

WINDY MOVING PICTURES

If They Were Taken When the Air Was Still They Would Look Absolutely Dead.

"What makes the wind blow so much in the moving pictures?" The question is asked by almost every one who has been bitten by the bug of the moving picture show.

A moving picture man solved the problem. "That's easy," he replied in answer to a query. "If the pictures were taken when the air was perfectly still, then if the living characters happened to be still also the picture would be as dead looking as a 35-cent chrono of Twilight."

THEY HAD TO BE SCOLDED

Teacher Made Chinese Boys Fight, That Being Only Fault She Knew How to Correct.

The doctor who tried to throw all his patients into fits because that was the only thing he knew how to cure, has his counterpart in the young Sunday-school teacher who was transferred to the Chinese quarter from an Irish neighborhood where fighting was about the only original sin she had been called upon to rebuke.

"But what could I do?" she said, helplessly. "I just had to let them fight. They all needed to be scolded for something, and that is the only thing I knew how to correct them for."

Longevous Geese.

Geese will live to a great age, and some few years ago I came across a very venerable goose (male or female I cannot now say) in Westmoreland in unexpected circumstances.

Children and Money.

My father was a minister with six children, says a writer in the Christian Herald. My mother was ready to enter college with her brothers before the day of the woman's college.

The Bill of Rights.

The Bill of Rights in English history is the declaration made by the Lords and Commons to the Prince and Princess of Orange on February 13, 1689, in an act setting forth "the rights and liberties of the subject, and settling the succession of the crown."

being a repetition of those laid down in Magna Charta—is justly looked upon as the foundation of English freedom.

A Taste of It.

Noted Anarchist (explaining his belief to fellow passengers on western railway train)—Ve vant all laws banished from the statute books. Ve vant every citizen to do as he please.

Leader of Western Outlaws (suddenly boarding the train)—Hold up your hands!

FARM HOUSE UP IN ICELAND

Typical Structure of Turf in the Guest Room of Which Was an Organ Made in Vermont.

The guest room contained a narrow bed, a big round table and an organ made in Brattleboro, Vt. Our host produced the usual box of snuff, and with it a box of good cigars.

The host and hostess then showed us all over the house. It is a turf structure and is typical of the older farm-houses, with narrow, dark, windowless corridors, in labyrinthian maze from room to room.

Bunks built into the wall extend around the room and are often filled with seaweed or feathers, over which is thrown a fold or two of wadmal and a thick coverlet of elderdown.

MILLINERY IN COURT ROOM

Modern Hats Conceal the Eyes of Women Witnesses, so They Must Be Taken Off.

When designing styles in hats possibly milliners do not consider that small minority of womankind that is likely to appear in a law court.

"When a woman under suspicion takes the oath it is desirable to look her in the eye," said a lawyer, "but how can anybody look into the eye of a woman who has on a stylish hat? The court is in luck if he can see her mouth and the top end of her nose.

"Still the eyes of a woman before the bar of justice must be looked at, and under repeated exhortations she reluctantly removes the pins and shoves her hat back.

Character of the Finger Nails.

It is said that there is as much character to be observed from a person's finger nails as from the owner's face. The following indications are stated as being fairly correct:

Another thing that will make Milwaukee famous is a "woman policeman."

Why worry over good roads when we are all on the verge of taking to wings?

VAN DYKER WAS DISGUSTED

Thought Magistrates Should Wear Their Gowns on Street, So They Could Be Dodged.

Magistrate O'Connor was picking his disgruntled way through the rain the other day, says the New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Times-Star. He had hailed a street car from the pavement, and, sheltered under his umbrella, made for the rear platform, when a four-ton furniture van whirled on him, drawn by three briskly trotting horses.

"I could send you to the workhouse," said the still angry magistrate, "but I will let you off with a fine of \$5. I intend this as a warning to all reckless drivers."

"Hold on there," said Magistrate O'Connor, gathering up a bunch of his silk gown in nervous hands. "Haven't you anything to say for yourself?"

"THIRSTY CANE" THE LATEST

Invention of Clever Frenchman That Makes Man Temperate by Drinking for Him.

A French inventor has hit upon a peculiar device for combating the drink evil. This is the "thirsty cane." Why do men drink? Because other men insist on standing them drinks.

"The cane is hollow. The handle is pierced with several holes and a rubber tube inside forms a siphon. The air being expelled, the liquid is sucked up. The cane is emptied simply by turning a valve and the liquid absorbed can be poured into the street on leaving the saloon."

Get Useful Information.

"There's no place like a pawnshop for picking up useful hints," said the improvident man. "Every time I happen into one I glean some item of general information that almost reconciles me to the necessity for being there."

"So they wouldn't spoil," said the pawnbroker. "A glass jar is the safest thing on earth to keep feathers in. Moths and dust cannot get at them, besides you can keep an eye on them easily and any trouble that might have been breeding when the feathers were brought in can be discovered and nipped in the bud."

