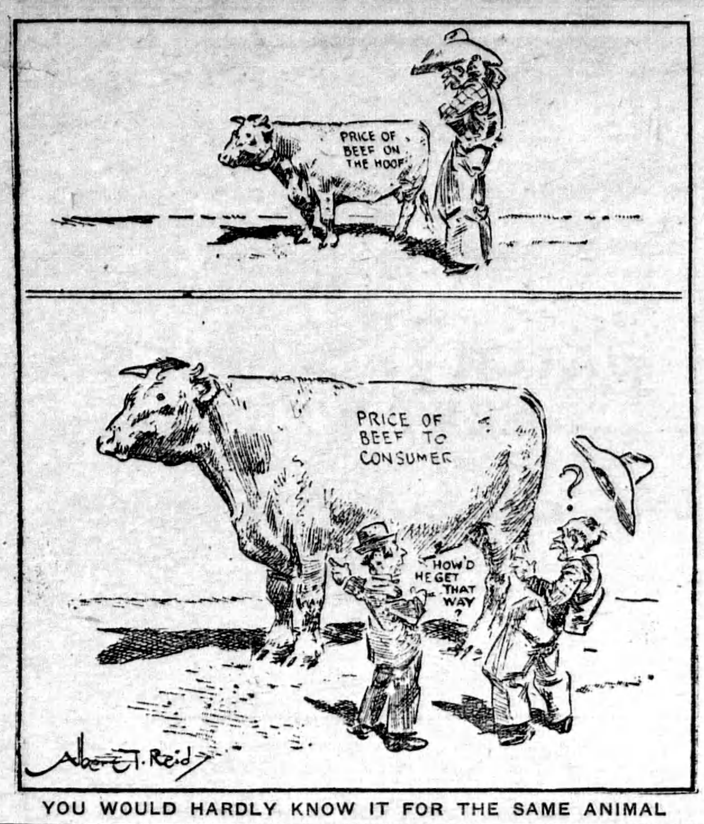

YOU WOULD HARDLY KNOW IT FOR THE SAME ANIMAL

Surnames and Their Origin

GIBBS

Variations—Gibbons, Gibson, Gilbert, Gilbrecht.
Racial Origin—English and German.
Source—A given name.

The family name of Gibbs and Gibbons don't show their origin in the form, or rather, that origin is not so obvious to us to-day, simply because they are patronymic developments of a type of nickname which is rather rare in modern times, though quite common in that period of medieval history in which family names came into being.

We would not, for instance, think of shortening the name of Gilbert into "Gib" or "Gibb," though we might make it either "Gill," or "Bert." But the twist of the medieval English tongue, under the influence of Norman-French, was different. It tended particularly to eliminate the letter "I." Hence as Walter was shortened to "Wat," and gave us "Wat-son," so Gilbert was shortened to "Gib" and gave us "Gib-son" and then "Gibbs." Just as "Diccon" or Dickon," meant "little Dick," and by the addison of "son," gave us "Dickinson" and "Dickens," so "Gibbon" has developed into "Gibbons."

Gilbert, as a family name, is but a reshortening of "Gilbertson" into "Gilberts" and then Gilbert. Gilbrecht, of course, is a German form.

As a given name Gilbert means either "gold-bright" or "yellow-bright." The "gil" is from the same source as our "gilt," "gild" and "gold," and the German "gelt." The "bert," which appears as "brecht" in German, is a mark of Teutonic names. It means "bright," and comes, in fact, from the same source as that word. The Anglo-Saxon form was "beort" or "beohrt," the latter being the older form, with the "h" as strongly guttural as the German "ch" of to-day. The "gh" in "bright" was originally pronounced in this same fashion.

MITCHELL

Variations—Mitchel, Mitchelson, Michaelson.
Racial Origin—English.
Source—A given name.

This group of family names is derived from the given name of Michael, which, of course, is Hebrew, being one of the scriptural names. The meaning of the given name is 'like God."

