

IN A PINE WOOD.

...are breaking on some far-off strand,
 ...the fresh wind sweeps across the land
 ...melodies to this still grove,
 ...haunted spot, where the wild dove
 ...undisturbed amid the solemn pines,
 ...high above the branches bend and sway,
 ...the breeze. Beneath in serried lines
 ...stems stand in unmoved array,
 ...green fronts at intervals show clear
 ...tints against the somber bed
 ...pine points strewn there year by
 ...year.
 ...sudden as it came, high overhead
 ...the wind, and down the purpling
 ...glades
 ...silence settles as the daylight fades.
 ...Molesworth in Chambers' Journal.

THE ENGLISHMAN'S "H."

...of the Reasons Why It is Treated
 With Such Disrespect.

The question is asked by "An English-
 man" "Why is it that English people are
 ...in respect to the improper use
 ...letter 'h'?" The writer goes on to
 ...the Scotch, Irish and Americans
 ...give to this faultiness in speech.
 ...believe philologists attribute the fre-
 ...disrespect with which the letter
 ...in heaven and muttered in
 ...is treated is largely due to the influ-
 ...of the French language on our own,
 ...especially upon those of the English
 ...race who live in England itself.
 ...one knows, the "h" is not aspir-
 ...in the French language, which was
 ...the middle ages largely used in this
 ...country.
 ...for almost centuries at a time, in
 ...of the Plantagenets, our English
 ...who were wandering about
 ...became, naturally enough, affect-
 ...its people's manner of speech and
 ...to their own country to infect
 ...families and acquaintances with
 ...influences which go to determine
 ...of pronunciation. And at that
 ...was really an English—not British
 ...which did the bulk of the fighting.
 ...from time to time various quar-
 ...of England have been used as settle-
 ...for French refugees—the Hugue-
 ...for example—and French prisoners.
 ...so late as the beginning of the pres-
 ...of warfare with Napoleon Bonaparte,
 ...numbers of Frenchmen settled, as
 ...on parole, in England—the
 ...land midland counties especially,
 ...as we know, are the districts in
 ...the aspirate is least observed.
 ...Ireland and Wales were not
 ...these same influences, their greater
 ...from the continent being one of
 ...reasons.

...the constant "h" dropping among
 ...working classes in England today is,
 ...largely due to the fact that the
 ...man who persists in speaking of
 ...his house and his home, instead
 ...house and 'ome, is regarded by
 ...Spaniards as a pedant and one who
 ...side on "I have often noticed that
 ...servants are quite accurate or
 ...so in the use of the aspirate when
 ...to their mistresses, etc., while,
 ...back again in the kitchen among
 ...blows, there ceases to be an "h" in
 ...composition.—London Tri-Bits.

...posing Scotch Dialect Stories.
 ...of the Scotchness of the Scotch dia-
 ...writers confesses in an artless
 ...way, which he himself contributes to
 ...medical, that he thinks and plans
 ...often keeping a story for months
 ...in his head without writing a
 ...word." When the actual writing
 ...his head with the Scotch burr
 ...in it "for months or years" need
 ...be considered. The astonishing
 ...is what a friend of the Scotchman
 ...tells in addition. "Work rap-
 ...ly says, "I should think he does.
 ...the two typewriting machines of un-
 ...and strength that he had made
 ...for his own use at a cost of \$300
 ...and he works on these at lightning
 ...But that is not all—he will carry
 ...general conversation with a roomful
 ...people while he is writing out a story
 ...machine. Now, I have heard com-
 ...talk while sticking type, but they
 ...rely on copying, whereas this author
 ...writes out original matter. Usually
 ...works alone, beginning at about 5
 ...in the morning, and when he comes
 ...to breakfast at 9 he has 500 words
 ...out. I never saw such a man.
 ...to be inexhaustible and is cer-
 ...undoubtedly. He is 6 feet 4 inches
 ...weighs 280 pounds and is as nimble
 ...as a cat. Thanks be to the gods it is only
 ...fiction" which is turned out
 ...at a prodigious rate. How terrible
 ...to think of a man being forced to
 ...two extra strong typewriters to car-
 ...light weight in fiction.—Boston
 ...script.

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PERT PERSONALS.

The young son of the Duke of Marlborough may also attain manhood and a desire to wed an American heiress—New York Journal.

Dr. Mary Walker is writing her biography, and the public may yet learn the name of the man who ought to own the trousers that she is wearing.—Cleveland Leader.

The Emperor William has temporarily abandoned his literary, musical and pictorial pursuits and is reaching for the after dinner laurels of Chauncey Depew.—Washington Star.

