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happy in an estate which they have voluntarily assumed than that the sanctity of that holy estate should be impaired. It is the institution, and not man or wife, that is to be considered and protected.

MAKING MONEY OUT OF SHRINES.

Forty thousand persons paid a sixpence each, last year, for the privilege of seeing Shakespeare's birthplace at Stratford-on-Avon. Twenty thousand persons paid a shilling each to look at Abbotsford. Sixty thousand persons visited the low thatched cottage at Alloway where Burns was born, at twopence apiece.

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Everything that happens to us leaves some trace behind it. Everything contributes imperceptibly to form us.—Goethe.

AN AROUSED ELECTORATE.

Political parties might as well understand it first as last that they must now reckon with an enlightened and aroused electorate. It is harder now than ever for demagogues to fool any of the people all the time, or all the people any of the time.

WHAT IS A COMMON CARRIER?

The Times-Dispatch has not attacked the advance in charges for moving baggage announced by the Richmond Transfer Company. The cost of feed and labor and the cost generally of doing a transfer business has increased, and we are assured that the business of the Richmond Transfer Company was not profitable under the old scale of prices.

MR. EARLE'S BLUNDER.

Ferdinand Earle, who put his good and faithful wife away, because he found an "affinity" in another woman, not only denounces and defies public sentiment and a sacred custom, but he has the effrontery to attempt to justify his cowardly and selfish act by quoting a saying of Jesus. "There is," says he in a labored statement, "a true religion founded partly upon the words of Jesus, 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you,' which may some day be found so just and practical and simple that it shall enter into everyday affairs."

LONDON'S MILK SUPPLY.

The Lancet, of London, which is probably the leading British medical journal, has been active in showing up the defects in the present system of supplying milk to that city, and has published a series of convincing articles dealing with various phases of the subject.

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RHYMES FOR TO-DAY

"BACK" is a word of diversified meanings— So says the lexicon there on the shelf; As for detailing them I have small space— Haul down the volume and look for yourself.

"Back" for us home-comes holds one meaning only: "Back" is good-by, and good-by is a sob. "Back" is the treadmill, and treadmills are lonely. "Back" is the thing that we are on the job.

Back go the days when we flirted with pleasure, Back slip the gay ways with maidens and men. Back go the hard-earned, glad moments of leisure, Back trudge the bardlets to harness again.

Call you "it might have been" saddest of phrases? Plish for your folly, a stare for your crazes. I know of all that depends men to crazes, "Back on the job" is the dreaddest of all.

What? "What a very thin voice that girl has!" "Think why, it's so thin she ought to stink her hair in a skeleton key."—Baltimore American.

Cookery at That. "Yes," said Hawkins, who had recently bought some old silver at auction, "this is the old Hawkins family plate." "Indeed," said the observant guest, "but surely this is an 'A' marked upon it." "Is it? Oh—yes, of course. The original Hawkins were English, you know."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Apparently. Policeman (holding down a tramp on sidewalk): "No damage, ma'am; he's merely doing a job." Kind Lady: "Gracious! Shall I get some water and throw it in his face?" Policeman: "Do you want to kill him?"—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Sidelights on Father. "It's 'come indoors at once, Master Richard, and be a good boy. You won't go to heaven if you're so naughty." "Master Richard: 'I don't want to go to heaven. I want to go with father.'"—London Sketch.

Willing to Try. "It's so sweet of you, Mr. Guffy," she gurgled, "to want me to marry you. But papa says I'm such an extravagant girl. Do you think you could dress me?" "I think I could if you don't have these waists that fasten in the back with hooks and eyes."—Cleveland Leader.

Drunk, Indeed. His Wife: "You've been drinking again. Haven't you now?" Her Husband: "My dear, I cannot tell a lie." His Wife: "You can't! Then you are either gone or I thought!"—Illustrated Bits.

