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Mebane has more than trebled its population in the last ten years, it has doubled its commercial interest in the past two years, doubled its freight business in the past year, it has built two commodious tobacco warehouses, both of which are doing a very satisfactory business, in the past year the streets of Mebane were paved, and now the town is looking hopefully to the New Year for greater things. Mebane as a thriving and prosperous town is attracting State wide attention. The Leader going to the four quarters of the globe and elsewhere tells the story, as no other agency could do. The Leader has been published in Mebane three years, and during that time has done its work well for Mebane, and it is doing it because it is built that way. It would rather feel more encouragement in its work, but that is the business of the people who owe it to us, ours is to do our duty.

RICHESON AND DIMMES-GALE

The confession of C. V. T. Richeson and the conduct of his part preceding it testifies powerfully to the might of the conscience which God has given man. That confession rings true. It is the outcry of the human soul in an earthly hell. Doughtless the man's ministerial training and habits made his sufferings greater than they would otherwise have been.—Charlotte Observer.

In a moment of demagogical passion Rev. Richeson handed to Miss Avis Linnel a capsule containing cyanide of potassium, one of the most deadly poisons known, and Mr. Richeson was fully aware of the effect of such a drug in the human stomach. And now Mr. Richeson comes forward and confesses to his crime. It seems a season for confession, Beatie confessed, the McNamaras confessed, and now Richeson has confessed.

As foul as the crimes that these parties committed it is evident that they had a conscience, if it had been deeply asleep. But there are a plenty in this world who have no conscience, never had any, the fact is we do not believe they have any more soul than a beast. They are so entirely wrapped up in their own infernal selfish desires, they neither know or care to know any other interest, and because they do not commit crimes that would break their necks is the love of their own lives. It is fear, and not a desire to obey the law.

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The Useful Verb "To Get."
There is no word, long or short, in the English language capable of performing so much labor in a clear, intelligible sense as the verb to get. And here is an old time specimen of its capabilities:
"I got on horseback within ten minutes after I got your letter. When I got to Canterbury I got a chaise for town, but I got wet through before I got to Canterbury, and I have got such a cold as I shall not be able to get rid of in a hurry. I got to the treasury about noon; but, first of all, I got shaved and dressed. I soon got into the secret of getting a memorial before the board, but I could not get an answer then. However, I got intelligence from the messenger that I should most likely get one the next morning. As soon as I got back to my inn I got my supper. When I got up in the morning I got my breakfast and then got myself dressed that I might get out in time to get an answer to my memorial. As soon as I got it I got into the first chaise and got to Canterbury by 3 o'clock, and about tea time I got home."—Ave Maria.

Wellington's Subtle Retort.
Wednesday, 19th October, 1836—Lord Fitzgerald made us laugh at dinner today with a story about John Wilson Croker, whose pertinacity of opinion is well known. He was laying down the law after dinner to the Duke of Wellington and, according to custom, asserting the superiority of his own information on all subjects, having even lately contradicted the duke, who had mentioned some incident that had taken place at the battle of Waterloo. At last the conversation turned upon the use of percussion caps for muskets of the army when Croker again maintained a directly opposite opinion to that which was urged by the duke, who at last good humoredly said to him, "My dear Croker, I can yield to your superior information on most points, and you may know a great deal more of what passed at Waterloo than myself, but as a sportsman I will maintain a point about percussion caps."—Thomas Rakkes' Journal.

The Larch in Labrador.
The soil and atmosphere are so cold and dry in faraway Labrador that scarcely any vegetation thrives at all. The larch is a species of pine tree which is found in all northern countries, but its growth is so stunted in Labrador that a specimen found on the most southern part of that dreary land was but nine inches in height and the trunk was but three eighths of an inch in diameter. A careful examination of the miniature tree revealed its age to be at least thirty-two years, for there were that number of ring growths shown in its small trunk. The very cold currents pouring down from the north and the fact that Labrador has less sunshine than Alaska, together with several inland climatic conditions, make the summer seasons shorter and colder than are those of Alaska.—Exchange.

The Smoky City.
A Pittsburg man once submitted a Pittsburg story to a New York magazine and got a wire from the editor: "Will accept story if cut out libel."

A Pittsburg man hurried over to New York and asked the editor whom he had libeled.
"You have libeled your native city, sir," was the reply. "Why," said the editor, turning over the manuscript, "don't you say here on page 23 that the heroine clutched the air desperately?"
"Yes. Go on."
"And then two paragraphs further down you say she washed her hands. Well, that—"
The editor frowned angrily at the author.
"That, sir, is a foul and disgusting libel on Pittsburg's air."—Detroit Free Press.

