laid on August 15, 1248, and the body of the edifice was not opened until August 15, 1848, 600 years later to the very day, it was not, however, until August 15, 1880, that the splendid structure was finally reported completed, having thus occupied in building the record time of exactly 632 years.

The castle of Kingsberg, which stands at the southern extremity of Jutland, took 204 years from the laying of the foundation stone to the rigging of its master's banner on its highest flagstaff. Its foundation stone was the skull of its builder's bitterest enemy. Three months after its laying Count Jhosing, the builder of the castle, was then in swaddling clothes. He did not continue his father's work until aged twenty-four.

On his twenty-fifth birthday he was thrown into prison by the son of the man whose skull lay in the earth as Kingsberg's foundation stone. In this manner master after master of Kingsberg was stopped putting another stone toward the completion of the founder's work till civilization intervened.

Between Perth and Kinnegassie, in Scotland, on the direct John o' Groats to Land's End road, stands Murtle Castle, a magnificent Elizabethan structure, designed in the early part of the present century. It is not likely to be finished, however, building experts declare, for at least another decade.

Only a few miles distant, on the same main road, is the vast unfinished palace of the Dukes of Athol. It was begun by the fourth Duke, who died in 1830, who planned it on the most sumptuous style. When completed it will be one of the finest private residences in the kingdom.

For over twenty years Lord Bute has been busy building a great mansion on the island of that name. It is not yet completed, nor likely to be for another ten years. At the end of that period Mount Stewart, as the place is to be called, will be one of the most gorgeous establishments in the world.

Restormel Castle, in Cornwall, took ninety years to build, of which period exactly one-third was occupied in excavating the foundations. The solid rock upon which it stands is almost as hard as iron. Indeed, "Restormel" means, in Cornish, "the palace of the iron rock."

Milan cathedral was begun in 1386 and finished under Napoleon in 1805—419 years.

The Duomo at Florence was commenced by Arnolfo in the year 1294, and the last block of marble being placed in position in the facade in presence of the king on May 12, 1887, a period of 593 years.—Stray Stories.

The Moose.

When the rains and sunshine of late March and early April have lowered and crumbled the snow, so that traveling again is possible, the moose and deer leave their yards to range the woods, feeding eagerly on the expanding buds and green plants that first appear in woodlands. The moose sheds his lordly antlers, and thereafter, until the autumn finds them renewed, he keeps himself in retirement, shunning the company of his own kind and all other creatures. During the summer, while his budding new horns are yet in velvet, he lies secreted by day in some dense thicket, coming out at night to the still water reaches of stream and lake to feed upon lily-pads and aquatic grass. Here he remains through the hours of darkness, standing or lying in the water or swimming perhaps long distances to fresh feeding-grounds. The cow moose and her calf are less wary, so far as fear of man is concerned, being protected by law from the hunter's rifle at all seasons, but there are enemies in shape of hungry bears and wild-cats that compel her vigilantly to watch over her calf and sometimes to fight for its safety. She seems fully to realize her immunity from danger from man, and often displays great indifference to his presence. Throughout the summer she stays much of the time in the water of still streams and coves in lakes where water-grass and lily-pads grow, with her calf lying in concealment on the bank, but never so far away but that she can come promptly to its rescue if danger threatens.—Harper's Weekly.

Unexpected Fame.

To the higher and better class of champions belongs Master Warner S. Hale, of Good Hope, Georgia. He won the distinction in the field of industry as a picker of cotton. It happened on young Hale's sixteenth birthday, a few weeks ago. He celebrated the event by picking 732 pounds of cotton during the day, 407 in the first six hours and 325 in the following six, thus breaking the world's record in this line. The young picker did not know at the time that he was gaining such a distinction for himself. It was done very easily, he says, and he felt no more tired that night than usual. He proposes next year to raise the standard 150 pounds higher. A young man with such ambitions is bound to make a success of life.

Two New Words Coined.

Two new words were brought into Kansas City by travelers lately. One taken from a poster somewhere is "laughiest." It was applied to a show and was merely a variation on "funniest," which has become too common for the average circus billboard writer.

The Other New Word is "mortician."

It is a puzzler till one studies over it a while; then he becomes enlightened. It means "undertaker." But how elegant! It is under the plebeian "undertaker" and even "funeral director" looks like a Canadian dime beside it. Who will be Kansas City's first "mortician"?—Kansas City Journal.

Conforting.

Upon the farwell appearance of a popular prima donna, a local paper injected in its report of the same the following comforting paragraph: "The house was packed, and as it had been positively announced that it was her last appearance, the enthusiasm was unbounded."—Boston Courier.

Banned Out of His Seat.

"In the matter of strategy a woman can get the better of a man every time, in minor affairs, at least," said a man who is in business down town, and who rides home in a West Philadelphia car during the rush hour every evening, says the Philadelphia Record. "I usually get a seat, for I take the car away down at Fourth street. The other evening I was busily reading my paper when a woman got aboard at Twelfth street. I glanced up slyly, and saw that all the seats were occupied. Hasty as my glance was she caught my eye and that was my finish. Smiling broadly, she came over to where I was sitting and exclaimed, 'Why, how do you do? How are all the folks?' I couldn't place the woman to save my life, but I lifted my hat and replied that we were all well. 'She must be some friend of the family,' I argued with myself, so I folded up my paper and gave her my seat. After she had settled herself comfortably she looked up at me in a queer sort of way and said: 'Really, I must beg your pardon. I took you for Mr. Jones. You look so much like him.' But she had the seat, and she kept it. It was a clear case of bunco."