Points from Paragraphs. RICHMOND P. HOBSON thinks he will be a war cloud on the horizon. It is remembered that Richmond made his exit from the navy by the defective eyesight route.—Bristol Herald-Gazette.

It is fortunate for the average man that he does not have to pay cash for the advice his wife hands him.—Chicago News.

Governor Johnson says he would rather write a book than be President. That should be the motto of the Governor.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

A Dr. McQueen says "Roosevelt should be made king." King of clubs?—Washington Herald.

"Next to the newspapers," says Mark Twain, "the ladies are the most able disseminators of news." From which it appears that there are no more "business" news to include in jokes.—Washington Post.

New York merchants are selling arms and ammunition to Japan. They love their country, and that is the commercial gospel, confession of faith and golden rule in a nutshell.—Los Angeles Times.

Mr. Hughes will lose some of his optimism when he sees what a stir he has made by demanding honesty in public office.—Washington Times.

Switzerland has a hotel-keepers' school where hotel-keeping is taught in all its branches.

Of 1,000,000 girl babies born, \$71,256 are alive at twelve months, but \$70,000 fewer live through the first year.

The late Captain Jason Collins, veteran steamship captain of Maine, was ninety years old when he died. He had a record of seventy years at sea. Up to the age of eighty-three he was in command of one of the Maine steamers.

The papers in Paris are greatly interested in the American work of Mr. Isaac I. Rice, of New York, who has done so much for the suppression of unnecessary noise. His wife is now at Bad Nauheim.

In the old days when Robson and Crane played "The Henrietta," a check for \$400,000 was passed on the stage was marked by a similar check transaction involving \$3,000,000 attracted less attention.

It is estimated that nearly \$50,000 is spent each year in providing hosiery and eyes to keep feminine apparel together. Every dress that is made nowadays is fastened with these fasteners, and they are seldom used the second time. Like the old query about pins, one wonders what becomes of these millions of hooks and eyes bought every year.

Fewer marriages, fewer births and fewer deaths are the rule in England and Wales, as compared with former times. In these countries there are 18,500,000 males and 17,600,000 females. In thirty-five years the marriage rate has decreased twenty-two per cent, and there has been a steady rise in the birth rate. Formerly 77.8 bridegrooms and 217 brides per 1,000 were minors; in 1905 these figures were respectively, 45.5 and 14.3.

A Quick Trip. The new steamer Queen Anne leaves one hour later (8 A. M.) than any other line and arrives at the destination three hours earlier. Reduced fares, \$1.25 straight, \$2.00 round (10-day limit). Phone, 510. Adv.

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The Flowers and Maxine

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

Lisa Drummond, an unlovely American, practically declares her love to Ivor Dundas, only to learn that he is in love with her friend, Diana Forrester. Without being seen Lisa overhears a conversation in which the Foreign Secretary offers Dundas a trip to Paris to carry an important package to Mademoiselle Maxine de Rensie, a noted French actress, who is a British political spy. As a condition had a flirtation with Maxine it was supposed that the true object of his love would be Diana. After receiving the package for Maxine and learning that her fiancé is the Viscount du Laurier, Dundas bids the Foreign Secretary adieu and escapes unseen, but manages before going to sleep to extract from Diana the admission that Dundas had proposed that night.

Acting under the advice of Lisa, Diana goes to the depot and meets Dundas. He is about to take the train, Dundas feels that he cannot explain why he is going to Paris, but admits that he will see Maxine. Diana, who is quick, tells him flatly that if he sees Maxine he need never return to her. The departure of the train prevents any further conversation, and Dundas forces his way into a reserved apartment with three strangers. He paid little attention to them, for his thoughts were with Diana. The secret papers were in Dundas's pocket, and he did not feel that he had any business to keep them. He was about to open it, saying it was a token from her, when he felt that the next instant he would be arrested. He closed the packet, and in the hurry to get aboard the small man throws his hat overboard. Dundas, who seems still safe in his breast pocket. Proceeding at once to his hotel in Paris Dundas hands the packet to Maxine. 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