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PERCIVAL CAME BACK

He Shed His Name and Later Haughtily Returned to It.

Percival didn't like his name, and neither did Percival's father, but Percival's mother had a say-so in the matter, and that ended it.

Percival wished, now that he was twenty years of age and a rising young bank clerk-or one who wanted to rise, at least-that he had been named George or Henry, these names being far more digni-fied and substantial as to sound.

Percival's father wished that Per cival had been named Alexander junior, but he did not voice this aloud, and nobody at the time Percival had been named seemed to have been to name him Percival Alexander, Jr.

Thus things had rocked along for twenty years, during which Percival had been the butt and mockery of his fellows. He had been cured of parting his hair in the middle and looked like a supperless night till U cle Ned spoke up in his quiet way. fairly steady youth, he had almost reached man's estate with this un-

happy name hitched to him.

He invariably signed his name
P. C. Roberts or P. Clayton Roberts and encouraged people to call him by his middle name or, failing in this, to at least make it "P. C." His mother was wroth at this ingratitude and frankly said so. But Percival stuck to it. He would have no Percival in his. He went further and secretly encouraged inti-

mate friends to call him Sandy.

Then one day he changed. His mother found some new engraved cards in his room reading Percival Clayton Roberts and marveled, even while she was glad. When his father heard of it he was indignant. But Percival enlightened them not.

But Uncle William did. He viewed the situation on all sides and gave it as his opinion as an expert that there was a girl in the case-s girl who liked the name of Percival. And when Percival was asked about it he drew himself up haugh-

"Is it necessary," he said, with the cold dignity of a man of twenty, "that my private affairs be dis-

"Nary a bit, Perce," said Uncle William, "nary a bit. No use to discuss 'em at all that I can see." Then he went outdoors and exploded into laughter, for Uncle William had been there and knew a few things himself .- Galweston News.

Misquotations. A case of misquotation that has become chronic is revealed by a The North Carolinian and THE passage in Habakkuk. The passage really reads, "Write the vision and make it plain that he may run that readeth it." The vision was a warning and the reader was to run from danger, but Cooper misquoted it by saying, "He that runs may read," signifying that it was easily read in

haste, and this version has survived. Another instance of rewriting a quotation into something of entirey divergent meaning is afforded by the passage from Butler's "Hudi-bras," which really is, "He that complies against his will is of the same opinion still." Many a writer has misquoted that into "A man convinced against his will is of the same opinion still," as if a man that was convinced could possibly be of the same opinion as previously.

The Lawest Temperature. It is a curious fact that the lowest atmospheric temperature ever recorded by the thermometer was at a point almost directly over the equator. A balloon equipped with a self registering instrument was sent up from the shore of Victoria Nyanza, in central Africa, and it rose to a height of twelve miles. The temperature at that height was nearly 119 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. It is possible that even greater cold might be found twelve miles above the pole, but the weight of scientific opinion is that the upper air over the torrid sone is generally colder than over the artis

"Yes," the old farmer was saying, "in some ways a pig is a good deal like a human critter. You may never have heard it before, but a pig sometimes suffers from rhoumatis same as if he was a man."

"But how can you tell when a pig has rhoumstism?" saked the visitor. "Oh, he does a lot of grantin' over it, same as a man does."—Chi-cago Tribune.

The End of Reseases. She—I haven't seen you for years, fully five years, Mr. Grey How did that little romance of ours with Miss Lillian end?

He-Miss Lillian is no more. She-What! Dead? He-No; married. She-You don't say so. You say

He—No. She married ma

MADE GOOD AS A COOK

The Old Lumberman Get Supper Without the Least Effort. "Nowadays a cook is provided for each camp," said the old lumberman who has worked on the St. Croix, the

Penobscot and the St. John, "but in my days of lumbering we took turns, a week at a time, or one man would make all the bread, another the tea and coffee, and so on through the bill of fare. Once in awhile-generally before they'd got licked into their reg'lar winter mold-some fellow would kick against the routine; 'he's been hired to do something else,' or 'be'd be hanged if he'd cook, anyhow.' Then there were ructions.

began hot and roaring and died down into a laugh all round, thanks to an inthink how appropriate it would genious old soul, all quiet good nature and fat-Uncle Ned. we called him.

