

Pithy Anecdotes of the Famous

THE REVIVED INTEREST in the so-called Indian "magic rope trick" recalls an occasion on which Field Marshall Earl Haig—better known as Sir Douglas Haig—fell a victim to it during his stay in India. The idea is to make an ordinary piece of rope stand up on its end while a boy climbs up it.

Haig was particularly keen on seeing it performed, so when one day a noted fakir turned up at a station where the famous soldier was visiting, a performance was arranged.

WHAT HAPPENED is described by Sergeant T. Secrett, Haig's soldier-servant in his book "25 Years With Earl Haig." Haig and three brother officers were seated on cushions in a circle round the fakir. Secrett watched from a near-by window.

IT HAS BEEN reliably estimated that there are about 2,000 midgits in existence—one child in every million born is destined for midgithood, say the authors (Walter Bodin and Burnett Hershey) of "It's A Small World: All About Midgits"—a perfect title, isn't it. A midgit, by the way, is defined as a man or woman, correctly proportioned, less than 4 feet 6 inches in height. The smallest adult on record was Pauline Musters, a native of Holland, who at the time of her death, at 22, had reached the height of 1 foot 7 inches.

MIDGITS have a history of their own and it is an honorable one. To quote Messrs. Bodin and Hershey: "Nebuchadnezzar was known as 'the dwarf of Babylon.'" Tradition says Aesop was a midgit.

COMING to more modern times, the two most important midgits of the 17th Century were Sir Jeffrey Hudson, a courtier, Captain in His Majesty's Army, and a Knight of his Lord, the King (Charles I, of England); and his friend Richard Gibson, a famous English painter, some of whose pictures hang today in Hampton Court Palace. Sir Jeffrey, "when booted and spurred stood 3 feet 9 inches," and is the only midgit knight in history. Gibson was 3 feet 10 inches, "and it was in keeping that his specialty should have been painting in miniature. He painted most of the important men of his day and has left us several excellent miniatures of Cromwell."

BIG BEN
A FEW YEARS ago when Big Ben—London's famous clock—was wound up by hand, the job of winding occupied the full working day of two men, says Mrs. M. V. Hughes (in delightful book "London At Home.") Big Ben, by the way, is not the clock but the big bell that does the striking. The name Ben is from Sir Benjamin Hall, who was Commissioner of Works when the clock was put up.

Apropos the Cockney's frequent misplacing of the aspirate, Lewis Melville tells this one:
At the London Zoological Gardens the following was overheard:
Child: "That's a heagle, muver."
Mother: "You ignorant child, that's a howl."
Keeper: "Excuse me, Misses, but you're both wrong, it's a nawk."

We read that women will be just as beautiful in the future as they are now, but not the same women, we assume.



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British Briefs

Women of Great Britain buy 5,000 lipsticks every week.

A railway engine of the larger type will carry as much as 5,000 gallons of water in its tender.

London's burial grounds together equal an area six times the size of Hyde Park, which covers 350 acres.

Face powder can be obtained in more than fifty different shades, while there are forty-eight shades of rouge.

Forty-seven deaths were caused in British mines last year by miners smoking and carrying matches, which is strictly forbidden.

Apart from news and travel films, nearly one-quarter of the cinema films shown in the United Kingdom picture theatres are now of British origin.

Motor cars to sell at \$175, bicycles at \$7.50 and gramophones at \$4.25, are being imported in British Empire markets overseas from Japan.

Separation or maintenance orders to the number of 17,000 are granted in British courts each year; this is about four times the number of divorce decrees.

Damage done by lipstick to frocks being tried on by mannequins and customers have caused some London dressmakers to introduce a "lip-mask," a paper shape covering the mouth, with a projection behind to be gripped between the teeth.

Ratepayers in England and Wales paid £147,700,000 in the year 1933-34; this was an increase of £1,450,000 on the previous twelve months. It is the first increase since the slump in trade. In 1929 the figure stood at £166,460,000.

Penholders and stainless-steel nibs provided in post offices are popular "loot" with the public. Of 1,900 holders and 9,000 nibs provided in 75 of the largest offices in London, only 700 penholders and about 1,800 nibs remained at the end of a month.

KEEPING COOL

How to keep cool is the chief problem of these warm days. One thing you can do to your house that the entire family will appreciate is to take up the rugs and put up Venetian blinds to darken the room. Also, try taking down all ornaments except those that are made of glass or white porcelain.

