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### MADE SURE ALL WERE DEAD.

Curious story is Told by a Gentleman of Baltimore.

Baltimore Herald.

Burial alive has been the theme of many startling tales and the idea is even this day often found embodied in the plot of play and story. Probably every one at some time or other comes across this weird thought expressed in some form or written or spoken narrative. There are people who shudder at the suggestion of such a possibility, while others, notably medical men and those who fancy the bizarre and the startling, like to let the imagination play with the horrible details of such a condition.

A gentleman in northeast Baltimore told a curious story of this sort the other day. The story was told him by his grandfather, who, he said, knew it to be a fact.

Years ago an old man living in an out-of-the-way place in the country got hold of a newspaper which contained a story about a man who died and was buried in the usual way, that is, lying in the coffin face up. Some time afterward occasion demanded that the grave should be opened. To the consternation and horror of all the body was found face down and the limbs in such a position as to indicate that a terrible struggle to be free had taken place. The inference was, of course, that the man was not dead when put in the coffin, and that he recovered from an extreme state of coma after the last rites had been administered over the supposed corpse.

The story made a deep impression upon the old man. He was unable to rid his mind of the horrible thought it suggested, and his one great dread came to be that he might meet with a similar fate. He was afflicted with a mild form of mental aberration, and one of the symptoms of his trouble was a tendency to drop off into long and dreamless periods of deep slumber. This affliction strengthened his dreadful foreboding.

At length, haunted by the thought until he was almost crazy, he called his eldest son to him and told him the story and what effect it had upon himself. And then he horrified the young man by making the request that when in time the physicians pronounced him dead he would take a long knife and secretly jab it into his heart.

The son had to promise, and kept his word. When the father died and arrangements were being made for the funeral he quietly stole into the room where he lay and plunged a sharp knife into the heart.

The young man, the story goes, became very morbid and never recovered from the spell his father's condition and unusual last request seemed to have upon him. He lived to be an old man himself and as each member of the family died he performed the same deed to their bodies as he had done in the case of his father. He had a horror, it is said, of being buried alive even more violent than his father's. When he came to die he expressed a wish to speak alone with one of his sisters. To her he related the whole story, beginning with the beginning, when his father asked him to plunge the knife into his breast, and ending with the last time he had done a like deed for his youngest brother. He had kept the secret well and not a word of it had gotten out until he told his sister. He pleaded with her to promise to do the same for him. She promised, but, the story goes, did not keep her word.

### Man on Black Servants.

Richmond, Va. Dispatch.

So complex has the servants girl problem become here that a mass-meeting of the ladies of Richmond was held today in the basement of Centenary Methodist church to devise some method of dealing with it.

The chief grievance was that it is impossible to get a negro servant who can do the work she agrees to do. It was further averred that it became necessary several times a week to rise early in the morning to take the place of the hired girl, who failed to appear.

No one knew just how to deal with the question, but finally one suggested formation of a society or club. This plan was adopted with avidity, and the foundation laid for an effort to train white girls to take the place of colored servants. The idea is to establish a school of domestic science, which the poorer class of white girls may attend free of charge. It is expected that they will gradually supplant the negroes.

### Beneficial.

It is always a source of satisfaction to know of a remedy that can always be relied on in emergencies and when accidents occur, such a remedy is Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment. It is the most serviceable Accident and Emergency Liniment ever produced, and is just as satisfactory in all cases where a Liniment is required. D. D. Johnson.

### SELECTING SEED CORN.

Southern Farm Magazine.

Seed corn should be selected in the field, and the ears should be taken from stalks of a certain type, depending on what nature of the land the corn is growing on or to be grown on in the future. Small and early-maturing varieties are best for light up-lands, medium-growing varieties for second bottoms, and strong-growing varieties for river bottoms. Corn has a tendency to grow very tall in the South and to produce too much stalk in proportion to the grain. It is best, as a rule, therefore, to select the ears from rather short, stout stalks. The ears should be near the ground and the stalk upright and well rooted. By selection the number of ears, the size and shape, placing and the amount of leafage on the stalk can be increased or decreased in the course of time. One must determine his own individual needs, but should never forget that selection, to be successful and profitable, must be along definite lines and followed up for a period of years. When the right individual type of stalk has been determined on, go into the field and select the ears typical of the variety for seed. The ear should be from 10 to 12 inches long and have 12 to 18 rows of kernels. It should have about the same circumference at the butt and tip, and the grains should be in straight rows and uniform in size and shape to facilitate ease and uniformity in planting. The ear should be well filled at butt and tip and the shank should be short. A large amount of husk is not essential. Do not gather the ears until fully matured. Then slip husk and put in a dry place for winter keep. Do not expose to moisture or freezing weather, as in an open crib. In the early spring take half a dozen grains from as many parts of the ear and test for germinating qualities. Select out the best for seed and plant each ear in a row across the field. The land in the seed patch should be the best available, and should be cultivated and fertilized after the most approved methods. Detassel any stalks in the seed patch that are barren, and select the ears from the type of stalk chosen as an "ideal" the next fall for seed. If prolificacy is sought, select the ears from stalks bearing two or more.

