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Species of Book Collectors.

In this age of specialization even so simple a subject as book collecting is subdivided in a complex, scientific way.

Book collectors of the twentieth century fall naturally into these classes:

Bibliomane—An indiscriminate, emotional collector.

Bibliognoste—A learned collector, very expert in imprints, first editions and the technicalities.

Bibliograph—A collector who writes about his collections.

Bibliotaphe—A cautious collector who keeps his books always under lock and key in glass cases.

Bibliophile—A real lover of books, one who buys books only for the pleasure of reading them.—Minneapolis Journal.

The Tail of the Comet.

It is one of the most wonderful of all the phenomena that confront us in the study of nature that the tail of the comet, visible through such a vast area of space, is one of the most transparent of objects. The tail of the comet is much more transparent than the earth's atmosphere, as this at its best would in bulk act as an opaque curtain. But stars are seen almost as distinctly through the comet's tail as through the adjacent atmosphere. Comets change their form and appearance with the utmost rapidity and finally back steadily away from the sun, like a courtier out of the royal presence.

A Story of Alexandre Dumas.

This story is told of Alexandre Dumas: It is well known that he could not refuse a request—at least not often. One day he gave a man a letter to one of his intimate friends in Brussels. The friend, a wealthy merchant, received him as though he had been Dumas' own brother, introduced him to his circle of acquaintances, placed his stable at the man's disposal and did everything in his power to make life pleasant for Dumas' friend. After the lapse of fourteen days the man suddenly disappeared and with him the best horse in the merchant's stable. Six months later the merchant visited Dumas and thanked him for the kind of people he recommended to his consideration. "Dear friend," he added, "your friend is a shark. He stole the best horse in my stable." Astonished, Dumas raised his hands toward heaven and cried, "What, he stole from you too!"

Mazeppa and the Cossacks.

The word cossack means robber, and the name Cossacks was given by the Turks to a race in manners, appearance and language like the Russians, but who are said not to be really akin to them. The Cossacks of Little Russia and the Don Cossacks are said to be the most unscrupulous robbers in the world. They excel in horsemanship and form a large part of the Russian imperial cavalry. Styled sometimes the spies of the czar, they keep the nihilists in greater check than any other power and number many more than a million men. Mazeppa, a Don Cossack, the subject of Byron's poem, when condemned to be bound upon a wild horse and borne away to his fate, was carried toward the Ukraine, on the borders of Poland, and, being rescued by Cossacks, became their chief.

Violet For Mourning.

It was not by accident that violet was chosen by many nations as the exclusive color for mourning and by us also for half mourning. Painters suffering from hysteria and neurasthenia will be inclined to cover their pictures uniformly with the color most in accordance with their condition of lassitude and exhaustion. Thus originate the violet pictures of Manet and his school, which spring from no actually observable aspect of nature, but from a subjective view due to conditions of the nerves. When the entire surface of walls in salons and art exhibitions of the day appears veiled in uniform half mourning this predilection for violet is simply an expression of the nervous debility of the painter.—Nordau's "Degeneration."

A Broad Hint.

Sir Andrew Agnew of Lucknow, a well known Scotch baronet, was long pestered by an impudent sort of person, who insisted on being constantly "underfoot." Finally, however, he dropped off, and Sir Andrew was asked how he got rid of him.

"Oh," said he, "I gave him a broad hint."

"A broad hint?" repeated the inquirer. "I thought he was one of those who never could be induced to take one."

"By ma saul," said Sir Andrew, "he was obleeged to tak' it! For as the chiel wadna gang oot at the door I just threw him oot of the window!"

Air Pressure.

At the level of the sea the pressure of the atmosphere on the piston of an engine is about fifteen pounds to the square inch, but decreases at higher altitudes. As this atmospheric pressure must be overcome by the steam pressure before any work can be done, it is evident that at the diminished air pressure of high altitudes more work can be obtained from a given pressure of steam than at the sea level, or, in other words, an equally effective pressure of steam can be obtained with the expenditure of less fuel. The difference, however, is not great enough to be of any practical importance.

