

LITTLE BROTHERS OF THE GROUND.

Little ants in leafy wood, Bound by gentle brotherhood, While ye easily gather spoil...

LARGEST FISH IN THE OCEAN.

Basking Sharks Are Veritable Masters of the Deep. The biggest fish that swims is known by sea-faring men as the basking shark...

One came ashore off the New England coast some years ago, and another was beached on the California coast near Monterey in 1893. It was plump 40 feet long...

THE DOCTOR'S JOKE.

He Thought It Funny, but His Patient's View Is Unknown.

If there is anything the old doctor dreads, it is to get the chronic cases. When he encounters one of them, he almost dreads to effect a cure.

Well, a veteran physician at Wheaton had a case in the country that he knew he would lose. It was a man of 50, with an inherited predisposition to heart and liver troubles...

"Why, I said give this at 3 p. m.," said the doctor, pointing at his written instructions. "I know," said the amateur nurse...

"Well," replied the old doctor as calmly as if it were a matter of more or less bedclothing, "it doesn't matter."

And it didn't. Looks like a rather grim story, doesn't it? But the rest of the doctors, who heard of it after the funeral, regard it as one of the cleverest jokes in the profession.—Chicago Post.

Chinese Eating.

It is probably true that the Chinese use a greater variety of meats than do the people of other countries, although but little land is set apart for grazing...

Since hogs can be so economically reared, pork is undoubtedly, after rice, the leading article of food. This is eaten in every form, and one may say that every part of the animal is utilized for food.

For fish the Chinese have an omnivorous appetite, nothing from the water, either fresh or salt, being rejected. A few kittens and puppies may be offered for sale in cages. Those which are intended for the table are fed upon grain and clean food...

An Unconscious Toast.

Lord Clyde, one day after dinner, asked a chaplain to one of the regiments in India for a toast, who, after considering some time, at length exclaimed with great simplicity:

"Alas and alack a day! What can I give?" "Nothing better," replied his lordship. "Come, gentlemen, we'll give a bumper to the parson's toast, 'A lass and a lac a day.'"

A lac means 100,000 rupees, or \$25,000, which is certainly an income to make one happy.—Kansas City Independent.

First Aid to the Injured.

Customer (emerging from bargain counter crush)—Help! My leg is broken. Floorwalker—You will find the crutch department, sir, on the fourth floor, in the rear.—Judge.

THE EXPERT WITNESS.

His Dark and Dreary Way of Statting a Simple Proposition.

One of the besetting sins of the expert witness is the habit or tendency to use a lot of Latin words in describing an injury to the jury. In some exceptional cases, doubtless, this is done without affectation or for a purpose...

A physician, for instance, who, when upon the stand, is asked to describe something to the jury and uses all the high sounding terms at his command, deserves to have very little attention paid to his testimony and usually gets his deserts.

Baron Bramwell—I suppose you mean the man had a black eye?

Scientific Witness—Precisely, my lord. Baron Bramwell—Perhaps if you had said so in plain English those gentlemen would better understand you.

"Precisely, my lord," answered the learned surgeon, evidently delighted that the judge understood his meaning.

This incident, which might be paralleled many times in court in this country, carries its own comment. What the jury wants is to be enlightened on disputed points, and the way to do this is not to use purely technical expressions, but to explain in plain, homely language.

Earth Eaters.

The custom of eating earth is practiced in widely separated regions and is particularly in vogue among negroes and American Indians and has even been observed in Europe. The anthropologist Lauch says that German quartermen spread clay on slices of bread and eat it with evident relish.

Some anthropologists tell us that among many savage peoples pregnant women are particularly disposed to the habit of eating earth and clay. In Guatemala during certain religious ceremonies the faithful are often seen to devour statues made of clay, and the practice in that country therefore is allied to religious superstition.

Wyoming in the Past.

Geologists are of the opinion that the vast territory known as Wyoming once had numerous fresh water lakes and a climate approaching the semitropical and that the animals whose bones are from time to time coming to light inhabited these lakes and the adjoining swamps in myriads.

Consistent.

"I have no sympathy wid a strike," said Meandering Mike. "But you don't blame folks for not workin'?" protested Plodding Pete. "Ye can't strike unless ye've got a job, kin ye?" was the withering rejoinder.

"Forgot Bills With Pains." "Yes," said the benevolent man, "I thank heaven for my happy disposition. I am satisfied with what the day brings forth and quickly forget the pain and trouble that have passed."

The wonder is not that people are afraid to tell the truth, but that they are not afraid to tell a lie.—Atchison Globe.

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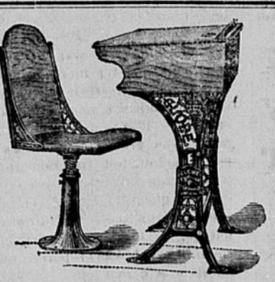
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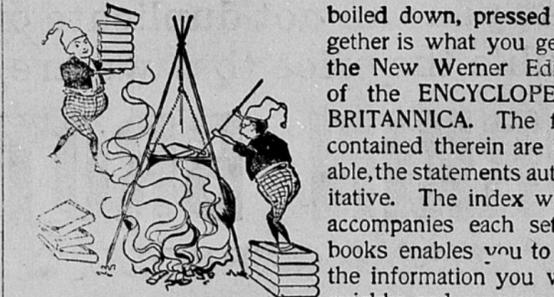
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