

SOMETHING WE ALL DON'T KNOW

Many Men Are Kionophilic or Kionomanic.

The round white missile was well aimed, and with a laugh the professor dug the cold snow out of his ear. "I am a kionophile and so are you," he said. "In fact, we are all kionophilic, while some of us are kionomanic."

MORAL: PAY YOUR PHYSICIAN.

Here's a Word or Two in Defense of the Family Doctor.

Did you ever notice how reluctant some people are about paying the doctor? When stricken with a severe pain in the epigastric about two p. m. they cry out in affliction, for they feel the damp of death upon their brows.

Brides, American and French. The American girl is brought up to think much more of herself than of her marriage. If, in the natural course of events, it suits her desire to confer upon some ardent suitor her good graces, then she will marry, not otherwise.

Ambitious Indians. The Cherokees, who tracked De Soto's footsteps for many weary days while he was marching through the southern forests and swamps, and who later welcomed Oglethorpe to Georgia, are the most advanced Indians in civilization and the most eager for education, spending \$300,000 a year on their schools and colleges.

The Ojibwa have five colleges, with 400 students, maintained at a yearly cost of \$47,000. They also have 13 district schools, costing \$18,000.

The Seminoles, one of the smaller tribes, have ten colleges and 85 common schools, with a total attendance of 2,500.

Must Be Sound Sleepers. Lightning recently struck a farm near Lagardiere, France, with extraordinary results. The roof of the house in which the farmer, his wife, and two children were sleeping—was torn off and thrown into a field 50 yards away. The balcony of the house was smashed to pieces, as were the cooking range, table and cupboards in the kitchen.

Mistake. "Do you have devoted your life to the study of natural history?" "Yes." "You are unknown."

REALLY NO TROUBLE AT ALL.

Witty Irishman's Easiness, Answered Bothersome Questions.

There were two Irishmen who recently came over to seek employment in America. Pat secured a position, but because of some misunderstanding between his employer and himself he was to be discharged on the following Monday if he could not answer three questions.

MORE WORK FOR THE LAWYER.

Legal Light Explains Why He Had Doubled His Fee.

Five years ago a certain man made a will. Last week he made another one. The same lawyer drew up both documents. For writing the second will the lawyer charged twice as much as for writing the first one.

Bearded Vultures.

In the Banded Zoological society's eastern aviary there is now living a splendid example of the lammergeyer, or bearded vulture. This species (Gypsetus barbatus) resembles the eagle in having the head covered with feathers. It is a distinctly handsome bird, and, being without the bald head of the typical vultures, lacks their repulsive look.

Uncle Remus vs. Ibsen.

From "Uncle Remus" Morris was always willing and eager to read aloud, or "huck Finn," which he half-jestingly pronounced to be the greatest thing, whether in art or nature, that America had produced.

A Friendly Tip.

"Do you think, sweetheart," queried the young man with the evenly divided hair, as he shifted the fair maid from one knee to the other, "that your father will consent to our marriage?"

How She Got In.

A lady accosted a little girl who was entering one of the fashionable New York fairs where she knew the rules were exceedingly strict and, after some little conversation, said:

MADE THE CONGREGATION GASP.

Iorthernner's Liberality Astonished the Colored Brethren.

A northern gentleman, visiting in a southern village, attended church at a negro meeting house. When it came time for the collection to be taken, the deacons seated themselves beside the table before the pulpit, with the plate in one hand and the collection box in the other.

LAYS MANY WOMEN ARE BALD.

Hairdresser Refutes Idea Which Has Become General.

"Why is it men get bald and women don't?" At this question the hairdresser laughed. "My dear sir," he said, "there are plenty as many bald women as men. In fact, I incline to believe that there are more."

Object Lesson.

"If the rich of the West side think they have been hurt by the Wall street panic," said the East side tweller, "let them come down some cold and drizzly Saturday morning and look at the pushcart market in the rain. The wet fruit, the dripping paper bags, the drenched carpet slippers only half protected by the dripping oil cloth, the ruined neckties, the rustling tins, the spoiled suspenders.

Cider the National Drink.

