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A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING

Gleaned From Our Exchanges

An English medical authority, Dr. Still, says that red hair is one of the first and readiest indications of a disposition to rheumatism. Just as if red-headed people had not enough to put up with already!

Hamilton always was a queer place. Now the police magistrate and the crown attorney up there are going to law with each other for saying things while talking.

Edward VII. is said to be the best diplomat in Europe. He has the tact which enables him to handle men, and the knowledge of affairs which leads them to a satisfactory settlement.

Admiral Cervera will be one of the Spanish representatives at the Queen's funeral. This is the gallant old sea dog's first public appearance since he was bottled up at Santiago.

So far as the schools are concerned at least, there will be a celebration on the Queen's birthday in Ontario on this and succeeding years. By an enactment of the Government during Hon. Mr. Ross' term as Minister of Education, on the death of the Queen, Empire Day, which has hitherto been on the 23rd of May or the nearest preceding school day to the 24th, will thereafter be on the anniversary of the late Queen's birthday.

According to figures collected by The Chicago Tribune, 115 persons were lynched in 1900, of whom 107 were negroes. Louisiana and Missouri led with 20 each; Georgia had 16; Florida 9; Alabama, 8; Tennessee 7; Arkansas and Virginia, 6 each. The northern States in which lynchings occurred were Indiana, Kansas and Colorado. In sixteen years 2,583 persons have been lynched in the United States.

London will see such a convention of royalties on February 2nd as even the last century would find it difficult to match.

Fourteen men who have been exposed to smallpox infection are quarantined in a Rochester saloon, and not one of them has tried to escape.

Khaki is "karkee." Never mind the spelling; the pronunciation is "karkee." Seventy years ago it was written by an English soldier in India this way, Charkee. There's an oyster mouth sound in it, whether it is evident to the sight or not.

It is passing strange that General Roberts has never thought to quit sending supplies to the British soldiers in South Africa, and in this way starving the Boers into submission. —Omaha World-Herald.

Mr. Carnegie is willing to sell out his steel interests for \$200,000,000. In writing mention this paper.

The Strathconas are coming home. No more British colonels will be lassoed.

A thief stole the Hull mail bag the other evening as it was being transferred to Ottawa. The driver of the mail sleigh is mad because the miscreant took the Hull bag. He thinks the scoundrel should have been satisfied with half of it.

The Kingston Whig has got up a discussion among mothers on the subject, "The Kind of Husband I should Choose for My Daughter." To balance this, we hereby invite the daughters of Toronto to write to us on the subject, "The Kind of Son-in-Law I should Choose for My Mother." All letters on the subject should be brief. We know how it is with girls—they will write cute letters and then tear them up and try again, with the result that they will not send letters at all. To meet this difficulty we advise that the letters be sent as first written. If the paper is blotted we won't tell anybody. —Toronto Star.

The barber sweeps the whiskers up that grew Upon your visage—lo, some maiden who Ne'er heard your name may stuff a cushion and Tomorrow sit on what was part of you.

It is no wonder spelling is a difficult art for the small boy to master. This is the way the spelling of simple words is accomplished:
Which—Double-you-aitch-eye-see-aitch.
Truth—Tee-arc-you-tee-aitch.
Ought—Oh-you-gee-aitch-tee.

A good-hearted agriculturist in Kansas has nailed the following "trespass" notice to a tree on his farm:
When I was young and in my prime, my father's darling boy,

To shoot and hunt and sport and swim, I always did enjoy: I always tried to do what's right, and never to do harm, So you can shoot and hunt and swim on Uncle Peter's farm.

It's easy to make your money go twice as far. Just walk around more with it.

Two men named Mars and Wisner fell into the river above Niagara Falls. Wisner clung to the ice and was carried over. Mars swam for shore and was rescued. So that Mars was really wiser.

According to the interpretation of the Hamilton police magistrate a barber is not a workman. What constitutes a workman? Evidently something besides work.

Mrs. Carrie Nation carries consternation into the saloons of Wichita, Kansas, by throwing bricks into them. The theory that women cannot throw straight has been exploded by this devoted woman, even if her actions have accomplished nothing for the cause of temperance.

Strange, when you come to think of it, that so much sickness should be caused by drinking "well" water.

They say the new chief magistrate of Toronto is "a man of dreams." Then he ought to make a good night mayor.

The news of the Queen's accession to the throne did not reach Canada until forty-one days after the event. The news of her death in Canada was known within half-an-hour of its occurrence. This is indicative of the change that has been wrought in the world during her reign.

As a lightning change artist this winter beats anything on the stage.

A science note from Washington says that the sun will have burnt out in 3,000,000 years. The coal men will be glad to hear this.

For the benefit of the public it may be mentioned that the Boer war is not yet over. It will be revived as soon as the newspapers find space for it.

King Leopold of Belgium, it is said has ordered a motor gipsy van, to contain three rooms—a parlor, a bedroom and a servants' room—and develop 30 h.p. for a speed of forty-five miles an hour. The cost is put at \$30,000.

