

Progress Too Expensive.

Warts are curious things. They come and go mysteriously, although their going is frequently marked by exasperating delays, and there are almost as many infallible cures as there are warts; the only trouble with these cures being that they are useless when applied to the particular wart you happen to have. They are only good for other people's.

"In my opinion," said a clubman who was discussing the subject with a friend one day, "a wart is merely the outward correspondence of some mental excessiveness. Get rid of that, and it goes away."

"Let me give you a bit of my own experience," he continued. "Last year I went to Europe. For about three years I had had a wart on my little finger, on which I had tried everything I could hear of, but without effect. It only grew larger."

"Well, in the excitement of preparing for the trip and of the journey itself I forgot all about my wart, and when I looked for it about six weeks later it had vanished without leaving the slightest mark. I simply forgot it, and it had no mental condition to feed on. I see you have one on the back of your hand. Forget all about it for a few weeks, and it will go away of itself."

"Yes," said the other clubman, shrugging his shoulders, "but I can't afford to take a trip to Europe for the sake of curing one wart."

Sewing Done by Ants.

Ants are credited with so many marvelous accomplishments that a new one must be remarkable to the noteworthy. Mr. E. G. Green of Ceylon, an authority upon insect habits, has, however, made an observation which is well worth putting on record. He has watched red ants holding grubs in their mouths and using the web they spin to repair a rent in their nest.

Some leaves which had been fastened together by the ants were separated by Mr. Green, and in a short time after he saw small white grubs being passed backward and forward across the gap. Closer observation showed that each grub was held in the jaws of one of the worker ants, and its movements were directed as required. A continuous thread of silk issued from the mouth of each grub and was used by the ants to sew up the rent in their shelter.

There were no grubs in the neighborhood, and those used were obtained from a nest at some distance. This deliberate use of a naturally formed web as a sewing thread is as astonishing as any instance of the intelligence of ants yet observed.

Peculiar Trees.

The visitor to the Falkland Islands sees a number of what appear to be weather beaten, moss covered boulders. Mrs. S. H. Allport, Johnstown, Pa., says: "Our little girl almost strangled to death with croup. The doctors said she couldn't live but she was instantly relieved by One Minute Cough Cure. All dealers."

of various sizes scattered here and there. On attempting to turn one over he is surprised to find that it is anchored to the ground by roots of great strength. These are not boulders. They are trees. No other place in the world can show such a peculiarity of "forest" growth. The Falkland Islands are exposed to a strong polar wind which renders it impossible for trees to grow in the proper form. Nature has consequently adapted herself to the prevailing conditions and produced this strange form of plant life. These "living stones," as they are called, are quite devoid of "grain," and it is next to impossible to cut them up and utilize them for fuel.

Its Changing Value.

It was right that the gallant act should be rewarded, but what should she give him?

Ha, a kiss, of course! Were there not men who would pay a great price for that? Truly it was quoted high.

"That," she said as she bestowed it, "is easily worth \$100."

"It was," he answered, "but it is not."

"What do you mean?" she asked.

"While in your possession it would bring a good sum," he said, "but in mine it cannot be exchanged for the price of a meal."

However, he was a prosaic sort of fellow at best, and besides he was hungry.—Chicago Post.

Cleanliness in Cooking.

Says a Chinese writer of the eighteenth century: "Don't cut bamboo shoots (the Chinese equivalent of asparagus) with an onion knife. A good cook frequently wipes his knife, frequently changes his cloth, frequently scrapes his board and frequently washes his hands. If smoke or ashes from his pipe, perspiration drops from his head, insects from the wall or smut from the saucepan gets mixed up with the food, though he were a very chef among chefs, yet would men hold their noses and decline."

A MINISTER'S GOOD WORK.

"I had a severe attack of bilious colic, got a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, took two doses and was entirely cured," says Rev. A. A. Power, of Emporia, Kan. "My neighbor across the street was sick for over a week, had two or three bottles of medicine from the doctor. He used them for three or four days without relief, then called in another doctor who treated him for some days and gave him no relief, so discharged him. I went over to see him the next morning. He said his bowels were in a terrible fix, that they had been running off so long that it was almost bloody flux. I asked him if he had tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and he said, 'No.' I went home and brought him my bottle and gave him one dose; told him to take another dose in fifteen or twenty minutes if he did not find relief, but he took no more and was entirely cured." For sale by Wright & Bro., and all medicine dealers.

Short and Sweet.

Perhaps one of the shortest courtships was that of an eminent jurist. He was on his way to hold court in a town when he met a young woman returning from market.

"How deep is the creek and what did you get for your butter?" asked the judge.

