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In olden times no one need remain wrinkled. All that was necessary was to "smear the face with a mixture of water and the pounded root of wild cucumber." If any one was afflicted with freckles it was his own fault; the remedy was simple, if scarcely pleasant; he must "rub the bull's gall on his face."

To us who are apt to be irritated by dust or smoke in the eye while on the railway, the following prescription should be valuable: "Chant the psalm 'Qui habitat' thrice over water, with which then douche the eye."

A certain remedy for curing the inebriate was to give him as many eggs of the screech owl boiled hard as he could possibly eat, when he would ever afterward be a total abstainer. This is surely worthy the attention of the temperance societies.

The search for "the philosopher's stone" seems to have been no mere craze of the unlettered. Men of unimpeachable ability and great learning wasted the greater part of their lives on this quest. Some supposed mercury to be the chief transmuting force; others thought that by sulphur the bodies of metals could be turned into "the moist fine pure gold and silver." Though Bacon was a firm believer in the elixir vitae, Paracelsus was the most diligent inquirer after this wondrous liquor. He prepared a remedy called "Primum Ens Melissae," which was made of pure carbonate of potash and fresh leaves of the melissa plant, on which was poured pure alcohol. Generally, however, the idea seems to have been that the elixir of life was composed of the four elements blended together.

Origin of "La Marseillaise"

Rouget de Lisle was greatly esteemed among his friends for his poetical and musical gifts, and was a particular friend of the family of the Baron de Dietrich, a noble Alsatian, then mayor of Strasburg. "One night during the winter of 1792 the young officer was seated at the table of this family. The hospitable fare of the baron had been so reduced by the calamities and necessities of war that nothing," says Mme. Fanny Raymond, "could be provided for dinner that day except garrison bread and a few slices of ham. Dietrich smiled sadly at his friend, and, lamenting the poverty of the fare he had to offer, declared he would sacrifice the last remaining bottle of Rhine wine in his cellar if he thought it would aid De Lisle's poetic invention and inspire him to compose a patriotic song for the public ceremonies shortly to take place in Strasburg. The ladies approved, and sent for the last bottle of wine which the house could boast.

"After dinner De Lisle sought his room, and, though it was bitterly cold, he at once sat down at the piano, and, between reciting and playing, and singing, eventually composed "La Marseillaise," and thoroughly exhausted, fell asleep with his head on his desk. In the morning he was able to recall every note of the song, immediately wrote it down, and carried it to his friend, Baron Dietrich. Everyone was enchanted with the song, which aroused the greatest enthusiasm. A few days later it was publicly given in Strasburg, and thence it was conveyed by the multitude to the insurgents of Marseillaise, and of its after popularity we know."

De Lisle's mother was a most devoted royalist, and asked: "What do people mean by associating our name with the revolutionary hymn which those brigands sing?" De Lisle himself, proscribed as a royalist, when flying for his life in the Jura mountains, heard it as a menace of death, and, recognising the well-known air, asked his guide what it was called. It had then been christened the "Marseillaise Hymn."

The Heart's Holy or Holies.

Childhood reminiscence makes us young when we are old, and helps to keep us pure and fresh with the springtime that was in us a score of a generation of years ago. A boy can never become utterly bad so long as there remains with him a memory of his father and mother in the act of prayer. The time may come with the hardening and chilling proces of the years when he will himself cease to pray, but from the canvas long ago painted, there will never fade the figures of those, now asleep, whose heads were seen day by day bent in worship, and who in inspired priestliness laid the morning sacrifice upon the family altar; and the memory helps, at any rate, to keep alive in us our possibilities of prayer. The most natural years of our lives we live while we are children, and there are always rest and purification in getting back into touch with them. When the burdens press a little heavily, and the future is thick with uncertainties, the wish will sometimes shape itself that we might be back again among our free, fresh, childish days. We do not understand it very well, but there is something gone that we would dearly love to have back. Those may seem to have been rather unproductive afternoons that we used to spend up in the garret, listening in the pauses of our merrymaking to the rain pattering on the roof, and we so dry and sheltered underneath, but our life means more to-day because of them, and because of our memory of them.—Rev. C. L. Parkhurst.

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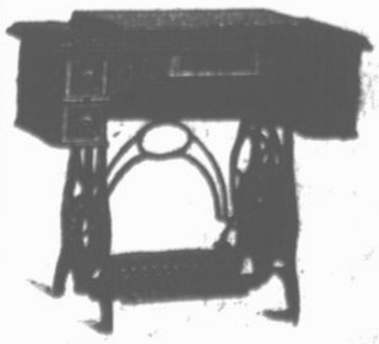

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