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As Well as Men are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

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ARTISTS' EMBLEMS.

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HIS GREAT IDEA.

The Tin Plated Tomato and the Moral That Goes With It. A good theory that won't work isn't half as good as a poor one that will. Twenty years ago a young man just out of college had a great idea.

A Lottery Romance.

A few years ago, as the date for the drawing of the annual Christmas lottery at Madrid was approaching, a poor mechanic of Corunna was awakened three consecutive nights by the number 125,803, apparently spoken in his ear.

Unusual Death.

To fall to death in a seething whirlpool was the fate of two Swiss lovers a few days ago. The couple were visiting the famous Handegg Falls near Meiringen when a small bridge over the river Aare collapsed and they fell 240 feet into the whirlpool below.

FIRST SCOTLAND NECK RACE TRACK. Located Near Halifax Over a Hundred Years Ago.—A Noted Horse.

There is to-day a race track at Scotland Neck; and I thought it might interest some of the readers of The Commonwealth, as it interested me, to know that there was a track over a century ago, named the Scotland Neck Track, located near Halifax; also, of a famous race which was run over it between one of the most renowned horses that ever faced a starter in this country, and another who was thought by many to be his equal.

"Sir Archy was bred by Colonel Archbald Randolph and Colonel John Tayloe, as their joint property. He was foaled on James River in 1805, was by imported Diomed out of imported Castanira by Rockingham."

"Sir Archy was a rich bay in color, having no white about him except on his right hind pastern. He was a horse of fine size, being full sixteen hands high, an inch taller than his English sire, with great power and substance. His shoulders were very deep, mounting up to the top of his withers and obliquely inclined. His girth was full and deep, back short and strong, thighs and arms long and muscular with good bone.

Of his opponent in the race it was said that he (Blank) "was the only horse then living in America who was thought to have any chance with Sir Archy at all. Blank was regarded as a horse of great bottom. He was owned and trained for this race by General Stephen W. Carney, who imported his sire, Citizine."

Of the race, which occurred in the fall of 1809: "Sir Archy met Blank for the Jockey Club Purse, four mile heats, at the Scotland Neck track, Halifax, North Carolina. They went off slowly the first two miles, when Blank set out to make it a race from there home. Sir Archy was in the lead some few feet, and maintained his place, winning the heat by more than a length in 7:52. The second heat was run in the same manner and was won by Sir Archy with apparent ease in 8:00."

"The next morning Sir Archy was purchased by Allen J. Davis for \$5,000 and retired. (A modest sum in comparison to present day figures.—Flying Fox, the great English thoroughbred, was valued by his owners at \$225,000.) The retirement of Sir Archy would not have occurred so early in his career had it not been that there was no horse of the time which had speed and strength enough to compete with him at a distance of four miles, or four mile heats. After this race, in which he disposed of the claims of the Carolina horse Blank, Colonel Johnson, his owner, a true sportsman, offered to run him against any horse in America, four mile heats, for \$5,000 a side. None were found to take up the gap thrown down to them, and it was for this reason that Colonel Johnson parted with him. Sir Archy suffered much ill effect from his attempt to make Sir Archy run the second heat of their famous race, for soon after trial of speed Blank died."

Colonel William R. Johnson was a Virginian, his home being near Petersburg. He was the best judge of a thoroughbred horse of any man of his time; and he was known as "The Napoleon of the Turf." By marriage he was related to the family of Faulkner of Warren county. One of his jockeys, a negro named Charles Stuart, afterwards a noted horse trainer, was loaned to Mr. Peter Davis, of Warren, and for him Stuart rode the famous race track near Warrenton. Let us all wish for the present "Scotland Neck Track" every success. With enough communities so interested in racing the sport might again be made as it once was in this country, and still is in England, the sport of gentlemen and kings. An attempt to restore the old time four mile races was begun last year in Kentucky when the racing organization of the Churchill Downs track, at Louisville, together with the State Racing Commission, voted \$10,000 and a solid gold cup to the winner of the four mile race which was run on September 7th. J. D. HUFHAM, JR.

May-Day Fete at the State Normal.

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 12.—As a part of the Commencement exercises, the students in the College and the children in the Training School are to celebrate May-day. To the ancestors of every North Carolinian—Teuton, Celt, or Anglo-Saxon—the very word May-day was eloquent with meaning.

From the dim and shadowy period of paganism, through many centuries, all European peoples performed certain semi-religious, semi-pagan rites in May. Romans instinctively wore garlands and carried newly budded branches in honor of Flora and Zephyr, who were supposed to strew the earth with flowers.

In the Christian era the old customs were continued as wholesome recreation for the people. Not only the masses, the lords and ladies, kings and queens reveled in the woods and "brought the summer home." In "The Death of King Arthur" we read: "Then it befell in lusty May that Queen Guenever called unto her her knights of the round table and gave them warning that early in the morning she should ride on Maying into the fields beside Westminster."

Next week we shall tell you of four famous May-Poles. Where is the Congressman brave enough to draw up and champion a bill to purge the Federal pension rolls? There has been talk and talk of this, but instead, additional fakirs are being added to the rolls and more money voted at every Congress.

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Many Children Die of Croup Every Year Before a Doctor Can Be Summoned. Parents of children should be prepared at all times for a spasm of croup. Keep in the house a remedy that will give instant relief and keep the child from choking until the arrival of the physician.

PREVENTION OF CONSUMPTION.

Prevention Easy if Each Individual Does His Part.

Consumption is a preventable disease. Then why not prevent it? Every case is contracted by means of germs from some other consumptive. If you get consumption, you may consider it a monument to some other consumptive's ignorance, carelessness, or negligence.

Consumption would be extinct in less than five years if all consumptives would exercise the proper precaution. This may mean you. Thousands of people in our State have consumption and do not know it. Many of them go about spitting, coughing, and sneezing in a careless manner, making their friends and associates most liable to the disease.

Don't spit! Oh, you say, that is an old saw. So it is, but it is the ounce of prevention which any one can easily supply. Ninety-five per cent of the spitting is unnecessary. This is an in sanitary practice confined largely to the men. To be sure it is filthy and dangerous to swallow mucus and phlegm coughed up. It is far better to rid the system of this secretion than to allow any part of it to enter the stomach. But, if spit you must, even this can be done in such a manner as to reduce the danger to a minimum.

When ever you see a careless spitter, consider him as a man dangerous to society and an enemy to mankind. Avoid him, and beware that others cannot so regard you.

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Ages of Candidates.

The ages of men who are now spoken of as available presidential timber range from 67 to 44. Next March Governor Judson Harman will be 67; Speaker Clark will be 68; Governor Wilson, 57; Mr. Underwood, 51; and ex-Governor Folk, 44. Mr. Taft will be 56; Senator LaFollette, 58; Senator Cummins, 68; and Mr. Roosevelt, 54.

Kitchen Club Formed.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 9.—The first of a chain of Kitchen clubs expected to be organized in every section of the State in connection with the candidacy of Governor William Walton Kitchin for the United States Senate, was organized here to-night with C. J. Hunter as president; C. B. Barbee, vice-president; W. C. Harris, secretary; B. H. Little, treasurer, and with an executive committee composed of Dr. Chas. Lee Smith, B. F. Montague, L. B. Pegram, E. B. Barbee and T. P. Sales.

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