

EMPLOYEES' REFERENCES.

A World of Humor Furnished by Some of Them.

There is quite a small world of humor hidden in the characters given by some English employers to their servants; and it is almost a pity that, for reasons that are obvious, it rarely comes to light.

According to London Tit-Bits a humorous North London doctor not long ago gave the following significant character to a coachman, whom he was by no means sorry to see the back of: "First year, a dutiful and efficient servant. Second year, an indulgent master. Third year, an intolerable tyrant." It is needless to say that it was not on the strength of this character that the coachman got his next employment.

Many years ago a whimsical Yorkshire vicar, when his servants applied to him for a character, invariably gave it in Latin, to their mystification and delight; and as comparatively few later employers were able to read the vicar's writing or understand his Latin, these characters answered admirably.

To a drunken gardener he gave a character, which, when translated, read thus: "Johannes H— is one of those rare characters who have a genius for doing the wrong thing at the wrong time on the rare occasions when they do anything at all. Under other conditions he would have made an excellent eastern potentate, where the chief qualification is to do nothing luxuriously; but from the days of Adam downward there never was a man by nature and inclination less qualified to be a servant or a gardener." The humor of the thing was that the man was as proud of his character, "written in a furrin language," as any hero of his Victoria Cross; and it was accepted by his next employer as a tribute to his efficiency.

There was no ambiguity about the character given by another employer to his groom. It contained only three words: "Discharged with ignominy," and was actually presented by the groom to a prospective employer as a testimonial to his character.

A Yorkshire squire, when asked by a farm laborer whose services he was dispensing with for a character, gave him this testimonial: "Henry H— would be an irreproachable servant if it were not for his devotion to Bacchus, his chronic indisposition to industry, and his systematic indifference to instructions." The man looked at the character, spelled it carefully through, and then said: "Thankee, sir! If I give up baecy, that will be all right, won't it?" "Well, that will be a step in the right direction," the squire said, with a smile. And the man walked proudly off with his unique testimonial.

It was another Yorkshire employer who gave this satirical character to a discharged servant, who showed it with pride until the "sting in its tail" was pointed out to him:

Honest, industrious, sober, too. A man who will not talk, but do. Who works with head as well as hands. Respects his master, and obeys commands. A better servant could not be. Reverse all this, you have J. T.

The following humorous character given by a lady to her cook was read in a London court a few months ago: "The first month I was convinced I had got a treasure; the second month I was doubtful about it; the third month I was devoutly thankful to get the treasure out of the house."

An interesting libel action resulted a few years ago from a character given by her cook by one lady to another, to whom the girl had applied for employment. The character was, on the face of it, anything but a desirable one. It ran thus: "I have only had one maid comparable with Louisa X—, and she ended her days in a lunatic asylum."

Here was, prima facie, a case for exemplary damages; but the defendant was able to prove that the domestic who ended her days in a lunatic asylum was in all ways excellent, and that the testimonial was an admirable one and by no means libelous. But why the good lady should have introduced that equivocal reference to a lunatic asylum was never made clear.

In another case a lady had to pay substantial damages for an exhibition of spitefulness against a discharged servant. In writing to a lady who asked for the girl's character the late mistress wrote: "I am unable to give Clara Z— what she never had—a character." In vain she contended that the meaning was that the maid had never been in a situation until she came to her, and thus had never had a "character."

It was the underlining of the word, suggesting another meaning of the word "character," that proved fatal to the lady's plea.

COSMOPOLITAN HONOLULU.

Judge Wilcox Daily Listens to Evidence in Many Languages.

The cosmopolitan character of Honolulu's population was strikingly shown in Judge Wilcox's court on two recent mornings. Out of 29 different cases no less than six different languages had to be interpreted. "Well, if this thing keeps on," said the court, "we will have to get a corps of about 15 interpreters."

This remark, says the Honolulu Star, was much nearer the real condition than the majority of its hearers appreciated. At that time no less than six different interpreters were in court waiting to translate the testimony of the various witnesses. There were Chinese, Japanese, Hawaiian, Portuguese, German and Porto Rican witnesses and defendants who had to give their testimony, and six different men were required to interpret the evidence to the courts and attorneys.

The next day there were Greeks and Galicians who were up for trial, and several weeks ago a Russian witness had to be examined. Capt. Sam Johnson had to be asked to act as interpreter to the Russian.

