

TRICKS OF THE TYPES

Wicked Deeds Done by the Imp of the Perverse.

AMUSING ERRORS IN PRINT.

Examples of What is Liable to Happen When the Composer Blunders or When the Usually Alert and Careful Proofreader Nods.

Sometimes the proofreader nods, and in this connection the late Lord Goeben told at a public dinner a story of a reader who worked for his (Lord Goeben's) grandfather and who, in answer to a denunciation from his employer, cried:

"Let some other man work at correctness of typography. I despair. My own thoughts often hinder me as they seize and hold the authors otherwise than they ought to do. It is quite possible that giggling about words and syllables may often go to the wall when my soul cannot tear itself loose from some thought or picture. Errors have been found in sheets which I thought I had worked backward and forward with the greatest particularity. I read always as it should be."

It is when a reader is in this soulful condition that the general public are permitted to read, as they did once in a morning paper not given to humor, that a celebrated politician, in a speech, described some one as "sitting at the feet of the game bird of Birmingham," instead of "Gamaliel." In the same journal, too, the following startling announcement appeared under the heading of "Births":

NICHOLSON.—On the 12th inst., at Belton road, Sidcup, the son of Alfred Nicholson, of a daughter.

In another newspaper a most pathetic account appeared of a doctor who died owing to having accidentally injected himself while injecting some plague virus into a "gnat." The mystery was solved the next day, when an apology was printed explaining that the word should have been "rat."

"Come over and try some new soup," a lady novelist did not write; "songs" was the word. "It is a sickly kopple of the real article" was perhaps reasonable. It appeared in a paper during the Boer war.

These mistakes are curious enough, but they pale into insignificance before some of those that never reach the printed sheet.

"Cold milk, father," once demanded a compositor in cold type, and he was aggrieved to have to alter it to "Caed mille fallthe!" "Brer Fox" was made "Boer Fox"—that was also during the South African war.

On a hot summer's day another tired typesetter turned "The Ideas of March" into "The Idea of Work."

In a sermon a celebrated divine was made to say, "And they erected a marine store at the mouth of the sepulcher." "Massive stone" were the correct words.

Abbreviations are at times the base of the compositor, but he had no excuse in setting up, in an account of a Mansion House function, that among those present were "Old Isaacs and Old Ireloar." He should have known that "Aid," was an abbreviation of "Alderman." In the same "take" of copy the "Lord Mayor was received with a crash" (should be "ecstas") and was followed by the sheriffs in their "margarine (mazarine) gowns."

"Let the gullied Judy wink" appeared in another first proof, and the proofreader wearily made it the "galled jade wine." "Die, lusty platter!" has quite a transpontine flavor, but the "copy" said "Die Lustige Blatter" (a German weekly paper).

"Piguet of the enunciation" does not seem convincing; "figment of the imagination" is better. "Petticoats long on Sunday morning is a disgrace" is all right when the first two words are read "Petticoat lane."

In a police court assault case the prosecutor was made to say that the prisoner had given him "twins." What the prisoner really did was to give the prosecutor a "turn" (a fright). "The government were suffering from mental aberration," must have been set up by a compositor of the opposition politics. The real charge was "mutual admiration."

"De mortar iliv nice loreum" would trouble a Latin scholar. "De mortuis nil nisi bonum" is more correct. "Jim the Pieman" is easily recognizable as the hero of a play, and "Putty Polly," the racehorse, would throw up her pretty head in disdain to see herself so described.

For "a pair of scandals completed the costume" read "sandals," and for "Here is indeed a sundial" substitute "scandal." He lived in the "hubbubs" should be "suburbs," and "Call her, Herr, in" is understandable when printed "Call her in."

A well known descriptive writer was startled to read in a rough first proof that he had described the fields surrounding the Derby course as "covered with boots and shoes." He was pained when informed that it had been altered to "boots and shoes."

Columns could be filled with the amazing and amusing blunders of the compositor, but here space forbids of more than a final "howler," which is a classic in the printing world. "O temporal O mores!" wrote a leader writer at ten minutes to 1 in the morning. "O Moses, indeed!" exclaimed the proofreader a quarter of an hour later when he "caught and bowled" the compositor who had improved the phrase into "O Tennyson! O Moses!"—London Express.

QUEER LIZARDS.

These Have the Power of Spouting Blood From the Eyes.

That certain lizards have the power to emit a stream of blood from their eyes has been a tradition of the southwest from time out of mind, but many scientists have classed it with the jewel in the toad's head and the hoop snake. Raymond Lee Ditmars, curator of reptiles in the New York Zoological society, made exhaustive research to ascertain what foundation in fact, if any, there is in the tradition of the blood spouting lizards. He had nearly made up his mind that it was purely mythical when he came upon a startling demonstration of its truth. He had received a particularly fine specimen of the Mexican horned lizard and after photographing it proceeded to measure it. The result he tells in his "Reptile Book."

"The latter process," he says, "seemed to greatly excite the creature. It finally threw the head slightly upward, the neck became rigid, the eyes bulged from the sockets, when there was a distinct sound like that produced if one pressed the tongue against the roof of the mouth and forced a small quantity of air forward. This rasping sound, consuming but the fraction of a second, was accompanied by a jet of blood at great pressure."

