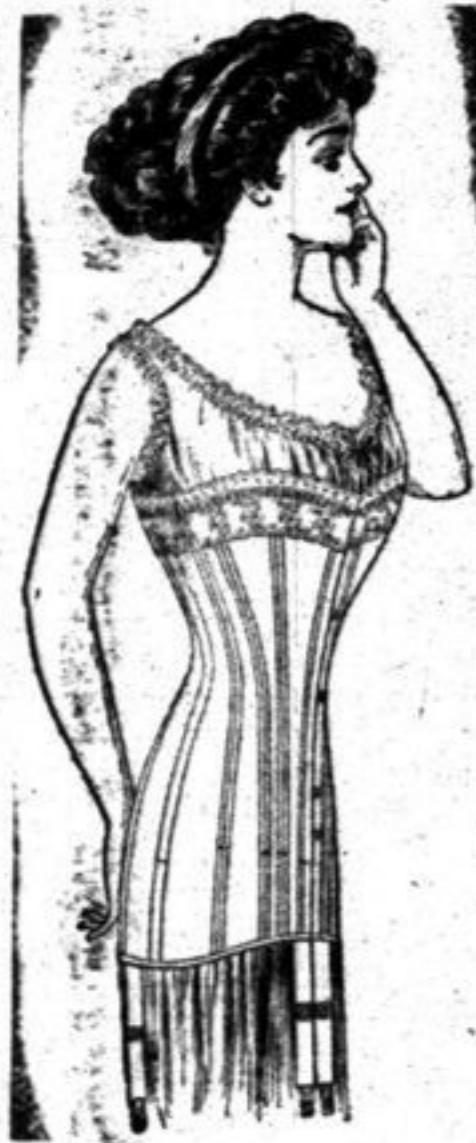


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NAMING OF PENNSYLVANIA

William Blathway, Commissioner of Plantations, Suggested It Be Called After the Quaker.

When William Penn was asked by Charles II. to name the new colony over the sea he proposed the name of the queen. William Blathway, the commissioner of plantations, bluntly negated the proposal in the presence of the court, and suggested the Quaker's own name as the proper one for the vast territory that owed its colonization and development to him.

The family name of Blathway became extinct through the marriage of the sole son of the line to a wealthy Miss Winter, who restored the fallen fortunes of the Blathways on condition that her husband adopted the name of Winter.

WILD ANIMALS AND CATNIP

Lions and Leopards in the Zoo Were as Delighted With It as is the Domestic Cat.

A curious investigator and a few sprigs of catnip led to an amusing scene at the zoo in Cincinnati.

The tigers and puma scornfully refused to notice the herb when it was presented to them by the keeper, but the lion, the lioness and the big leopard were boisterous in their manifestations of pleasure.

Approaching a Walled City.

After the drab outskirts of Pisa, the Maremma and the dyked road, I gained Cascina, a walled, arcaded town at the limit of the Vico Pisano, gray within a red husk of walls, inexhaustibly picturesque; then came Pontedera, walled again—and with each a thrill.

Contemplation as a Part of Life.

We are in such haste to be doing, to be writing, to be gathering gear, to make our voice audible a moment in the derisive silence of eternity, that we forget the one thing, of which these are but the parts—namely, to live.

Primitive Life Saving.

Expedients for saving life and limb among the poor are many and original. "Why do you stretch your clothes line so close to the wall?" said a new customer who had poked her head through the washerwoman's back window to see what kind of a place she had to dry the clothes in.

"Oh, miss, that rope ain't for the clothes," said the woman. "It is for the baby to fall on in case he tumbles out of the window."

One Way, Anyway. My little son, who was just over two years old, one day while at dinner used his fingers instead of a spoon

and the following dialogue ensued: Father—"Don't do that again, sonny" Son—"Me will." Father—"Well, don't let me see you." Son—"Shut 'ou eyes den."

Reminders of Trouble.

"I thought you told me a sea voyage would take my mind off my troubles," said the unlucky motorist. "Didn't it?" "No. The life preservers strung along the rail of the ship looked exactly like automobile tires."

WEDDING CAKES FOR RENT

Showy Confections May Be Hired for About \$3 Each and Are Re-iced After Each Occasion.

There was something wrong with the cake, the baker said; it looked all right and it smelled all right, but his artistic sense told him it would not taste all right.

"Then fix it up with an extra coat of icing and we will keep it for a renter," said the proprietor.

"Who in the world would rent a cake?" some one asked.

"Wedding parties," said he. "They want a big cake in the center of the table for show, but a cake of that size good enough for a wedding would cost more than they can afford to pay, so they order fine cake put up in individual boxes for the guests and use the bride's cake just as an ornament. They don't buy it, they rent it. Sometimes a cake is rented a dozen different times. After each wedding it is freshened up with a new coat of icing and looks as good as new for the next occasion. A good renter fetches about \$3 a wedding."