When a traveler enters a tavern in Rouen, France, or any of the towns or villages about it, cider is brought to him as a matter of course; it is the universal drink. Unfortunately the ordinary brand is not first-class. The status of cider as a local beverage is illustrated by the fact that the cider press was carried as the emblem of local industry in a pageant organized in 1892 to commemorate the entry of Louis de Breaux, grand marshal of Normandy, into Rouen in 1528.

The Girl Did It.

The latest invention in kites is one made like a box, with both ends open, and it has no tail. It will fly higher and with less breeze than any other kite made. Of course, you are ready to say that it is the invention of a man or boy; but such is not the fact. It was invented by a German girl 21 years old, and it is said that she is making lots of money out of it.

It Was Real.

"What a beautiful piece of mistletoe you have on the chandelier, Miss Clara!" "Yes, Mr. Simpkins, it is; but do you know, I'm afraid it's not genuine." Just at this point she discovered that it was, and the conversation ended.

AS SUBSTITUTE FOR FOOTBALL.

Writer Suggests That Plowing Matches Would Be Advisable.

A plowing match will help to interest boys in farming, and perhaps be quite as profitable in the end as a football match. A plowing match is managed by measuring off equal tracts to be plowed by each contestant, the time being noted at the start and a limited time allowed for finishing the tract. The contest is to be judged by the straightness of the furrows, as to depth and width, and the amount of land plowed within the time limit.

SOME OF HIS OWN MEDICINE.

Irate Citizen Found He Had to Deal with Worthy Adversary.

An irate citizen dashed up the steep, pebbly pulled the old-fashioned bell out of the socket, stomped till the master of the house appeared, and thus saluted him: "Sir, I'm going to thrash that boy," shaking his finger in the direction of a youngster of some 12 years.

Plant Like a Camel.

The nearest thing to a camel among plants is a curious specimen of the cucumber family which bears the name of the ibervillea sonorae. This plant, like the camel, is a native of the desert and it has to go without water longer than the animal.

Earliest Known Trousers.

The head of the ancient Babylonian was carefully protected from the sun by various wrappings; it was sufficient for the rest of the body to wear a thin woolen or linen garment bound at the hips with a girdle or shawl, over which sometimes another garment was picturesquely draped. In Babylonia, and Assyria also, head and foot coverings were subject to fashion, but the long, close-fitting garment fortunately never went out of style.

French Married Life.

The high average of reasonably happy marriages in France, where marriage is mostly a family arrangement, is not so inexplicable as we might think. One thing, we suppose, the foreigner will never be able to explain, and that is how the French girl passes from her obscure and untried existence before marriage to the wisdom and self-possession of the young French married woman, who seems to wield the experience of all the ages.

Battered Heroes.

"What do you suppose makes the girls go so wild over the football players in preference to other young men?" "I suppose it's a woman's passion for remnants."

CAUSE OF NERVOUS BREAKDOWN.

Profession of Dressmaker a Toil That Kills in the End.

"These are the reasons, and they only are suggested—that thousands of our dressmakers are ill every year with nervous prostration; that as many more go to the wall and give up work; that none of them ever make a competence, although their work should assure it."

HAD STORED HONEY IN HOUSE.

Industrious Bees Had Hive Between Floors of Dwelling.

For several years Patrik Prendergast of Abington, Pa. lived in a house along the Old York road, not knowing that a swarm of bees also considered their home. The swarm, hived between the first and second floors, directed beneath the beds occupied each night by Prendergast and his family.

Selected Her Own Coin.

This curious incident of travel in Africa is told by A. Henry Savage, London. "I wished to buy a bag of grain, but the woman who owned it would on no account accept silver money for it, nor any article which she saw in my camp. My Somali servant had a bright idea—the only one he had during the entire journey across Africa. He went to one of the boxes of provisions and took off a highly colored label from a corn beef tin. Having licked it copiously, he stuck it in the middle of his forehead. Inquisitive, like a woman, the Carava asked him what he did for. The Somali said he had been seized with a violent headache and the colored paper was a certain cure. The Carava at once offered the grain if the Somali would part with the magic paper. Her wish was satisfied without delay and the woman departed happy."

Ingenuous Device.