These suggestions will enable anyone, when carefully followed out, to improve his corn.

### The Cost of Food.

New York World.

It cost the people of the United States, on an average \$34.71 per head for food in 1897, when Republican rule began at Washington. This year it costs \$52.58—an increase of over 51 per cent.

In other words, it takes \$1.51 to buy as much food now as a dollar would buy seven years ago. A man earning a dollar a day was better off then, as far as that part of his living expenses went, than one earning \$1.50 a day is now. And according to Commissioner Wright, of the Department of Labor, food absorbs over 41 per cent. of the total expenditures of the average family.

The increase of \$17.87 per head in the cost of this item represents an increase of \$89.36 in the expenditure of the ordinary family of five. Adding \$18.08 for the enhanced cost of clothes, we find that a workman's wages have to stretch \$107.44 further now on two necessary items of expense than they did in 1897.

### Mr. Watson Thinks Butler is a Bad Man.

Charlotte Observer.

The Observer man fooled about all Thursday afternoon with Mr. Watson and his wife, and interviewed him exhaustively.

Space is left to say only, however, that he has got no use for Mary Ann Butler. He said that Mary Ann was trying to get back into the camp in this campaign. "I wired my people that I wanted to plant, water and harvest no more crops for that traitor to sell, and that if they let him in I would come off the ticket. I felt about him just as a Revolutionary soldier would have felt about Benedict Arnold if, after his treason, he had asked to be admitted again into the American army. A spy outside the lines is not dangerous; the harm comes from the spy inside the camp. Butler is entirely lacking in principle."

He fastly denounces as false the charge that his campaign is being aided by the Republican campaign fund.

If troubled with a weak digestion try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will do you good. For sale by M. L. Marsh.

A man of integrity will never listen to any reason against conscience.—Hume.

### HE WORRIED IN 1854; HASN'T SLEPT SINCE.

New York World.

Passaic has a rival of Trenton's sleepless wonder. He is Jacob Casteline, sixty-seven years old, who says he has not slept in twenty years. Casteline's family, neighbors and physicians testify to the truth of his statement. He has consulted physicians in Passaic, Paterson and elsewhere, but none has been able to make him sleep.

Casteline was born in Holland, but came to Passaic with his parents when a small boy. He was a strong lad, and for years worked on a farm. When he was a young man, he says, he was able to go several days without sleep. He tells of being employed about barges on the Hackensack river, and says he worked day and night all summer with but a few hours' sleep each day.

"About that time," he continued, "my wife was taken ill, and my expenses were so heavy I could not make a living for my family and pay the doctors' bills. I often lay awake a good part of the night thinking about it, and wondering if I should ever be able to pay my debts. Finally I could not sleep at all. I was then forty-seven years old.

"I am sixty-seven now, and I have never slept a wink since. I go to bed at night and lie awake thinking. I get up in the morning with a headache and feel tired and sick. I dress and get out into the air as soon as I can, and after I have walked around awhile I feel refreshed and am ready for breakfast. My appetite is good, and I work every day."

Casteline is employed as a laborer by the Acquackanonk Water Company. He was found yesterday working with pick and shovel in a ditch, and is well and strong for a man of his age.

### Can Flirt in Church, So Pastor Declares.

Flirting can be carried on in church to a good advantage, according to a statement issued by the Rev. M. B. Williams, chairman of the committee on Sabbath observance of the Rock River Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Chicago.

"There is no reason why young people should not cultivate each others acquaintance from behind hymn books," declared Mr. Williams. "We are glad to have them come to church on any pretext. Flirting is as good an excuse as any."

Frivolity during religious service, he said was to be expected of Americans. But that some good was accomplished even under these conditions, he declared, was indisputable.

"The expectation of seeing a young woman home, has brought many a boy to church for the first time," he said. "Among the love-making there is a chance for religious influence to steal in."