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British Engine Breaks Record

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Crewe, Eng. — This town where last year the famous "Royal Scot" engine was built for its travels in Canada and the United States, now claims the distinction of having built the fastest express engine in the London, Midland and Scottish service.

It is the express "Princess Royal" built last year. During a record run from Liverpool to London the train covered 193 1/2 miles in three hours, 12 minutes. This included two stops, and was eight minutes quicker than the fastest schedule. The average speed maintained was thus 68 miles per hour, while speeds of 80 miles an hour or over were recorded at five different stages, and the maximum speed of 85 miles an hour was registered at one point.

Despite the high speed, the engine showed every reliability and the travelling in the train was perfectly comfortable. The train weighed 380 tons exclusive of the engine.

MECHANICAL FEAT

Henry Huss, Meaford watchmaker, has succeeded in drilling a hole thru a common pin from end to end without breaking it. Huss, who has been in business there for the last twenty-five years, has been experimenting for the last two years. The hole, made with a fine drill, is just large enough to thread a hair out of a man's head through it.

INTELLIGENCE

Intelligence is what you get from home. Common sense you must develop yourself. Knowledge is what the world hands you. Judgment comes only with the years. Experience is a bitter medicine administered by life itself, and must be taken with a bit of conscience. Wisdom is a phantom often chased but seldom overtaken. Success or failure are a matter of opinion. Reputation is the golden scale. Contentment the final objective.

MARRIED WOMEN SUPERIOR TO SPINSTERS

WASHINGTON—Dr. William A. White, nationally-known psychiatrist, took his life in his hands and announced that married women were superior to single ones.

"Single women," he told the National Educational Association, "are more likely to have distorted personalities than married ones because problems such as their love life have not been settled."

He added that wives make better school teachers than single women.

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Wake up your Liver Bile
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So They Say

"America is not innocent of the misery of Europe."—Albert Einstein.

"We can have democracy only as long as we are worthy of it."—Newton D. Baker.

"Good heredity may to some extent make up for bad environment and good environment may to some extent make up for bad heredity."—Havelock Ellis.

"The world does owe man a chance to earn and fair payment for his labor."—John W. Davis.

"War or revolution will not strike America."—Baron Rothschild.

"The parole principle is a cornerstone of progressive penology."—Harry Elmer Barnes

"When a rule of etiquette adds nothing of value to beauty, to comfort, to ease or to happiness it is a useless rule which may as well be thrown into the discard."—Emily Post.

"There is no doubt whatever that prosperity is returning to the United States."—Sir Joseph Stamp.

"Greater co-operation, more consideration for the who's economic structure is the necessary path to modern prosperity."—Frances H. Perkins.

"Taken as a whole, the American people prefer the emotional to the intellectual life."—Nicholas Murray Butler.

"Obsolescence is that deterioration which takes place in a thing, not because it is not as good as it always was, but because there is something better."—Owen D. Young.

"This is a time for good cheer and clear thinking."—Charles M. Schwab.

"The real pessimist is the person who has lost interest."—William Lyon Phelps.

"There are a few things of which we may be certain, but they are mostly things which do not matter."—Dean Inge.

"It is up to the government to maintain its most sacred trust, the welfare of its citizens."—Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"The five-day week should be in effect everywhere. It would give people time to spend their money."—Henry Ford.

"The mark of the artist: Always unfaithful to his earlier work because he's in love with the new."—Emil Ludwig.

"What we want is not less goods and more goods produced at cheaper prices, for more people."—Ogden L. Mills.

"Life seems much more pleasant in America now. There is less emphasis on money."—Hugh Walpole.

"What the French theatre needs for its commercial salvation, apparently is a good dirty mind."—George Jean Nathan.

"The motion picture industry of the United States is the most glaring example of what uncontrolled imagination can do."—S. Parkes Cadman.

BREAD AND CHEESE AT CHURCH.
The picturesque village of St. Brivels, in the Forest of Dean, was the scene on Sunday evening of a time-honored custom, which perpetuates certain rights enjoyed by the inhabitants of the parish for more than 700 years. The occasion was the annual distribution of bread and cheese after the service in the church on Whit-Sunday evening.

