

SHORT STORIES

In Modern Verse.

A Matter of Brains.

Pearson's Weekly says: It is said of a former Marquis of Townshend that when young and engaged in battle he saw a drummer killed by a cannon ball, which scattered his brains in every direction. His eyes were at once fixed on the ghastly object, which seemed to engross his thoughts. A superior officer, observing him, supposed he was intimidated at the sight, and addressed him in a manner to cheer his spirits. "Oh!" said the young Marquis, with calmness, but severity, "I am not frightened. I am puzzle to make out how a man with such a quantity of brains ever came to be here!"

A Job For The "Wheenister."

London Spare Moments says: In a certain parish in Scotland collectors were lately going round soliciting contributions for the kirk. On coming to a wretched little hovel they hesitated whether or not to enter, but finally decided to "try their luck."

A hale old man greeted them, and to him they explained their errand. But he really had nothing to give them, he said:

"Can't you gie up your whusky?"

Perhaps, then, he could forego the pleasures of snuff? No, he didn't use snuff.

The collectors prepared to move on.

"Stop a bit!" cried the old fellow. "I pay Sandy, the barber, twopence every Saturday night for shaving me. Tell the minister he can have the twopence if he'll come and shave me himself."

Dr. Talmage and a Child.

The late T. De Witt Talmage had the rare gift of winning at sight the love and trust of little children, says the Pittsburg Times. But one instance of this faculty will not be found among any of his compiled reminiscences.

Dr. Talmage while in New York one Sunday was the guest of a fellow-clergyman whose five-year-old granddaughter climbed up on the distinguished visitor's knee after dinner.

Desirous of airing her Biblical lore, the child opened the conversation by saying:

"God made me, didn't He, Dr. Talmage?"

"Yes, dear," replied the divine, glad to find such infant piety.

"God made you, too, didn't He?" went on the little one.

"Yes," answered Talmage.

The child paused for a moment, glancing at a mirror that reflected her own laughing baby face set in a halo of gold curls, then looking up into the guest's lined and rugged face.

"God's doing better work now adays than He used to," she commented at length.

Close Quarters.

Short Stories says: At the time, now some years ago, when subscriptions were being solicited for the erection of a statue in New York City to President Washington, a gentleman called to secure a contribution from an old resident, who, although wealthy, was a little near "near."

On learning the object of the visit, the rich man exclaimed:

"Washington! Washington! Why, Washington does not need a statue. I need him enshrined in my heart!"

In vain were the visitor's solicitations, and he was naturally indignant at the parsimony of the millionaire.

"Well, Mr. R." he remarked quietly as he rose to leave, "all I can say is that if the Father of his Country is in the position in which you describe him, he is in a tight place!"

"Ten Nights in a Bar Room."

"Pardon me, dear man, but could I trouble you for a match?" After lighting his cigar he continued: "Bah Jovd, this is a remarkable city. This is my first visit to New York, d'ye know? I'm a deuced stranger, but on the other side I'm a person of importance. I am Sir Francis Daffy, Knight of Garter, Knight of the Bath, Knight of the Double Eagle, Knight of the Golden fleece, Knight of the Iron Cross." D'ye mind telling me your name, dear man?" Replied he of the anuburn hair, in deep, rich brogue: "Me name is Michael Murphy, night before last, night before that, last night, to-night and every other night—Michael Murphy."

Got his Money's Worth.

A little urchin sauntered along a Memphis street, when his eye was attracted by a sign which read: "All the Lemonade You Can

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E. B. Buckingham.

Drink for Five Cents," says the Memphis Scimitar.

He walked into the place, laid a nickel on the counter and called for a glass. He gulped this down in about two swallows and called for another which he disposed of with almost quite as much dispatch. The third was imbibed less freely, and when the fourth was reached he had gotten to the sipping stage.

When he had finished it he set the glass back down on the counter, smiled in a self-satisfied sort of way and then, after stroking him self the right way two or three times, he said measuredly:

"Wall, sir, this is the first time I ever got the full wuth of my money in my life."

A TRIPPLE HANGING

Smith, Brown, and Jones hang their hopes of recovery upon Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets. They will be around soon shaking hands with friends. 25 cents. No cure—no pay. Hall & Lyles.

When prosperity gives way to adversity the average man takes a back seat and turns the management over to his wife.

A man in hard luck often has to call on his friends, but let the tide turn and his hitherto unknown friends will hunt him up.

When a woman finds fault with all the clothes she has it is a sign that she is pretending she has so much money that all she's got to do is to buy more.

SUMMER HOMES.

The Southern railway have just received a large supply of handsome "Summer Homes" folders, giving information about summer resorts in southeastern territory, including Tennessee, North and South Carolina and the Virginias, also points in Georgia. The undersigned will take pleasure in mailing one to those who desire them, and furnish all the information regarding rates to those points. Special low rates have been made for summer resorts along the line of the Southern Railway.

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WARD DAWSON.

We heard of a woman who lately kissed the lips of a dead woman she had mercilessly talked about during life.

When one reflects how popular modest men are, it seems strange that egotists continue to increase and multiply.

It doesn't take a connoisseur in neckwear to distinguish the difference between home ties and home-made ties.

Will the United States government appoint a commission to investigate a woman who makes her husbands eat canned goods, that she may have more time to gad? The government spares no pains in investigating, when it is announced that a Filipino is mistreated, and should be as considerate of its own citizens.

AN OLD SORE

months of diligent and faithful use of external remedies that the place remains as defiant, angry and offensive as ever. Every chronic sore, no matter on what part of the body it comes, is an evidence of some previous constitutional or organic trouble, and that the drugs of these diseases remain in the system; or, it may be that some long hidden poison—perhaps Cancer—has come to the surface and begun its destructive work.

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