ASK THE SALVATION ARMY

That is What Many Do When They Want Anything, Even a Bonnet for the Horse.

A teamster who needed a bonnet for his scrawny horse applied to the Salvation army.

"Why did you go to them for such a thing as that?" someone asked.

"Because I knew they had them," he said. "I saw one of their wagons go down the street with two strings of horses' bonnets stretched from the top of the cover to the tailgate, so I hustled down and asked for one before they were all gone."

"His case is typical of hundreds of others," said an army worker. "Our collection wagons are veritable curiosity shops on wheels. Household goods and clothing comprise the bulk of the load, but it is topped off by curious odds and ends. Penurious or poverty-stricken souls keep an eye on the most conspicuous contributions and when they see anything they want they simply follow the wagon down to headquarters and ask for it."

"Con" Knew His Duty as Usher.

The congregation of a certain church is not "exclusive," but some of its members were surprised at the appointment of a new usher. They said that he might be a very good young man, but he had not belonged very long to the church, and, besides, it seemed unlikely that a street car conductor would suit the etiquette of a house of worship.

Farmers will not become greatly interested in aeroplanes, monoplanes and biplanes until they have worn out their automobiles.

We imagine that Esperanto would be a good language to use when talking back to your wife.

People are warned to be careful in eating oysters. Yes, first remove the shells.

A New York man is taking his piano for a voyage to restore its tone. Probably it got a little shaky on the high C's.

Montana census enumerators are under arrest for padding their returns. And yet we are told that figures will not lie.

It's about time everybody knew that an unloaded gun is the only thing more dangerous than a canoe.

As the census reports come in they are more and more interesting.

BEST RATTLESNAKE REMEDY

Strychnine is the Only Positive Antidote for a Big Injection of the Poison.

Strychnine is probably the only positive antidote for a big injection of rattlesnake toxin, a bite or rather stroke such as a four-foot snake would inflict on the fleshy part of the body, as the calf or thigh. For such a bite, carrying as it does half a teaspoonful or more of venom deep into the flesh, all ordinary cures are unavailing.

FINGER PRINT WAS ENOUGH

Guilty Peach Thief Thought it Was Picture of His Corduroy Trousers, and Confessed.

All his ripe peaches had departed disappeared, deserted. Some thief in the night had played havoc among the forbidden fruit, and Professor Pumpernick could find no clue but a finger print left on an unripe specimen. Nevertheless, it was something and he had his suspicions. Forthwith the professor made an enlargement and shortly after met the suspect. "Ah Jake," he said, "did you know some one robbed my garden the other night?" "Did 'em, zur?" returned Jake innocently. "Yes," nodded Professor Pumpernick; "but the thief left his mark behind, so I'll easily trace him." He produced the enlargement. "Do you see that?" Jake's knees began to quiver. Then he burst into floods of anguish. "I see it ain't no good, zur!" he sobbed. "I ttook the peaches righterruff; But—it—fair licks we 'ow yer got that picture o' my corduroy trousers."—Answers

The Conundrum Club.

It was during the prune course at the boarding-house breakfast table. The thin man spoke: "I've got a new one this morning. Why is a one-cent stamp like a sloop?"

"Because," began the stenographer with her eyes on the ceiling.

"No, that's not the reason," said the thin man.

"My guess is because a sale make it go," suggested the fat boarder at the end of the table.

"Very good," said the thin man, "but not the correct answer."

"Well, we give it up," came in chorus.

"Because it's a single sticker," said the thin man as he began to dodge things.—Yonkers Statesman.

The First Club Sandwich.

A New York lawyer claims to have discovered the first club sandwich, which is now the popular tasty of every tea room. He found it down in New Mexico ten years ago. He stopped at a small town and not being on the train with a dining car, went into the little eating place and ordered a dozen sandwiches, half of which were to be ham and half tongue. After he had boarded the train and opened the package, he found the order carried out to the letter. Every sandwich had a filling of one slice of ham and one slice of tongue. But the inventor of these sandwiches was not so far out of the way.

A Clear Case.

"I don't very well see," said the lawyer, "how you can sue your husband for a divorce on the score of desertion when on your own account he has been living quietly at home all the time."

"You don't, eh?" retorted the indignant would-be plaintiff. "Well, if it isn't desertion for a man to take a taxicab to the club and deny that he is related to her, just because his wife has been arrested on the dock for smuggling, I don't know what desertion is!"—Harper's Weekly.

A Long Yell.

The house of the Widow Barnes, at Beloit, Wis., took fire around the chimney in the night, and she sent her son Johnnie out to cry fire and arouse the neighbors. Johnnie's yells did the trick, and the fire was put out, but he still kept on yelling. As a matter of fact he yelled for seven days and nights before they could quiet him. The doctor said it was a nervous attack, brought on by his sudden fright. During that long week there was yelling enough to last the town for five years, and Johnnie will have a frog in his throat for some time to come.

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