

Uncle Eli and Tom Slater. Tom Slater was as trifling a scamp as ever danced a jig or carried a mule. One day he went to Uncle Eli Parker, another negro, with a tale about what the white folks had been saying about him. He wanted sympathy.

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Poet Stoddard and the Can.

At the recent dinner in honor of Richard Henry Stoddard ex-Judge Henry E. Howland told a story of how Mr. Stoddard opened a tomato can, to illustrate the intense ardor with which he opens a subject.

Information.

Upguardson—What does this word sinecure mean? Atom—Well, "sine" means "without," and you know what "cure" means. The word signifies "incurable."

The Woman.

"Yesterday," said Jabson, "I refused a poor woman a request for a small sum of money, and in consequence of my act I passed a sleepless night. The tones of her voice were ringing in my ears the whole time."

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The Orator Revealed.

Mr. F. P. Stearns, in his book of "Sketches From Concord to Appledore," describes the occasion that revealed Phillips, the orator.

In October, 1837, he was married to Miss Anna Green, a cousin to Mrs. Maria Chapman. In November occurred the riot at Alton, Ills., and the assassination of Lovejoy. Dr. Channing's first petition for an indignation meeting in Faneuil hall was refused by the authorities, but a second and more urgent one was granted. The audience was almost equally divided between the antislavery people and their opponents, who made the most noise and disturbance. It seemed as if the meeting would end in confusion.

"I went there," said Wendell Phillips, 25 years later, "without the least intention of making a speech or taking any part in the proceedings. My wife and Mrs. Chapman wished to go, and I accompanied them. I remember wearing a long surtout, a brand new one, with a small cape, as was the fashion of the day, and after the attorney general made his speech, denouncing Lovejoy as a fool, I suddenly felt myself inspired, and, tearing off my overcoat, started for the platform.

"My wife seized me by the arm, half terrified, and said: 'Wendell, what are you going to do?'

"I replied, 'I am going to speak, if I can make myself heard.' The uproar was so great that the chairman asked Dr. Channing if he could stand thunder. But the personal beauty of Mr. Phillips so surprised all hearers that they paused to listen to him and were so charmed by his eloquence, that they neglected to make any further disturbance. The attorney general was wholly discomfited, and Dr. Channing's resolutions were carried by a substantial majority.

Mr. Phillips was only 26 years of age when he delivered the spontaneous, magnetic speech which proclaimed him a vigorous, original orator.

He Got His Dose.

The llama of South America is an expert marksman, though it never uses its craft in the procurement of its food. Only when annoyed and angry does it give an exhibition of its wonderful skill in hitting the object aimed at. The llama's weapon is its mouth. Its bullet is composed of saliva and chewed hay.

Several years ago, at the fair grounds in St. Louis, I witnessed an exhibition of this creature's powers of expectation, in which the victim was a country bean, who came very near losing his sweetheart thereby. This young man was one of those self sufficient individuals who imagine that knowledge sits enthroned in the temples of their own personal intellects; that what they do not know is not worth knowing. He was annoying the llama (the animal stood in the center of its pen, probably 15 feet or more from its tormentor) by throwing clods of dirt at it and by beating on the rails of the pen with his cane.

I saw by the creature's actions that it was angry. The rapid movements of its jaws indicated that it was preparing to attack its persecutor. I warned the young man, telling him what to expect. His sweetheart begged him to desist and to come away. But he treated my warning with derision and told the girl that he "knew his business." Suddenly there came a whizzing, whistling noise, followed by a sharp spat. The young wisecrack lay supine upon his back with his eyes and forehead plastered with a disgusting mixture of saliva, hay and mucus.

"I hate a fool!" said the girl, as she shouldered her parasol and walked away. I saw them again in the monkey house some time afterward, but the man was a changed being. He had learned his lesson in decorum. He had been taught modesty by the good marksmanship of a llama.—James Weir, Jr., in Lippincott's.

Located by an Echo.

A most interesting method of employing the echo of a sound has been devised for the location of the carriers which sometimes become lodged in the underground pneumatic tubes. Knowing that sound travels at a speed of, roughly, 1,100 feet per second, and the time measured in thousandths of a second between the firing of a pistol shot into the conduit and the arrival of the echo at the outlet of the tube, a simple calculation gives the exact location of the obstruction. The mean of five experiments in the recent test gave 2,792 seconds, and when the sound velocity was corrected for air temperature the obstruction was located at 1,537 feet from the instrument, which was the exact location.—Boston Transcript.

English Lie's Causes.

During the reign of Queen Elizabeth a religious brotherhood known as the Brotherhood of the Most Glorious and Undivided Trinity was directed by an act of parliament to preserve ancient sea marks and to erect beacons and "signs of the sea." For more than 100 years this brotherhood kept up the ancient sea marks, but erected nothing new. Then they began to purchase and operate lights owned by private individuals or by societies, and still later they commenced to build lighthouses and beacons. Finally, in 1856, parliament gave Trinity house the entire control of the lighthouses of England.—Lieutenant John M. Elliott, U. S. N., in St. Nicholas.

CURTAIN RAISERS.

Marie Bates will play the title part in "The Widow Goldstein."

Paul Menfee has joined "Pudd'nhead Wilson" to play Chambers.