The origin of the custom is somewhat obscure, but the privileges it commemorates date back to the 12th century, when a grant of woodland was made to the inhabitants of the parish of St. Brivels. The parishioners of St. Brivels have the right to this day to cut and take all the timber they require for their own domestic use from the woodland known as Hudnalls. The cost of providing the bread and cheese is defrayed by a collection among the parishioners. As the worshippers left the bread and cheese—cut in small dice and carried in baskets—were thrown in handfuls to the waiting crowd congregated on Church Tump.—London Times.

LONDON BOBBIES GO TO COLLEGE.

The Metropolitan Police College, recently opened by the Prince of Wales at Henden near London is the equivalent of a staff college in the army or navy, but there is nothing quite like it in any police force outside of India. Lord Trenchard, Commissioner of Police at Scotland Yard, wants to develop a younger and better educated type of police officer for the upper ranks of the Metropolitan police. The college lies somewhere between an English public school and an Indian regimental mess. The students are required to dress for dinner and are waited on by their batmen, one to every six students. Dressing for dinner thus makes its entry into the blue-clad ranks of London's policemen.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

Make Lazy Child Work for His Supper

A Little "Rough" Treatment Will Cure Fat, Indolent Boy

Fat Arthur lay on the swing munching doughnuts.

His mother called out, "Arthur, stop that stuffing and go and do something."

"Nothing to do."

"Well, Jimmy has. He always finds something. He's out there now tinkering with the lawn mower."

"What good does that do? He's just fussy. Always worrying people and getting others 'talked at' when they don't fuss too. Anyway, I'm tired."

His mother began to think what Arthur said was true. Jimmy did too much. He was nothing but skin and bones, yet he couldn't keep still. When there were no duties he went off on a goose chase of his own.

OPPOSITE CASES
Fat lazy Arthur needed more exercise and Jimmy needed less. Arthur needed to eat less and Jimmy needed to eat more. Strange that nature who put high-strung nerves in some people couldn't give them bodies to back their energy. Arthur would always be happiest because he was placid. He never did anything for anybody, never worried and as long as he had food was content.

Then she saw Mr. James coming down the street. Mr. James was so fat he could hardly walk, but he was a kindly busy gent on who had a finger in every town-pie, was a leading citizen, and had made money.

"I'll ask him what to do," she thought. "So pretty soon she was down at his store and sitting in a big easy chair in his office."

She put her problem to him. Mr. James chuckled as she talked.

"Isn't it strange," he said at last, "I was just thinking about it this morning. I was looking at your fat boy. I look at him every day and he's always taking life easy."

"Well, that's the way I was until Grandma got hold of me. They shipped me out to her farm. The old lady took one look and said, 'Well, my little pin-cushion, here's where you lose about fifty pounds. You work out there with the men. You do your share or you don't eat. Not a bite. Pa will take care of you.'"

SOLVING THE PROBLEM
And I went hungry. Those people did what they said they would. They sweated me and worked me and starved me. I actually got thin. At first I was miserable, but after a while I liked it. When I worked they fed me like a prize pig. When I left to go home for school Grandma said, 'Go ahead and be as fat as you like, but remember you can't impose on the world. You've got to work and work hard, if it's only piling up stones and tearing them down again.' Then she gave me twenty dollars for new clothes and a pound cake and put me on the train."

"Thank you," said his visitor fervently. "I have an idea now. There are rugs to beat. No rugs—no supper. But it seems a little cruel."

"Cruel, nothing," chuckled Mr. James. "And by the way, send Jimmy over to me. He's too thin. I've got a farm — — —" the lady looked worried — — — and I'm put ten pounds on him, I'll guarantee. And he's going to sleep fifteen hours a day if I have to hold him down myself. He's going to learn how to loaf and like it. It won't spoil him."

Fat children are not always lazy, but a bit of roughage won't hurt them as a rule. At any rate, "Grandma" had a good idea.

A MAN'S HOUSE.

A man's house should be on the hill-top of cheerfulness and serenity, so high that no shadows rest upon it, and where the morning comes so early that the day has twice as many golden hours as those of other men. He is to be pitied whose house is in some valley of grief between the hills, with the longest night and the shortest day. Home should be the centre of joy. Home should be the centre of joy, equatorial and tropical.

SOUVENIR OF DERBY OF A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

T. J. Dunstan, of Vancouver, has an interesting souvenir of Plenipotentiary's victory in the historic Epsom Derby of May 29, 1834.

