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**CHATTY WEEKLY
BUDGET OF
STORIES ABOUT
FAMOUS PEOPLE**

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I SUPPOSE that more good stories were told about Georges Clemenceau than of any other modern Frenchman. When reproached with inactivity as Premier—before the World War, of course—the old "Tiger" replied:

"With M. Briand thinking he's the Messiah and with M. Caillaux thinking he's Napoleon, what can a poor, ordinary human being like myself do?"

ANOTHER had to do with the days when President Wilson was in Paris. Whether women should or should not be admitted to the final sessions of the Peace Conference was under discussion. Clemenceau was asked to decide.

"I am too old to deal with the questions like that," he chuckled. "Anything connected with the ladies I must leave to Mr. Wilson."

ON the day the Peace Treaty was signed at Versailles, Lloyd George was sitting beside Clemenceau in the great Salle des Glaces, where the ceremony took place, when he said with eyes wandering round the magnificent room:

"Didn't something very important happen here once before?"

Very dryly and without turning a hair the "Tiger" replied:

"Yes it was something rather important. The German Empire was proclaimed here in 1871."

IT was Clemenceau, too, who cynically said to Paderewski, then Premier of Poland, during the Peace Conference:

"M. Paderewski, you were the greatest pianist in the world you have chosen to descend to our level. What a pity!"

To Ralph Waldo Emerson's mind the greatest of all his fellow Concordians was his step-grandfather, the Reverend Dr. Ezra Ripley, occupant of the Old Manse, whose sayings he loved to record. On one occasion, relates Phillips Russell (in his biography of the Sage of Concord), the worthy Doctor in preaching from the pulpit said:

"Mr. N. F. is dead, and I expect to hear of the death of Mr. B. It is cruel to separate old people from their wives in this cold weather."

IN dry times it was the custom for all ministers to pray for rain, and during an exceptionally severe drought Dr. Ripley said to a younger colleague with professional dignity:

"This is no time for you young men; the affair, sir, is getting serious. I will pray myself."

WHICH recalls a story about the good old Duke of Cambridge who had the unfortunate habit of making loud responses of his own invention to the service in church.

"Let us pray," said the clergyman. "By all means," said the duke. The clergyman began the prayer for rain.

AND the duke exclaimed, loud enough for all about him to hear:

"No good as long as the wind is in the east."

To get back to Emerson and his Concordians. There were two inveterate anglers, Abel Davis and Old Goodwin. Of the latter the sage observed that he could always catch pickerel, whereas "if you have any moral traits, you will never get a bite." He even admired the two bar-room keepers, Bigelow and Wesson, particularly the latter's philosophic saying that "I thought I was asleep, but knowed I wasn't."

THEN there was Sam Staples, who when not jailing was an auctioneer and farmer. It was Sam who said of Bronson Alcott—friend and neighbor of Emerson's, also father of Louisa, M. Alcott—when the townspeople could not account for Alcott's preferring jail (during the war on Mexico) to the payment of a poll-tax:

"I um I believe it was nothing but principle!"

Sam approved of Emerson as a neighbor: "He kept his fences up."

ALCOTT—who took a leaf out of Emerson's book and went about the country lecturing—used to tell his rural audiences that Man was divided into the Knower, the Actor and the Thinker. Attracted by the sound of his first category (relates Phillips Russell), a pious lady one day arose and asked the speaker if this was the same Noah that was saved in the Ark!

MENTION of Noah recalls the young couple who took their baby girl to church to have her christened.

"What is the child's name to be?" asked the officiating clergyman.

"Noah," said the mother.

"Oh, but Noah is a boy's name," explained the clergyman.

"And a girl's name too," persisted the mother, adding: "You will find it in the Bible."

A Bible was produced, and sure enough, there it was.

"And the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah..." Numbers 26: 33.

DURING Ambassador Herrick's second stay in Paris—After the World War—the question of war debts bobbed up with more or less regularity. A lady at dinner having named Mr. Herrick to the cross on the vexed subject, reminiscences Colonel T. Bentley Mott (in his biography of his former Chief), he told her this story:

A Negro went to court to get a divorce from his wife. The judge asked him what his grounds were. He answered:

"She's too 'stivagant, judge. Hit's a dollar, here, and two dollars dar, an' five dollars 'nuther time, 'n I just can't 'ford it no longer."

"What does she do with all that money?" asked the judge.

"I dunno, sah; I ain't give her nun yit."

WHEN Roosevelt was in Paris in 1914, Herrick gave a dinner for him attended by many notabilities. An invitation was sent to Rodin, famous sculptor, who answered that he would come if he could find his clothes, but that he didn't think it would be proper to attend in morning dress. A reply was sent that his name and reputation entitled him to come in his pajamas if he couldn't find anything else. The old man, however, appeared in his evening clothes.

WHICH recalls the reply of another diplomat—I won't mention names to the query of a colleague as to whether official dress, which included knee breeches, was to be worn at a dinner to be given by the diplomat's wife.

"Lady Blank went blind if you come without your breeches," was the answer.