Fritz Williams will rejoin the Lyceum stock company next season.

James O'Neill contemplates a revival of "The Dead Heart" next season.

Laura Keene's old homestead at Fair Haven, Mass., was burned to the ground recently.

William Courtleigh will be a member of the New York Lyceum stock company next season.

Oscar Hammerstein has engaged Baroness Blanc to appear at the Olympia Music hall, New York.

Geoffrey Stein will be a member of the summer stock company at the Columbia theater, Washington.

Emma Maddox will remain a member of the Girard Avenue theater stock company at Philadelphia next season.

Felix Morris' contract with Daniel Frohman had a second season to run, but Mr. Morris, it is said, has consented to cancel it.

Joseph W. Herbert is writing a new burlesque, which will be produced at Koster & Blais in New York during the summer.

Harry Knight contemplates a revival of his success, "The Athenian," later entitled "Nydia, the Blind Slave," at Boston next season.

The triple comic opera star alliance, consisting of Lillian Russell, Delia Fox and Jeff De Angelo, has proved a phenomenal success.

Fanny Bulkeley has declined an offer from Augustin Daly for his English tour. Miss Bulkeley will retire from the stage after her marriage in June.

A new "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is the startling bill at a theater in New York city. James W. Harkins, Jr., and Edwin Barbour are responsible for it.

Frances Hodgson Burnett's play, "A Lady of Quality," will be produced at Wallack's theater, New York, next September, with Julia Arthur and Frederic De Belleville in the chief roles.

IRON AND STEEL.

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Chemists say that the blood of oxen contains a larger percentage of iron than that of any other creature, and therefore beef is the most nourishing of animal food. Pills made of dried bullock's blood have been manufactured for use in medicine.

Until 1730 the smelting of iron was always performed with charcoal, nor was its use wholly superseded in large foundries by coal and coke until 1788, and indeed in many establishments and for several kinds of manufactured iron charcoal is still employed.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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PENCIL AND BRUSH.

Sir Walter Besant is advocating a plan to make the anniversary of Shakespeare's birth and death a universal Anglo-Saxon observance.

James Payn has made the grave confession that some years ago, in his capacity as reader for a London publishing house, he rejected "John Inglesant."

Miss Curtis Smith, who has recently been appointed an art director in Philadelphia, is said to be one of the cleverest poster artists in Philadelphia.

Henri Gervex, the Parisian artist who painted the pictures of the coronation of the czar, has received the Cross of St. Anne of the Second Class. He is at work on a panorama of the coronation.

Mr. Ruskin spends several hours a day gardening in a little green, cultivated place in the middle of a nut wood, which in spring is full of daffodils and cherry blossoms. Here the professor admits no other toil but his own, and is as proud of his garden as of the great books which bear his name on the title page.

HOWE'S HOMILIES.

Some people are so polite that they are dishonest.

Many a man who thinks he is smart can't prove it.

The best people occasionally slip into gossiping without realizing it.

If you want the women to admire a man, tell them that he is fond of his wife.

Go fishing and get rid of it. Every one goes fishing at least once a year and becomes disgusted.

Pious men are reminded that if the Lord hears the grace they say at meals, he also hears the comments they make to their wives afterward.

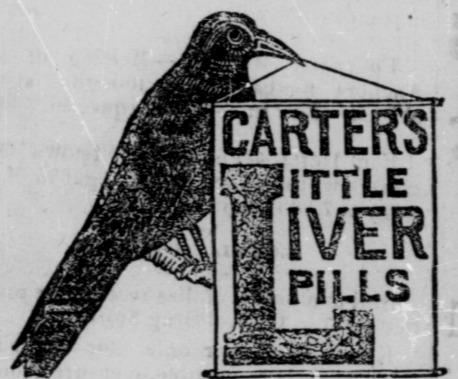
A man can't learn any more about women by being engaged to them than he can of the taste of candy by looking through a confectioner's window.—Atchison Globe.

STATE LINES.

A curious fact about these river floods is that they never break out in Kentucky.—Harrisburg Morning Call.

If the examples of New York, Pennsylvania and Mississippi are typical, it appears that about the worst trouble a state can suffer is to build a capitol.—Boston Journal.

The claim is made for New Hampshire by one of its sons that it is the only state of the original 13 in which no man ever perished on its soil by the act of a public enemy of his country other than Indians.—Exchange.



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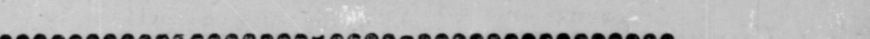
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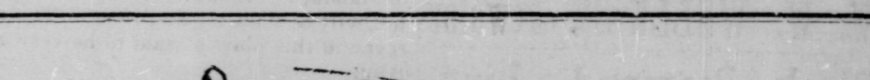
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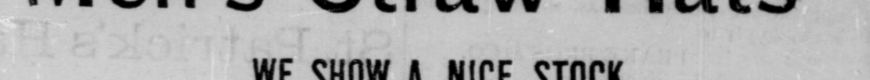


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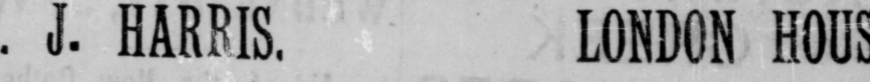


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