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**Manila Paper Published
 His Obituary by
 Mistake.**

"Sol" Berliner, who achieved considerable notoriety in Honolulu during the time the ill-fated steamer Columbia was in port, refuses to die, although a Manila paper published his obituary. The Manila Times says:

"Another Western Pioneer and Veteran Passes Away—Kind-Hearted 'Sol' Berliner Passes Over the Divide—A Long and Useful Life Closes Suddenly."

So read a "scare head" which appeared on the front page of a Manila newspaper this morning, and following it was a half column of kindly, Christian obituary, in which the sweet virtues of Mr. Solomon Berliner, as well as his many startling adventures, were set forth side by side. Now then, the writer of this is a friend of "Old Sol," as he is known all over the country, and when he read the account of his sad demise, as served to the public in the aforementioned paper, he both marveled and wept, refusing comfort until the "late" Solomon Berliner stalked into the Times office and emphatically denied that he had died suddenly.

"But Sol," he remonstrated, "the paper said you did die."

"The paper be d—d," retorted the "late" Solomon Berliner; "I know I did not—I know that I did not die suddenly nor in any other way and that I can lick the man who says I did."

"For a corpse, Sol, you certainly are husky and good looking, and it is mighty hard to think that you have passed beyond, and that your smiling face will never be seen in this world of sin and sorrow again. I wish I could believe you, Sol, but the paper says you are dead, and I see no way out of it now."

"Oh, bosh! can't you see I'm alive? Feel my hands; look into my eyes; don't you think it were possible for a newspaper to have erred?"

"Possible, Sol; but not at all probable. The paper in which this account appears never makes a mistake; that is out of the question. And yet, dear Sol, you do feel like a live man; you don't smell like a corpse; the light in your eye is natural, and, by heavens, come to think of it, you have walked up the stairs and are even now present, when, according to the account, you should be at home in your coffin. Perhaps after all, there is a mistake; then tell me, Sol, what you didn't die of, and explain this agonizing thushness."

"I haven't died of anything; I haven't even been sick; my health is exceptionally good and I propose to have it remain that way. Think of my folks in the states getting that account of my death; why it is terrible and I intend to sue for damages. The account of my demise was greatly exaggerated. As a matter of fact, and this is between you and me, I—I am no more dead than you are."

"Well, goodbye; I guess I'll go around the corner and have it out with 'Poco Tiempo Bill.'"

Literary Notes.

From the presses of Elder and Shepard we are to have a decided change from the ordinary Christmas book, in the form of a little volume entitled "A Cynic's Calendar of Revised Wisdom," with three signatures, Oliver Herford, Ethel Watts Mumford, and Addison Mizner.

Some time ago three wise heads gathered from the ends of the earth to follow a star which changed the face of the world. This modern trio, hailing from London, New York and San Francisco, and although they, perhaps, do not expect to make the same sort of sensation as our friends of the desert did, yet their ideas are as much at variance with those of past years as were the beliefs of those who journeyed upon the camels. To the pure all things are impure; and perhaps there will be those who will balk at some of the rackneyed old proverbs when brought up to fit the wants of a twentieth century. Yet the humor is clean and sharply cut, and the variations from the originals so slight that when one has heard the correction they can hardly bring back the old lines.

For instance: Necessity is the mother of contention, or Those who came to cough remained to spray, are so little changed that one has to hesitate to restore the original in his mind. The booklet is bound in bright colored shirtings with a conventional design of cats for the cover, several illustrations are scattered through the book, done by the authors, the entire being a calendar for 1923.

"THE ROMANCE OF THE COMMON-PLACE."

A more enjoyable and attractive volume than this collection of essays by Mr. Gelett Burgess has not appeared for a long time. They are as the author has happily expressed it, a sort of "guide through middle age; for it is then that one needs enthusiasm most," and it is then the illusions of life begin to fade from us.

The style is simple and direct, characterized by an unlooked-for charm wholly individual and always clear and graceful. Indeed we opened this little book with a certain feeling of doubt. Could we who have laughed and so enjoyed Mr. Burgess in his lighter vein take him seriously now that he would interpret for us the romance of the commonplace? But it did not take more than one essay to prove our fears groundless and to find the contents most engaging, touching as they do upon those themes most near and dear to our own lives: "Getting Acquainted," "Dining Out," "The Sense of Humour," "The Game of Correspondence," "Old Friends and New," "The Charms of Imperfection," "Living Alone," "Growing Up," "A Plea for the Precious," are but a few of the topics taken at random.

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