With the advent of the Porto Ricans a regular Spanish interpreter will probably have to be secured. The latest additions to the force of island laborers are every once in awhile drifting into court for various offenses, and now that Capt. A. A. Fox, of the mounted police, intends to leave the country the police cannot fall back on him for assistance in the Spanish language. In addition to these there are a number of other nationalities here, including French and Italians.

REFURNISHING WINDSOR.

Discarded Furniture of Royalty Always Burned According to Old Custom.

His majesty intends to clear out a good deal of the old furniture in Windsor castle and replace them with his own. Having this in view, old residents have been on the lookout for signs of a bonfire somewhere in the precincts of the castle, for in past times, when any chairs and tables and other articles therein were condemned, it was the practice to have them burned. The object of this was to prevent pieces of furniture stamped with the queen's monogram from being let loose, as it were, and so allowed to drift into the hands of brokers, and thence into the possession of persons having no right to them, but willing to pay almost any price to be able to display such royal articles in their own houses. It was a wasteful expedient, but one can understand the need of such a precaution. There have been so many instances of royal gifts and discarded articles being found in shops and stores that some means of prevention are quite necessary. But up to the present time there have been no indications of a bonfire.—Modern Society.

AN OFFICIAL PAPER.

Prince Ching's Idea for a First-Class Modern Newspaper.

The Peking Gazette can hardly be described as a newspaper, says the Shanghai Mercury, and besides it circulates only among the official classes. One of the schemes of the ill-fated reformers was to have an official paper on western lines under government auspices. The Universal Gazette now states that Prince Ching is eager to revive the idea and is consulting with the foreign ministers regarding the newspaper laws and regulations in vogue in western lands. His idea is that at the beginning the paper should be free to all so as to enlighten the people. It would appear as if the prince realized the power of the press in the occident and sees how it can be utilized by the government in China. We wish the project every success.

Another Kind of Barometer.

Attracted by the shrill whistling of the wind through the network of wires before a storm, Dr. Eydam, a German, has made a novel investigation. He is now convinced that any unusual disturbance in the telegraph wires foretells bad weather, and that the character of the atmospheric disturbances may be learnt from the sound. A deep sound of considerable strength, for instance, heralds slight showers of rain and moderate winds within 38 to 48 hours, while a sharp, shrill sound gives warning of high winds, with much rain or snow.

Smoking-Rooms for Schools.

Juvenile smoking seems rather approved of than otherwise in Australia. Incredibly though it may appear, they have already discussed the advisability of attaching smoking-rooms to schools.

HEALTH INSURANCE

The man who insures his life is wise for his family.

The man who insures his health is wise both for his family and himself.

You may insure health by guarding it. It is worth guarding.

At the first attack of disease, which generally approaches through the LIVER and manifests itself in innumerable ways TAKE

Tutt's Pills

And save your health.

The devil laughs out loud every time he sees some old fellow edging over toward religion because some young woman wants him to.

Consumption Threatened.

C. Unger, 212 Maple St., Champaign, Ill., writes:—"I was troubled with a hacking cough for a year and thought I had consumption and was under the care of physicians for several months. I used one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar. It cured me and I have not been troubled since."

The man who keeps his engagements punctually loses a lot of valuable time waiting for the other fellow.

Mr. G. A. Shuman, a merchant of Lempore, Ill., writes:—"I was troubled with a hacking cough for a year and thought I had consumption and was under the care of physicians for several months. I used one bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar. It cured me and I have not been troubled since."

The greatest writer is the one who gives his readers the most knowledge and takes from them the least time.

H. C. Watkins of the Methodist Church, Springfield, Pa., says: My wife has been very bad with kidney trouble and tried several doctors with out benefit. After taking one bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure, was much better, and was completely cured after taking four bottles. Sold by all druggists.

Man stands between the devil and the deep sea or between one of them and woman.

"I had a running sore on my leg for seven years," writes Mrs. Jas. Forrest of Chippewa Falls, Wis., "and spent several hundred dollars trying to get it healed. Two boxes of Banner Salve entirely cured it." Beware of substitutes.

Once in a long while some man does a good deed without thinking how the public will applaud him.

No Relief For 20 Years.

"I had bronchitis for twenty years," said Mrs. Minerva Smith of Danville, Ill., and never got relief until I used Foley's Honey and Tar which is a sure cure for throat and lung trouble.