"Up to the knee and ninepence," was the answer as the girl walked on.

The judge pondered over the sensible brevity of the reply, turned his horse, rode back and overtook her.

"I liked your answer just now," he said, "and I like you. I think you would make a good wife. Will you marry me?"

She looked him over and said, "Yes."

"Then get up behind me, and we will ride to town and be married."

She did get up behind, and they rode to the courthouse and were made one. It is recorded that, brief though the courtship had been, the marriage proved a pre-eminently happy one.

A Remarkable Suicide.

One of the most remarkable cases of suicide was that of the king of Falaha, on the west coast of Africa.

The king was attacked by a Mohammedan force, and, finding resistance impossible, he assembled his family and principal officers, and after addressing them and intimating his determination never to accept Mohammedanism and inviting those who did not agree with him to go away he applied a light to a large quantity of gunpowder collected for the purpose and blew into atoms the palace and all who were in it.

Bottles.

In using bottles these two hints ought to be so borne in mind that the practice of them becomes habitual:

Always keep the label uppermost when pouring from a bottle, so that if any liquid trickles down the side the label misses it. Result—your labels keep clean and legible for much longer.

Secondly, if you want to deliver drops (or a very small quantity) of liquid just moisten the lip of the bottle with the finger.—Exchange.

Trouble Either Way.

Mrs. De Good—Why aren't you going to church?

Mr. De Good—Last Sunday the roof leaked, and three or four drops went down my back.

Mrs. De Good—The roof has been repaired since then.

Mr. De Good—Hub! Then they'll be wanting money to pay for the repairs.—New York Weekly.

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How High Was the Tower of Babel? The actual height at which the last stone of that famous structure, the Tower of Babel, rested cannot, on account of the remoteness of the times at which it is said to have existed, ever become more than a matter of mere conjecture. Herodotus, who lived about 1,700 years after that "great spiral way to heaven" is said to have been attempted, says that he saw at Babylon a structure consisting of eight towers raised one above another, each 75 feet in height, but whether this ruin was the remains of the Tower of Babel it was even then impossible to ascertain.

Herodotus, usually minutely exact in his writing, leaves us in ignorance as to how the upper level of each of these 75 foot towers was reached from the level below.

As might be expected, even in tradition, a wide difference of opinion exists as to the height of the tower. Most orientalists maintain that God did not put a stop to the work until the tower had reached a height of 10,000 fathoms, or about 12 miles. In Ceylonese tradition it is said to have been as high as 20,000 elephants, each standing one above the other. St. Jerome asserts on the authority of persons who had examined the ruins that it did not reach a height exceeding four miles. Other statements are still more extravagant.

Bill Nye on Life Insurance.

The late Bill Nye's indorsement of life insurance is probably the most characteristic paragraph to be quoted from his writings:

"In these days of dynamite and swift changing presidential administrations and dark tunnels through which an engineer goes groping his way at 25 miles per hour, these days of tumbling signs of the times and tippy telegraph poles, live wires and dead repairs; these days when the politician and the deadly bridge policeman with his pull lie down together under the influence of the same stimulant; these days when death lurks in the air we breathe, the earth we tread, the food we eat, the water—the water we bathe in—I say it behooves us to look well to our insurance and our future state, and I take pleasure in certifying and saying to whom these presents may come that since I became fully insured my health has improved so much that it is a subject for profound congratulation on my own part and the deepest disgust on the part of those who would naturally inherit my vast wealth."

Keeping the Head Clean.

Keeping the head perfectly clean is a great aid to health. An exchange tells of a distinguished physician who, having spent much of his time at quarantine, said that a person whose head was thoroughly washed every day rarely took contagious diseases, but when the hair was allowed to become dirty and matted it was hardly possible to escape infection. Many persons find speedy relief for nervous headache by washing the head thoroughly in weak soda water. We have known cases almost wholly cured in ten minutes by

"My baby was terribly sick with diarrhoea," says J. H. Doak, of Williams, Oregon. "We were unable to cure him with the doctor's assistance, and as a last resort we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I am happy to say it gave immediate relief and a complete cure." For sale by Wright & Bro., and all medicine dealers.

this simple remedy. A friend finds the greatest relief in case of "rose cold," the cold symptoms entirely leaving the eyes after one thorough washing of the hair. The head should be thoroughly dried afterward, and drafts of air should be avoided for a little while.

The Heart of a Mouse.

A tiny mouse who lived near the house of a magician begged him to save her from the cat of whom she lived in deadly terror.

So the magician changed the mouse into a cat, and she went away delighted.

In a few days she came back again in terror. "Oh, save me, save me now from the dog," she begged.