THIS "first night" story of Sarah Bernhardt is told by James Agate, noted dramatic critic, in "Fantasies and Impromptus":

I remember a performance in London of "La Tosca" Bernhardt was grown too old to care about jumping into the Tiber, and it was arranged that the platoon of soldiers which had shot Cavaradosi should shoot her, too. But something went wrong. No soldiers appeared, and the curtain went down upon a Sarah balked of her agonizing.

AND then from behind the curtain proceeded a commotion like that of a hundred forest-bred lionesses in conclave, following which the curtain drew up and Sarah was discovered in a fury the like of which cannot be described, beating her breast, lashing her flanks, and roaring with open mouth.

"But kill me, please, Kill me. Kill me!"

And, sheepishly, the platoon appeared, lined up, and killed her.

I SEE there is a movement afoot to erect a monument in New York to Richard Mansfield, the tragedian. It is not usually known that Mansfield in his early stage career in England created the role of Major-General Stanley in Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance." He had an excellent singing voice and it was only after coming to America that he developed into the outstanding actor that he was.

THERE is a story—told by Frank Shay—that one morning Mansfield walked into the Grand Central Hotel at Oshkosh, while behind him trailed a valet carrying two big grips. The tragedian took four strides from the door to the desk, and, leaning over, in one of those half-confidential stage voice asides that reached to the top-most gallery said:

"Have you an orchestra here?"

AND the clerk adjusted the glittering-glass on his bosom, smiled serenely, and said:

"Oh, yes surely so; yes, we have music at all meals."

AND Mansfield turned to his valet who was resting from labor with the heavy valises, and said:

"Oh, oh, James! Look to our luggage!"

AND four more strides took him to the door, and the actor and valet disappeared.

A STORY with a Grand Guignol ending to it—told by Horace Anniesley Vachell, novelist and playwright, in his reminiscences "Fellow Travelers":

Frank Richardson, noted wit, essayist and novelist, had gone north and fell seriously ill upon the journey, losing consciousness in the train. When his wits returned he was lying in bed in some hospital ward.

RICHARDSON demanded a private room, but learning that this was not to be had for love or money, he begged that screens might be placed around his bed. He could see screens hidden in the beds opposite. A nurse replied:

"You are not quite so bad as that Mr. Richardson. We place screens around the beds of hopeless cases."

Richardson nodded and wandered back into dreamland. When he opened his eyes again, screens were around his bed.

**Sunday School
Entertainment**

A new departure in the way of Sunday School entertainment was made at St. Peter's Cathedral Wednesday night.

The usual Tea was served at 5:30 after which there followed the drawing of gifts from a large "bran pie." The gifts for girls were daintily wrapped in pink paper and those for the boys in green.

The concert this year instead of being given by the children themselves was undertaken by the King's Own Troop of Scouts.

They provided a very entertaining program of music, short comic sketches, a display of human pyramids and a very interesting exhibition of magician tricks.

Three of the Sunday School children assisted in between acts. Bessie Meek with a song and Constance Williams and Frank Orford with recitations.

Not only the children but he grown ups present seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening's entertainment.

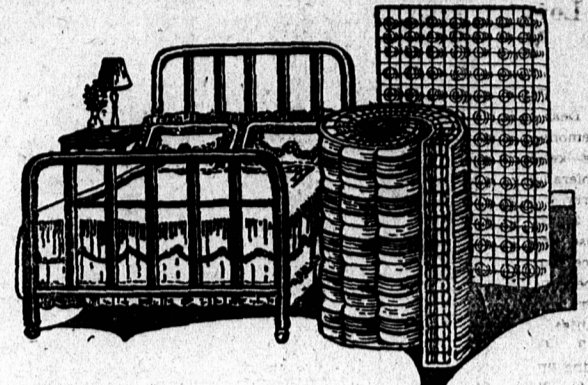
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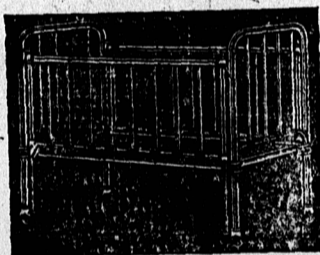
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FAREWELL PRESENTATION The following address was presented to Sister Murphy at a meeting held in the lodge room at Borden on January 7th, she was also presented with a \$5 gold piece. Many friends regret her departure.

Dear Sister Murphy, We are sorry to learn of your departure from our midst and wish to present you with this small token of our love and esteem.

We will be sorry to lose you, but hope that some day you will return to our Lodge.

Signed on behalf of the L.O.B.A. FLORENCE JAY, W. M. GERTRUDE CHAPPELL, Rec. Sec'y.

Borden, January 7, 1930

LETTER OF SYMPATHY To Mrs. John Murphy, Borden.

Dear Sister:—We the members of Three Sisters Lodge No. 250, desire to convey to you our sympathy in your recent loss of your beloved father.

After a life of useful toil he has gone to reap his reward and to hear the Lord's "Well don't thou good and faithful servant." Words seem such a poor solace at such a time.

Many of us know how hard it is to part with our parents, but there is always comfort in the thought, that some day, we shall meet again—where there is no more parting, not the sorrow nor grief.

May God, in His mercy help and comfort you.

Signed on behalf of the lodge: FLORENCE JAY Worthy Mistress GERTRUDE CHAPPELL Receiving Secretary

Borden, P. E. I.

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