

"Oh, Edgar, if now there should suddenly be a collision, how delightful it would be to die thus together!" (After a pause) It is true that your life is insured, is it not?—Translated from Transatlantic Tales from "Fliegende Blätter."

A British physician says strawberries, if consumed in large quantities, will give a bad temper to the eater. It is enough to make anyone's temper bad when he sees the little berries that are hidden by the fine large ones on top of the box.

A Rooseveltian Yarn.
A Washington correspondent told the other night a story that he claimed to have heard from President Roosevelt at a Gridiron Club dinner.

"Two women," he said, "were discussing some new neighbors who had moved into one of the most sumptuous houses in their city."
"They seem to be very rich," said the first.
"Oh, hey, are, said the second.
"Shall you call?"
"Decidedly."
"You are quite sure, are you, that they are—quite correct, quite—er good form?"
"Oh, my dear, I'm positive," said the second woman. "They have thirty servants, eighteen horses, twelve dogs, eleven automobiles, and one child."

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MADE A NEW FASHION.

Good Joke Played in Old Days on Would-Be Fashionable.

Old Camden, in his "Remains," tells a good story of a trick played by a knight upon a would-be fashionable shoemaker. Sir Phillip Calthrop purged John Drakes, the shoemaker of Norwich in the time of King Henry VIII., of the proud humor which our people have to be of the gentlemen's cut. This knight bought as much fine French tawny cloth as should make him a gown, and sent it to the tailor to be made. John Drakes, a shoemaker, coming to this tailor's and seeing the knight's gown cloth lying there, bid the tailor buy cloth of the same price and pattern and make it of the same fashion as the knight's. Not long after the knight, coming in to the tailor to be measured for his gown, and perceiving the like cloth lying there, asked whose it was. "John Drakes," the shoemaker, who will have it made of the self-same fashion that yours is made of." "Then make mine as full of cuts as the shears will make it!" John Drakes had no time to go for his gown till Christmas day, when he meant to wear it. Perceiving the same to be full of cuts, he began to swear at the tailor. "I have done naught but what you bid me," quoth the tailor, "for as Sir Phillip Calthrop's garment is, even so have I made yours." "By my lather!" quoth John Drakes, "I will never wear gentlemen's fashions again!"—London T. P.'s Weekly.

THERE IS A REASON.

The Medical Times Explains Why Doctors Oppose Patent Medicines.

The Medical Times for April in a moment of frankness explains the whole opposition of physicians to "patent" medicines which are taken without a prescription, in the following words: "We will hardly repeat here the specific statement to the effect that in one year \$62,000,000 has been expended on patent medicines in the United States. Enough to give every practitioner in the country a yearly income of \$2,000. In the face of such facts as these, all talk of love of humanity, altruism, self-abnegation and the like becomes cheap and nauseating. It appears to us that such bombast should give place to homely common sense."

Reliable authority states that the gross amount of the "patent" medicine business is about \$40,000,000 instead of \$62,000,000 but taking the Medical Times' figures as correct they represent an outlay of considerably less than \$1 per capita for home medication. The cost of doctors' fees exclusive of medicines except such as are dispensed for the same period, probably was approximately \$220,000,000. This is reached by allowing an average income of \$2,000 to each of the 115,000 physicians in the United States. Even allowing that a gross business of \$62,000,000 is to be divided between 115,000 physicians the income of each would not be increased more than \$540.

THE BEST HE COULD GET.

Amateur Gardener Could Not Understand Why Seeds Did Not Sprout.

The woes of the amateur gardener are very amusing to others, but decidedly real to the man who has spoiled a suit of clothes, blistered his hands and lost his temper in his efforts to make things grow.

A young man, recently married, early in the spring secured a suburban place, mainly with the idea of "fresh, home-grown vegetables." Every evening he would hurry through his supper and rush out to his garden, where he displayed more energy than skill. But, alas! When many little green things began to break the ground in his neighbors' gardens, his own remained as bare as the Sahara. "It certainly has got me beat," he confided to a friend at his office one day. "I can't understand why not a blessed thing has come up. I planted peas and corn and tomatoes."
"Perhaps the seed were defective," the friend suggested.
"I hardly think it was that," the gardener replied, "for I got the very best—paid 15 cents a can for them."