A whole closet in one hanger is the ingenious device of a Wellesley girl. She planned it to carry in her trunk while visiting a flat dweller during the holidays. It is made of a round piece of wood a half or three-quarters of an inch in thickness and eight inches in diameter. To one side of the wood small brass hooks are attached, on which the waists and skirts are to be hung. On the other side one large hook is screwed in the center, to be used for fastening on closet nails or door knobs. Around the outer edge of the board muslin (an old sheet will do) is tacked in big plaits so as to cover all the skirts and waists. The bottom of the muslin is finished with a drawing so that it may be pulled tight to keep out the dust.

Senator Knox on Memory Training.

Senator Philander Case Knox was driving a friend from the railroad station to his farm at Valley Forge when an incident occurred which called to mind a certain passage from Pope's "Essay on Man." The visitor quoted the lines, and Senator Knox, much to the surprise of his guest, took it up and gave the lines following:

A Warm Allusion.

"Do you see that man across the street?" "Yes, who is he?" "The greatest fellow for giving you hot air you ever came across."

A Little Mixed.

Mr. Smart—Don't you think Pootles weakens his work by so much alliteration? Mrs. Malaprop—Yes, but in these ingenious days you can't get anything that is pure or strong. People alliterate everything.

BELLDIRD BROUGHT TO LONDON.

Rare Specimen That Has Been Secured for the Zoo.

A specimen of the naked throated bellbird (Chaonorchynchus nudiocollis) has just been received at the Zoological gardens, London. The most remarkable thing in connection with the bellbird is its powerful voice; it utters a clear, metallic note which can be heard at a distance of three miles. Its noise is like that produced by a blacksmith striking his anvil. Sometimes it repeats its notes in quick succession, sometimes at fairly long intervals. There is no mistake about the voice of this bird; it is loud and piercing, and would be heard above the din produced by every inmate of the zoo raising its voice at once. Except for a space of naked skin on the throat and around the eyes, which, during the breeding season, is of a green color, this bird is pure white. The contrast between the sexes in the bellbirds, of which two species have been exhibited in the menagerie, is extreme. For while the male is pure white, the female is brownish green. Darwin refers to the bellbird when he points out that "white is a very rare color in terrestrial species of moderate size and inoffensive habits."

SQUAWS USE SEWING MACHINES.

Universal Household Article Among Indians of the Everglades.

"I am preparing for my annual trip to the Indians of the Florida Everglades, the most interesting trip I ever take," said a sewing machine agent. "But what do you sell in the outlandish Everglades?" a woman asked. "Sewing machines, dear madam," he replied. "To the Indians?" "Even so. There is hardly a squaw in the wild and remote Everglades who has not her sewing machine. Indeed, sewing machines have become necessities in the Everglades, like molasses or firewater."

Plenty of Hot Water.

Boarding House Keeper—A glass of hot water? Who can the man want with a glass of hot water. He doesn't shave. "Cook—He wants for drink it." "To drink it? Well, I never." "Oh, all the boarders is sending for hot water now, three times a day." "Goodness me! What for?" "For to drink. They call it the hot water cure. It beats all new fangled notions what come up."

May Revive Glories of Mukden.

Mukden, the chief city of central Manchuria and the old capital of the Chinese empire, is a characteristic Tartar-Chinese city of about 200,000 inhabitants. Its glory has largely departed. There are some reports, however, that it is the intention of the Chinese government to try to restore something of its lost importance. It is the headquarters of a viceroys. The temples, tombs, gateways and other buildings, all venerable with age, at once stamp the place as one of the ancient seats of Tartar civilization. The commercial importance of Mukden lies almost entirely in the future. There are hardly any foreigners in the place; probably not over eight or ten.

No Tax on Pianos.

The vigorous protest made in France against the proposal to levy a tax upon all owners of pianos in that country have had the desired result, and for the present no further attempt will be made to carry the suggestion into effect.

And No One Answered.

A little southern girl was sent to a boarding school in New York. When taken for a walk she seemed to be much interested in watching the automobiles. After a while she pointed to the extra tires on the passing machines and timidly inquired: "Why do they carry life-preservers?"

No Telling.

"Wiggins is planning a 60-day balloon trip around the world." "Indeed. What route will he take?" "He won't know until he gets up."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.