Thirty years ago, Mr. Dunstan purchased a bracelet made of hair from Plenipotentiary's mane. He located the souvenir in Tahiti. It has a gold mounting inscribed. Originally, the bracelet had been studded with diamonds, but these had been removed before Mr. Dunstan purchased it.

JAM POT COVERS

To make excellent jam pot covers, dip rounds of greaseproof paper into very hot starch. Put it over the jars immediately, fixing down firmly to the sides. When dry, this paper will be like parchment and absolutely airtight.

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Keeping Food In Good Condition

Storing in Proper Containers is Aid in Preservation

A great home aid towards keeping foods in good condition in hot weather is a well-selected set of containers. They may be made of glass or earthen ware, enamelware or aluminum for covered dishes in any of these materials are excellent for storing foods, both cooked and raw.

All perishable foods should be put away as soon as they come from the market. Milk, fresh vegetables, fruits and meats deteriorate quickly and must be prepared promptly for the refrigerator and stored. Cleaning the refrigerator keeps the ice box tidy and saves ice or electric current.

Soft fruits like berries keep better if they are taken at once from the box and spread on a platter or large plate. Cover with a cheesecloth or wire screen and keep in a cool place.

USE LEFT-OVERS PROMPTLY
Make a habit of putting foods away promptly after meals. When milk or cream are allowed to stand in a refrigerator or left unnecessarily long on the dining table, an extra amount of ice is required to chill, and there is the danger that it will "turn."

To avoid having left-overs, buy a small quantity and use all the left-overs promptly. Cooked vegetables that have been served buttered for the first meal may reappear in vegetable or combination salad, or reheated in cream sauce or baked with cheese.

Vegetables and meats that have been prepared with milk require special precautions. The milk should be actively boiled if there is a chance of any one dish being left over. After the meal the whole should be quickly cooled and stored at once in the coldest part of the refrigerator. All creamed dishes really should be used within twenty-four hours.

BREAD AND BUTTER CRUMBS
Bread and bread crumbs require particular care in hot, humid weather. crumbs and odd slices of bread should not be allowed to accumulate in the bread box. These not useable for toast should be dried thoroughly in a cool oven and saved for crumbling. Frequent scalding and sunning of the bread container helps to prevent mold too.

Buttered toast should never be stored in the bread box.

It is wisest to buy flours and cereals in small quantities while the hot weather lasts. Dry foods delivered in paper bags should be turned into glass or metal containers, to guard against mice and weevils. Flours, cereals and sugars should be kept in airtight cans.

Crackers and ready-to-serve cereals which lose their crispness quickly if exposed to the air, may be crisped by placing in the oven for ten or fifteen minutes. They should be cooled before serving.

Our feet cannot return
And crickets cry,
As light along the rills
Falls silverly
And secret laughter spills,
Here have we walked together, you and I,
And heeded how the hidden dark
fills
Its sombre chemistry,
But night is broken and the dawn
fulfills
An alien destiny.

Our feet cannot return
Nor way they went,
Nor daylight ever burn
Dark sacrament
Of rapture lightly spent,
Whatever lesson there be left to learn
From those strange fates who weave
through fern and fern
Our discontent,
We know but this—our feet cannot return
The sacred way they went,
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FRUITY EARRINGS

They're wearing cherries and strawberries in their ears now, artificial ones of course, with boutonnières to match for the lapeis.

Newly Wed—I don't see why you married me—I'm not good enough for you,
Bride—I know dear—but you were much too good for any other girl.

The Use Of The Telegraph

Conscious of the benefits to be derived from the use of the telegraph, Canadians are more and more each year using this service in sending social messages, greetings, congratulations and business communications, Canadian National Telegraph officials declare. Of particular interest is the money transfer service by which money payments may be made at once by wire in any town or city the money being collected by the telegraph company at one end and paid out at the other on the receipt of wired advice.

In this forward stride in the field of telegraphy, the Canadian National Telegraphs have taken a leading part. The carrier current system of telegraphing, which has multiplied many times the physical capacity of existing wires, is now generally in use throughout the system. Today, in Canada alone, the Canadian National Telegraphs operate no less than 164,000 miles of physical wire and 2,994 offices.

Through Western Union, the Canadian National Telegraphs provide a direct exclusive domestic service to any part of the United States or Mexico; by virtue of an agreement with the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, the same service is carried by cable to the farthest ends of the earth. Even ships at sea may be reached by telegraph through a working arrangement with the coastal wireless of the continent.

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