The Terrible Mafia.

Neither the Naples Camorra, the Paris Apaches, nor the Black Hand of America is the most powerful and terrible secret society in the whole world, in spite of the harrowing details of their ghastly work. The palm must go to the Mafia, which flourishes in Italy, and has done so for more than 300 years. This society, which works so swiftly and silently, yet so surely, was founded in Sicily for protection against the injustice of foreign rulers.—London "P. T. O."

Careful Public Guardian.

One of the pillars of the city ordinances is a traffic policeman stationed at Fourth avenue and Twenty-third street. He loses no opportunity of making war on persons who drop banana peels in the street. He pounces upon an offender and orders him to pick up the slippery menace to life and limb and to carry it to a receptacle for waste on the sidewalks.—New York Herald.

Full Particulars Wanted.

When the nurse brought the cheering news to Toperton recently that he had just become the father of triplets, he betrayed no particular satisfaction. "Boys?" he growlingly queried.
"Only one boy, sir."
"Well," said Toperton, "go on; don't keep me in suspense. One boy—what are the others?"—Sketchy Bits.

DRIVES IN MORTAL AGONY.

With Flesh Dropping from Hands E. J. Cook Speeds for Succor.

Grand Junction, Colo.—Spartan grit, and anxiety for his suffering wife, triumphed over the most acute agony this morning when E. J. Cook of Green River, after rescuing his wife from certain death in a gasoline explosion, and being himself severely burned in the act, rushed to his automobile, and while fragments of flesh dropped from his hands, cranked his machine and sped at express train speed for a physician.

Cook is the cashier of the Green River Bank and well known in business and financial circles here. The accident happened while Mrs. Cook was preparing to start a fire for the morning meal. In order to get a quicker flame in the stove she picked up a can which she supposed contained kerosene, but which was filled with gasoline. No sooner did the volatile fluid strike the flames than the explosion occurred, Mrs. Cook receiving the full force of the combustion. The flames rapidly enveloped the upper part of her body, quickly destroying her clothing and burning her breast, shoulders and arms almost to a crisp.

The explosion aroused her husband, who, rushing to her assistance, beat out the flames with his bare hands. This done, and mindful of his own severe injuries, he hurried to put his auto into commission for an emergency run to the nearest physician. As he cranked the machine several pieces of cooked flesh were twisted from his lips. Suffering intense agony he jumped into the car and raced at full speed for medical assistance. Receiving temporary alleviation at the doctor's house, Mr. Cook again took the wheel and hurried the physician to the side of his suffering wife. Mrs. Cook is in a critical condition.

Witnesses Flocking to Boise.

Boise, Idaho.—Boise is filling up with the witnesses called by the state to be used in rebuttal. Clarence C. Hamlin, district attorney and millionaire mine owner of Cripple Creek, not to mention his senatorial aspirations, headed a platoon of thirty-four that arrived. Hamlin will explain his senatorial speech following the Victor riot of June 6th. Hawkins, the justice of the peace, and Stewart, the carpenter, who were beaten up before the troops reached Cripple Creek, will relate their experiences and charge the assaults to the strikers. Harry Guyton, an alleged gun man, who was employed by the mine owners during the Cripple county troubles, is among the arrivals.

August Paulson, the millionaire owner of the Hercules, whose children Orchard planned to kidnap, will go on the stand for the state. He believes Orchard's story, but the attorneys for the defense claim he will make a good witness for them.

The most important development in today's proceedings was the ruling of the court shutting out the evidence of Alva Swain, one of the best known newspaper men of Denver. Swain was prepared to swear he was approached by Detective McFarland with a proposition looking to the "fixing up" of certain evidence in support of Orchard's story. Later on the defense will make another attempt to get Swain's story before the jury.