Count Tolstoi keeps two-colored pencils by his side when he reads the Bible. The passages he can understand he marks blue, the rest red. He should have a third color for the passages he misunderstands.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

Now there's Ted Roosevelt at the top of another heap. He's great wherever you put him. The government has not been blessed with the services of so great a naval expert since the venerable Dick Thompson left his houseboat on the turbid Wabash to take charge of Uncle Sam's navy.—Minneapolis Times.

WOMEN'S WAYS

One trouble with the new woman is that she doesn't eat much fruit.—Cleveland Leader.

There are more than 200 ordained women preachers in the United States, not including the numerous colored preachers of that sex. They are all said to be good talkers.—Boston Globe.

A lady who spent some time in the Klondike says that some days were so warm that she found a shirt waist sufficient protection. Let us blushing hope she was misquoted.—Denver Post.

Ottawa (Kan.) girls have organized a "Sappho club." Some of these days one of the girls will read "Sappho," and then there will be a sudden rechristening of their organization.—Omaha World-Herald.

DOES IT PAY TO TIPPLE.

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Celebrate New Year's day by attending the stereopticon entertainment in the Baptist Church. The hour is 7.30 p m; the price 10 cents.

Settling Under Difficulties.

BY ROBERT J. BURDETTE.

Strangers visiting the beautiful city of Burlington have not failed to notice that one of the handsomest young men they meet is very bald, and they fall into the usual error of attributing this premature baldness to dissipation. But such is not the case. This young man, one of the most exemplary Bible class scholars in the city, went to a Baptist sociable out on West Hill one night about two years ago. He escorted three charming girls, with angelic countenances and human appetites, out to the refreshment table, let them eat all they wanted, and then found he had left his pocketbook at home, and a deaf man that he had never seen before at the cashier's desk. The young man, with his face aflame, bent down and said softly:—

"I am ashamed to say I have no change with—"

"Hey?" shouted the cashier.

"I regret to say," the young man repeated on a little louder key, "that I have unfortunately come away without any change to—"

"Change two?" chirped the old man.

"Oh, yes, I can change five if you want it."

"No," the young man explained in a terrible, penetrating whisper, for half a dozen people were crowding up behind him, impatient to pay their bills and get away. "I don't want any change, because—"

"Oh, don't want no change?" the deaf man cried, gleefully. "Blegged to ye, 'blegged to ye. 'Taint often we get such generous donations. Pass over your bill."

"No, no," the young man explained, "I have no funds—"

"Oh, yes, plenty of fun," the deaf man replied, growing tired of the conversation and noticing the long line of people waiting with money in their hands, "but I haven't got time to talk about it now. Settle and move on."

"But," the young man gasped out, "I have no money—"

"Go Monday?" queried the deaf cashier. "I don't care when you go; you must pay and let these other people come up."

"I have no money!" the mortified young man shouted, ready to sink into the earth, while the people all around him, and especially the three girls he had treated, were giggling and chuckling audibly.

"Owe money?" the cashier said, "of course you do; \$2.75."

"I can't pay!" the youth screamed, and by turning his pocket inside out and yelling his poverty to the heavens, he finally made the deaf man understand. And then he had to shriek his full name three times, while his ears fairly rang with the half-stifled laughter that was breaking out all around him; and he had to scream out where he worked, and roar when he would pay, and he couldn't get the deaf man to understand him until some of the church members came up to see what the uproar was, and recognizing their young friend, made it all right with the cashier. And the young man went out into the night and clubbed himself, and shred his locks away until he was bald as an egg.

Magnetized by Lightning.

Among the curious effects ascribed to lightning is the magnetization of parts of rocks struck by it, says the Detroit Tribune. The existence of such magnetized rocks has long been known, but the supposition that their condition was due in many cases to lightning has only recently been confirmed by a curious observation of Dr. Folgerwater among the walls of ancient buildings on the campaign near Rome. He found strongly magnetic points and zones in the walls, precisely like those occasionally encountered in rocks. The fact that the magnetization often included more than one block of stone in the wall was regarded, as proving that the magnetic property had been acquired after the building was erected, and the agency of lightning was indicated by neighboring cracks in the walls.

Dissipating Fog by Electricity.

It is thought by many that the time is not far distant when fog and the smoke in the atmosphere of large cities will be dissipated by electricity. Already a patent has been taken out in Germany for an apparatus for smoke prevention by means of wires stretched inside a flue or chimney and rendered incandescent by an electric current. This simple method will consume the blackest smoke, but at present it is much too expensive for practical use.

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