Bounty For Scalps.

During the French-Indian war of 1754 the French offered a bounty for British scalps. In the same year a bounty of £100 each was offered by the authorities of the several colonies. In 1755 Massachusetts granted a bounty of £40 for every scalp of a male Indian over twelve years of age and £20 each for the scalps of women and children. In 1764 John Penn, grandson of William Penn and governor of Pennsylvania, offered a bounty of $150 for every "Indian buck" killed and scalped.

The Conditions Different.

Husband (with newspaper)—When I'm at home you are forever hammering at that piano or else your tongue is running like a trip hammer. It wasn't so before we were married. Wife—No, it wasn't. Before we were married you held my hands so I couldn't play and kept my lips so busy that I couldn't talk.

IN NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIX.

There are numerous things I am eager to see
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.
Some things that are needed, I think you'll agree
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.
Reforms in the senate, reforms in the state;
Reforms in the city, insurance and [illegible]—
And these we must have or forlorn is our fate
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.

The men we elect to high offices must,
In Nineteen Hundred and Six,
Stand firmly for justice and not for a trust,
In Nineteen Hundred and Six,
The money that people save up for the day
When rain shall descend from the clouds thick and gray
Must never be used in the '96 way
In Nineteen Hundred and Six,

I want to see senators stand firm and true
In Nineteen Hundred and Six,
And give to the people the laws overdue,
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.
I want to see Platt walking up to confess
He's using the senate to save his express,
And suddenly promise no more to [illegible],
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.

A sight that would strike me as being quite fine
In Nineteen Hundred and Six
Would be to see Chauncey his toga resign
In Nineteen Hundred and Six
And then to see Aldrich, Penrose and Reed Smoot,
And Foraker, Dick, and some more, follow suit—
'Twould help out a body now in disrepute,
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.

We would like to see Panama dirt quickly fly
In Nineteen Hundred and Six,
And fewer plebiters who are living so high,
In Nineteen Hundred and Six
Instead of the horde of officials now there
And talking "sea level" and working so rare,
We'd like a canal that is built on the square
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.

And one other thing we would joyfully hail
In Nineteen Hundred and Six—
A lot of big grafters and thieves thrust in jail
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.
Give us less of "big stick" in a poor fellow's case,
And more of "big stick" on the men in high place;
Give us all—rich and poor—a fair start in the race
In Nineteen Hundred and Six.
—The Commoner.

In Far Countries.

When the shower came up the artist, who was walking through New Hampshire on a sketching tour, sought shelter under a tree, where he was soon joined by another wayfarer, a man of middle age, who looked a sort of better class tramp, and indeed was one.

The two entered into conversation, and it came out that the wayfarer was a harness maker by vocation, but a rover by predilection.

"Yes," he said, "I'm a rolling stone. I'm never happy in one place. I'm here today and gone tomorrow. There ain't any fossil about me. I'm on the move all the time. The world is made to see, I say, and I'm bound to see all I can of it."

The artist began to think that he had fallen in with a modern Marco Polo, and by way of leading up to some interesting anecdotes of the antipodes he remarked:

"You must have been quite a traveler."

"Well, that's about so," the man modestly replied. "I reckon I could find my way over New Hampshire with my eyes shut, and I was once two months in Vermont."

Cold That Kills and Cold That Cures.

In England severe cold generally kills a good many people. In certain parts of North America cold still more severe puts new life into them. It requires no argumentation to show that there must be a definite reason for this. The chief reason is that English cold is mostly damp, while in North America it is mostly dry. There is the greatest difference in the world between dry air and damp air. The former is usually air pure and simple, possessing a full quantity of oxygen and often charged highly with ozone. The latter consists of air mixed with the vapor of water. When the former air, fully oxygenated, is breathed it stimulates more powerfully than champagne. The latter, less oxygenated and charged with vapor of water, not only does not stimulate, but depresses.—Public Opinion.