The Farming World tells the cheese-makers of Canada that in order to keep up the magnificent export trade which has been built up on their product they must pay close attention to its quality. One of the troubles is that cheese is shipped too green. A few years ago there was a demand for a softer and more meaty quality of cheese, a good deal of the product at that time being rough, harsh and dry. Many of them have now gone to the other extreme that is deficient in keeping qualities. To make a soft, meaty cheese, it is necessary that the maker should be able to control the temperature of the curing room. Otherwise, unless the cheese is made firm and dry, it quickly loses its flavor. An improvement in curing rooms is therefore the remedy indicated by the writer.

Kitchener, so the story runs, studied fighting originally to help France, for which country he had a boyish affection. He did help France, too—out of Fashoda.

A streak of oaths is just now ravaging this country from Halifax to Vancouver.

An Ohio man, aged 112 years, is threatened with nervous prostration. His physicians attribute it to the excessive use of tobacco during the last 97 years.

When Bryan meets Kruger abroad he can borrow some whiskers from the ex-President.

Oh, la grippe! The deadly grippe! Making eyes and noses drip! Scalp about your cerebellum Drawn and woodenish like vellum! Ache in stomach, ache in back, Every joint upon the rack! Ache afoot and ache abed, Sizzling boilers in your head! Have no appetite for meals! Deathly chill the blood congeals! Body trembles like a custard! Take a draught of rum and mustard, Take cathartics, take quinine, Take codliver oil and wine, Take soft soap and kerosene, Take a dose of Paris green, Take a bath or take a walk, Take a desiccated sock, Take a pound of Epsom salts, Take a gallop, take a waltz, Take to bed, or take to drinking, Take an onion without winking, Take a swig of sulphur water, If it fails, then take it hotter! Thus the kindly neighbors vie

To cure the grip—I state the facts—The doctor has to take an axe.

"Love," said the priest, "endures Through fair and stormy weather, Let no man put apart What God hath joined together." "Love," said the lawyer old, "Must run a certain course. After the courting-court, The sequel is divorce." "Love," said the doctor, next "A useful part must fill. It is the sugar coat On Life's cathartic pill."

On the New Year Willie Muggins Swore off scorching on his wheel, And the dear boy had intended To his promise to be leal. But the reaper took poor Muggins, Making of his promise nil, So that in the depths of winter Willie Muggins scorches still.

A European traveller tells of the following epitaph which he read on a tombstone in England: "Here lies—; he was born a man, but died a grocer." The man had disappeared in his calling. We often find that a man's vocation has swallowed him; that it has completely overwhelmed him; that there is nothing left of him for any purpose outside his occupation. It is a contemptible estimate of a vocation to regard it as the means of getting a living. The man who is not greater than his calling, who does not overtop his vocation, so that it runs over on all sides, is not successful. A man should be greater than the books he writes, greater than any speech he makes, than any house he builds, or any sermon he preaches.

Parliament and the legislature are both about to meet, and we recommend the members of both the words of Benjamin Franklin: "Dost thou love life? Then, do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of."

The mistake mothers make when they seek to pick out husbands for their daughters is in supposing because they understand one man that therefore they know them all. But no two are alike.

At the next session of the Ontario Legislature, the government will probably make a grant to a railroad projected into the Temiscaming country. This district is rapidly filling up with good settlers, but it is isolated for six or seven months of the year, on account of lack of transportation. The only outlet is by steamer down lake Temiscaming, and on by rail to Mattawa. The new road is to go into the district from North Bay. A number of Toronto capitalists who have at their back the magnates of the Grand Trunk railway, are behind the scheme, and they are said to have the assurance of hearty government support.

The story of the church in Alabama which had over one of its doors the words: "This is the Gate of Heaven," with the modifying postscript some distance below: "This Door Closed in Winter Time," recalls a somewhat similar story which Cardinal Manning used to tell of his publishers. He was a man who did not keep his own books in any great number on his private shelves, and so one day found it necessary to go to his publishers for a copy of his volume, "Confidence in God." To his surprise this conversation took place in the loudest voices between the front and back offices, the men calling to each other at the top of their lungs: "Say, you send up some of Manning's 'Confidence in God.'" "Can't do it. Manning's 'Confidence in God' is all gone."

As an illustration of the modern methods of treatment of consumptives at the sanatorium at Gravenhurst, it is interesting to learn that during the recent cold snap, with the thermometer at twenty below zero, some of the patients lived and slept in tents, not merely without inconvenience, but with positive enjoyment, preferring this regimental life to ordinary comfortable dwellings.

The open door is all right enough in China. But don't go and imagine you're living in China. This is Canada—it's winter—wood is a fearful price—and—shut that door!

—Henceforth the red bag will represent a "K.C." instead of a "Q.C." For instance it will be J. K. Kerr, K.C.

—It is thought probable that a new issue of stamps bearing the head of King Edward will be made.

—The death of Queen Victoria leaves Queen Wilhelmina of Holland alone as the only woman ruler of the world.

—There are about eighty insurance policies on the Queen's life, reaching a total of £250,000.

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