"We got back to camp one night to find the fire nearly out and nothing ready for supper. We were all hungry -and grouty, as sometimes happens in the best regulated crews. Each in turn declared he wouldn't be cook, and it looked like a supperless night till Un-"'Dear me,' says be, 'what a time about cooking! Why, it's the easiest thing in nature to get supper. Now

"They all agreed. This being set tled, Uncle Ned sat down on a spruce chair and let his assistants have it. " 'Now, Dick,' said he, 'the first thing for you to do is to get a little wood and start up the fire.'

boys, if you'll all wait on me I'll be

"'Isaac, just step down to the brook and fetch a pall of water. "'You, Mac, while the fire's getting

under way, wash a few potatoes and get 'em ready to put on when the pot boils. pork and put it on over the fire to fry." But, Uncle Ned! we all sheuted to

gether, 'you was to get supper!' "'Yes,' said be, calm and easy as ever, T was to get supper, but you were to wait upon me. Tom, said he, 'you'd better get the dishes ready.' "We kicked some, but 'twee no us

we'd agreed to wait on him if he'd be "When everything was ready for supper, there the old man still sat in his spruce chair—hadn't stirred an

"Dear me, dear me, said he, here I have got supper, and 'twas one o' the

easiest things in the world.' "We were 'caught,' " amiled the old lumberman, "and we sat down to supper in good temper, and ever afterward we had Uncle Ned's proposition for a byword; we'd agree to de any living thing provided we could be upon.' "-Xouth's Companion.

No Use For Them.

"I watched your sister fixing her hair the other day," said hire, Nagget, "and I must say she's not the most refined person in the world."
"No?" replied her bushand, with

"Well," she retorted with a disdainful sniff, "you'd never see me with my, mouth full of hairpins."

"Of course not," he snapped. "What would you want with so many hairpins?"-Catholic Standard and Times.

Here is one of F. R. Benson's stories of his early days of trouping in the English provinces:

"At one town I was playing to poor business. The occupants of the gal-lery were few and not overenthusiastic. I was about to make an exit on the line, Tarry awbile and anon I will return, upon which a voice from the gallery exclaimed: 'Don't trouble to return, guv'nor. We're going and shall not be back! "-Chicago Trib-

Up to James.
An official was describing, at a dinner at Washington, an unfair law.
"The people under this law," he said "are very much in the position of a young Washington attache. As the at-tache was breakfasting the other morn-ing his servant sold to him: You are out of whisky, sir. Shall I got a bot-

The Peer Man's Gym.
"Would you mind telling me," asked
Mrs. Bourdalot, giancing admiringly
at the athletic shouldars of the prospective hearder, "bur yes keen in
such splendid physical condition?"
"I ge through a few grantatic exercless every merning," confessed the
young man, dushing.
"Well, I'm perry, but we can't tourd
you. I've had the bathroom monopolized that way before." Hanney City
Times.

Among the names in the Rost Hackney voters lists are the follow ing: Frances Narroway Heaves William Paradise, Alfred Smaggard gales, Thomas Benjamin Busper Thomas Stickalovsin, William Jesep Rapter Napper, Paris Needlestitche and Pitaberbert Albert Sughy Leed-London Globe.

Two Different Species.

Lattle Willie - Say, pa, what is a bookworm? Ps - A bookworm, my son, is either a person who would pather read a book than sai or a worm that would rather eat a book than read - Chicago News.

There are many reasons for a girl's giving up office work, but one mentioned by a writer in Brooklyn Life in the following story is perhaps the most effective that could haps the most effective that could be breast in order to more easily be invented.

"Miss Smith is going away," said one of the stenographers to another.

"Is she leaving for good?"

"No, not for good; for better on a secretion which in color research." Sayed From Awful Death

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald, of Fayetteville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 8, "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and sc completely cured her, that she has not been troubled with a cough since. It's the best medic ne I ever saw or heard of." For coughs colds, lagrippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhages, all bronchial trouble bere were ructions. | it has no equal, 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by, Graham Drug Co.

