

NEW KIND OF INFANT SCHOOL

Three R's Are Cut Out and Children Are Taught to Be Happy Instead. The man in the club had been talking politics with a school inspector, until the gentleman declined to discuss the subject any more.

DAINTIES FOR THE BABY

Number of Safe Foods to Serve the Sick Little One While Traveling. Sometimes in traveling, or when living in hotels for any length of time, it is well to know of a few dainties which one can make oneself and give to an ill child, or to a baby whose stomach is a trifle upset.

Dead Mouse Ruins Women

Six women with chairs and camp stools yesterday kept a gang of telephone men from planting poles in Etna street, between Richmond street and Euclid avenue, in the East New York district of Brooklyn.

Ancient Rain Gauge

The credit of inventing the rain gauge has always been given to Cassini, a contemporary of Galileo, who made one in 1663, but the director of the Korean Meteorological Observatory, Dr. Y. Wada, has shown that it is due to a Korean king.

Dark Smoke No Fun

Funny thing about smoking! If a man were compelled to puff a good cigar with his eyes shut the operation would lose its zest. A man who had undergone a slight operation upon one of his eyes had to stay in a darkened room for a week with his optics bandaged.

Smart Youth

Tommy, what did you do with that penny I gave you for taking my medicine? I bought a bun with one halfpenny, ma, and I gave Jimmy the other half to drink the medicine for me.

WORK BERNHARDT'S RECIPE

Ravages of Old Father Time Held Back by Constant Activity and Regular Habits. It was Carlyle who, in his dogmatic fashion, declared that the only true happiness of a man was that of "clear, decided activity in the sphere for which by nature and circumstances he has been fitted and appointed."

SOMETHING NEW IN EGGS

Penguin Fruit May Soon Figure on American Hotel and Restaurant Menus. Penguin eggs from South Africa may soon figure on American hotel and restaurant menus. Immense numbers of them are being gathered on several of the islands of the southern extremity of Africa, and one dealer down there has offered to introduce them to the United States.

Fault Brought Home

Dr. James T. Docking, the president of Rust university, once discussed, in a Fourth of July address at Holly Springs, Miss., the treason of Benedict Arnold. "Arnold's fault," he said, "was as plainly brought home to him as the fault of Fenimore Cooper's friend."

An Eye to Business

They helped him tenderly into the taxicab which had struck him and the chauffeur, taking his address, mounted to the seat. Arrived at home, the driver helped him into the house. "Thank you," the injured man remarked. "As it was not a serious affair, we'll let it drop. Probably I was—"

A Protest

"I beg pardon," said the new arrival, "but it seems to me it's excessively warm here." "Eh! What?" snorted Satan. "Evidently you forget where you are. This place is meant to be warm."

TWIST THAT MADE THE ROPE

In March of Labor-Saving Invention Rope-Making Machine Was Last on List. There is nothing more prosaic than a rope, or that enters into a greater number of homely occupations, and yet in the march of labor-saving invention, a rope-making machine was one of the last on the list.

WOMAN HAS A GREAT IDEA

Flat Dweller Proves the Old Saying That Necessity Is Mother of Invention. We are told that necessity is the mother of invention, and one feminine flat-dweller is willing to take a lot of credit for her own particular achievement. With two big wardrobes and a closet to her bedroom she was yet without room for her big hats and dresses.

Soaps in Panama

All soaps imported here for laundry, scrubbing, and ordinary bath purposes come from England and the United States, the former exporting to Colon during 1910 \$1,310 worth, while that amount from the United States was only \$2,457. It has not been possible to obtain from the customs the value of the medicated and perfumed soaps imported into Colon, these being included under the item of drugs, but inquiries made of the druggists and dealers therein establish the fact that the United States sells more medicated soap than England, while France sells more perfumed soap than either the United States or England.

Hiding Dimples

Nobody but the woman herself knew how bad she felt, but the beauty doctor knew how bad she wanted to make other people think she felt. "Wanted to know if there wasn't some way to remove dimples, or at least to fill them up so they wouldn't show while she was in mourning," he said.

Tit for Tat

When making out his laundry list the methodical man set down opposite each item the amount of money he should claim if the article were lost. One week the laundryman lost a shirt valued at \$1. Without protest he deducted 55 cents from the month's bill.

FUTURE OF MOVING PICTURES

Edison Tells of Possibilities in This Field That Soon May Be Developed. An interview with Thomas A. Edison in the New York Dramatic Mirror quotes the great inventor as saying that the future of the motion picture is almost unlimited.

IS BEST OF BURGLAR ALARMS

Man Refused to Sign Lease Until He Learned Neighbor Was Taking Fresh Air Cure. Every reader has his own idea of what constitutes a desirable neighborhood," said the renting agent. "A tenant hung back from signing a lease for six hours the other day because I could not tell him whether anybody in the block was taking the fresh air cure."