Told Him His Fate.
Family secrets will out. It has been the ambition of an Overbrook mother to marry her daughter to a young civil engineer who is on the road to brilliant success. But the young man, much in love with the daughter as he is, has not fully decided whether to ask her to marry him.
Visiting at the home the other evening, the young man encountered little Bobbie. "Are you going to marry sister?" asked the lad.
Much embarrassed, the visitor stammered that he didn't know.
"Well, you are," returned Bobbie, with emphasis.—Philadelphia Times.

As We Speak It.
A German who had come to America to master our language was being shown behind the scenes of a vaudeville theater by one of his American friends.
"That man," said the American, indicating an actor with a wave of his hand, "is taking off his makeup to make up for another take off."
The German departed sputtering.—Success Magazine.

He Might Be Offended.
"See that dog, Kathi? It has taken the first prize at ten shows and is valued at 1,000 marks."
"I wonder if I dare offer him a bit of sausage?"—Fliegende Blatter.

Same Thing.
"Reggie invites me out to dinner every other evening."
"I suppose you just dote on him?"
"I table d'hote on him!"—Satire.

Slow Game.
Madge—Was George fooling while you were playing golf? Marjorie—Gracious, I hope not! Why, I accepted him.—Lippincott's.

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The Making of Chipped Glass.
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The Logical Name.
"What a queer name for a child," said the woman who had just moved next door. "Are you sure they named it Breeze?"
"Yes, indeed, and it is a most natural name for the child," was the reply.

"I suppose it's the outcome of a cheap joke on the father's part," sighed the new neighbor. "When the child is naughty he is likely to suggest a spanking Breeze."
"Not at all, though I'll mention that to him," said the other. "You see, the family name is Storm. Before she was married the mother's name was Wind—Augusta Wind. Upon marriage her name became Storm, of course, making it Wind-Storm. Now, when the little girl was born they were puzzled about selecting a name. They could not agree until some one said a little Wind-Storm might be called a Breeze. The little one is just like her mother, and a little Gusto Wind is—"
But the new neighbor wouldn't stay to hear the rest of it.—New York Press.

Getting the Bank's Help.
Financial ability is not alone the power of getting moneyed men's ears and interesting "big capital." The bank is the bulwark of small business. Given an enterprise that has a legitimate excuse for being and available assets, if it is backed by men of integrity, it can always command the support of its bank for working capital. Yet it is astounding how many small businesses start without even conferring with a bank or banker. This is a mistake. The man who wants to finance a small concern successfully should get acquainted with his bankers, keep them in touch with the business and afford them every opportunity to analyze its condition. There is no finer security than the confidence of your bank, and the cost of getting capital in this way is very small indeed compared with the cost of underwriting more or less inflated issues of stock.—Business.

Never.
"Never" is a word which is wrongly defined in the dictionary.

In that book we gather the understanding that "never" means not at all, forevermore.
But—
Each day in our broad land young women vow that they will never forgive young men.
Men lift their right hands to high heaven and swear that they will never take another drink.
Husbands promise never to forget to write every day.
Wives promise never to make another extravagant and foolish purchase.
Candidates aver that they will never run for office again.
Women say they will never speak to some one any more.
In all these cases "never" means any length of time from one hour to four days.—Life.

Broke Three Legs.
"Yes," said the small boy to the reporter, who was looking for some news to put in his paper; "mother fell downstairs and broke three legs."
"Pshaw! What are you giving me, youngster?" cried the reporter. "Don't be too funny. Your mother hasn't got three legs."
"I didn't say she had," retorted the wicked boy. "The legs belonged to a table which mother fell against. She wasn't hurt at all."

John o'Groat's to Land's End.
The distance in English miles between John o'Groat's, in the extreme north of England, to Land's End, in the farthest south, is about 480 miles as the crow flies, though by the ordinary lines of travel, of course, the distance is something more than that.

Revenge.
"That fellow cut me out in a very underhand way."
"Yet you are going to the wedding?"
"Yes. I may get a chance to soak him with an old shoe."—Exchange.

Tit For Tat.
He—What do you women do at your club? She—Talk about the faults of you men. What do you do at yours? He—Try to forget the faults of you women.—Boston Transcript.

Unfortunately Expressed.
Missionary—Our situation was so remote that for a whole year my wife never saw a white face but my own. Sympathetic Young Woman—Oh, the poor thing!
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