In that period of English history when the Saxon and Norman tongues had just combined, when Normans and Anglo-Saxons finally lost their pride in race for pride in nationality, there came about a change in the type of given names. This was no doubt due in part to the absolute necessity for more names, for population was increasing and the same force which finally brought about the development of a second, or family, name for the individual also tended to increase the number of given names. In that period there was a general turning to the Scriptures and to scriptural history in search of names.

Naturally Michael, the name of the archangel, was a popular one. And form it naturally developed a surname by the addition of "son." At this period, in the South, the linguistic tendency was toward a softening of pronunciation and the name became Mitchel, while it remained Michael in the North, just as the same word became "ditch" in the South and "dyke" in the North. In more modern times, owing to the recorded spellings, there has been a return to the original form in the case of the name, though there has not been in the case of the word, Mitchell and Mitchel, of course, are shortened forms of Mitchelson.

A Long Wait.

Pat was invited to a party. His host saw that he was not paying attention to his plate, and asked the reason.

"Oh," said Pat, "I am waiting for the mustard to cool!"

France has restored to cultivation four million acres of battlefields.

A great heart has no room for the memory of wrong.

One variety of cactus, found in deserts, always points to the south, thus forming a natural compass.

Miles vary. Our miles is 1,760 yards. The Norwegian mile is the longest, 12,182 yards. The shortest is the Chinese, about 600 yards.

Do you discriminate at the dining table—or are you thoughtless?

In thousands of homes, a "line" is drawn at the breakfast table. Tea or coffee is served for "grown-ups" and Postum for children. But some parents do not discriminate. Tannin and caffeine, the injurious contents of tea and coffee, seriously retard the development of the delicate nerve tissues in children.

Consequently, instead of rich, satisfying Postum, children are over stimulated by the drugs in tea and coffee; and so may grow up irritable and nervous. Any doctor can tell you that this is a great evil and should be corrected.

Although some parents feel a certain justification for the personal indulgence in tea or coffee, yet the harm to them may be equally serious. It may take a little while longer for the drugs in tea and coffee to affect an older person, but in many cases the nervous system and allied bodily functions will become weakened. The surest way to avoid such possibilities is to quit tea and coffee entirely and drink Postum instead. The change permits you to get sound, restful sleep.

Postum is the well-known, meal-time beverage. Like thousands of others you will like it because, in flavor it is rich and satisfying.

Do away with the distinction at the table. Serve delicious Postum, piping hot, to all the family. One week's trial and it is likely that you'll never return to tea or coffee.

Postum comes in two forms: Instant Postum (in tins) made instantly in the cup by the addition of boiling water. Postum Cereal (in packages of larger bulk, for those who prefer to make the drink while the meal is being prepared) made by boiling for 20 minutes.

Postum *for* Health
"There's a Reason"

British Company Gets Czecho-Slovak Radium.

A British company will become the largest actual and potential owner of radium in the world by an agreement between the Czecho-Slovak Government and the Imperila and Foreign Corporation, says a London despatch.

The new corporation, according to the manager, Herbert Guedella, will handle for fifteen years the radium produced at the Joachimsthal mines. The Government is handing over at once at least two grammes, and the mines are expected to produce an additional three or four grammes of radium yearly.

None of the radium will actually be sold by the company, but it will lend out the mineral for medical research purposes and sell by-product emanations used in medicine. A control depot will be established in London, where doctors will be assured of more regular and probably a cheaper supply than has been hitherto available in this country.

Autumn Leaves.

How can I trample you, little friends?
How can I pass you by?
Crimson and gold with a wonderment
Caught from a sunset sky.

You with a bit of Spring's witchery
Still in your silken hold.
How can I see you, curled and brown
Heaped in the rain and cold?

You with the lure of summer woods,
Music of winds and rain—
How can I watch your winged flight
Back to the earth again?