Not the Odor of Araby

Theodore P. Shontz at a dinner at the Chicago club, praised the ventilation of New York's tubes. "Our tubes," he said, "smell as sweet, almost, as a clover field in June. But I wish you could smell the underground railways of London, especially those railways that haven't been electrified."

A Reasonable Request

"Sit down!" exclaimed the man of few inches. "The man of many took no notice." "Sit down!" repeated the little man again. "I can't see anything!" But still the giant paid no heed, and the little man could only hear the tantalizing sounds of feet and carriage wheels as the procession passed along.

Feathered Quadruped

L. J. Davis of Bedford has a freak chicken that he is raising this summer, says the Kansas City Journal. It has four legs. Three of the "dumsticks" are on one side. The other leg is like any well-regulated chicken ought to have.

'YES, I'M A GREAT AUTHOR'

Reads, Balzac and Sue Puffed Their Own Works as Being Fine Literature. Authors in "the good old days" were not above writing their own puff, a writer in the Bohemian says. Charles Reade wrote a long article on himself for Once a Week, in which he said: "It is impossible to speak too highly of 'The Cloister and the Hearth.'"

ASIANICS ON BRITISH SHIPS

Growing Preference for Chinese Seamen Over Britons for Service Under Red Ensign. One of the principal grievances complained of by the union, we believe, is the alleged growing preference of ship owners for Asiatic seamen, particularly Chinese seamen, to British seamen, for service under the red ensign.

EDUCATED PORK WAS GOOD

And the Circus Property Man Searched for Reuben, the Pet Pig. In Vain. Reuben, a much advertised educated pig belonging to the John Robinson circus, which was showing in this city recently, is no more, says a Cincinnati dispatch to the New York Tribune. His fate was kept secret for a week, for more or less obvious reasons.

How Oyster Islands Are Formed

Oyster islands, similar to those formed of coral, are found in several parts of the world. The islands in Newport river and Beaufort Harbor, North Carolina, says a writer in the Century Path Magazine, have been discovered to have as base a reef to which the spaws were attached and above this layer upon layer of oysters, vegetable growth, and debris brought by the action of the waves and winds, all of which finally grows high enough to rise above the surface of the water.

He Snored Into Safety

Wilkesbarre, Pa., is in the field with this story: Michael Benner of Plains owes his life to the fact that he can snore loud enough to be heard some distance away. Early one morning Policeman Schneider of North Wilkesbarre heard snoring coming from the direction of the Lehigh Valley railroad tracks, and fearing that some one might be asleep on the tracks, and knowing that an express train was about due, he investigated.

That Was All

"I don't know whether I ought to recognize him here in the city or not. Our acquaintance at the seashore was very slight." "You promised to marry him, didn't you?" "Yes, but that was all."

OF SUCH ARE PROOFREADERS

Little Miss Has Painful Struggle During Spelling Lesson Conducted by Her Father. Ralph Royston, who is a salesman for one of the big printing machinery houses, lives in Dyker Heights, Brooklyn. He has five children and one of the youngsters, a girl, is a notoriously bad speller.

THE ASTRONOMER'S CAT

The Rev. T. E. Espin, who recently achieved considerable fame by discovering a new star, possesses a tabby cat, says the London Globe. The story of Mr. Espin's cat in his own words is this: "Last February, returning from church on a cold night, with the ground covered with snow, I heard lamentations very similar to what Jeremiah would have uttered, and on searching about found a young and quite small cat on the window sill very cold and very starved. I took him in and fed him and made inquiries, but have never obtained the least clue as to his owner."

Damning Evidence

"Madam," says the agent of the black hand, "we have a photograph of you and Count de Gayleigh riding in an automobile. Send \$10,000 to us or we will publish the picture." "What care I?" haughtily says the lady. "The Count is a gentleman in every way and, besides, he is going to marry my daughter. There can be no scandal connected with my riding with him." "That's not the point. It was an 1906 model car."

Opium in Barrel Staves

Through some clever work on the part of the customs secret service men 150 cans of opium hidden in the staves of barrels containing lamp glass were seized recently and the would-be importer and his assistants were arrested. As the staves of the barrels were rather thick just in the center instead of being hollowed out, the smugglers had carved out a small sort of pocket large enough to contain a narrow can of opium in each stave. When the staves were set together it was impossible to see these openings.—Manila Times.

Then He Struck

A few days ago a second-class stoker was punished for the command-ing officer of the Devonport naval barracks on a charge of insubordination. His insubordination took the form of resistance to being introduced to the swimming bath. Asked what he had to say for himself, the youth replied: "Sir, I've only bin in the navy three days. The first day the doctor drew six of my teeth. The second day I was vaccinated. And the third day the petty officer he says, 'Come along, we're a-goin' to drown ye!'"—London Truth.