Pasta's Wonderful Voice.

Mme. Pasta's voice extended from low A to D in altissimo and was one of the most remarkable illustrations ever furnished of the value of musical culture in overcoming natural blemishes. Her voice was stubborn and unmanageable, but by dint of study and indefatigable perseverance she brought it to a state of perfection that was the admiration of her contemporaries. Her delight was the bravura style of ornament, and where the composer had not been sufficiently liberal in bestowing ornamentation on her part she invented cavatinas of her own and used them with such effect that they were generally regarded as the best part of her singing. She made her first appearance on the stage in 1815, her last in 1850.

The Meaning of Sympathy.

It was a clever Frenchwoman who said: "Those who have suffered much are like those who know many languages. They have learned to understand and to be understood by many. It is an impossibility to fully sympathize with another's experience unless it has been at some time one's own. In trouble or grief we turn instinctively to some one whom we know has been through the same experience. It is the old human longing for companionship that shows itself. The feeling is strong within us that she will feel and know with me. Therein lies the meaning of sympathy."

The Minister's Response.

A well known minister of a kirk in Glasgow was one day passing along the High street when he was accosted by a crowd of street gamins, one of whom said mischievously, but with becoming gravity, "D'ye ken, minister, the de'il is deed?" The minister made no immediate response, but on the whole crew reiterating the cry, "The de'il's deed! The de'il's deed!" he turned and, raising his outstretched hands, as if to pronounce a blessing, reported, "Ach, ye puir leetle faithless bairns!"

England's Curiosity Shops.

Many of the curiosity shops planted in the back streets of most country towns in England are simply kept up by large London firms, who, from a prolonged study of human nature, have discovered that people who are shy of buying old furniture or old silver in Bond street or Piccadilly are ready and eager purchasers of precisely the same objects at a rather higher price when they come upon them in the back streets of a country town.

Try It.

"Don't you smell fire?"
"No, I don't think I do."
"I don't either, but most people do if you ask them."

Webster's Wit.

Most men of weight dislike the frail gilt and satin chairs which accidentally fall to their lot in a crowded drawing room. They were in use in Mr. Webster's time. At an evening reception given to some western lawyers soon after the accession of President Tyler and the dissolution of President Harrison's cabinet Mr. Stanberry, late attorney general, was accompanied by his bashful friend, Mr. Leonard, who immediately retired to a corner and selected this gilded trifle as a resting place. In order to withdraw still farther from notice he tilted the frail structure backward. Down it went, smashed into a dozen pieces, and Leonard the embarrassed was Leonard the observed by all. Mr. Webster immediately rushed to the rescue of his unfortunate guest and raised him from the floor with the reassuring remark, "Why, my dear Mr. Leonard, you should have remembered that no cabinet work would hold together here."

Boomerang Testimonials.

The oriental point of view is an instructive one, as is shown by the following:

At Allahabad, India, there has just been issued the report of the Hospital For Women, and the Pioneer of that city prints a couple of graceful letters quoted in the report. The first addressed the lady at the head of the institution thus:

Dear She—My wife has returned from your hospital cured. Provided males are allowed at your bungalow, I would like to do you the honor of presenting myself there this afternoon, but I will not try to repay you—vengeance belongeth unto God. Yours noticeably.

The second was in a strain of even more punctilious courtesy. It ran:

Dear and Fair Madam—I have much pleasure to inform you that my dearly unfortunate wife will be no longer under your kind treatment, she having left this world for the other the night of the 27th ult. For your help in this matter I shall ever remain grateful. Yours reverently.

When Every One Is Beautiful.