Eyes that have loved you, little friends,
Witness your silent fall
Full of a quiet majesty
Yielding to Death's strange call.

—Amy E. Campbell.

A MOTHER'S ADVICE

Once a mother has used Baby's Own Tablets for her little ones she is always happy to recommend them to others. Her advice, given after a careful trial, can be readily followed with assured good results. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which never fail to regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach. They always do good—they cannot possibly do harm even to the youngest babe. Concerning them Mrs. P. Laforest, St. Nazaire, Que., writes:—"For three months my baby was constipated and cried continually. On the advice of a friend I gave him Baby's Own Tablets and now at the age of five months he is perfectly well and weighs twenty pounds. I am delighted to be able to advise other mothers to use them." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Three Days' Grace.

Maggie's sweetheart, a proverbial tight-fisted Scot, had taken her out for the afternoon, and that was about all. They rode some distane on the trolley, turned around and rode home again. Never was mention made of food or entertainment.

Back within her own gateway, Maggie, who had keenly felt the neglect, sarcastically proffered Sandy a dime.

"For the carfare you spent on me," she said, meaningly.

"Hoots, toots, woman," returned Sandy, pocketing the coin. There was nae hurry. Saturday wad hae been time enough."

Easy Finance.

There are some persons who call themselves "financiers" whose methods are not essentially different from that of the small boy who went into the house the other morning and showed his mother a handful of pennies.

"Look, ma, what I've got!" he exclaimed.

"Why," replied his astonished mother, "where did you get them, Haroid?"

"Found 'em down at the corner," returned the young hopeful. "They were lyin' on a pile of newspapers in the doorway of Jones's store." And he put them into his pocket with the air of one quite satisfied with himself.

The Scottish George Washington.

Whenever the Americans try their boasting against a Scotsman, they are at once hard-pressed to get the best of the cross-talk.

A Scotsman and an American were talking one day on a ship.

"In New York," said the American, "we've certainly got a fine lot of young men!"

"Nae doot," said the Scotsman. "A lot of oor laddies have been emigratin' lately."

The American frowned, and thought awhile. Then he said, in a sarcastic voice:

"George Washington was no Scotsman, and George Washington could not tell a lie!"

"Ou, ay!" the Scot retorted. "A Scotsman could, but he wouldn't."

Better to be small and shine than to be great and cast a shadow.

The least we should do with our smallest opportunity is to make the most of it.

The production of sweet pea seed is becoming quite an important agricultural industry in British Columbia.

Artificial limbs are usually made of willow wood on account of its lightness.

DELICATE GIRLS NEED NEW BLOOD

Rich, Red Blood Means Health and Strength.

The anaemia of young girls may be inherited, or it may be caused by bad air, unsuitable food, hasty and irregular eating, insufficient out-of-door exercise and not enough rest and sleep.

It comes on gradually, beginning with languor, indisposition to mental or bodily exertion, irritability and a feeling of fatigue. Later comes the palpitation of the heart, headaches, dizziness following a stooping position, frequent backaches and breathlessness. In a majority of cases constipation is present. There may be no great loss of flesh, but usually the complexion takes on a greenish-yellow pallor.

Cases of this kind, if neglected, become more serious, but if taken in time there is no need to worry. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which are free from any harmful or habit-forming drug, are just the tonic needed to remedy this wretched state of health. Though it is not noticeable, improvement begins with the first dose. As the blood is made rich the pallor leaves the face, strength and activity gradually return and the danger of relapse is very slight.

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Words That Were Stolen.

The majority of our military words were originally French.

Sword and rifle and gun are about the only three of them that are really English in origin.

The history of those which denote rank is curious. The word soldier comes from the Latin solidus, a small coin; the solidarius, or soldier, was a man who earned a solidus a day.

The corporal was the man in charge of a corps, originally a little body of men about the size of a modern platoon.