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You Must Read This If You Want The

J. W. Greer, Greenwood, La. suffered With a severe case of lumbago. "At times the pains were so intense I was \_orced to hypodermic injections for relief, he says. "These attacks started with a slight pain in the small of my back which gradually became fairly paralyzing in effect. My attention was attracted to Foley' Kidney Remedy and I am glad to say after using this wonderful medicine I am no longer bothered in any way by my old enemy lumoago." Sold By All Drug-

them Some folks do not have hard work to do that in winter; but we are more and more learning the secret of making the hens lay at this season of the year. When we get that mastered we will tackle perpetual motion.

Take Caret

Remember that when your tidneys are affected, your life is in danger. M. Mayer, Rochester, N. Y., says: "Foley Kidney Pills are a wonderful discovery and I heartily recommend their nse. My trouble started with a sharp shooting paid over my back which grew worse each day, I felt singgish and tired, my kidney action was irregular and inbelligerent air. "You don't approve of frequent with a fine sand-like substance. While the disease was at its worst I started using Foley Kidney Pills. Their promp efficient acti n was marvelous. Each dose seemed to put new life and strength into me, and now I am completely cured and feel better and stronger than for years." Sold By All Drnggists.

> Keep an eye out for insect ests in winter as well as in summer. They will bite just as hard when the weather is cold as any time. And the hens cannot get out to the earth to roll in the dust, either, which makes it all the worse; but you can furnish dust, and you must if you will have healthy birds.

> Would you have better health, more strength, clearer skin. stronger nerves, more elastic step? Use Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tes, the great vegetable regula-tor and tonic. One 35c package nakes 105 cups of tea. Thompson

Your roosters will not lay any ggs this winter. Now is the time to get rid of this superfluous

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FOLEY'S KIDNEY PILLS



Mrs. D. Gilkeson, 326 Ingles Ave., Youngstown, Ohio, gained wisdom by experience. "My little girl had a severe cold and coughed almost continuously. My sister recommended Foley's Honey and Count no eggs until you get Tar. The first dose I gave her relieved the inflammation in her throat and after using only one bottle her throat and lungs were entirely free fron inflammation. Since then I always keep a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar in the

> Keep the hens in out of the deep snow. They will get chilled mean fewer eggs.

Get some bone for your hens some way. If you can't do anything better, take a bone and hew the scraps off with a hatchet. I have seen men do that; but look out for your fingers if you

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A Trick With an Egg.
Place two ▼ shaped wineglasses of the same size near the edge of a table. In the right hand one put an egg. just fitting the rim of the glass. Hold the bases of the glasses firmly down, the top rims touching each other. Now, with a quick, sharp breath blow upon the line where the egg and the glass meet. The egg will jump to the other giass. With a little practice this can be done every time. Be care ful to blow in a line with the left hand glass, or the egg will jump in the wrong direction and land on the table

The Tailor's Chance "There was a tailor, a friend of mine, who once made me a suit," said a doctor. "Through some oversight or

bit of carelessness on the part of an

with disastrous results.

assistant the coat was much too small, I promptly took it back, and be made "Some months later my tailor and I met at an old mutual friend's funeral The tailor was under the impression

that the deceased had been a patien "'Well, doc,' said he, 'you're a hang right luckier than 1 am.

"'How's that?" I asked. "'Well, it's a cinch they can't return any poor work of yours."—Cincinnet Commercial Tribune.

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man to love woman!" The woman was silent. answered his knock,--Smart Set.

The earliest mention of wheels in the Bible is in Exedus xiv. 25, when the chariot wheels of the Egyptians were taken off by the Lord. But chariots are mentioned in Geneals xii, 63. But there were older nations than the Egyptians. The Chaldenns used char lots, and the Greeks-House's pos date from about 900 B. C.—had char-lots at the siege of Troy, 1500 B. C. Probably in reality the wheel is about as early a piece of machinery as any now existing. Of course it has been developed, but the wheel of today is a lineal descendant of the section of a log of wood used by the agricultural peoples thousands of years ago. New York American COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF LAND

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