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My Uncle John is well preserved, Though he is over ifity; of sturdy build and iron nerved Is he, and very thrifty.
He will let nothing go to waste.
Especially his victuals;
He carves a fowl with style and taste While to the bone he whitles.
But that does not explain his vim Nor all his actions youthful; His foodstuffs are preserving him, To be exact and truthful. The milk contains formladebyde, As chemists oft have noted; The bacon with which he's supplied Has all been creosoted.
The jelly that he buys contains Sume salicylic acld;
This stops all his rbeumatic pains And makes my uncle placid; The maple sirup for his cakes Saves him from qualm and quiver-
Sulphate of soda in Sulphate of soda in it makes For him a healthy liver.
The clams he eats may have been dug Back in the age Jurassic, And still are fresh through somesach drug As acid that boracie;
The soups he sips he knows are canned, But takes them like a stolc; They have been most precisely plannedTheir acids are benzoic.

Corned beef-you see my Uncle John Is quite a hearty eaterIs fit for him to fatten on, Tis doctored with saltpeter; Canned peaches, plekles. vinegar, lec cream and wine-he's sated With things extracted from coal tar And spirits methylated.
If he should be downtown for lunch His menu is the suagest; He merely takes the time to munch Some things bought from the druggist. And so you see my uncle is Preserved as nature planned him; The drugs affect that frame of his As though some one bad canned him. -Chicago Tribune.


There's just one thing
You must acquire,
If you would set
The world affre.
And that's to know
The thing to do
To make the world
Run after you.

##  <br> SOME SPELLING TRAPS

Handwriting experts have so frequent-| incriminating letter.
ly been proved to bejncorrect in their de-ductions-notably in the Beck case-that juries seldom convict prisoners on their evidence.
Curiously enough, however, although the handwriting test has been proved to be unreliable, the evidence of faulty spelling has never failed to bring retribution to evildoers.
It appears that forgery is comparatively easy, and that even an expert can be readily deceived by a forged document; but it seems almost certain that if an adult, even of good education, misspells certain words it is almost impossible for him to spell them correctly from dictation, unless aided by a dietionary.
This strange fact was vividly manifested through the acumen of Justice Darling during the hearing of a breach of promise case recently at Birmingham. The plaintiff relied upon certain letters, which she stated were written to her by defendant, to establish her case. The man, however, denied the authorship, and there was considerable doubt expressed, which the judge shared, as to the ineriminating documents being in his handwriting.
"Gross perjury is being committed in this case," said Justice Darling. And then his lordship thought of a new test. "How do you spell the word 'awful'?" he inquired of the defendant.
"A-w-f-u-l-l." was the response.
"That's how the word is spelt by the person who wrote this letter," observed the judge. And it was this fact that procured the plaintiff $£ 100$ damages.
The political history of the last 15 years has been determined by a mistake in spelling. The fact that an "e" was used instead of an " $a$ " rendered the claims of the Irish party to home rule and other reforms possible as constitutional questions to the imperial parliament.
It was at the period when the gravest charges were being made against the late C. S. Parnell and other members of the Irish parliamentary party that "The Times" electritied the world by publishing a letter, purporting to be from the Irish leader, approving of assassination.
The majority of the British people at the time believed it to be authentic. At the famous "commission" of threejudges, that was held to investigate these terrible charges, hand-writing experts swore that this letter was in Parnell's handwriting.
Despite the searching cross examination the late Lord Chief Justice Lord Russell, of Killowen (then Sir Charles Russell), subjected them to, it was impossible to shake their evidence, and most people were convinced that Parnell had penned this terrible document.
Then a journalist named Richard Pigott entered the box. "Write on a piece of paper the word 'hesitancy,'" said sir Charles, suddenly.
The witness did so, and handed the paper to the counsel. The word was spelled "hesitency," which corresponded to the spelling of the same word in the
incriminating letter
Triumphantly Sir Charles pressed his point, and in a few moments the wretched Pigott admitted that he had forged the letter, and sold it to the Times for a large sum.
In a similar manner, a mistake in the spelling of the French word "resplendissant" was instrumental in proving that the unfortunate Marie Antoinette had never ordered the "famous diamond neeklace" that has figured so largely in romance.

The order in question was undoubtedly written by the Countess de Lamotte, whose education was defective to a degree, although her manners were charming and her conversation versatile. This incident was one of the principal causes of the queen's unpopularity, and indirectly was the means of bringing her to the guillotine in the stormy days of the French revolution.

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Columbia Golf Clut Arrangen for a

## Big Content April 16 and 11.

The Columbia Golf Club, Washington, announces the first open tournament ever held in the Distriet of Columbia, for April 10 and 11. The contest will be open to all professionals and amateurs, and from present indications many of the best players in this country will be participants. Over $\$ 500$ has been contriluted by the members of the Club, to be hung up as prizes in cash and plate.

The entries will close Monday, April 9, at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. , at which time pairings and time of starting will be announced and posted at the club house. All entries must be made to T. Pliny Moran, Columbia Golf Club, Washington, D. C.
The program is as follows:
Tuesday, April 10, medal play competition, 36 holes-First prize, $\$ 150$; second prize, 8100 ; third prize, $\$ 50$; fourth prize, $\$ 25$; fifth prize, $\$ 25$.
Wednesday, April 11, Scotch foursome, 36 holes, medal play-First prize, 880 ; second prize, 840 ; third prize, 830 .
Coming as this event does just after the amnual United North and South Championship tournament here, the contest will, doubtless, interest many who participate in this tournament.

## MISS CAMPRELE ENTERTATNS.

Saturday Afternoon Rridge Party at
Inn is Much Enjoyed.
Miss Campbell, of Milwaukee, gave a progressive bridge party of four tables at The Ilolly Inn, Saturday afternoon, which was much enjoyed. Mrs. A. I. Creamer won the first prize, a bridge set, and Miss Bessie Otis Hinckley, the second, a gilt belt. At the close of play ices were served.

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