

A STONE FOR A THRONE.

That of England is More Than Six Hundred Years Old.

The throne of England, splendid in its trappings of silk, velvet and gold wire, lace and tassels, is simply an old-fashioned high-backed chair.

It has been in use for more than six hundred years, but its early history and the name of its maker are unknown. The wood is very hard. The back and sides were formerly painted in various colors. The seat is made of rough sandstone.

This stone, which is believed to possess talismanic powers, is 26 inches in length, 17 inches in breadth and 19-1/2 in thickness. Legends are told in connection with it, but the truth probably is that it was originally used in Scotland as a coronation stone upon which the Scottish kings were seated while undergoing the ceremonies connected with being crowned King of Scotland.

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HE DID NOT SAY IT.

Everybody knows the man who is careful never to say "No," abruptly in answer to a question. "No" is a hard word, but one may sometimes be made ridiculous by a reluctance to utter it.

A certain man who had this habit was once met by two ladies who had been discussing the peculiarity, and one of them said that she was positive she could make him say, Oh, no, flatly. So she addressed him thus:

Let me see, Mr. Smith, you are a widower, are you not?

As much a widower, madam, he answered, with a polite inclination of his head, as it is possible for a man to be who was never married.

The lady had to own herself beaten.

DANGERS OF PROCRASTINATION.

Landlady—I s'pose you noticed that long-whiskered old gentleman who sat opposite you at dinner to-day? That is Prof. Driebones, and you can have his room, as he is going West on a scientific exploration—strangest thing you ever heard.

New Boarder—What is it?

Landlady—The object of his tour. He has been told that a pre-historic cave has been discovered out West, and in it sat ten skeletons around a petrified table.

New Boarder—Well! well! Why didn't the fools change their boarding-house sooner?

A CHEERFUL SINNER.

Little James found it very difficult to commit to memory the Golden Text of his next Sunday's lesson, and so he was sent up stairs to the solitude of his own room, where he could apply his mind to his subject without interruption. After diligent application for about ten minutes he came down beaming.

Mamma, I know the Golden Text now, he exclaimed.

I am very glad replied mamma, Let me hear you repeat it.

The Lord loveth a cheerful sinner.

THE EXCEPTION.

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NONE OF HIS BUSINESS.

A story illustrating the reticence of the Scotch regarding their private affairs is told by Ian Maclaren. A train was at a railroad station, when a porter put his head into a car and called out:

Any one in this car for Doun? Change for Doun? Any one for Doun?

No one moved, and in a few minutes the train was speeding along, not to stop again for nearly an hour. Then an old Scotchman turned to a lady sitting near her, and said:

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TOMMY'S RETORT.

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EVIDENTLY.

She, approvingly. And so you won her hand?

He. I suppose so—I've been under her thumb ever since.

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