And the magician changed her to a dog.

A few days more, and back she came—this time in deadly fear of a tiger.

"Nonsense," said the magician. "You have only the heart of a mouse, and afraid you will always be. It is the heart that tells!"

Use Hard Beds.

A German doctor advises the adoption of a hard bed and that children should be trained from the beginning to sleep upon no other kind. It is certainly true that as a rule the hard bed conduces to the most refreshing kind of sleep, the feather bed, so dearly loved by our grandmothers, being enervating in the extreme and encouraging weakness of mind in the matter of getting up in the morning.

The World's Space.

A statistician asserts that when 350 years shall have passed the density of the earth's population will be so great that each person will have only two-thirds of an acre, which space will have to suffice for all purposes—agriculture, roads, houses, parks, railways, etc. He estimates the present population of the earth at 1,600,000,000 and says that in 2250 it will be 52,073,000,000.

A Useful Mother-in-law.

"After all, a mother-in-law is a pretty good thing to have sometimes."

"What wonderful experience have you been having lately?"

"My wife was afraid to discharge our cook, and she wouldn't go for me, so we sent for Birdie's mother and turned her loose in the kitchen. They smashed some of the furniture, but the cook's gone."

Running the Gantlet.

Running the gantlet as a military punishment was, it is said, originated by Gustavus Adolphus to punish thieves in his army. It was borrowed by the English from the Germans, who copied it from Gustavus, and, being employed in the British regiments in America, was readily taken up by the Indians of this country.

The Unicorn.

Chinese annals of great antiquity contain numerous detailed accounts of the supposedly fabulous unicorn, in which the description are identical with those handed down from the earliest times in the mythology or occult-dental countries. From this it is inferred that at some time in the remote past there actually did exist a single horned equine or cervine animal of some sort.

Early Experience.

Mother (to baby)—It's muzzer's little ootsy-tootsy. Muzzer loves her little darling baby.

Fanny (who has just been spanked)—Don't you believe her, baby. When you (sob) grow up, she'll spank you t-t-too!

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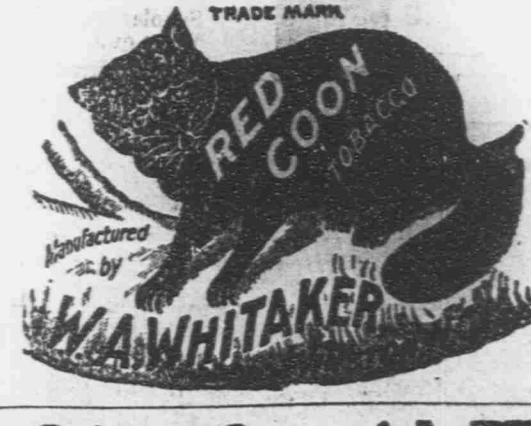
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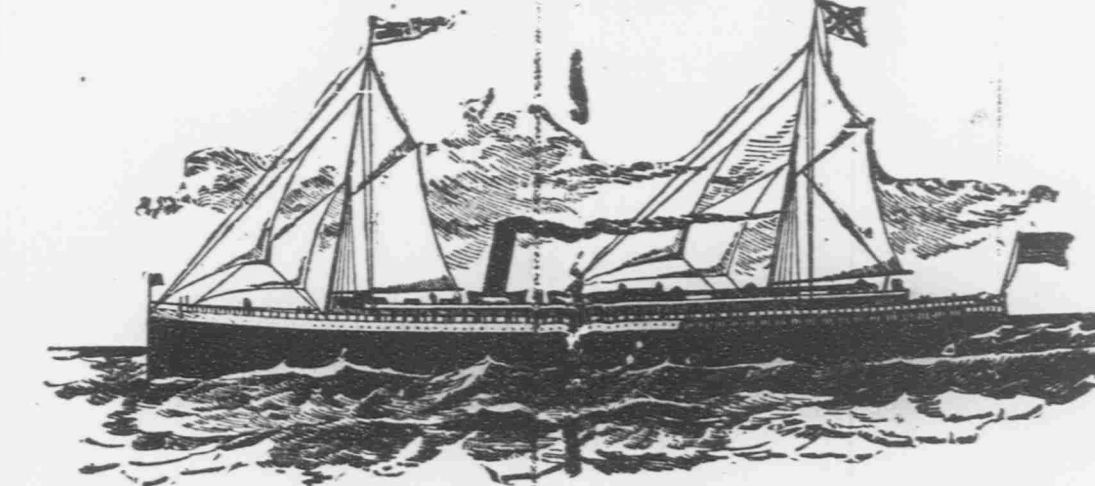
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