

**Hawaiian Guitars.**  
The manufacture of ukuleles is one of the industries of Hawaii. Early in the eighties Portuguese immigrants from the Madeira Islands arrived in Honolulu, many of them bringing what appeared to be a very small guitar. It was played by holding it close to the body, the fingers of the left hand grasping the neck and the fingers of the right sweeping the entire set of strings. The rapidity of the motion with the right hand caused the Hawaiians to call the instrument "ukulele," or "dancing flea."

**Petitgrain.**  
Paraguay is said to produce about 70 per cent of the world's output of petitgrain, the essential oil extracted from the leaves of the sour orange. It is chiefly used in the manufacture of perfumes.

**The Change of a Word.**  
"You wouldn't think there'd be enough difference between the definite and the indefinite article to matter much, would you?" said a woman who writes for a living. "I made a lifelong enemy of a woman once just by writing 'the' where I meant 'a.' It was an account of her wedding I was doing. I said something about the ceremony being performed at the home of the bride's aunt, and then I added that there were present 'only the few friends of the family.' The bride never got over that 'the' in front of few. It happened five years ago, and when my name is mentioned she still frowns at the mouth."—Washington Post.

**IDLENESS.**

A man may become weary of daily toil, but it does not produce as much depression as does daily idleness.

**WHEN YOU GREET A FRIEND.**

**Tell Him He's Looking Fine and See How It Cheers Him.**

"By George, old man, you are looking fine!"  
Did you ever notice how you perk up, no matter how poorly you were feeling before, when some friend greets you in that way?

According to the secretary of the Colorado board of health, the human system just naturally begins to tone up under the stimulus of such greetings.

He declares it is an aid to health and a help in preventing disease, and to that end he advocates a "tell your friends how well they look" movement.

"It is not only bad taste to talk of your pains and ailments," says the doctor, "but a reflection on your intelligence and knowledge of sanitation and good health. We are not far from the time when the cause of illness will have to be accounted for personally."

"In other words, nature is no longer going to be blamed for sickness when it is simply the result of ignorance, indifference or wrong ways of living."

Do you not think it worth giving the doctor's idea a try?

We do! So here goes:  
"By George, you are looking fine!"—Santa Fe New Mexican.

**LITERARY FORGERIES.**

**Stuff With Which Vrain-Lucas Duped An Aged Scientist.**

The most remarkable literary forgery on record was perpetrated in 1870 on Michael Chasles, a French scientist of European reputation. Chasles, who was in his dotage, purchased within a few years from one Vrain-Lucas no fewer than 27,000 autographs. A. M. Broadley tells the story in his "Chats on Autographs."

"Beginning with a supposed correspondence between the youthful Newton and Pascal, Vrain-Lucas proceeded to fabricate letters of Rabelais, Montesquieu and La Bruyere. Before he had finished M. Chasles became the possessor of letters in French, and written on paper made in France, of Julius Caesar, Cleopatra, Mary Magdalene and even of Lazarus after his resurrection."

Vrain-Lucas was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, and among other forged manuscripts from his pen there were produced in court letters from Alexander the Great, Herod, Pompey, Judas Iscariot, Sappho, Pontius Pilate and Joan of Arc.

**Battlecry of the Cat.**

The piercing wavery of the cat in the night startles and exasperates us beyond all bearing—not by its loudness, but by a certain vicious, weird, half terrifying, half infuriating note in it that makes us spring to arms with the bootjack or other substitute for the boomerang, as the warwhoop of our tribal enemies did a century or centuries ago, says Dr. Woods Hutchinson.

One of Mark Twain's wise old frontiersmen had caught this note when he explained to the tenderfoot that animal speech had rules of composition and grammar, just like human speech, and that "the reason a cat riles ye so ain't on account of the noise she makes, but on account of the sickenin' bad grammar she uses." And he was right, for the grammar of scap lifting and the whole alphabet of battle, murder and sudden death tingles and screams in the rasping cry.

**The Weather Changeth Not.**

The oldest weather diary known to be in existence was kept by a Lincolnshire parson, William Merle, close on 600 years ago. From 1337 to 1344 he wrote it up, often day by day, in Latin, and his manuscript, being on vellum, was somehow preserved and is now in the Bodleian. Merle did not trouble himself with the popular lore about "skye influences," but stuck to an accurate record of fact, in the spirit at least of the modern meteorologists. And from his jottings it seems that he had pretty much the same kind of weather to deal with as folks in his parish of Friby experience now. Contrary to theory, the changes of six centuries have not reduced the number of wet days in the year.—London Chronicle.

**Vanilla Beans.**

The vanilla bean is the costliest bean in the world. It flourishes in Mexico, chiefly in Papantla and Misantla. It grows wild and is gathered and marketed by the natives. Just as they come from the forests the beans sell at \$10 per 1,000. After the beans are dried and cured they are worth from \$10 to \$11 a pound, according to quality. They are used by druggists and confectioners and are an important article of commerce.

**Warning Him.**

"My dear, I can give you a satisfactory explanation of my delay in getting home this evening."

"You may have an explanation, Henry, but I can tell you in advance that it won't be satisfactory."—Detroit Free Press.

**Might Be Worse.**

Maiden Aunt (to little nephew on a visit)—You're not getting homesick, Willie? Little Boy—Oh, no, auntie! It's even duller at home.—London Opinion.

**Sound Advice.**

If you are in the habit of being an innocent bystander take treatment for your innocence or cease bystander.—Judge.

We cannot live better than in seeking to become better nor more agreeably than by having a clear conscience.—Socrates.

**What She Feared.**

"I love you," he said. "Let us be sweethearts."

"You admire beauty?"

"Yes. My only books are woman's looks."

"I think," said the girl, "that we had better not become engaged, I fear that you could not be contented with a library of one volume."—Pittsburgh Post.

**Sore Throat Wisdom.**

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