

The Scrap Book

Oriental Sees Little Difference in Humanity

Humanity is much the same the world over, is the conclusion of Ahmed Abdullah, Oriental, novelist and playwright, now in this country after years of travel and adventure in the leading capitals of the world.

"I would see in the Daily News, how, because East is East, a Manchurian beat his English wife—but never a word, although West is West, at about the same time a high English official in Hongkong beat his Chinese mistress," he says in Hearst's International.

"I would read in the Express that, since East is East, the Turks invaded an Armenian village and put everybody to the sword—but not a word that, although West is West, the Russians at Blawieostchensk massacred seven thousand peaceful Chinese.

"I would discover in the Graphic harrowing tales, the East being East, of child marriage in India—but never, in spite of the West being the West, harrowing tales of child labor in Italy and Scotland."

Fine Example of Work of Ancient Locksmith

An old iron chest, believed to belong to the Armada period, with a remarkable eight-lever lock, has just been discovered at Ripley castle, near Knaresborough, the residence of Sir William Inglyb, Bart., where it had lain for hundreds of years in the loft of an outbuilding, the Manchester Guardian reports. The chest recently came into the possession of a marine store dealer at Harrogate. Its lock is an excellent example of the locksmith's art of by-gone times, and the bottom of the chest has at some time been cut away, presumably to get at the contents. The chest, which is in an excellent state of preservation, is believed to be that in which the Scottish crown jewels were removed from Scotland before 1600.

LONGEVITY EXPLAINED



Wife—Would you believe it? There's a man in Waybackton who has lived a hundred and ten years.

Hubby—Not surprising—there's not an auto in the place.

Her Boy—Aged 89

When Mrs. Mae Urdang celebrated her one hundred and fourteenth birthday recently in the Harlem Home of the Daughters of Israel, among those taking part in the jollification were her young brother, who is one hundred, and her "boy," who is just eighty-nine.

In addition, fifty other aged men and women, inmates of the home, joined in the celebration, the feature of which was the cutting of a birthday cake adorned with 114 candles.

Scare Bleached Dog's Hair

Mutt, a black-and-white Alredale, furnished the first instance ever recorded at Galveston, Texas, of an animal turning gray from fright or shock. The dog had been missing since a motor accident in which both its owners were killed. Mutt was chained to the running board of the car, which turned over three times. Later the dog was found covering under the house. When he was finally enticed out his head was covered with gray hairs.

Correct

Harry Webb was explaining to little Vendell Darr, who made such a hit in his last production, how bears hibernate in winter, and the child was very much impressed.

Noticing how interested she was, Harry asked her if she could think of any other animal that hibernated. Vendell thought and thought and finally said:

"Santa Claus, only he does it in the summer times."—Los Angeles Times.

Big Whale Ashore

Whales are plentiful along the Oregon coast. One of the largest ever seen there, came ashore at Spencer creek, near Newport, recently. It is not known how the whale met its death. It measured 60 feet 9 inches in length. The whale's estimated weight is 60 tons.

Rug Weavers Quit Turkey

Turkey may lose its name of being a leading rug and carpet producing country, the departure of Greek and Armenian carpet weavers to many other lands having already decreased the country's output 25 per cent.

TREETOPS AND SKY

Some treetops and a piece of sky
Content my heart and fill my eye;
The touch with treetop earth I lose
Whenever such reality I choose.

Treetops—no matter what the trees—
Elm, ample, spiry poplar—please;
A bit of welkin, blue or gray,
With clouds that fleet like wind-whipped spray.

Some treetops, be they where they will,
Moody and tossed, or carved and still—
Green frescoes whose rare patterns be
On field of lapis lazuli.

If to this reality a nest
Shall be thrown in, I count me blest;
Birdlike, not more of earth I own—
Off when the wander-call is blown!

Some treetops . . . I have not forgot
A forest glade, deep as a grot,
Or as a well, whence high and far
Looked down the startled daytime star!

Treetops and sky: I have one claim
Evading memory—without name.
It is a surge of apple-bloom
Closing around an azure room.

Somewhere in Childhood Land at morn,
So sweet it makes me half forlorn;
And always in my dreams it vies
With reality in Paradise.

—Edith M. Thomas, in the New York Times.

Timely Warning Given Motorists in France

Automatic warning signals to prevent collisions between motor cars at dangerous cross-roads have been tested recently near Bordeaux, France.

These signals are operated electrically. Across each roadway near the intersection is placed a metal plate even with the road level. Whenever a motorcar approaching the crossing passes over the plate, it makes an electric contact that releases a danger signal at the crossing and on the intersecting road. At night the signals are illuminated for several seconds after contact is made with the road plate.

Thus a driver is warned instantly that another car is approaching the intersection. The signal is at a sufficient distance from the crossing to give him time to apply his brakes. Installation of the system is said not to be costly.

How It Happened

"Say, looky here!" demanded Constable Sam T. Slackputter, the guardian of the peace and dignity of Petunia, addressing a motorist who had managed to run his Hootin' Nanny against a mule in the dusk and get the contraption pretty well kicked to pieces, "how in Sam Hill did you come to run into that there mule, anyhow?"

"I didn't come to run into him; I was just trying to pass through the town," responded the offender, "and the mule had no headlight."—Kansas City Star.