It has been said in cold print that men and women are growing more and more beautiful and that the progress of civilization, the better understanding of the laws of health, is to bring a time when all of us will be of absolutely perfect beauty—or, rather, not us, but our ultimate remote descendants. It is a little difficult to feel envy, hatred and malice for one's descendants, but this news is enough to induce that evil state of mind. However, the prospect affects one writer quite otherwise. After all, says she, our lovely descendants will not have so gay a time. For if every one is good looking, what on earth is the good of being good looking? So, after all, there are some advantages in living nowadays. Few of us have no dear friends uglier than ourselves. What is the use of a friend if she is not a little—well, plain?

Tea In All Forms.

"Pickled tea is a Burmese delicacy," said the sailor. "A Burmese girl once gave me some. It wasn't bad; sweetish and spiced; a cross between pickled and preserved.

"Tea ain't only drunk. Down Siam way they chew it. It is stuck together with melted sugar into little cakes, and every Siamese carries one of those cakes in his pocket. A plug of tea; you might say a plug o' chewin' tea.

"Some folks smoke it. An English girl once gave me a cigarette. I finished it. But such a headache!

"Stewed tea is the national dish of the Tibetans. Tea, fat, salt, flour and milk are cooked together to the thickness of oatmeal and eaten cold."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Bark of the Sequoias.

California's giant trees, the sequoias, thousands of years old, have been preserved to this day because of their enormously thick bark. From time to time in the course of ages forest fires have swept through the big tree lands, destroying everything, yet only scorching for a couple of inches' depth or so the almost fireproof bark. The flames, having carbonized that much of the bark, could not penetrate farther, for the carbonized portion formed an absolutely fireproof covering for the remainder of the interior bark.

The Retort Courteous.

The essence of all fine breeding is the gift of conciliation. A man who possesses every other title to our respect except that of courtesy is in danger of forfeiting them all. A rude manner renders its owner always liable to affront. He is never without dignity who avoids wounding the dignity of others.—Lord Lytton.

What Interested Him.

"What interested me most in my travels," said Henpeck, "was the mummy of a queen I saw in Egypt."

"Wonderful, eh?" asked his friend.

"Yes, it's wonderful how they could make a woman dry up and stay that way."—Philadelphia Press.

Lesson Learned In War.

The importance of removing all unnecessary objects from the decks of men-of-war was emphasized on board the Japanese Mikasa, on which twenty-three men were killed or wounded by the fragments of an optic telegraph that had been hit by a bomb.

The Serious Part.

Friend—You appear to think that your responsibility is greater than that of the proprietor. Drug Clerk—It is. Friend—How do you figure that out? Drug Clerk—If I make a mistake I lose my job.

His Point of View.

Nurse—See, Charlie, the stork has brought you a nice little brother. Charlie—Yes, that's the way! Just as I'm getting on in the world competition begins!—Fliegende Blatter.

A Good Lesson.

Spouter—Did you gain anything on the horses last year? Sporter—Yep; I gained enough experience to teach me not to bet on them this year.

Most of our misfortunes are more supportable than the comments of our friends upon them.—A. Dumas.

Thoughts go forth to purposes, purposes go forth in actions, actions form habits, habits decide character, and character fixes our destiny.—Tryon Edwards.

Chinese Swine.

The American swine of today are very different from their English ancestors, which a few centuries ago constituted one of the chief sources of British wealth. The improvement in the race is largely due to the introduction of the Chinese and Neapolitan breeds. The crossing of the former upon the English hog has resulted in the production of the Berkshire, Essex, Poland-China, Small Yorkshire and Suffolk breeds. The Chinese hog is remarkably prepotent, as is shown by the tendency of the modern breeds to revert to the original type. This is doubtless owing to the many centuries of inbreeding which have so firmly fixed its characteristics. One of the most important of these is its propensity to fatten under the most adverse circumstances. This superabundance of fat prevents the flesh of this breed being highly esteemed in this country, but it has had a most valuable effect in modifying the lean, gaunt hogs of England, while the Neapolitan has added delicacy of flavor. The original Chinese hog is a very peculiar shape. It has a long body, with short legs, very heavy jowls, small prick ears, short head, neck and snout and the eyes wide apart. In color it is white or black or a mixture of both, with the white predominating.