True Consistency.

A prominent Chicago Sunday school worker and club woman went into one of the Michigan avenue china studios to make some purchases. After examining different pieces on one table the customer turned to the artist and said: "I think I will take everything that is on the table. But what is this jar for? I never saw anything just like it before."

decided manner, "I will take everything but that, and I have always made a point never to buy or have anything do with anything pertaining to a poker."

Probably, Sunday School Teacher Saul has slain his thousands, but what did Saul do then?

Willie (whose father "ran")—I suppose he got right up and hollered for a recount.—Puck.

WHAT WOMAN LIKES IN MAN

Pleasing Manners, Deference, Courtesy and a Vigorous, Healthy and Well-Groomed Appearance.

A woman likes pleasing manners in a man. She likes deference and courtesy and attentiveness in small things. Manners often make more of an appeal to her than sterling worth.

A woman likes a man to look healthy and to be well groomed. She likes a vigorous body, a healthy skin and a look that betokens a daily acquaintance with the bathtub, not merely because she likes beauty, though she does, but because those things betoken good habits.

A woman, if she is a wife or a sweetheart, likes expressions of love. She gets tired of taking a man's love for granted. It grows faint and far away, and life is cold and commonplace, when he does not tell her in actual words he loves her, and show her by actual caresses, how much. To some men, this seems all foolishness.

QUEER THING IN BIRD LIFE

Fantail Pigeons Hatch Out a Bantam Chick but Have Trouble in Feeding It.

The following experience says a writer in the Strand, I have recently had may be of interest to your readers. I have two fantail pigeons, both male birds, and I noticed one day that they built a nest and then were sitting on it alternately, as if they were going to hatch eggs.

The Women of Brittany.

To the casual observer the Bretonne is not attractive or even supremely interesting. As a femme de chambre she is clumsy, slovenly and rough of speech, lacking the graces and neatness of her Parisian sister.

Queer Marital Relations.

Curious marriage customs prevail among the people dwelling in the Tang Valley in India. Here it seems that the women are polygamous, and that several brothers possess one wife in common.

husbands of the nation. It is such a custom as to names works out in practice it is difficult to comprehend. The divorce customs are very simple. If the husband establishes that his wife is a bad cook it is a sufficient ground; and on the wife's side, if she can show that her husband fails to provide for the upkeep of the house she obtains relief.

Shock Alarmed Glasgow.

Severe earthquake shocks are rare in Scotland and therefore the districts surrounding Glasgow were thrown into a state of considerable alarm last week following a sudden jar and upheaval which lasted for a few seconds. The inhabitants rushed from their houses into the streets, thinking at first that the shocks were caused by an explosion at a gasworks.

BE FRIEND OF THE CHILD

Father Should Allow the Little One Some Choice and Permit Individuality to Develop.

In a brief, but praiseworthy article in Lippincott's, Jane Bellfield pointed out some things which it would be well for every parent to ponder. "The father does not pause to consider that a respect on both sides for the individuality of each is the requisite condition of friendship," said Mrs. Bellfield.

"But if the wise parent has begun early and allowed the child a choice of rattles; if he has remained vigilantly in the background and permitted his child to occupy the center of its own stage; if he has protected its play, not ordered it—for who can play to order?—and if he has seen that its work falls in lines to which the child's temperament is native, then at the crucial period the youth will conduct himself as a self-directed individual, and not as a runaway slave.

LEARNING TO LIKE POETRY

Dean of Salisbury Points Out the Way in Which a Taste For It May Be Cultivated.

"I have no patience," said the dean of Salisbury, in a recent address, "with people who ostentatiously say they do not care for some of the loftiest products of the human mind. If you have not, at present, a liking for poetry," added the dean, "then make one."

But how? Choose a poet who is generally acknowledged to be a true poet, the speaker went on to say, and then every day, even if it be but for five minutes, read a page carefully, noting every suggestive word and visualizing every scene. The important word in that advice is the word "carefully." Poetry must be read carefully or it were better unread. Its beauties should be looked for, for the subtlest and sweetest beauties are not those that hit you in the eye. Read carefully and read honestly. Don't, for heaven's sake, make any pretense of enjoying something you do not enjoy or of seeing beauty that you do not see.

A Few Words on Loafing.

Don't loaf. Idleness is the root of much evil, and uncheerfulness is one of the shoots from the root. There is no such thing as idleness in nature. The worlds that glitter in the arch of the heavens are ever moving. The moon never stays in one place. The restless sea moans in and out over the harbor bar. The rivers gurgle and splash as they journey to the sea. The trees change their costumes twice a year, and grow a little throughout most of the year. The birds never roost at noonday, and man is the only animal who overleans himself.

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