### Better Keep on Ploughing Bulls.

The Charlotte Observer, in speaking of some of the mission work being done in the mountains of western North Carolina, says:

The less mission work we have of that kind in North Carolina the better. Our po' whites, the floor squatters who travel thirty-five miles to church, and when they get there fine no benches to sit on, would better continue to dress in bear skins and subsist on locusts and wild honey, than to wear second-hand clothes from Cincinnati and ride to churches, with push-covered pews, in automobiles which were given them. It were better for them to continue to plow pulls on mountain sides during the week and go to hear the native circuit-rider every fourth Sunday, squatting on the floor in the back part of the church where the poor have the Gospel preached to them, than to listen every day to the dulcet strains of second-hand Mason & Hamlin organs, shipped to them from Ohio, charges prepaid.

### Farmers Want a Law to Enforce Labor Contracts.

Charlotte Chronicle.

The farmers who are continually worried with the labor problem say that a little legislation is needed along this line. Under the existing arrangements, the average man is powerless to enforce any contract he may make with a laborer or tenant.

To-day a Mecklenburg farmer who had been deserted by a tenant came to town to see if he could not find redress in the law, but after he had stated his case, he was told that there was no help for him. A tenant who had contracted to cultivate a portion of his farm left last week, and although the farmer is greatly inconvenienced, he has no redress.

The law provides that a laborer who, after receiving advance pay or supplies, leaves his employment before completing the work he has contracted to do, may be indicted for a misdemeanor, but under any other circumstances he is safe from the law.

### RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

Baltimore Sun.

The opinion grows in many quarters that railroad accidents in the United States are too numerous and could be lessened if the owners of the railroads and their employees would form a proper conception of their duty to the public. In 1903 in the United Kingdom to each 47,793,330 passengers carried one passenger was killed by a railroad accident, while in the United States one passenger was killed to every 2,000,000 carried. The disproportion is excessive, even when account is taken of the widely different circumstances under which railroads are operated in two countries. In a small country like Great Britain it is possible to fence in the right of way, abolish grade crossings and observe the block system by which two trains are kept from being on the same stretch of track at the same time. In an old country like Great Britain it is possible also to discipline more efficiently what are there called "the company's servants," while here the spirit of independence among employes often takes the form of insubordination and defiance of rules made for the safety of all. But when all allowance is made for our thinly settled areas and Democratic spirit, it remains that accidents are excessive in number when compared with those of Great Britain. The companies have not perhaps given as much attention to the prevention of accidents as they might. President Hill, of the Great Northern Railway, appears to think the public remiss in enforcing the law against those who are responsible through criminal neglect. A strict enforcement of the law would help the companies, he thinks, to enforce stricter discipline among the train crews. But the companies themselves have an unappreciated responsibility in the matter.

### Wine and Women.

Charlotte Chronicle.

That is the text. The sermon is brief and is found in the arrest in New York a day or so ago of Edward M. Field, a son of Cyrus W. Field, who, unshaved, unkempt and looking like a veritable tramp, was arraigned before a magistrate on charge of stealing an overcoat.

"In the motley crowd of drunks and outcasts that filled the court room," says one account, "few would have recognized Field as the once prosperous business man who owned a fine home and had plenty of friends. When taken into court Field wore a dirty shirt minus a collar, which he concealed by drawing his threadbare soiled coat about him. His eyes had a wild, glassy stare. His bloated countenance told of dissipation. When arraigned Field, in a shaky voice, gave his age as 49 and his business as a broker. When he was led across the bridge to the prison he said to the detective: 'Try and get bail for me if you can, but if you can't, never mind; the three meals I will get in the prison will be a godsend.'"

Wine and women is the text. The pitiable plight of a man who started out in early life as a "high flyer," is the sermon.

### Typhoid Fever.

The Bulletin of the North Carolina Board of Health for September discussed typhoid fever. The main conclusions are:

- (1) The disease is preventable.
- (2) It is caused mostly by contaminated drinking water.
- (3) Drinking water may be practically freed from the germ by proper filtration.
- (4) It is largely a country disease because of the use of well or spring water unfiltered.
- (5) The way to prevent it is to burn all matter which comes from the room of a typhoid patient and not throw it out where it can contaminate water or where flies can get at it and convey the germs to food or other matter.

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### It is given out that, despite reports to the contrary, ex-President Cleveland will make a speech in New York during the campaign, acting as presiding officer at a meeting of the held on the 21st, when John G. Carlisle will make the principal address.

### President Roosevelt has appointed Robert J. Wynne Postmaster General to hold the place until Chairman Cortelyou finishes his campaign work.

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