Ant Communication.

Sir James Boyle, the great Irish naturalist, always contended that ants had a language of their own, by which they made known their wants and fears to others of their kind. One day he encountered a colony that was evidently moving to new quarters. All appeared in the very best of spirits, and whenever two met the naturalist noted that they put their heads together as though chatting very earnestly. To settle the matter in his own mind as to whether they were really talking or not he killed one of them to observe the effect it would have on the others. The eyewitnesses to the murder hastened to the rear and halted every one of the advancing column by laying their antennae together. The column instantly separated to the right and the left, none of the marchers afterward passing within less than six feet of their dead companion, though the remains of the insect were directly in the beaten path.

The Snowy Owls.

Every few years, especially along the seacoast and the larger rivers and lakes, there is a wave of those splendid day hunting rascals, the snowy owls. They are great fishermen, the only owls to make this sort of hunting a practice, and may sometimes be seen sitting, silent and motionless, like a block of ice, at the edge of the open water waiting for a chance to nab an unsuspecting fish. Of course this is not a very paying way to get a living, and they also catch field mice, muskrats, hares and even large birds like quail or grouse. But there are only two other birds of prey in our country that habitually eat fish, and one of these seldom catches its own, preferring to eat the dead fish along the shore or pirate it from the real fisherman, the osprey.—St. Nicholas.

Expert Ring Blowers.

The Japanese are experts on smoke rings, and it is said in Japan it is considered no uncommon trick to blow three rings of smoke in succession, the second traveling through the first and the third through both. Some stage performers are credited with becoming so expert in smoke blowing that they are not only able to multiply the number of rings thus made, but actually form Japanese characters representing words and sentences. One Japanese juggler, it is declared, proposed to his wife by forming the characters representing his avowal of love through a thin stream of smoke.

The Gordian Knot.

The Gordian knot was said to have been made of thongs used as a harness to the wagon of Gordius, king of Phrygia. Whosoever loosened this knot, the ends of which were not discoverable, the oracle declared should be ruler of Persia. Alexander the Great cut away the knot with his sword until he found the ends of it, and thus, in a military sense at least, interpreted the oracle, 330 B. C.

The Two Moons.

She—When I saw old Billyuns and his wife at Niagara a couple of years ago she was billing and cooing with him in a way to make you tired. He—That was the honeymoon. She—And I saw where the other day in court she had him forced to agree to pay her the best part of his income as alimony. He—That's the harvest moon.—Baltimore American.

A Strange Survival.

It is illegal to sing, hum or whistle the "Dead March" outside of a church or a cemetery. At one time this law was very strictly enforced, and even today a soldier found guilty of singing or otherwise rendering the famous march other than at a military funeral would be severely censured.—London Household Words.

His Art.

Mrs. Sylile—My husband takes a deep interest in art. Mrs. Oldar—You surprise me. Mrs. Sylile—Well, it was a surprise to me, but I heard him telling Jack Rownder last night that it was a good thing to study your hand before you draw.

Assistance Not Necessary.

"Help! Help!" cried the man who was being robbed.

"Calm yourself," said the highwayman. "I don't need any assistance."

His Appointment.

Husband—I think I shall have to go out tonight, my dear. I have an appointment. Wife—Oh, Tom, what is it? Husband—An appointment with my tailor. He is to call here at 8 to collect his bill.

Unpleasant Proof.

Hotel Visitor—Now, you are sure this bed is quite clean? Servant—Yes, sir; the sheets were only washed this morning. Just feel them. They ain't dry yet.

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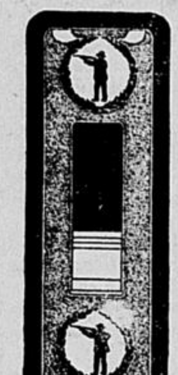

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