What of the lance-corporal? This word has a remarkable story. In old days, when a knight was unhorsed in battle, he had to report to the nearest mounted officer, and to fight by his side. Whilst so doing he was known as "lance to a colonel," "lance to a captain," and so on. Eventually the words "to a" dropped out, and "lance" came to denote simply assistant. Nowadays it is used only for the non-commissioned ranks.

The sergeant was originally a "surveillant," or overseer. His business was to march behind the rear rank, and to prevent any who had "cold feet" from bolting. For this reason he was armed with a spear or axe. Even sergeants occasionally showed a desire to take a short cut for home in battle, and it was found necessary to have a superior surveillant, or sergenat-major, to march behind them and keep them from straying.

The sergeant-major's post became in course of time so important that in-action he was virtually second-in-command of the battalion. A new commissioned rank was therefore created in which the "sergeant" was dropped and the "major" retained. That is how the rank of major came into existence.

The captain derives his name from the Latin word caput, a head; he was the head man, or chief. In old days this was the highest rank of all. Later an officer called the captain-general came into existence, and after a short time the first part of his title was dropped, general alone being retained for officers of the highest rank. The only remaining rank is that of colonel, the commander of a "colonne," or column.

MONEY ORDERS.

Dominion Express Money Orders are on sale in five thousand offices throughout Canada.

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BITS OF HUMOR FROM HERE & THERE

The Sample.

Tommy entered the village general shop with an assured air, and said to the shopman

"I want a lamp glass, and mother says she would like it as strong as the bacon she had yesterday."

A Calamity.

"What is the matter, dearest?"

"Somefin' awful's happened, mamma."

"Well, what is it, sweetheart?"

"My d—doll got away from me and bwoked a plate in the pantry."

Broke the Record.

Mother—"Poor Jimmy is so unfortunate."

Caller—"How's that?"

Mother—"During the track meet he broke one of the best records they had in college."

Couldn't Be Done.

"How much pay do I get?" asked the boy who applied for a job in the butcher shop.

"Three dollars a week. But what can you do in a butcher shop?"

"Anything."

"Can you dress chickens?"

"Not on three dollars a week."

As Near as He Could Get It.

At the university examinations an unusually large number of students failed. One of the boys went to his professor and said, "I don't think this is fair, sir; I don't think I should have a zero on this examination."

"I know it," replied the professor, "but we do not have any mark lower than that."

How to Tell a Gentleman.

An example of a fine, but it seems proper, distinction is given in this conversation:

"Mr. Smith," a man asked his tailor, "how is it you have not called on me for my account?"

"Oh, I never ask a gentleman for money."

"Indeed! How, then, do you get on if he doesn't pay?"

"Why," replied the tailor, hesitating, "after a certain time I conclude he is not a gentleman, and then I ask him."

A Floating Company.

A city business man was very keen on having proficient clerks in his employ. Before a clerk could enter his office he was required to pass a written eaxmination on his knowledge of business.

At one examination one of the questions was: "Who formed the first company?"

A certain bright youth was a little puzzled at this, but was not to be floored. He wrote:

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"Tanlac helped me from the very start, as I have not had a weak spell since I started taking it and I feel so good I can hardly realize that I'm the same woman. The dizzy spells are gone, my appetite is fine and everything I eat agrees with me perfectly. I have recommended Tanlac to any number of my friends and, I am glad to say, it has benefited them all. I just wish I could tell everybody who suffers as I did what Tanlac did for me."

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Galileo, a sixteenth-century scientist, while attending a church service noticed that one of the lamps hanging from the roof of the cathedral was slowly oscillating. He applied this principle to a suspended weight, and from his discoveries were derived the functions of the pendulum, without which we could not measure time accurately.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

What Microscope Shows.

In water in which decaying vegetables have been infused, the miscroscope discovers creatures so minute that 10,000 of them would not exceed a grain of mustard, though they are supplied with organs as complicated as those of whales.

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