Brazil's Fine Port

The port of Santos in Brazil is the world's most important coffee port. It is given over principally to shipping, but lacks the squalor of many older ports. It has a beautiful beach, where the sand is packed so hard that automobiles may drive to the water's edge.

The city has a remarkable theater with a telescopic roof. By means of an electric mechanism, this roof may be removed in ten minutes and the building converted into an open-air auditorium. The orchestra chairs are removable, so that shortly after the curtain falls a ballroom is available for dancing.

Canadian Soapstone

Canada is expected in time not only to fill its own demand for soapstone, but to export considerable amount of it. Samples of the stone are reported to be of a greenish color, easily worked and of excellent quality. The development of the industry will be watched with interest by the pulp and paper companies, who use this stone for lining kraft mill furnaces and pulp digesters. It is also used extensively in electrical, rubber goods and other industries.

Jealous Dog Killed Fawn

Because an eight weeks' old fawn had stolen the affections of the children of Thomas W. Reilly, superintendent of the Newark water shed near Charlottesville, N. J., Rags, a wire-haired terrier, driven to desperation by jealousy, killed the fawn. The dog followed the fawn into the woods near the Reilly home and attacked it. The children summoned their father and called the dog off, but the fawn did not survive the wounds.

Cast-Iron Houses

Iron is under examination as a material for the construction of houses. An English firm has submitted proposals to the ministry of health for building semi-detached houses of cast-iron plates at a cost of £550 a pair. Iron is considered more suitable than steel for this purpose because it resists atmospheric corrosion rather better.

Education Film in China

Of five motion-picture production companies in north China four make news weeklies, animated cartoons and educational films, and the fifth now is giving up dramatic pictures in favor of educational and scenic subjects.

Trouble for Motorists

Warnings have been issued in Westphalia (Germany) that the police are authorized to shoot at motorcars traveling at excessive speed which do not stop when called upon.



CONSTRUCTIVE WORK

A new representative went to an old-timer in the house and asked for a few pointers on being a legislator.

"I want to do something constructive," began the new statesman, "something worth while."

"I know, I know. Here's the idea. Keep down expenses for the rest of the country but get plenty of appropriations for your own district."

Slight Misunderstanding

The train drew up at a station, and a man carrying a heavy box climbed wearily aboard and deposited the box on the rack overhead.

A nervous old man eyed the huge package with evident distrust.

"Do you think that box is safe there?" he demanded.

"Oh, yes," replied the man, cheerfully, "it's locked!"

Thoughtful Youngster

Robust Little Girl of Five (just before starting for her first day in school)—Mumsey, dear, please cut my finger nails.

"Is it so very important now, dear?"

"Yes, mumsey. You see, I shall probably have to punch some of the other little girls, and I don't want to scratch them."

Honest Confession

The House Agent—You say you have no children, gramophone or wireless, and you don't keep a dog. You seem just the quiet sort the owner insists on.

The House Hunter—Don't want to hide anything about my behavior, so you might tell the owner that my fountain pen squeaks a bit.

CHANGEFUL GIRL



"Alice is so delightfully changeful."

"Yes; I call her the chameleon girl."

"And why?"

"She changes her complexion as often as she does her mood."

Noah's Luck

Whatever troubles Noah had. And they weren't few, that's clear. He didn't find on Ararat. The sign: "No Parking Here."

She Is

"The customer is always right," said the boss to the new clerk.

"How can that be?"

"It's the best way to avoid an argument. Isn't your wife always right?"

No Danger, Old Boy!

"The worst thing about being a bachelor is that one's name dies with one."

"What is your name?"

"Smith."

A YOUNG BASEBALL FAN



"Two heads are better than one, my son."

"Me for a double-header, dad."

Hain't Heard of It

Is there anything under heaven a candidate won't do To get his name in the public prints. Please tell us, kind sir, true.

Inference

"Yes, he's absolutely ruined; but still, poverty is no disgrace, is it?"

"Oh, no. He doesn't owe you anything either, then?"

Got Into Hot Water

"I got into terrible hot water last night," remarked Harry.

"Did you? Whatever did you do?" exclaimed his friend.

"Oh, I just had a bath!" was the reply.

Used to It

Young Chap—Are you going to be cremated?

Old Gent—No, sir. They're going to bury me. That's what I've been used to ever since I was a mere child.

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One Consolation

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Blows Its Own Horn.

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Hardly Probable

Old Professor (returning to his chair after brief absence finds cat resting there)—Great heavens! Is it possible that I've been sitting on that cat all afternoon?

Fable

Once upon a time there was a man who told a girl she was the first woman in his life. She was.—Life.

Ginger Snaps!

So good that each one calls for more

3/4 cup sugar (granulated)
1 cup molasses
3/4 cup shortening
3/4 cups self-rising flour
1/2 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon ginger

Heat molasses to boiling point. Add soda when removed from fire. Pour hot molasses over shortening. Mix ginger with flour and combine mixtures. This will make a stiff dough which is easily handled if thoroughly chilled before rolling very thin. Cut and bake on greased pans in moderate oven.

NOTE: In making rolled cookies of any kind, it may be necessary to add more flour to make dough stiff enough to handle.

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