The defense in the Steunberger murder case charges that Detective McFarland has been guilty of an attempt to manufacture testimony against William D. Haywood, but was unsuccessful in getting the basis and details of the charge before the court and jury.

10,000 Recruits Needed.

Denver.—"I consider the action of the Navy Department in sending a fleet to the Pacific at this time as a significant one," said Lieutenant Commander D. V. H. Allen of the Denver recruiting office of the navy. "The trip is a long one and very hard on the ships, as well as the men, especially rounding Cape Horn. The department would hardly go to the great expense entailed in such a maneuver without some strong incentive. I believe the Department of State is behind the move."
"The navy needs men at every recruiting office and efforts are being made to get them. We hope to add 10,000 men to the sea force as soon as possible."

When asked what he thought of a war with Japan, he said:
"No, it wouldn't be like the one with the Spaniards. They were afraid to come out into the open and fight us and we had to smoke them out. The Japanese would come out all at once and one battle would end it."

The same spirit was evinced by other men at the station in speaking of the Japanese as fighters. "They have got too much sense to go to war with us," said one. "It would be easy work for the United States. They are not in our class."
All of the men, while scoffing at the possibility of a war with Japan, are eager to take part in it if one should come to pass.

Thomas Brown Gets Five Years.

Cripple Creek, Colo.—Thomas Brown, found guilty of manslaughter, has been sentenced by District Judge Morris to a term of not less than five nor more than seven years in the penitentiary.

Brown was convicted of complicity in the murder of Isaac Seabo and Chris Miller at Goldfield, Colorado, on election day, November 8, 1904. James Warford was tried on practically the same charge more than a year ago, was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment. After pronouncing the sentence to-day Judge Morris stated that although his action would be criticized, he had consulted his own conscience and believed that he was acting justly in sending Brown to the penitentiary.

The judge said that he imagined that friends of Brown would consider him severe, while the enemies of the defendant would say that the sentence was not severe enough. He granted a stay of execution for ninety days, in order that the attorneys for Brown might have plenty of time to carry on the case to the Supreme Court on a writ of error.

REHEARSAL IN A CAR.

Professional Entertainer Was Almost Too Successful.

"The other night, coming home in the car," said the professional entertainer, "I began to wonder if I could bring tears to my own eyes as I drove to the eyes of the other people. I tried. I thought of all the wrongs I had committed, and felt sorry for people I had wronged. I thought of all the mistakes I had made that other people had profited by and pretty soon the tears began to gather in my eyes and roll down my cheeks."

"I forgot there were other people in the car who might notice me. Soon a woman got up from across the car and came to me."

"I see, sir," said she, "that you are in some trouble. Can I do anything to help you?"

"Lord bless you, no, madam," I told her, hastily wiping away my tears, "I am a professional entertainer and was practicing on myself. That's all."

Sheer white goods, in fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a manner to enhance their textile beauty. Home laundering would be equally satisfactory if proper attention was given to starching, the first essential being good Starch, which has sufficient strength to stiffen, without thickening the goods. Try Defiance Starch and you will be pleasantly surprised at the improved appearance of your work.

Flow of Artesian Well.

To calculate the rate of flow of an artesian well a simple plan is to lower a bottle of aniline fluid to a depth of say 500 feet and then electrically explode a cap to burst the bottle. The time required for the fluid to appear at the surface gives an accurate gauge as to the velocity of flow. It is claimed that this method gives results as accurate as a weir. The diameter of the pipe being known, the rate of flow readily follows.

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It isn't difficult to size the average man up, but women are built so queerly it is impossible to get their actual measure.

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If a man is incompetent he usually charges it to bad luck.

Why "Kangaroo."

"Kangaroo" is a queer word. It means "I don't understand" in the tongue of the Australian aborigines. When this strange animal was first beheld by Europeans they inquired of the aborigines "What is its name?" And the puzzled reply gave the animal its name.

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So Common.

"Was no one injured in the railway collision, count?"
"No, but nevertheless it was a most painful situation. First, second, third and fourth-class passengers all mingled together! Simply unheard of!"
—Translated from Transatlantic Tales from Fliegende Blätter.