Valuable Almanac Free.

We have received a copy of the new almanac for 1901 published by the Royal Baking Powder Co. It is an artistic and useful book, and will be of interest to housekeepers. A noteworthy feature of the almanac is a prediction of the weather for every day of the year by Professor DeVoe, who correctly prophesied the great Galveston cyclone and other important meteorological events. We are authorized to say that any woman reader of this paper can secure a copy without cost by sending a request to the company at 100 William street, New York.

MANY ANNIVERSARIES.

September Has Been Big with Fate for the People of Malta.

The month of September is full of anniversaries of great interest to the people of Malta. On Sept. 8, 1665, the great siege of Malta was raised, when the Turks being completely repulsed, Europe was saved from the common enemy. The third or fourth Sunday of the month is always made a fête in honor of Roger of Normandy, who liberated the islanders from the Saracens in 1090. History and the exigencies of an isolated position have accustomed Malta to invasion. Of all the enemies that have overrun the island time after time one horde only was dismissed once never to return. It was just ten years ago on the 4th of this month that the garrison surrendered to the British after the famous blockade that lasted two years. Like Ireland, Malta has no vipers, and like the green Isle, the flower of the world, as the Maltese call their home, owes its immunity to its patron saint. Malta is the island of St. Paul. The inhabitants delight in pointing out the spot where the saint landed, the grotto where he was imprisoned, and the exact place where, shaking the viper from his hand into the fire he took no hurt. He then cursed all venomous animals out of the land.

If you have a happy home keep it so; if not, make it so.

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KANSAS LIVING out in the western third of a state, re-bagging about the fruit that was raised last year. It is a comparatively new story for that section of the country.

Hunting Malaria Microbes.

It is announced that Prof. Koch, bacteriologist, of Berlin, who has lately been hunting the microbe of malaria in Java and other hot countries, has perfected a medicine which is to be of the highest value in all malarial countries. It is half quinine, is to be used hypodermically and also as a swallowable medicine, and is commended both as a cure and as a preventive of malaria. Malaria is very much on the minds of wise men in many countries just now. The disposition to blame it all on the mosquito is supported so far by many experiments. Not only has health been maintained in malarious districts where effectual precautions against mosquitoes have been taken, but Italian mosquitoes fed in Rome on tertian-fever patients and brought to London and allowed to bite a healthy man have infected him with tertian fever. If the rule, "no mosquito, no malaria," be demonstrated, it will be a great gain, for mosquito bites are not so unavoidable as may be thought.

When plants are growing in dry air their stems and leaves have a more complicated structure than when the air is moist.

It is better to suffer many injuries than to die. If it is your fortune to be in words, but words may be greatly revenged.

To Abolish the Whipping Post.

The law-makers are wrangling over the abolition of the whipping post. The man who succeeds in passing such a bill, will prove as great a benefactor to the breaker of man's laws as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has to the breaker of nature's laws. If you've neglected your stomach until indigestion, constipation, biliousness, liver and kidney troubles are upon you, there's but one cure, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Don't fail to try it for a gripper.

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During the month of September 37,000 cases of yellow fever were reported in Havana, the mortality of nearly 10,000.

I do not believe Place's Cure for Consumption is an equal for coughs and colds.—DR. F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Do not be ashamed of being big hearted and ambitious to improve yourself in body and mind. Remember that one of the best ways of self-improvement is the being of service to others who need help.

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Lord Roseberry has found the time to dash off a history of the life of Napoleon. Roseberry evidently desires to be known as the Hawk of England.

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The little Grand Duchess Olga of Russia is the richest baby in the world. The week she was born \$1,000,000 was invested for her.

"I am so Glad you are well, Dear Sister."

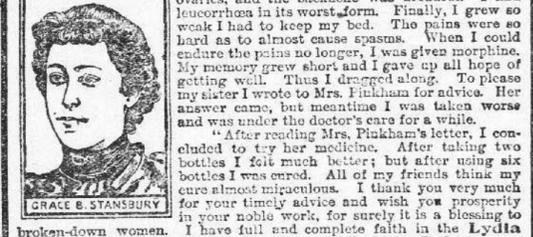


This picture tells its own story of sisterly affection. The older girl, just budding into womanhood, has suffered greatly with those irregularities and menstrual difficulties which sap the life of so many young women.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound can always be relied upon to restore health to women who thus suffer. It is a sovereign cure for the worst forms of female complaints,—that bearing-down feeling, weak back, falling and displacement of the womb, inflammation of the ovaries, and all troubles of the uterus or womb. It dissolves and expels tumors from the uterus in the early stage of development and checks any tendency to cancerous humors. It subdues excitability, nervous prostration, and tones up the entire female system.

Could anything prove more clearly the effectiveness of Mrs. Pinkham's Medicine than the following strong statement of Grace Stansbury?

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The Boston Athenaeum has long contained three busts which no one in that city was able to identify. The assistant librarian, a young woman, has just recognized them as excellent likenesses of Lewis Cass, the great statesman; Nicholas Biddle, one of the most eminent financiers of the century, and a Russian prince, famous all over the world.

A four-year-old girl wandered away from home near the Bonanza mine recently, and was lost in the mountains forty-eight hours. When recovered she was quite unharmed. She told of having seen a big black dog with two puppies, which she tried to catch, "but they ran away after their mamma." The "dog" was a bear, and the "puppies" were her cubs.—Portland Oregonian.

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