"It hit the wall four feet away at the same level as that of the reptile. The duration of the flow of blood appeared to be about one and a half seconds, and toward its termination the force gradually diminished, as noted by a course of drops down the wall and along the floor to a position almost under the spot where the reptile had been held. The stream of blood seemed to be as fine as horse-hair and to issue from the eyelids, which was momentarily much swollen."

"For some time after the performance the eyes were tightly closed, and nothing could induce the lizard to open them. Within two minutes after it was placed on the ground the protruding aspect of the eyeballs and the swelling of the eyelids had disappeared."

"Most surprising was the amount of blood expended. The wall and floor showed a course of thickly sprinkled spots about one-eighth of an inch in diameter. There were 103 of these spots."—Philadelphia North American.

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"Hurriedly your vagrant wits busied themselves with all the Sunday school lessons you had ever learned. As your subconsciousness perceived that the head of the road's secret service department stood on the platform with his eyes intent on every man in the car at once, while Conductor Linkenklin stood on the ground outside very much alert, with his coat tall bulging suggestively, your bosom swelled with pride over the watchful care the company had exercised to bring its honest tollers their hard earned money."

Long Winded. "It takes you a pretty long while to shave yourself, doesn't it?" "Not so very long. I can shave myself quicker than my old barber could."

"I don't believe it."

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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NOTICE—ON ACCOUNT OF SICKNESS, Tong Kee, the Ninth street laundry man, has disposed of his business to Hong Hing. All persons owing Tong Kee are requested to call at the laundry and settle their bills. Hong Hing will not be responsible for any debts contracted by his predecessor. 10-9-07.

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PROPOSALS.

NOTICE OF SALE OF SCHOOL WARRANTS—Notice is hereby given, that School District No. 1, of Clatsop county, Oregon, will receive sealed bids from the bona fide residents of said school district in the City Hall, at Astoria, Oregon, until 12:00 o'clock (noon) of Monday, the 21st day of October, 1907, for the purchase of nineteen thousand dollars, par value, of interest-bearing warrants of said district, bearing interest at five (5) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, which warrants will be dated November 1st, 1907, and will be payable as follows: \$3000.00 in one year, \$4000.00 in two years, \$4000.00 in three years, \$4000.00 in four years, and \$4000.00 in five years. Said bids may be for warrants in amounts from fifty (\$50.00) dollars to nineteen thousand (\$19,000.00) dollars, and must state the terms on which the warrants will be taken, whether at a premium, at par, or at a discount. Each person will be entitled to but one bid, and all bids must be addressed to "A. L. Clark, Clerk of School District No. 1," Astoria, Oregon, and must be endorsed "Proposal for school district warrants." All bids will be opened at the office of said clerk, on said 21st day of October, at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Dated, October 10, 1907, at Astoria, Oregon.

A. L. CLARK, Clerk of School District No. 1, Clatsop county, Oregon. 10-11-07.

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Portland, Oregon, Seacoast Railway Company will be held at the Company's office, 670 Worcester Building, in the city of Portland and State of Oregon, at 3 o'clock, on Saturday, the 26th day of October, 1907, for the following purposes:

FIRST. To increase said Company's capital stock, now \$500,000, to \$1,100,000, and when such increase of capital is approved by said meeting of stockholders to issue not more than 11,000 shares in all of \$100 each for the first 100 miles of railway to be built and owned by it, apportioned as said meeting of stockholders shall direct.

SECOND. To ratify, confirm and approve of contracts heretofore made under authority from said Company's Board of Directors for the sale of 100 miles of this Company's first mortgage five per cent bonds, and also of the deed of trust or mortgage securing payment of same to the holders of said bonds.

THIRD. To ratify, confirm and approve in whole or in part of contracts, or any portion thereof made by said Board of Directors for the construction of this Company's first 100 miles of railway, commencing at the Lewis and Clarke river, and at Clatsop station Oregon; westerly therefrom and easterly to the Willamette river near to Portland, and

FOURTH. To transact and consider whatever other business may be brought before said meeting, of which notice is hereby given to stockholders of said Railway Company.

(Signed) H. HAWGOOD, of Los Angeles, California, President. William Reid, of Portland, Oregon, Secretary of Portland Oregon Seacoast Railway Company. Dated at New York, September 13, 1907.

ASSESSOR'S NOTICE—EQUALIZATION of 1907 Assessment.—To the Taxpayers of Clatsop County, Oregon:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization for Clatsop County, Oregon, will convene at the Clerk's office (at the court house, in Astoria, on the 21st day of October, 1907, the same being the third Monday in said month and the time fixed by law for the meeting of said Board of Equalization, which will continue its sessions from day to day, exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, until the examination and correction and equalization of the assessment rolls, for said year shall be completed; which said Board will continue in session for one month from said date, unless the labors thereof are sooner completed. Petitions or applications for the reduction of a particular assessment shall be made in writing, verified by the oath of the applicant or his attorney and filed with the Board during the first week it is by law required to be in session, and any petition or application not so made, verified, and filed shall not be considered or acted upon by the Board. T. S. CORNELIUS, Assessor for Clatsop County, Oregon. 10-6-07.

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