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Every time an ill-tempered man smiles he looks as though he felt ashamed of it.

A Little Known Fact.

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Sometimes a wife's display of affection is due to love for her husband's money.

Chas. Replogle of Atwater, O., was unable to work an account of kidney trouble. After using Foley's kidney cure four days he was cured.

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"Beware," said the potter to the clay, and a little later it was ware.

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RAILROAD NOTICES.

The L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 18th to 27th, but in no case must passengers reach Mississippi gateways before Sept. 19 or later than Sept. 27th at rate of \$51.75 with final limit Nov. 15th. Stopovers allowed west of first Colorado point enroute.

The L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Cincinnati, O., Sept. 14 and 15th limited to Sept. 28, for \$8.63 account Cincinnati Fall Festival. Will also sell round trip tickets to Cincinnati, O., Sept. 9th, 10th, and 11th limited to the 20th for \$8.63 account Annual Convention National Baptist Association (Colored.)

The L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Bowling Green on Sept. 10 to 14th inclusive limited to the 16th for \$2.22 account Elks Carnival and Warren County Fair.

The L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Lexington, Ky., Sept. 10th to 14th inclusive at \$7.53 account Colored Fair Limit 16th.

The L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to St. Louis, Mo., on Sept. 8, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24th and 26th and also Oct. 1, 3, 7, and 10th for \$10.20 limited to five days from date of sale account St. Louis Exposition.

Effective immediately and continuing until Oct. 31st the L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Buffalo for \$20.90 limited to 20 days from date of sale. Will also sell round trip tickets good till Oct. 31st for \$28.85. Take notice that all tickets must be validated by Joint Agent at Buffalo before they will be good for return passage. Round trip tickets at \$28.85 on sale daily until Sept. 30. C. E. MILLER, Agt

L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Evansville, Ind., account of Emancipation Celebration Sept. 22nd., at \$1.25. Special train to leave Hopkinsville 7:00 a. m., returning leave Evansville, Ind., 11:00 p. m. Good to return on special train of that date only.

Account of Tri-State Races the Illinois Central R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Evansville on Sept. 24th., to 28th., limited to Sept. 29th., for return at rate of one fare.

L. & N. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Louisville, Ky., at one fare \$5.13 account of Inter State Fair and Horse Show. Tickets on sale Sept. 23 to 26th., inclusive and Sept. 30th to Oct. 4th inclusive also for trains scheduled to reach Louisville by 1:00 p. m., Oct. 5th. Final limit on all tickets Oct. 7th.

L. & N., will sell round trip Excursion tickets to Henderson, Ky., Sept., 21st., return good until on Sept. 22nd., at one fare \$2.20 account of Emancipation day.

Account Interstate Fair and Horse Shows the I. C. R. R., will sell tickets to Louisville and return on Sept. 23rd. to 26th., inclusive, and from Sept. 30th., to Oct. 4th., inclusive, at rate of one fare. Return limit Oct 7th.

Commencing May 15th and continuing until September 30th, the Illinois Central R. R. will sell round trip tickets as follows: Cerulean Springs.....80c Dawson Springs.....\$1.70 Crittenden Springs.....3.25 Grayson Springs.....5.80

Tickets will be limited to 90 days from date of sale for return, except that tickets sold after August 1st will be limited to October 31st.

Refuses to Die.

The creature most tenacious of life is the common sea polyp. If one be cut in two, two creatures are the result. One may be slit into half-a-dozen sections making as many animals. They may be turned inside out, when they apparently enjoy themselves just as well as before; if two be divided and placed end to end, the result will be a monster having a head at each extremity.

Troubles of a Rich Man.

A rich man is always bothered by fools with schemes.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

Good Advice.

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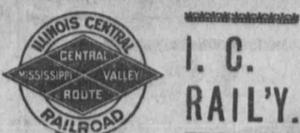
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CIRCUIT COURT DIRECTORY.

TRIO.—First Monday in February—first three weeks; third Monday in May—term two weeks; first Monday in September—to a three weeks. STERNA.—Fourth Monday in February—term six weeks; first Monday in June—term four weeks; 4th Monday in September—term six weeks. CALLOWAY.—second Monday in April—term three weeks; first Monday in August—term two weeks; second Monday in November—term three weeks. LYON.—first Monday in May—term of weeks; first Monday in August—term weeks; first Monday in December—term weeks.



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