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EASTER CUSTOMS.

Curious Observances of the Past and Present in England.

Some of the old Easter customs in England are curiously barbaric, and even at the present time the observance of this particular festival is surrounded with more or less superstition, just enough to lend to it the charm of mystery.

Twentieth century maidens don bright yellow garters, secure in their belief that they will be engaged before the year ends. Others give their tresses "a hundred strokes three times" with the brush while thinking intently of their heart's desire. And who does not take good care to wear their new things on Easter day?

Among the earliest of Easter customs are the following:

At Queen's college, Oxford, a herring placed by the cook to simulate a man on horseback is set on a corn salad and brought to the table. This is supposed to represent a red herring riding away on horseback and is the last vestige of the once popular pageants of rejoicing for the end of the Lenten fast.

It was erstwhile a habit in English towns for the boys after the Easter service to run into the street and snatch the buckles from the shoes of the girls whom they were able to catch.

Easter Monday, however, it was turn about, and the women chased the men. If the men refused to pay a sixpence or happened to wear boots the women tried to snatch their hats, and to recover a hat cost a sixpence.

In some old towns great cakes were brought to church and there divided among the young people.

A singular Easter custom was that of "lifting and weaving." A man sitting contentedly in his home was surprised by the servants and women of his household, who entered bearing a great armchair lined with white and decorated with ribbons and favors. The man was forced to sit in the chair and be lifted by the women, to each of whom he must give a sixpence. On a day in Easter week, either Monday or Tuesday, the man lifted the women with similar attendant ceremonies.

Edward I. was lifted in his bed by his ladies and maids of honor, and a record shows the payment made by him to have been some \$2,000 in sixpences.

In older days in England monks at Easter acted plays in churches, the favorite subject being the resurrection. Not only were these plays enacted in the churches on these festival days, but there was dancing, particularly in the French cathedrals.

Even the sun, it is said, dances on Easter day.

In Ireland great preparations were made for the last day of Lent. Holy Saturday, about 9 o'clock, a hen and a piece of bacon were put in the pot, and at 12 there were eating and much merry-making. At 4 all rose to see the sun dance in honor of the resurrection.

Your Habitual Expression.

What kind of an expression do you wear habitually? Is it sour, morose, repellent? Is it a mean, stingy, contemptible, uncharitable, intolerant expression? Do you wear the expression of a bulldog, a grasping, greedy, hungry expression, which indicates an avaricious nature? Do you go about among your employees with a thunder-cloud expression, with a melancholy, despondent, hopeless look on your face, or do you wear the sunshine expression which radiates good cheer and hope, which indicates a feeling of good will and of helpfulness? Do people smile and look happier when you approach them, or do they shrink from you and feel a chilly goose flesh sensation come over them as they see you approach?

It makes all the difference in the world to you and to those whom you influence what kind of an expression you wear.—Orison Swett Marden in Success Magazine

The Troublesome Part.

Perdita—Well, Jack and I are to be married at last, and we are so happy. Penelope—Did you and Jack have much trouble in getting your father's consent? Perdita—No; but pa and I had an awful lot of trouble getting Jack's consent.

Well Earned.

Stinjay—See here, when are you going to pay me back that dollar you borrowed? Borroughs—Why, man alive, I earned that dollar. I had to work with you for a couple of hours before I got it out of you.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Despondency is the most unprofitable feeling a man can indulge in.—Talmage.

Man's Insight.

Jobson—Miss Blank looks awfully frivolous to me. What makes you think she has so much hard sense? Robson—I just heard her refuse an invitation to a card party because she couldn't play cards.—Detroit Free Press.

He who foresees calamities suffers them twice over.—Porteus.

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STOP IT.

Boasting of what you can do instead of doing it.

Thinking that life is a grind and not worth living.

Exaggerating and making mountains out of molehills.

Talking continually about yourself and your affairs.

Saying unkind things about acquaintances and friends.

Thinking that all the good chances and opportunities are gone by.

Thinking of yourself to the exclusion of everything and every one else.

Speculating as to what you would do in some one else's place and do your best in your own.

Gazing idly into the future and dreaming about it instead of making the most of the present.

Longing for the good things that others have instead of going to work and earning them for yourself.—Success.

The Father's Idea.

Johnny—Paw, what's the rest of that quotation beginning, "Truth is mighty?" Father—"Scarce." I reckon.—Pittsburg Post.

Of all the cants in this canting world, though the cant of hypocrites may be the worst, the cant of criticism is the most tormenting.—Sterne.

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