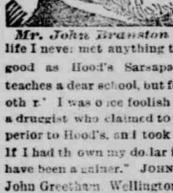


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I had been afflicted for several years with what the doctors called **Diabetes**, and suffered terribly. The pain in my back was agonizing in the extreme. Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills cured me. Now I can go to church and attend other meetings with pleasure. I always keep Hood's Pills by me. In my whole life I never met anything that did me so much good as Hood's Sarsaparilla. Experience teaches a dear school, but fools will learn by no other. I was once foolish enough to listen to a druggist who claimed to have something superior to Hood's, and I took another medicine. If I had then my dollar in the street I would have been a winner. JOHN BRANSTON, care of John Greenham, Wellington, Ohio.



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PLAIN FORCE OF CHARACTER.

Max O'Rell's Idea of How John Bull Built Up His Empire.

It is neither by his intelligence nor his talents, says Max O'Rell in the Revue de Paris, that John Bull has created the immense British Empire; it is by force of character. To maintain an empire of more than 400,000,000 people scattered over the earth, to wade it every day, without functionaries, with a handful of soldiers, and more often with volunteers, is wonderful, it must be acknowledged. And, at present I can affirm that not a single colony causes John Bull & Co. the least apprehension. A magistrate and a dozen policemen administer and hold in respect districts larger than five or six French departments. Justice is meted out to the natives as impartially as to the colonists. All these young nationalities enjoy the most complete liberty, political and social. If I have not succeeded in proving, in spite of their thousand and one whims, the Anglo-Saxons are the only people in the world who are perfectly free. I have wasted my time and yours, dear readers. There are many people in Britain who imagine that the future reserves for the British Empire a confederation having its center in London. If, during all my travels among the Anglo-Saxons of the whole world, I have acquired a deep conviction it is that the colonies will never accept the realization of this dream. Each would want to preserve its individuality and nationality. Moreover, none of them have the least desire to be comprised in the quarrel of Britain might have with any European nation. They will remain branch establishments of the firm of John Bull & Co., or they will be independent.

THE WAY TO BE LOVED.

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THE RULING PASSION.

The ruling passion gets away with woman every time. At a theatre the other night a lad, appeared suddenly at the box office and asked the manager for an admission ticket. "Don't you wish a seat?" the ticket seller asked. "We have a few good seats in the balcony." "I haven't time to sit down," said the lady. "My husband is waiting for me outside, and he has seen the play already." The ticket seller didn't know what to say to this. "I only want to go in for a few minutes," the fair visitor continued. "I saw a lady pass in a moment ago, and she was so elegantly dressed that I want to have a good look at her and see exactly what she has on. That's all." The manager, to whom this explanation was made, escorted the dress-fascinated woman into the auditorium and she went around to a side aisle and made a thorough observation of what the ultra-fashionable dame had on. "O, it was perfectly lovely!" she exclaimed as she joined her husband at the door.

FACE TO FACE WITH TIGERS.

Among Sir Hope Grant's notes of his life in India are two brief accounts of close encounters with tigers, though Sir Hope himself does not figure in either adventure. Max, or Gallnet was out shooting when he came suddenly face to face with a tiger. Just as he was firing the howdah gave way, and he fell almost into the animal's mouth. The tiger seized him by the thigh and carried him off. While in this situation he recollected that he had

a brace of pistols in his pocket. He managed to draw one, and snapped it at the beast's head, but it missed fire.

Still retaining his presence of mind he pulled out the other and fired. The tiger bounded on a few yards, and then dropped dead. Gallnet told me of this himself. He was very badly wounded, and is still dreadfully lame.

Mr. Young, of the Civil Service, heard that a tiger had forced his way into a native hut, and was holding it against its human owner. Mr. Young mounted the roof, and effected an entrance. The tiger charged, he fired both barrels, and turned to get his second gun from his attendant, but the fellow had bolted. The tiger was close up, and Mr. Young, in despair, lifted the gun with both hands in front of his head. The beast sprang, seized the barrel in his mouth, and then dropped dead. I saw the gun dented with the tiger's teeth.

TOOK IT SERIOUSLY.

She was a very innocent little thing and was not at all versed in the ways of the world—especially theatrical ways. True, she was an actress, but then this was her first professional engagement, her sphere of usefulness having been previously limited to amateur appearances, and she was in no way calculated to be up in the snoot talk of old stagers. Her simple blue eyes would open very wide at many of the observations dropped in the course of conversation by the other members of the City by Night Company, touring the very small towns of the Northwest, and such expressions as "oiling" the hotel proprietor and giving the local manager "a steer" were as much beyond her as the low comedian's frequent remark that they were "stacked against a hard thing with the railroad ties behind 'em."

Still she got along very well, and was so well liked that many of the hard, cold facts of the troupe's condition were kept from her out of pure kindness and a regard for her simplicity. But things became so desperate at last that there was no longer any virtue in concealment, and when they were definitely "stranded," the leading man came out at last tooted about the matter and remarked, ruefully:

"I thought it would come to it. There is nothing left for us now but to get home on our trunks the best way we can."

"Our trunks!" she exclaimed, her eyes opening wider than ever.

"They're our only hope of getting back," was the reply.

Then she said, very seriously, "You really must loan me yours, Mr. Jenkins, for mine is a round topped one, and I'm sure I could never ride safely upon it."

WHAT TENIERS IS WORTH.

The name of Teniers finds itself attached to some very extraordinary pictures, good, bad, and indifferent. Early last season three large canvases realized the magnificent total of just over 50 guineas! An "interior," with three figures seated round a table in front of a fire, with one of them in the act of lighting his pipe, and exhibited at Burlington House in 1851, sold in May of that year for 23 guineas. The set of five copies by Teniers from Bellini, Paolo Veronese, Palma Giannini, Guido Reni, and Titian at one time in the blue-ink palace collection, realized 501 s. d. in January last. "Signed" pictures of this master are common enough at 5 guineas each. The two really first-class examples which occurred in the Ludley sale do not, however, come in this category. "Christ Crowned with Thorns," described as "a rich composition of great power of coloring," was knocked down for 10 guineas; forty-eight years ago it realized 1,000 guineas. The second example, the courtyard of a cottage, a small picture, 11 by 21 inches, was sold for 4.0 guineas—The Nineteenth Century.

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A **TRAD** journal says the foundation of good pastries is good flour. The best white wheat flour is the cheapest and smoothest. To make a bucket of paste take about our pound of sifted wheat flour and stir in enough lukewarm water to make a stiff batter. Keep on stirring until all lumps disappear and the batter is smooth. Then our in boiling hot water until the batter swells and has a cooked appearance. When ready to use him down with cold water until it can be spread on the paper easily.—St. Louis Republic.

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